

## State Board okays anesthesia by hygienists; anesthesiologists ask for public hearing

(From Louisiana Dental Association)

As previously reported, new rules were adopted by the State Board of Dentistry at the December 6 meeting which will provide for the manner in which dental hygienists will be legally able to administer anesthesia and the further expansion of duties for dental assistants.

The new rules, which were developed in a special board meeting in Alexandria, were published in the January 20, 1998 Louisiana Register and are expected to become effective on April 20, 1998.

Some of the highlights include:

- Hygienists will be allowed to perform both infiltration and block anesthesia.

- Hygienists must successfully complete the same 72-hour anesthesia course as dentists do before they may administer anesthesia.

- Hygienists can administer local anesthesia only under the direct, on-premises supervision of a licensed dentist.

- Rules for delegating duties to both hygienists and assistants now list duties that can NOT be delegated, and leave others to the supervising dentist's professional judgment.

- Any chairside act delegated to an

The Louisiana Society of Anesthesiologists requested a public hearing on the proposed new rules, purportedly to seek redress of concerns they have about patient safety. The State Board scheduled a public hearing for 9 a.m. Friday, February 27, at the LSBDO offices.

The LSA cited the Louisiana State Medical Society and the Louisiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists as groups that "share similar concerns."

EDDA must be under the dentist's direct supervision and reversible in nature.

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## NEW ORLEANS DENTAL ASSOCIATION

# NODA News

### MISSION STATEMENT

To establish and maintain a cohesive organization that serves to promote the art, science, and professionalism of dentistry, and to communicate the value of oral health to the community.

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### INSTALLATION DINNER MARCH 28

## DR. SCHOTT TO BECOME NODA'S 80TH PRESIDENT

Dr. Kenneth G. Schott will become NODA's 80th president during ceremonies at the association's Installation Dinner Saturday, March 28 at Metairie Country Club.

A cash bar will be available at 7 p.m. with dinner being served at 7:45.

Dr. Schott succeeds Dr. Anthea Grogono as president. Also to be installed are other officers, Board of Governors, and delegates to the Louisiana Dental Association and the American Dental Association.

A feature of the program will be the conferring of NODA's Honor Dentist Award on Dr. Terence E. Walsh. He will be honored for his long service and contributions to dentistry, civic and educational affairs.

Metairie Country Club is located at 580 Woodvine Ave. at the northern end of Northline St. in Old Metairie. There is plenty of free parking.

Here is the menu arranged for the evening:

- Crab Bisque

- Salad Maison

- Choice of Entree:

- Chicken Marie Antoinette

Stuffed breast w/choice of shrimp or crawfish sauce.

- Fresh Fish Thermidor topped w/shrimp and crawfish cream sauce gratinéé

- Filet Henry IV

- Red Potatoes

- Fresh Vegetables

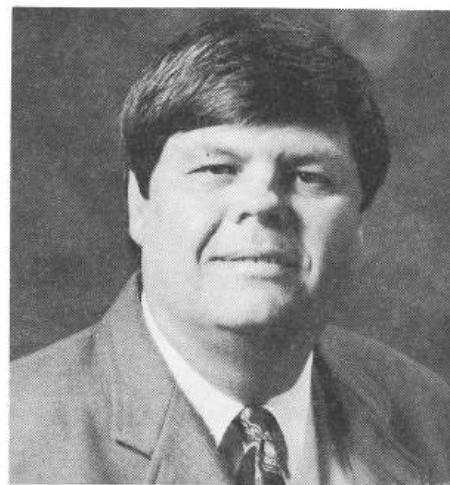
- Warm Rolls and Butter

- Chocolate Snow Ball

- Coffee

The cost for this evening, NODA's premier social event, is \$40 per person. It is always a delightful gathering of members of all ages with their spouses, an elegant occasion to get together with old friends and classmates. Why not get up a group and join the party?

Printed invitations will be going out shortly.



DR. SCHOTT

### DUES DEADLINE MARCH 31

A reminder: the deadline for the 1998-99 printed roster of NODA members is March 31. Members must have paid their 1998 dues by March 31 in order for their names, addresses, phone numbers, specialties, etc. to be included in the roster.

So make a note to yourself: Send in dues by March 31!

## President's Message

by ANTHEA GROGONO, BDS

This is the last time I will write this message as president of our association. Thank you all for the confidence placed in me to allow me to serve in this capacity. I have enjoyed my tenure and am happy to report that we have had a successful and (mostly) uneventful year!

We have been fortunate in the formation of the NODA Membership Task Force, which has been supported by the ADA. At one of our first meetings, conducted by Michele Bresler Howard of the ADA, we established a goal of recruiting 40 new members over an 18-month period. I am happy to report that we have 39 new members since May 1997 – in less than half the time. Of course, we will all be delighted to exceed the goal, but no one more so than Dr. Kevin Collins, Membership Committee Chairman.

