

# THE LDDS EXPLORER

Welcome back friends!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the past and current executive committee members for all their hard work to keep LDDS a thriving organization. I also want to encourage all the newer members or members who have not been directly involved in the executive committee to consider lending a hand. We need you. Our organization simply cannot continue to rely on the generosity of the same members. I can and will find a place for anyone interested. No experience necessary. Just have an open mind.

I am pleased to announce the launch of our local website: [www.LDDS.info](http://www.LDDS.info). The website will be a venue for the public to find dental related information as well as an exclusive area for our local MDA members to access component information, such as our newsletter. Each dental specialty will have a page and I have asked specialists to supply information they wish to have on their page. These pages will be added as soon as I receive the information from them. The website will also be an important place to inform the public on current trends and events in dentistry, i.e. "denturists", "spa bleachings" and alike.

Not only will the website be a great forum but will also save our society dollars by avoiding costly mass "snail mail" newsletters. Futuristically, it has the real potential to make revenue when advertisers and sponsors are added.

Please go to the link and check that your information is correct. If you do not want your name or office information on the public area please let me know by emailing me at: [bradrondeau@hotmail.com](mailto:bradrondeau@hotmail.com). You can also email me if you already have a website and want to have it linked.

Here's to another great year of LDDS! Hope to see everyone at our CE dinners.

Brad Rondeau

LDDS President 2007-2008

## Letter from the Editor

Hello Everybody...

Before we begin we would like to thank Dr.'s Hamway and Stroster for all of their hard work and commitment to The LDDS Explorer over the years.

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves as your new LDDS Newsletter Editors. As your editors we hope to bring you the most current and updated information of the Livingston County Dental Society and important news from the MDA & ADA. As the ADA gears up for Annual Session next week in San Francisco, there will be a lot to report in the next newsletter.

We welcome any articles, editorials, and comments from you the membership. The next newsletter deadline is Friday October 12, 2007. We hope to see all of you at the next dinner meeting on Monday October 8, 2007. We look forward to hearing some expert advice from Dr. Garofalo and the DBS staff.

Best Regards,

Aaron M. Ruskin, DDS

Vejayan Krishnan, DDS



### FALL 2007 UPCOMING SEMINARS

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#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007**

#### **IMPORTANCE OF OCCLUSION IN TMD, HEADACHES & DENTISTRY™**

*Presented by: Drs. Jeff Haddad & Kurt Doolin  
of Rochester Advanced Dentistry*

9 am -12 pm  
3 credits

VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, Livonia

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2007** **IMPROVE RECALL/RE CARE SUCCESS**

*Presented by Barbara Boudreau, RDH*

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm  
2 credits

RDH Classroom, Troy

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2007**

#### **OSHA/HIPAA COMPLIANCE UPDATE**

*Presented by Linda Borowski, RDH*

12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

3 credits

\$65 per person

RDH Classroom, Troy

#### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2007** **NEW DIMENSIONS IN PERIO TISSUE ENGINEERING & THERAPY**

*Presented by William Giannobile, DDS, D.Med.Sc.*

9 am -1 pm

4 credits

Hilton Detroit/Troy, Troy

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## **LDDS CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2007-2008**

**Friday September 14, 2007**

**9am-4pm @ Weber's Inn -Ann Arbor**

**6 CE Credits**

**WDDS/LDDS/MDA One-Day Seminar**

**Lou Graham, DDS**

**The World of Conservative Dentistry**

**Friday September 14, 2007**

**Friday September 21, 2007**

**First Newsletter Deadline**

**Newsletter Mailing**

**Wednesday September 26, 2007**

**6-8:30pm @ Brighton Public Library**

**WDDHS OSHA/HIPPA Annual Update**

**Linda Borowski, RDH**

**Monday October 8, 2007**

**6-9pm @ Crystal Gardens -Howell**

**2 CE Credits**

**Roland Garofalo, DDS**

**Randy Marie Daigler & Sara Pajot of DBS**

**Death & Disability-What's your Plan**

**Monday November 5, 2007**

**6-9pm @ Crystal Gardens—Howell**

**2 CE Credits**

**Dr. Sabri Shuker**

**Dental Facial Blast Injuries**

**Monday January 21, 2007**

**6-9pm @ Crystal Gardens—Howell**

**2 CE Credits**

**Dr. Greg Petersberg**

**Tuesday March 11, 2007**

**6-9pm @ Crystal Gardens—Howell**

**2 CE Credits**

**TBD**

**\*Executive Board Meetings**

**\*\*Newsletter Deadline**

**TBD**

**2nd Fridays of October, December, February**

**LIVINGSTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY MEETING RESERVATION FORM**

**Monday, October 8th - Crystal Gardens**

**Roland Garofalo, DDS, Randy Marie Daigler & Sara Pajot of DBS**

**Death & Disability-What's your Plan**

**6:00pm Arrival, 6:30pm Dinner, Guest Speaker to Follow**

**\*\* Please complete and RSVP by Monday Oct 1st \*\***

OFFICE NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

List names of each doctor, staff member, spouse or guest attending: **(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**

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(for additional names, please copy or attach a separate listing)

**TOTAL # ATTENDING = \_\_\_\_\_ X \$45 PER PERSON = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please send this complete reservation form along with your check payable to  
Livingston District Dental Society (LDDS) to:

**LDDS, P.O. Box 587, Brighton, MI 48116**

(Any questions, please contact William Metz, DDS at (810) 229-6318)

**Your CE Credits will be prepared in advance and ready to pick up at this meeting. Please list names of those people that will need their CE Credit Certificate:**

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**MDA NEWS****Health and Wellness****MDA Care and Well-Being Program: Here to Help!**

The MDA's Care and Well-Being Program is ready to help dental professionals and their families fight addiction, stress, and other practice problems.

