

# 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.

**VOL. XXVII FEBRUARY '94 NO. 2**

## Children's Dental Health Month kicks off

*See pages 1-2*

## Election, speaker, new members welcome Feb. 23

**A delicious dinner . . . election of new officers . . . welcome to new members . . . a bold and innovative main speaker . . . a drawing for a \$50 dues rebate . . .**

These are the treats in store for you at NODA's New Member Dinner Wednesday,

February 23 at 7:00 p.m. at Smilie's Restaurant, 5725 Jefferson Highway.

David Naccari, a highly original professional speaker, will talk on "The Power of Positive Speaking." Members who joined NODA in 1993 will receive special invitations as guests

of the association.

**Here is the tasty menu:**

- Choice of Trout Smilie with crabmeat topping, or Veal Amanda, panéed veal with crabmeat, artichoke and Hollandaise sauce.

- Potatoes, vegetable, dessert and coffee.

## Areawide program launched

National Children's Dental Health Month is underway!

A major public service project of NODA for many years, the ADA-sponsored program is designed to make children and their parents more aware of the importance of lifetime dental care.

NODA has launched one of the most extensive areawide programs it has mounted in years.

A 22-person committee, chaired by Dr. Jim Roethle, is executing a wide range of informational and educational projects, running the gamut from visits to schools by dentists to a seminar for school nurses and teachers to participation in Mardi Gras parades.

"A Healthy Smile is a Treasure" is the national theme of the February 1-28 campaign.

Marcy Celino at 486-0808.

Thousands of children will view hands-on dental exhibits at local museums. The museums are:

- Louisiana Children's Museum, 428 Julia St. in New Orleans.

- Freeport McMoRan Daily Living Science Center, 409 Williams Blvd. in Kenner's River-town.

A large crowd of teachers and school nurses attended a seminar January 28.



**DAVID NACCARI**

The price is only \$21. Pre-payment is required. Send your check by Friday, February 18 to Mona Whittington at NODA, 2121 N. Causeway Blvd., Metairie, LA 70001.

David Naccari, our speaker, is a man of many talents. He is an attorney, holds a master's degree in drama/communications, graduated from UNO's school of stand-up comedy, holds a brown belt in karate, is a professional ballroom dance instructor, and a professional speaker with Toastmaster experience and honors. David will enlighten and entertain you!

Dr. Randy Green has been nominated as president-elect. Other nominees are Dr. Kristi Soileau, first vice president; Dr. Barry Goodspeed, second vice president, Dr. Jim Gaubert and Dr. Sam Miano continue in their terms as secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Voting will also be held for board members and delegates to LDA and ADA. (See page 5.)

Cash bar is at 6:30 with dinner at 7:00. Sponsor of the meeting is the PPI Group, producers of Scan-a-Chart. Don't forget to stop by and thank them for supporting NODA.

## MORE CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH NEWS ON P. 2

Thousands of color posters on this theme have been sent to area public and parochial schools. They are also being distributed to youngsters at two museums where exhibits on dental care and oral hygiene are being featured.

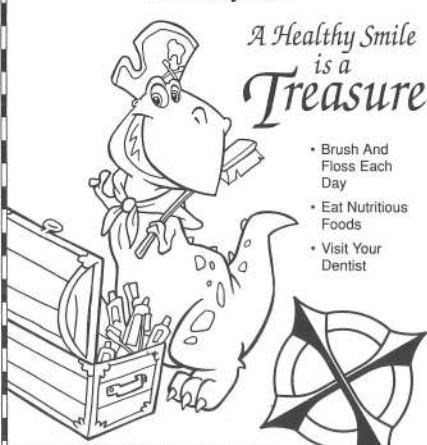
"Visits to schools by NODA dentists will be, we hope, an important feature of our campaign," said Dr. Roethle.

"We urge all members to call schools near their offices or homes and request to make a talk to the children on dental care and oral hygiene."

The committee is also working on matching dentists with schools. For the name and address of a school near your office or home, call

**NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH**  
February 1994

*A Healthy Smile is a Treasure*



- Brush And Floss Each Day
- Eat Nutritious Foods
- Visit Your Dentist

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## President's Message

BY FRANK G. MARTELLO, DDS

**Happy Mardi Gras! One thing we can say in New Orleans is that there is never a dull moment, much like the practice of dentistry.**

February is Children's Dental Health Month. Dr. Jim Roethele, chairman of this committee, has been hard at work for the past year holding down two chairman's positions (the other is Membership Chairman).