One of the greatest achievements this year has been the establishment of the Mentor program. Dr. Glenn Dubroc and his committee have worked hard to make this a reality. It will be a tremendous resource for our recently graduated members, and I anticipate that the mentors will also benefit greatly. We will look forward to future reports on this program.

Our regular Scientific Meetings have been outstanding this year and attendance has been increasing. Dr. Chris Brown has done a wonderful job and I enjoy reading his items in *NODA News* each month – his sense of humor is terrific.

As I write this, we are in the middle of Children's Dental Health Month. I hope that many of you saw the signs on the sides of New Orleans buses and the advertising on Channels 4 and 6. If you went to the movies at the Galleria, you may also have seen the advertisement during the pre-movie slide-show. We are doing more each year in February and our thanks are due to the Co-Chairs Dr. A.C. Liles and Dr. Shannon Simons.

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DR. SANDRA ANDRIEU has been appointed associate dean for academic affairs at LSU. She has been assistant dean since 1994.

I have mentioned a number of tireless workers by name, but I would like to thank all those who have worked so hard on behalf of our association. Whatever was asked of them has been done, and it has made my year as President a pleasure. Thank you also to the permanent staff, Mona Whittington, Alice Corkern and Normalee Ward, in the NODA office who treat NODA and the membership as a family concern and not as a job. Their loyalty is invaluable.

Like owning a boat when the two happiest days are when it is purchased and when it is sold, I shall be delighted to hand over the helm to Dr. Ken Schott. I hope that he and his team have an even more successful year. Please come and join us for the Installation Banquet on March 28 to wish the leadership well. NODA will be in good hands.

Anthea Grogono

## Hygienists okayed for anesthesia

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The period in which requests for oral presentation, argument or public hearing on the proposed rules must be received by the State Board is 20 days from the official publication date of January. ALL OTHER WRITTEN COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE PUBLICATION DATE.

The LDA office has received a few calls from members concerning the proposed rules. Generally speaking, the callers have sounded perturbed because they apparently feel they have not received adequate, detailed information regarding the new rules or the process leading up to their adoption. There will be a report on the proposed rules in the next LDA newsletter, but it probably will not be received by members before the 20 days are up.

Copies of the Notices of Intent in their entirety are available from the LDA office.

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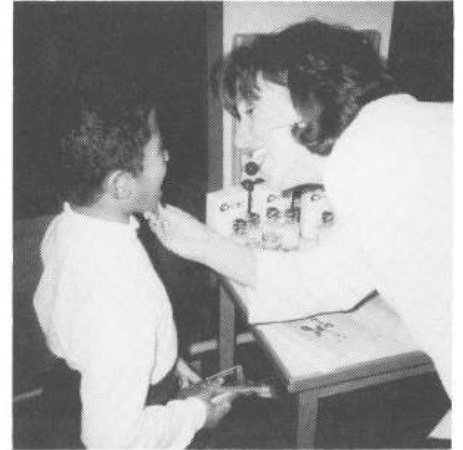
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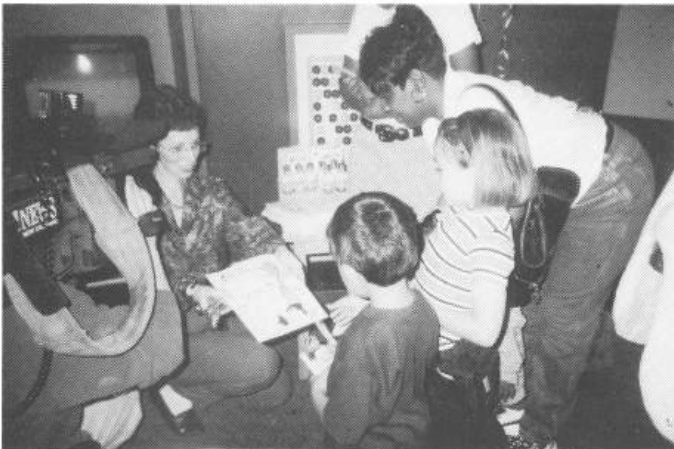


### *Children's Dental Health Takes a Bus*

Signs on the sides of 30 RTA city buses spread the word on National Children's Dental Health Month. The traveling, eye-level billboards are part of NODA's underwriting of the local educational effort.



