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SECOND DISTRICT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION

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March 2022



## The Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County

Cordially invites you to join us for  
our General Membership Meeting,  
Installation of Officers &  
Awards Recognition  
at

*The General Warren*  
Malvern, PA  
Wednesday, May 25th  
6:00 – 9:00 PM

- Cost is \$25 for New Dentists (practicing 10 years or less)
- Free for New Members, 25 and 50 Year Anniversary Celebrants
- \$50 for all other attendees

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## From the Desk of the President



Dick Clark, DDS, MS

It's hard for me to fathom that this pandemic has persisted for almost 2 years. Until recently, the Spanish Flu of 1918-19 had been the deadliest pandemic in U.S. history. This infection was first reported in a public health journal on April 5, 1918 after a few people in Haskell, Kansas, succumbed to the infection. Subsequently this virus marched around the globe. An estimated 675,000 Americans died during three major waves of this disease but by the summer of 1919 the

disease was reasonably well controlled. Fifteen months or so and that pandemic subsided.

This current pandemic has lasted two years with no real end in sight. To date, 883,000 lives have been lost in the U.S. despite our tremendous medical advances. The dental profession and our patients are particularly vulnerable. On March 11, 2022 the Valley Forge Dental Conference will host nationally renowned speaker Dr. John Molinari who will be speaking on the subject. Dr. Molinari's presentation "*What You Need To Know! Keeping You and Your Patients Safe in Pandemic Times*" promises to be an up-to-date look at the best practices to ensure safety in our offices. CE credit will be awarded and this course is free to all members of Second District in good standing. It will be held at the Valley Forge Casino Resort. Pre-registration is required for this event. **Go to [www.GPVFDC.org](http://www.GPVFDC.org) to register today.**

The New Dentist and Membership Committees will have had their February social scheduled for February 12, 2022, by this report and if history repeats itself, it will have been a big success. If you have not taken part in these socials, I highly recommend them. These two Committees have worked hard this year and have put together some excellent socials.

Ward Blackwell, Executive Director of the PDA, has an ongoing Leadership Webinar series presented monthly. It is an excellent way to see how the PDA is helping dentists and the profession. Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2022, at the General Warren in Malvern. New Officers and Directors will be installed, Committee Members recognized for their hard work and Awards given. The evening's keynote speaker will be Tom Smarr from Jenkins Arboretum speaking on the history of the Gardens. Please join us for an evening of elegant dining and entertainment.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dr. Dick Clark*



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## Board of Governors Meeting

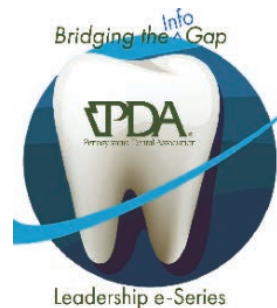
**DATE:** Wednesday, March 16, 2022 (*Via Zoom*), 6:30 PM  
Wednesday, May 4, 2022 (*Via Zoom*), 6:30 PM

The Zoom meeting link will be provided once board reports are sent. Please send your reports to Dr. Greeley two weeks prior to the meeting at [mcbgreeley@aol.com](mailto:mcbgreeley@aol.com).



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## Leadership e-Series!

This series is designed to keep PDA leaders at the national, state, district and local levels informed but all members are welcome. There is no registration fee. After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

### Upcoming Dates:

March 7, 6:30

April 4, 6:30

May 2, 6:30

**Register at [www.pda.org](http://www.pda.org)**





## MEMBER SOCIAL AXE THROWING

Saturday, Feb. 12 • Malvern, PA



The Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County Axe Throwing Social at Splitting Edge in Malvern faced off teams Endo Axes vs. Incisal Edge for an afternoon of fun on Feb. 12th. There were many bulls-eyes thrown, attempts at "Kill Shots" and lots of fun for some of our newest and more seasoned members thanks to some encouragement and coaching from Matt of Splitting Edge!