Dr. Roethele has promoted our profession on radio, TV, and billboards and in museums. He and his committee members have spent countless hours preparing for what will be a successful outreach to the community's children.

We all know how important it is to teach these "inquiring minds" while still young about the importance of oral hygiene and about opportunities in the dental profession.

Adopting a school can be an effective and fulfilling way of spreading the knowledge that you have.

Our January general membership meeting welcomed Dr. Pat McCrossen for an encore of his OSHA update. Knowledge of OSHA's rules and regulations is essential to providing a safe environment for our employees (and to avoiding stiff penalties for failing to do so!).

Our General Election meeting/New Member dinner will be held on February 23 at 7 p.m. at Smilie's Restaurant. The speaker will be Mr. David Naccari, on "The Power of Positive Speaking." Please plan to attend.

We have one of the best and most informative newsletters in the nation. Dr. Soileau, the editor, has made remarkable strides with this publication. Her series on "The Americans with Disabilities Act - Explained" enabled our members to stay current on a very complicated issue. I commend her and her staff for an outstanding service to the Association.

Be careful with your hands this Mardi Gras season when reaching for those prized beads and doubloons. Remember that fingers and feet don't mix.

Sincerely,  
Frank

*Astronomy Note: Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 is five months away from colliding with Jupiter. Although astronomers are not sure what results this impact may have, I suggest that you still refund your retirement program.*

## Dental Health Month Highlights

Space doesn't permit complete details on all the activities launched by the Children's Dental Health Month Committee. Here are some highlights:

### ■ *Throw Me Something, Mister*

Look for a NODA-CDHM truck or van in these parades: Alla, Choctaw, Mid-City, Zeus, and Thor. And Dr. Saul Kahn is working on others.

### ■ *Winn-Dixie, Sav-A-Center*

Posters have been delivered to Winn-Dixie which has indicated an intention to display them in area stores. Sav-A-Center and Winn-Dixie have also received material for inclusion in their newspaper ads during February.

### ■ *NODA Alliance Active*

As always, the NODA Alliance (formerly Auxiliary) is playing an active role in the campaign. The Alliance is providing volunteers to staff the Children's Museum exhibit. The Alliance has redone its "Happy Tooth" costume, always beloved by the children. Dr. Ed Donaldson's creation, "Bippo the Hippo," will be prominent in parades and other events.

### ■ *Poster Contest for Fifth Graders*

The NODA committee is cooperating with the Academy of General Dentistry and the American Society of Dentistry for Children by distributing entry forms for their nationwide poster contest for fifth grade students on the theme: "Bright Smile=Bright Mind=Bright Future." The national first prize is \$10,000.

### ■ *AcuCam, Crest, Colgate, Kentwood, etc.*

An AcuCam, the new intraoral camera system, has been loaned to the Children's Museum dental exhibit. Crest, longtime sponsor of Children's Dental Health Month, is again providing posters and a wide variety of material, as is the Colgate Company. Kentwood Spring Water has underwritten the cost of coloring and puzzle sheets featuring oral hygiene. It is providing gift offers of free water to teachers attending the seminar.

### ■ *Isis Johnson Joins CDHM*

Isis Johnson, the 10-year-old New Orleans girl, who gained national attention for her charitable activities in helping flood victims and other unfortunates, has pitched in to help Children's Dental Health Month. Through one of her sources, she has obtained thousands of toothbrushes which she has turned over to the committee for distribution to children.

### ■ *Volunteers Joining Daily*

Here is a list of volunteers who have been working on the Children's Dental Health Committee, headed by Dr. Jim Roethele. Others are joining daily and we'll list them next month.

Jon Celino, Connie Comiskey, Hugh Felterman, Saul Kahn, A.C. Liles III, LSUSD-Video Dept., Judee Morovich, Jeanne St. Germain, Clem Roux, Al Phillips, Jr., Darlene Brunet, Marcie Celino, Bobbi Dubroc, Kim Fontenot, Carolyn Kerr, LSUSD-Pedo Dept., Frank Martello, Vera Marse, Patricia Summers, Debbie Arnold, Hilton Title, Edward Donaldson, Carolyn Russo.