Formerly known as "Dr. Care" the MDA Care and Well-Being Program helps dentist, their families, and dental team members with chemical substance abuse, sexual, and other addictions, as well as mental and emotional impairment and physical disabilities.

If you are concerned about a colleague-our yourself-you can call the special Care and Well-Being phone number at 800-589-2632 from 8am until 4pm Monday through Friday. After hours, call 517-881-4224. You'll reach a trained staff member who will explain the program to you and answer any questions. You'll also be connected to a concerned colleague who is also a program member, if you choose. All calls are strictly confidential. Or, you can e-mail the program confidentially at [care@michigandental.org](mailto:care@michigandental.org).

The Care and Well-Being Program is operated by the MDA Special Committee on Peer Review/Health and Well-Being. "The philosophy of the MDA's Health and Well-Being Committee is treatment-oriented, not punitive, says Dr. James Oles, committee chair. "It's designed to protect the public while encouraging and supporting recovery for the dentist suffering from the treatable diseases of chemical substance abuse and mental or emotional disorders."

A series of advertisements promoting the Care and Well-Being program is now appearing in the *Journal of the Michigan Dental Association* and component dental publications.

**LDDS Executive Council 2007-2008**

<b>President</b>	Dr. Brad Rondeau	<b>C.E. Planning</b>	Dr. Gordon Niles
<b>President-elect</b>	Dr. Fredric Bonine		Dr. Fredric Bonine
<b>Secretary</b>	Dr. Wayne Nelson	<b>Membership Committee</b>	Dr. Sam Daniels
<b>Executive Director &amp; Treasurer</b>	Dr. William Metz	<b>Peer Review</b>	Dr. Kevin Hale
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Dr. Tim Stroster	<b>New Dentist Committee</b>	Dr. Vejayan Krishnan
<b>Editors</b>	Dr. Aaron Ruskin		
	Dr. Vejayan Krishnan		
<b>MDA Delegate</b>	Dr. Brad Rondeau		
<b>MDA Delegate (alternate)</b>	Dr. Aaron Ruskin		

**\*\* If you are interested in serving as an executive for the LDDS, please contact one of the members \*\***

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Committee Chairman: Sam Daniels

News reporter: Maria Parker

**Dr. Gerald A. Mato** is a relatively new addition to our dental community. He grew up in Farmington Hills, Michigan as the oldest of ten children. In May of 2000, he graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry, with many honors including election into Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society. He has practiced dentistry in a variety of places. After graduating, he began working as an associate in an office in Northville, MI. A few months later, he traveled to the Dominican Republic to perform dental work for needy children while also participating in several outreach programs to area schools. After returning to Michigan and working for another six years in offices in Northville, Southfield, and Livonia, he took a big step to branch out and open a practice of his own. Most people told Gerry he was crazy, but he was determined to make it happen and succeed. So, beginning in mid November 2006, he began seeing patients at his beautiful, new practice located west of the Brighton Library. His mission is to provide the highest quality dental care in the most comfortable and caring environment possible. It is important to him that he treats all his patients like he treats his family. When Gerry's not entertaining his patients with his state-of-the-art operatories, he enjoys spending time with his family, golfing, and reading. Gerald A. Mato, D.D.S. - 810 355 3500.



**Also new to the area!**

**Dr. Jeff Brink**

**Dr. Erica Johnson**

**Dr. Daniel Mashni**

If you are new to the area and are not on this list please contact Dr. Sam Daniels for membership information



Although Dr. Norbert Zonca has been around a long time, as of late, his practice has changed hands and **Dr. Drew M. Smith** has renamed it Hartland Family Dental. Drew graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry. After graduation, he began practicing in Chesaning, Michigan for four years before moving to the Hartland area. Norbert, on the other hand, has practiced in the Hartland area since 1972. Like Drew, he graduated from the University of Detroit: School of Dentistry. Both doctors love the Hartland area for its location, community involvement, and recreation areas available. Norbert and Drew both love going up north and traveling in their free time. Hartland Family Dental's mission is to provide their patients with the highest quality of service using state of the art dentistry and old fashioned personal attention. Taking over an established practice is a major challenge for anyone, but with his wife, Jen, by his side, for Drew it's sure to be a success! Drew M. Smith, D.D.S. – 810.632.6444

## Sam's Notes

- Watch your mail for the next Bored of Dentistry meeting. The last three have been a hit! Come and socialize with fellow dentists in the area. Visit us on the web at: [www.boredofdentistry.com](http://www.boredofdentistry.com).
- We are working on opening a dental clinic for people who are limited financially or have little to no dental insurance in the area. "The VINA Community Dental Center" is looking for donations! If you have equipment, or ideas please contact Sam Daniels at (810) 229-2776.
- Also, The Livingston Dental Study Club is looking for hosts. All dentists are welcome. Come discuss multidisciplinary cases with other professionals over hors d'oeuvres. Contact Sam @ 810-229-2776 with any questions

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**The LDDS Explorer is the newsletter of the Livingston District Dental Society. Guest articles or editorials are welcome and will be included at the discretion of the editors. To make a submission .. Email preferred.**



**NEXT LDDS MEETING....  
Monday, October 8th 2007  
Crystal Gardens Banquet Center**

**The LDDS Explorer**  
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