Endo Axes		Incisal Edge	
Michael	5/	5/	
Emily	6/3	Rhonda	25
Kevin	12/7	Emily	25
Lynda	338/467	25	18.0
Doreen	16/10	25	18.0
Doreen	19/14	25	18.0
Silken	4,00/44,0	25	18.0
Rachelle	23/19	25	18.0
	35/25	25	18.0
	4,00/43,1	25	18.0
	40/31	25	18.0
	43/30	25	18.0
	49/10	25	18.0
	51/11	25	18.0



## Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County 2022 Nominations • Officers, Board of Governors

### Officers

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### Board of Governors (8) 2-year term (term ends xxxx)

Tami Brady (2023)  
 Bernie Logan (2023)  
 Frank Shannon (2023)  
 Rachel Wezka (2023)

Haley Ciccarelli (2024)  
 Dan Daley (2024)  
 Milad Azadi (2024)  
 Linda Himmerberger (2024)

### Second District Directors, Officers, and PDA Delegates and Alternates (term ends xxxx at GPVFDC)

**Current:**  
 Dick Clark (2023)  
 Dave Iglewicz (2023)  
 Bernie Logan (2024)

**Future:**

#### Second District President (2022-2023)

Dale Scanlon

#### Second District President Elect

#### PDA Trustee (2021-2024)

Karin Brian

### (Should PDA HOD Be Reinstated)

#### PDA Delegates - 2023:

Haley Ciccarelli	Stephanie McGann
Dick Clark	Selena Nguyen
Connie Greeley	Jasmine Shafagh
Dave Iglewicz	

#### PDA Alternate Delegates - 2023:

Tami Brady	Linda Himmelberger
Dan Daley	Bernie Logan
Joel Funari	Frank Shannon
Don Gordon	Charlie Weber

**Recognition Award:** Seven years ago we created a Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County Recognition Award Nominating Committee consisting of the 3 most recent past presidents of the society and the Past President with the most years out acting as chair. Nominations for the DSoC&DC Recognition Award must be submitted to the Chair by March 1st and the winner will be determined by April 1. The award will be presented at the Annual Business meeting in May of the nominated year.

**Award Recipient:** Confidential

**GKAS Champion:** Stacey Zelesnick, RDH, PHDHP

**Community Recognition Award:** This award is presented to an individual or group (ADA dentist or non-dentist) who has exemplified himself/herself/themselves by outstanding services to the community. The Annual Award Committee may select a recipient who, in its judgment, has led an effort to pass major legislation for the protection and enhancement of the oral health of citizens of Pennsylvania, led a regional access to dental care effort for the under-served populations, or played a leading role and personally made a significant contribution in the education of the public regarding the importance of good oral health and/or public health policy..

**Award Recipient:** Alberta D. Landis, RDH, Med, Vice President of Dental Services, CVIM



# Member Spotlight

## Dr. Shaheen Shafagh

“Dr. Sha” grew up in Lower Merion, PA in a dental family. He attended The Episcopal Academy followed by Franklin & Marshall College, majoring in Government Relations. Subsequently, Dr. Sha obtained his degree in Dental Hygiene from The University of Pittsburgh and practiced in center city Philadelphia for almost five years before deciding to go back to school to earn his D.M.D degree and follow in the footsteps of his dad who is a Prosthodontist (Dr. Iraj Shafagh) and sister (Dr. Jasmine Shafagh, Editor of the Bulletin).

Dr. Sha obtained his Masters in Biomedical Science from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) and his Doctor of Dental Medicine from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) School of Dental Medicine. Upon graduation from LECOM in sunny Florida, Dr. Sha made a bold decision to move out West for two years after he was offered a job in a busy, modern, multi-specialty practice in Denver, CO to hone his skills in the operatory (and on the ski slopes). In 2020, he received his fellowship with the ICOI and AAIP and has enjoyed extensive hands-on advanced courses in implantology and oral surgery.

Eventually, all roads lead back to family and Philadelphia and last year, Dr. Sha moved back home to take over the family practice in Havertown, where his father has been practicing for almost 40 years!

Dr. Sha is passionate about helping people and loves the social aspect of dentistry more than anything else. Working side by side with his father has been the greatest honor a son could ever have, and he cherishes every day of it. He is an active member of the ADA, PDA, ICOI and AAIP and has enjoyed networking with local new dentists through the Social events held by the Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County. He hopes to get more involved in organized dentistry in the upcoming year.