Dentists: You may photocopy and distribute to your patients.

**One Free Child's Admission**  
to the  
**Louisiana Children's Museum**  
when accompanied by a paying adult

**428 Julia Street**

**Open 9:30-4:30 Tues.-Sun.**

**523-1357**

**regular admission \$4**

**(Offer expires March 31, 1994)**

## DENTAL DATA

### SIX NO-COST MARKETING STRATEGIES

Marketing doesn't have to be expensive. Here are six no-cost marketing strategies that won't burn a hole in your pocket:

1. When preparing brochures, highlight problems and present solutions. You'll be seen as a problem-solver, not a salesperson.
2. When distributing business cards, give out two and ask the person to pass one along.
3. Learn to ask questions instead of telling other people about yourself. You'll be perceived as someone who cares and you'll learn about potential areas of need for your services.
4. Learn how to say who you are, what your business is, where you do it and how it benefits your clients — in less than 30 seconds.
5. Power of the press: identify your areas of expertise and bring them to the attention of editors and reporters covering your field. If they perceive you as an expert, they'll call you and quote you.
6. Identify people who can refer work to you and be sure to communicate your expertise to them. ■

Source: *Communication Briefings*, September 1993

### CONFERENCE GROWS IN NATIONAL REACH

The New Orleans Dental Conference continues to grow nationally in stature.

A survey by executive secretary Normalee Ward shows that 33 states were represented at the recent Conference in August. Thirty-three percent of the dentists — one out of three attending — was from outside Louisiana.

A few figures that may surprise you. We had eight dentists from California, 20 from Illinois, five from Michigan, six from New York, six from New Jersey, three from Pennsylvania, even four from Minnesota.

Meanwhile, the Conference continued to serve its region: 914 from Louisiana, 131 from Mississippi, 53 from Texas, 50 from Florida, 54 from Alabama, 19 from Arkansas and 12 from Tennessee. ■

*"The fullness or emptiness or life will be measured by the extent to which a man feels that he has an impact on the lives of others. To be a man is to matter to someone outside yourself, or to some calling or cause bigger than yourself."*

Kingman Brewster, Jr.  
Former president, Yale University

### POOR DO NOT SUE MORE, RESEARCHERS FIND

Poor patients are only 10 to 20 percent as likely to sue their physicians as are more well-off patients, according to an article in *Focus*, a publication of Harvard Medical School.

Helen Burstin, an internist at Brigham and Women's Hospitals and co-author of a recent study, says, when all other factors are equal, "the lower your income, the less likely you are to sue."

Burstin and her colleagues say the study's results will help debunk the myth that the poor sue more often than richer patients. The researchers note

that one of the reasons physicians cite most frequently when asked why they tend to avoid offering health care to the poor is a simple one: fear of lawsuits, presumably because indigent patients have the most to gain financially from malpractice suits.

To do their study, researchers looked at 31,000 hospital records gathered in 1984 and matched them against nearly 68,000 malpractice claims. They found that the tendency to sue increases roughly in proportion to income. The study is published in the October 13 *Journal of the American Medical Association*. ■

### NODA EMERGENCY DENTISTRY SERVICE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The NODA Emergency Dentistry Service is seeking to enlist additional volunteer NODA dentists to serve the association and the general public on a continual basis, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

This service is a great practice-builder, with refer-

rals generated citywide to your office.

For more information on becoming an active participant on this committee, please contact Dr. Hilton Title, Chairman, Emergency Dental Services, at 895-1191 or write to: 3600 Prytania St., Suite 48, N.O., La. 70115.