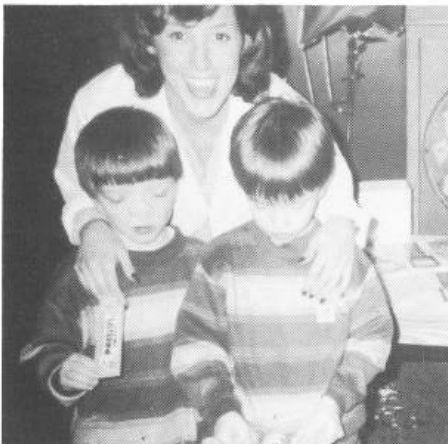
"Let me see those teeth," Dr. Candice Richter, an LSUSD pediatric dentistry resident, seems to be saying. She helped out at the Children's Hospital opening.



Television camera catches Dr. Pam Shaw as she passes out material to a group of interested youngsters.



Dr. A.C. Liles III, co-chair of the annual event, cuts a beautiful cake prepared by Children's Hospital.



This handsome pair of brothers examines the wealth of dental health material distributed at the official opening as Dr. Richter looks on.



Happy Tooth and the Tooth Fairy were the center of attention for the youngsters. Dental videos were also shown. The Alliance of NODA was active in the month's events.





**HONORING DR. YEARWOOD** – From left, Dr. Frank L. Herbert, Mrs. Inez Yearwood, widow of Dr. Yearwood, Dr. L. M. Harrison, Dr. Eric J. Hovland, Dr. Vincent N. Liberto, and Dr. Nicholas T. Asprodites view the portrait of Dr. J. Garnett Yearwood, Louisiana's first pedodontist.

## Academy cites Dr. Yearwood

The Louisiana Academy of Pediatric Dentistry paid tribute to the late Dr. J. Garnett Yearwood for his pioneering work in Louisiana pediatric dentistry. At its annual meeting held at the LSU School of Dentistry, the academy unveiled a portrait of Dr. Yearwood. It will be on permanent display in the LSUSD department of pediatric dentistry.

At the unveiling, Dr. Frank Herbert, who is retired from the LSUSD department of general dentistry and a longtime leader in Louisiana pediatric dentistry, gave a brief biography of Dr. Yearwood.

A native of Caspiana, Louisiana, Dr. Yearwood graduated from Louisiana College and received his degree in dentistry from Atlanta Southern Dental College, forerunner of the Emory University School of Dentistry.

He opened his practice of pediatric dentistry in Shreveport in 1936, and for 11 years he was

the only pediatric dentist in the tristate region of Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas. He initiated the children's dentistry program in the Caddo Parish schools in 1936 and operated the first mobile dental unit, bringing dental care to every child in every school in the parish.

A founder of the Southwestern Society of Pedodontists and its president from 1951 to 1952, he was instrumental in establishing the Louisiana Society of Dentistry for Children and was its third president in 1963. In recognition of his devotion to pediatric dentistry, he was named a fellow of the American College of Dentists. He died in 1966.

The program for the annual session, which was devoted to practice management issues, nicely dovetailed with the homage to Dr. Yearwood since he counseled many novices on these same issues.

## Table clinic competition set for April 8

NODA members are cordially invited to attend the annual Student Table Clinic competition at the LSU School of Dentistry, Wednesday, April 8.

NODA has long been a sponsor of this competition, providing cash prizes to winners and runnersup in competition among dental students (clinical and research), lab technicians, and post-graduate students.

The New Orleans Dental Hygienist Association will provide prizes to the hygiene students.

Dentsply International will award the top prize to a dental student (clinical). It is an all-expenses trip to national student competition at the ADA annual meeting.

Judging of the clinics will be held from 6 until 7 p.m. with clinics open to general viewing from 7 until 8:30 p.m. Refreshments and awarding of prizes will follow.

This is an excellent opportunity to revisit the school, greet former professors and view the work being done in the classrooms and labs. One hour of CE credit is available.

Dr. Timothy Delcambre is chairman of the event.

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## Honor Dentist Award to Dr. Walsh

A dentist whose wise counsel and quietly persuasive manner have proved invaluable to the New Orleans Dental Association and the profession over the years will receive the association's Honor Dentist Award for 1998.

The award will be conferred upon Dr. Terence E. Walsh at the annual NODA Installation Dinner, Saturday, March 28 at the Metairie Country Club.

In more than 30 years of practice as an orthodontist, Terry Walsh with little fanfare has not hesitated to shoulder any task the association or profession has asked him to take on.

After serving as chairman of Children's Dental Health Month and the constitution and by-laws committees as well as a member of the Board of Governors, Dr. Walsh accepted the top spot and became NODA president in 1974.

In 1991 he became chairman of the New Orleans Dental Conference, having served along the way as registration chairman and chairman of the public relations committee.