Outside of dentistry, Dr. Sha loves enjoying all the flavors of the Philly restaurant scene, making ski trips back out West, and is looking forward to accepting his life as a future Florida snowbird.



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**Friday, April 8, 2022**

### Diagnosis, Treatment Planning, and Clinical Procedures for Full-Arch Fixed and Removable Implant Rehabilitation -

This program will provide a clinical and literature based systematic approach aimed at helping clinicians with treatment planning and the decision-making process for edentulous and partially edentulous patients with fixed and removable prostheses. This process requires balancing patient preferences and finances with a number of clinical factors. Since the choice of fixed versus removable options for both provisional and definitive prostheses is often the most difficult step in treatment planning, special attention is given to considerations for both. Even though the presentation will be heavily focused upon diagnosis & treatment planning and evidence based dentistry, specific clinical procedures and steps will be outlined including clinical and laboratory techniques. Learning Objectives: Understand principles, theory, and procedures of full arch restorative dentistry options; Learn the background research and literature related to removable and fixed restorative options; Exposure to information related to clinical techniques for removable restorations; and Acquire knowledge and confidence with clinical techniques for fixed restorations.

**Michael David Scherer, DMD, MS, FACP - Sonora, CA**

**Friday, May 6, 2022**

**Think like a CEO -** Dental practices have been able to thrive as small, independent businesses. However there are a number of economic factors today that are threatening the way our practices have traditionally operated. With the looming threats of increased competition and decreasing revenue, dentists will benefit from learning how to think like a CEO. In this workshop we will learn about and use popular management models to re-imagine our businesses. Participants will complete worksheets and discuss specific strategies for their own practices. Learning Objectives: Developing a unique business model including considerations like customer segments and value propositions; Applying business management models to the modern dental practice; and Identifying weak systems and strategize how to strengthen them.

**Chris Salierno, DDS - Melville, NY**

**June 9, 2022**

**Endodontics Revisited -** Dr. Koch begins with a review of generic endodontics. Topics include how to perform an accurate endodontic diagnosis and how to achieve profound anesthesia. She will discuss techniques that allows the clinician to perform endodontic therapy without compromising the restorability of the tooth. Dr. Koch will review a discussion of rotary instrumentation and explain why the "Blend Technique" is, in her opinion, the best rotary protocol! "Annie" will focus on bioceramic technology in both endodontics and pediatric dentistry. She will explain why bioceramics became the New Gold Standard of obturation sealers. Dr. Koch will introduce participants to multiple uses of bioceramics in perforation repairs and pulp caps. A rapid-fire Q & A session concludes the day. At the conclusion of this lecture program, attendees will: Understand why there is no such thing as a one-file endodontic protocol; Comprehend the synchronous relationship between endodontics & restorative dentistry; Learn how to successfully hybridize techniques; No longer be intimidated by endodontic emergencies; and Realize that endodontics can be both satisfying to the clinician and beneficial to the patient.

**Anne L. Koch, DMD - Palm Beach Gardens, FL**



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All meetings will be held at the Springfield Country Club on Route 320, Springfield, Delaware County, PA.  
Registration for all courses 8:30 AM. Lecture 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Continental breakfast and lunch included for all DKU courses.

**FEES**

Delco and Chesco Society Members - Entire Series - \$695, Individual Courses - \$210, 3 Courses - \$560, 4 Courses - \$655

Other ADA Members - Entire Series - \$745 Individual Courses - \$225, 3 Courses - \$600, 4 Courses - \$695

Non-ADA Members - Entire Series - \$815, Individual Courses - \$240, 3 Courses - \$635, 4 Courses - \$755

Staff members accompanied by a doctor will be \$110 per course per person with reservation at least one week in advance, \$130 per course per person at door.

**Cancellations and Refund Policy** - No refunds will be made without at least one week's notice prior to course date. (A \$25 administrative fee will be deducted.)

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**Wednesday  
Feb. 9, 2022**

**Jon Suzuki, DDS, PhD, MBA,  
presented**

*Updated Contemporary Clinical  
Periodontatology & Oral Implantology 2022*





**Announcing**  
**Guest Speaker**  
**Tom Smarr**

**Mr. Tom Smarr,**  
*Executive Director*  
**Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens**  
will be our Guest Speaker at our Annual Meeting on May 25th at the The General Warren.