## Coming in March!

### NODA SEMINAR

## "Facial Deformities & Airway Obstruction"

### Dr. Michael C. Kinnebrew

Wednesday, March 9 6:30-9:30 p.m. LSUSD

### NODA INSTALLATION DINNER

Saturday, March 12 7 p.m. Southern Yacht Club

## *More on Disabilities Act*

(Fourth of a series)

*The following is excerpted from an ADA booklet sent to all members some months ago. Additional copies may be secured for a fee by calling 1-800-621-8099.*

### **What about deaf or hearing-impaired patients?**

The Act requires that you provide care for such patients and that you communicate in such a way that patients can understand what you are telling them. There are a variety of ways in which you may communicate with a deaf or hearing-impaired patient. For example, you may be able to use written notes, pictures or models to discuss the patient's condition and recommended treatment. You may also find your office computer useful in carrying on a conversation with a hearing-impaired person. Some hearing-impaired individuals are very adept at reading lips and prefer to be spoken to. The best approach may be to let the patient indicate what form of communication he or she prefers.

There may be times when use of a sign language interpreter is appropriate. For example, it may be advisable to use an interpreter when you are providing complex or extensive information in order to obtain informed consent to a procedure that carries significant risk. A sign language interpreter is an example of an auxiliary aid or service.

### **Do I have to pay for a sign language interpreter?**

You may not have to hire an interpreter. A member of the patient's family may be able to interpret or there may be a service organization in your community that will provide an interpreter at no cost. The local office of your state rehabilitation services agency or health department may be able to direct you to such an organization. It is important that an interpreter accurately convey what is being said by both doctor and patient.

If no other resource is available and the patient is unable to communicate and understand by any method other than use of a sign language interpreter, you may have to hire an interpreter, unless you can show that it is an undue burden to do so. Under the Act, you would have to pay the cost of the interpreter and could not pass the cost on to the patient as a supplemental charge or by increasing the fee for the dental treatment to include the cost of the interpreter.

### **Must my office have a TDD (telecommunication device for the deaf)?**

No. Your office can communicate with deaf persons by using a relay service. The service operator relays conversations between persons who use a text telephone (TDD) and persons who use a standard telephone. Because relay services permit deaf patients to communicate effectively with your office, you are not required to have a TDD. You do not need any special equipment to use a relay service, and

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### **What if the disabled person uses an animal, such as a seeing eye dog. Does the patient have a right to bring the animal into my office?**

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the cost of a call is generally the same as for an ordinary telephone call. Information about the relay service is available from your local telephone company.

### **May I charge disabled patients for auxiliary aids and services I must use because of the patient's disability?**

The Act prohibits public accommodations, including dentists, from imposing a surcharge on disabled patients, so you must absorb the cost of providing auxiliary aids and services. Examples of items that could not be surcharged to the disabled patient include the cost of installing a ramp leading to the entrance of the dental office and the cost of adding raised lettering to the sign on your office door.

### **What if, because of a patient's disability, a particular treatment takes significantly longer to complete than usual. May I consider the extra time when calculating the fee charged to the disabled person?**

The law and regulations do not address this issue. However, they do not specifically prohibit adjustment of professional fees to reflect the work you perform. The law only prohibits charging patients for providing auxiliary aids and services in connection with dental care. Dental treatment is not an auxiliary aid or service.

### **What if the disabled person uses an animal, such as a seeing-eye dog. Does the patient have a right to bring the animal into my office?**

The regulations under the Act specifically state that you must permit disabled persons to bring service animals, such as seeing-eye and hearing dogs, into your office. Nothing in the Act requires you to allow service animals into the operatory if the patient does not require the service provided by the animal during the time dental procedures are being performed. Public accommodations, including dental offices, are not required to supervise or care for service animals.

### **If I distribute patient information brochures in my office, must I have them available in Braille for blind patients?**

No.

### **What if a disabled person disrupts my entire office. Must I treat that person?**

If the disabled person poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others, you may refuse to admit that person to your office. "Direct threat" means a significant risk to the health or safety of others that cannot be eliminated by use of auxiliary aids or special procedures. You should consider whether you can treat the person in another setting. A reasonable alternative might be to treat an aggressive patient under general anesthesia in a hospital or ambulatory surgical center with another practitioner managing the anesthesia. If this alternative is not reasonably available, the patient may be referred to a practitioner or facility that is equipped to treat the patient.

The actions of some disabled persons may disrupt the office without posing a direct threat to the health or safety of others. The Act prohibits you from refusing care to such persons. For example, the vocalizations of persons afflicted with Tourette Syndrome, which often include profanities, may be disruptive and highly offensive to others, but do not pose a threat to health or safety. Similarly, the presence of a person who is self-abusive because of mental illness is distressing to others, but does not pose a direct threat to their health or safety.