In 1994 came a whopper of an assignment - local chairman of the ADA Annual Session in New Orleans. It was job that required, among a

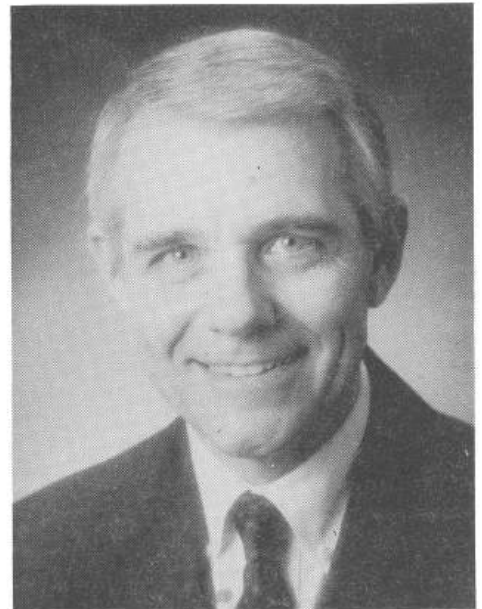
plethora of other duties, the recruiting and assigning of scores of local members for various tasks in welcoming the huge influx of delegates and dentists from throughout the U.S.

A member of the ADA's Council on Annual Sessions and International Relations, Dr. Walsh also spent long hours, along with Dr. Ken Schott and Dr. Lou Grush, in the delicate task of negotiating financial compensation from the ADA for the cancellation of the New Orleans Conference in deference to the parent body.

A Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics, Dr. Walsh has also been active in his own specialty, serving as president of the Louisiana Association of Orthodontists and as director from Louisiana to the Southern Association of Orthodontists.

Dr. Walsh earned his DDS from the Loyola School of Dentistry after taking his pre-dent studies at the Jesuit university. There he also met his wife, the former Linda Hedrick. They are the parents of three sons, Thomas, Michael and Gregory, and a daughter, Julianne.

Since the early sixties, Dr. Walsh has been in the private practice of orthodontics at his office in Metairie. He also holds the rank of clinical



DR. WALSH

associate professor of orthodontics at the LSU School of Dentistry.

In addition to the usual dental groups, he is a member of the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

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Sat., March 28, 1998 – Dr. Ken Schott  
Metairie Country Club – 7:00 p.m.

**NODA CRAWFISH PARTY/DANCE**  
Fri., Apr. 17, 1998 – 7:00 p.m.  
American Legion Home  
Band – “Stan and the Grooves”

**NODA GENERAL MEETING**  
Wed., May 13, 1998 – LSUSD – 7:00 p.m.  
“Restorative Materials”  
Dr. John Burgess

**Continuing Education Corner**

*In an effort to keep you informed about available C.E. opportunities at the LSU School of Dentistry, this area will be devoted to informational updates.*

DATE	1998	COURSE / TITLE		COST
April 3		“Enhancing Your Dental Hygiene Therapy” w/Roberta L. Shaklee, DDS	07 cr. hrs.	\$ 195.00
April 4		“Temporary Restorations for Dental Assistants” w/Drs. John Burgess & Alan Ripps	07 cr. hrs.	\$ 165.00
April 24-26		“Expanded Duty Dental Assistant” w/Dottie Austin, CDA	24 cr. hrs.	Auxiliary \$ 369.00
April 25		“Radiology for Dental Auxiliaries”	07 cr. hrs.	Auxiliary \$ 120.00
May 2		“Hands-on Materials Evaluation for the Modern Dentist” w/Drs. Burgess & Ripps	07 cr. hrs.	Dentist \$ 195.00 Auxiliary \$ 75.00
May 15-17		“Expanded Duty Dental Assistants” w/Dottie Austin, CDA	24 cr. hrs.	Auxiliary \$ 369.00
May 22		ALUMNI DAY PRESENTATION “Thriving Fee-for-Service in An Era of Managed Care” w/Dr. Robert L. Frazer	07 cr. hrs.	Dentist \$ 195.00
May 29		“Non-Surgical Endodontics: Alpha to Omega” w/Drs. Ron Lemon & Eric Hovland	07 cr. hrs.	Dentist \$ 165.00 Auxiliary \$ 85.00
June 5		“Porcelain Veneers” w/Dr. Pascal Magne	07 cr. hrs.	Dentist \$ 245.00 Auxiliary \$ 95.00

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**BOARD MAKES CHANGE IN MISSION STATEMENT**

The NODA Board of Governors has made a technical change in the association's Mission Statement. The statement appears each month next to the masthead of *NODA News*.

Since the Mission Statement is part of Article II of the By-Laws, it is required that the change be published in two issues of *NODA News* (March and April) prior to formal vote by the membership at the

May 13 meeting.

The revision entails changing the words “to communicate” to “communicating.” The new statement would read: “To establish and maintain a cohesive organization that serves its membership by promoting the art, science and professionalism of dentistry, and by communicating the value of oral health to the community.”

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