### Biography

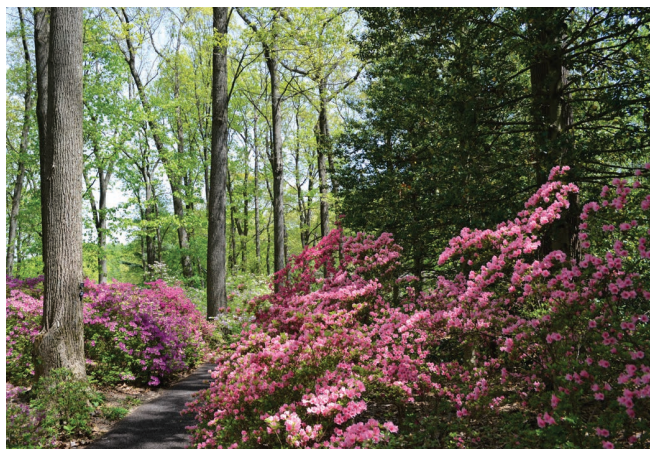
Tom Smarr is the Executive Director at Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens. He has over two decades of experience as a leader in horticulture with a commitment to make landscapes beautiful, fun, and healthy. He holds a bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies from Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania and a master's degree in Urban Horticulture from the University of Washington in Seattle. He has worked at several established botanical gardens in the US, with his most notable work at public parks such as the Rose Kennedy Greenway in Boston and the High Line in New York City.



open daily and always free of admission to everyone. Learn more about visiting the gardens, educational programs and events, plants for sale at our Garden Shop, and membership benefits on our website at [www.jenkinsarboretum.org](http://www.jenkinsarboretum.org).

### Presentation

Our story begins with the loving dedication of a man to honor his late wife, Elisabeth Phillippe Jenkins. Lawrence Jenkins entrusted the land to be conceived as a public place for everyone to explore nature, just as Elisabeth had done for her many years living on the property. Building on that vision, Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens has enjoyed 45 years of community support, establishing a beautiful naturalistic botanical garden that celebrates plants that thrive and benefit nature. In this presentation, discover the story of how this place developed and built experiences that delight visitors as they enjoy Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens.



### About the Gardens

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens is a 48-acre public botanical garden located in Devon, Pennsylvania. Since its dedication in 1976, the mission of Jenkins has been to preserve natural tranquil woodlands for community enjoyment, to showcase North American native plants and a world class collection of rhododendrons and azaleas and to promote environmental horticulture through learning, research, and conservation. The naturalistic gardens showcase plants native to the northeast region alongside spectacular views of the surrounding area, including Valley Forge. Jenkins is completely funded through community support, making it possible to be





## Past-President Dr. Miriam Ting recently co-authored an article on COVID-19: SARS-CoV-2: Overview and Its Impact on Oral Health

### ABSTRACT

The severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) and its virulent variants causing coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) COVID-19 has spread rapidly worldwide, and is highly contagious. A comprehensive search was conducted for the most current published information about SARS-CoV-2, COVID-19, and oral health. Clinical studies, case reports, in vivo studies, and any current published evidence on SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 were included in this review. Survival against SARS-CoV-2 infection may be partially dependent on periodontal health, good oral hygiene, and access to dental care. Optimum oral health, maintaining good systemic health, and elimination of smoking habits may be beneficial for the prevention and management of COVID-19 infections.

For access to the full article please visit: <https://www.mdpi.com/2227-9059/9/11/1690/htm>

## ADA NEWS

### *ADA urges Congress to include dentists in decision-making bodies leveraging best COVID-19 practices for future pandemics*

Washington — The American Dental Association is urging lawmakers to include dentists in any decision-making bodies on pandemic preparedness when developing legislation that aims to leverage best practices from the COVID-19 pandemic to enhance the nation's response to future public health emergencies.

In a Feb. 4 letter to the leadership of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions, ADA President Cesar R. Sabates, D.D.S., and Executive Director Raymond A. Cohlmiu, D.D.S., said the ADA was pleased to comment on the discussion draft of the Prepare for and Respond to Existing Viruses, Emerging New Threats, and Pandemics Act, or PREVENT Pandemics Act.