### **May I treat a disruptive but non-threatening disabled patient after hours?**

The law does not specifically address this question. However, nothing in the law or the rules under the law prohibits you from offering an after hours appointment to such a patient or the patient's guardian. If the patient insists on being appointed during regular business hours, that is when you probably will have to see him or her.

# Infection Control Corner

(Sixth of a series)

**Handpieces.** Although no documented cases of disease transmission have been associated with dental handpieces or prophylaxis angles, sterilization between patients with acceptable methods which assure internal as well as external sterility is recommended.

Disposable prophylaxis angles are available and are to be discarded after one time use. The manufacturers' instructions must be followed by proper sterilization of handpieces and prophylaxis angles and for the use and maintenance of waterlines and check valves.

The first step, before sterilization, is to flush the handpiece with water by running it for 20 to 30 seconds, discharging the water into a sink or container. An ultrasonic cleaner should be used to remove any adherent material, but only if recommended by the handpiece manufacturer. Otherwise, the handpiece should be scrubbed thoroughly with a detergent and hot water.

Many manufacturers recommend spraying a cleaner/lubricant into the assembled handpiece before and after sterilization. If in doubt as to whether a handpiece can be sterilized, contact the manufacturer. Some manufacturers will replace the handpiece components that cannot be sterilized, making the handpiece sterilizable. This is often automatically done when a handpiece is serviced.

**Air/water syringes and ultrasonic scalers.** Units should be flushed as described for handpieces. These attachments should be sterilized in the same manner as the handpieces, or in accordance with manufacturers' instructions. It is recommended that removable or disposable tips used only one time for one patient be used for these instruments.

**X-ray equipment and films.** Protective coverings or disinfectants should be used to prevent microbial contamination of position indicating devices. Intraorally contaminated film packets should be handled in a manner to prevent cross contamination. Contaminated packets should be opened in the darkroom, using disposable gloves. The films should be dropped out of the packets without touching the films. The contaminated packets should be accumulated in a disposable towel. After all packets have been opened, they should be discarded and the gloves removed. The films can then be processed without contaminating darkroom equipment with microorganisms from the patient. Alternatively, film packets can be placed in protective pouches before use. The

uncontaminated packets can then be dropped out of the pouches before processing.

**Operatory surfaces.** Countertops and dental equipment surfaces such as light handles, X-ray unit heads, amalgamators, cabinet and drawer pulls, tray tables, and chair switches are likely to become contaminated with potentially infectious materials during treatment procedures.

These surfaces can be either covered or disinfected. Surfaces can be covered with plastic wrap, aluminum foil, or impervious-backed absorbent paper. These protective coverings should be changed between patients, and when contaminated.

Alternatively, surfaces can be pre-cleaned to remove extraneous organic matter and then disinfected with an EPA-registered disinfectant that is tuberculocidal following manufacturers' instructions. These include certain combination synthetic phenolics and iodophors, phenolic-alcohol combinations, and chlorine compounds.

A solution of sodium hypochlorite (household bleach) prepared fresh daily is an effective germicide. Concentrations of sodium hypochlorite ranging from 5,000 ppm to 500 ppm, achieved by diluting household bleach in a ratio ranging from 1:10 to 1:100, is effective, depending on the amount of organic matter (blood and mucus) present on the surface to be cleaned and disinfected.

Sodium hypochlorite should be used with caution because it is corrosive to some metals, especially aluminum. Corrosiveness is less of a problem with some commercial disinfectants. Glutaraldehydes of 2% and 3.2% strength are not suitable for this purpose. Surfaces should be disinfected between patients, and when they are visibly contaminated by splashes of body fluids.

Housekeeping surfaces, including floors, sinks, and related objects are not likely to be associated with the transmission of infection. Therefore, extraordinary attempts to disinfect these surfaces are not necessary. However, the removal of visible soil and cleaning should be undertaken on a routine basis. Cleaners with germicidal activity may be used.