"The most glaring oversight in the federal response to COVID-19 — and one we hope you will correct in this bill — is the extent to which dentistry had to fight to be recognized as a viable resource in expanding the nation's medical surge capacity," Drs. Sabates and Cohlmiu wrote. "We therefore ask that dentists be identified by name — alongside physicians — as essential members of any planning and decision-making bodies."

The ADA shared examples of how dentists weren't considered early in the pandemic such as when federal officials granted temporary nationwide authority for pharmacists to order and administer FDA-approved COVID-19 tests. The ADA advocated for dentists to be granted the same authority and at least 24 states and the District of Columbia did so, but the Department of Health and Human Services never followed suit.

"We do not believe [HHS] intended to exclude any qualified providers from being able to administer these tests," Drs. Sabates

and Cohlmiu wrote. "It is simply our experience that being at the table early on — and being there in a codified way — can prevent these missed opportunities from happening."

The letter also said the ADA is grateful that the PREP Act was eventually amended to authorize dentists to administer the COVID-19 vaccines nationwide. Additionally, the ADA was pleased with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendation that dental personnel be placed in Tier 1 of the critical workers who were given immediate access to the initially limited supply of the COVID-19 vaccine.

"Unfortunately, we are not convinced either action would have been obvious without our advocacy," Drs. Sabates and Cohlmiu wrote.

"The Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act and the Federal Emergency

Management Agency's National Response Framework both recognize dentistry as a vital medical countermeasure. Having dentistry at the planning table early on — and being there in a codified way — will help ensure this vital national resource will not be overlooked. We hope that will be reflected in the final bill," the letter concluded.

The ADA also offered suggestions on other sections of the draft bill, including those on access to mental health services, emergency department referral, the social determinants of health and more.

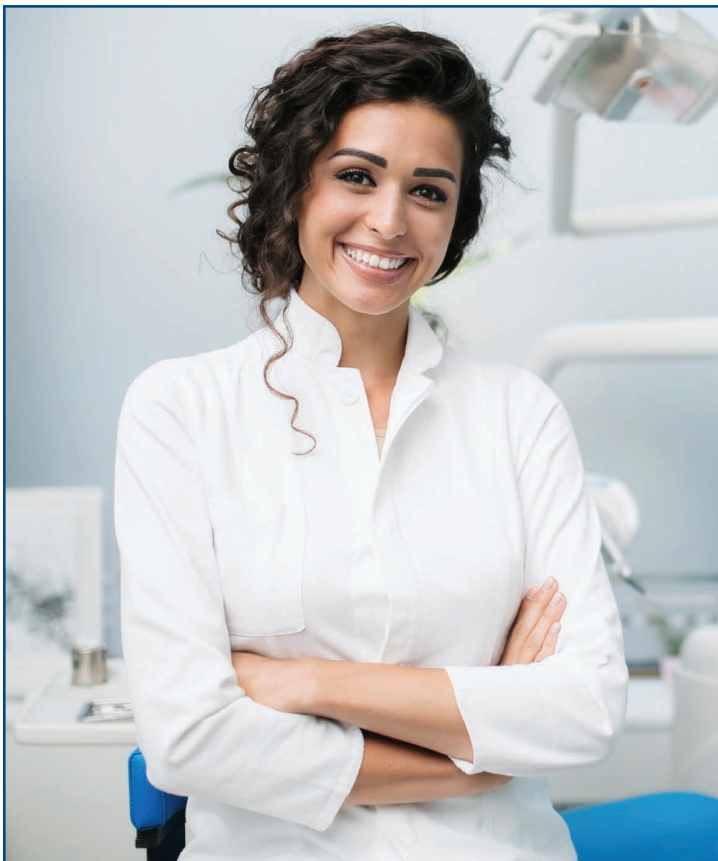


# Congratulations!



The Dental Society of Chester County and Delaware County has received a **PLATINUM** recognition level of the PDA Presidential Citation Award. This award recognizes district and local dental societies who accomplish certain tasks related to PDA's Strategic Plan. Platinum is the highest recognition level.

We are thrilled to recognize the hard work of our leaders and members, particularly during this challenging year. Thank you for your time and dedication to provide members with excellent benefits and resources.



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More information to follow.



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