**Impressions, prostheses, casts, wax rims, jaw relation records.** Items such as impressions, jaw relation records, casts, prosthetic restorations and devices which have been in the patient's mouth should be properly disinfected prior to shipment to a dental laboratory (see Table). Disinfected impressions which are sent to the dental laboratory should be labeled as

such in order to prevent duplication of the disinfection protocol.

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## DISINFECTION OF PROSTHESES, CASTS, WAX RIMS, JAW RELATION RECORDS

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**Stone casts – Spray or immerse in hypochlorite or iodophor**

**Fixed (metal/porcelain) – Immerse in glutaraldehyde**

**Removable Dentures (acrylic/porcelain) – Immerse in iodophors or chlorine compounds**

**Removable Partial (metal/acrylic) – Immerse in iodophors or chlorine compounds**

**Wax rims/bites – Spray – wipe – spray with iodophors**

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Impressions must be rinsed to remove saliva, blood, and debris and then disinfected. Impressions can be disinfected by immersion in any compatible disinfecting product. Since the compatibility of an impression material with a disinfectant varies, the impression material manufacturers' recommendations for proper disinfection should be followed.

The use of disinfectants requiring times of no more than 30 minutes for disinfecting is recommended.

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## Nominating Committee Makes Changes

The Nominating Committee announced changes in nominees printed in the December '93 NODA News:

Dr. Bob Barsley will serve his remaining year on the Board of Governors. Dr. Edmond Ganucheau is nominated as director to LDA instead of president-elect, and Dr. Jack Cassingham is nominee for LDA secretary-treasurer.

Other nominees announced include Dr. Anthea Grogono, Board of Governors, '94, '95, '96; Dr. Debra Arnold and Dr. Randy Green, alternate directors to LDA; Dr. O. William Reeder, Jr., delegate to ADA '94, '95, '96, and Dr. Don Toso, 12th District trustee.

**The annual dinner and installation of new NODA officers has been advanced to Saturday, March 12 from Saturday, March 26.**

**It is still scheduled at the Southern Yacht Club and all NODA members are invited to this gala event.**

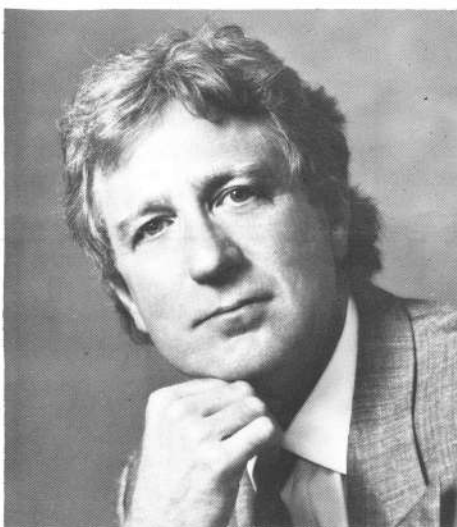
**Dr. Debra Arnold will be installed as president. The date was moved up to ease scheduling in preparation for the annual LDA meeting which was advanced to March 18-19.**

**BULLETIN BOARD**

**FOR SALE:** Quality Systems, Inc. computer system used for orthodontic patient accounting. 4 workstations, 1 main unit, 1 high speed printer with necessary accessories. Will accept best offer. Please call Damian at 834-4392.

**EQUIPPED DENTAL OFFICE FOR RENT** – 2 Operatories Wednesday & Friday – Occupied by orthodontist – excellent for specialist or G.P. – Chalmette. Call 277-1212 or 271-6128.

(Classified ads are \$25 each. Send ads to Dr. Kristi Soileau, 2820 Napoleon Ave., Suite 470, New Orleans, LA 70115 Deadline for March issue is February 10.)



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** "Facial Deformity, Nasal and Upper Airway Obstruction, and Dento-Facial Disease" will be the topic of Dr. Michael C. Kinnebrew at NODA's annual seminar March 9 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at LSUSD.

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Kristi Soileau, Editor

**Adopt-a-School**

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**Officers of NODA:**

Francis G. Martello – President  
Debra C. Arnold – President-Elect  
Jim Gaubert – Secretary  
Sam P. Miano – Treasurer  
Mona Whittington – Executive Secretary

**Continuing Education Corner**

*In an effort to keep the membership attuned to available C.E. opportunities at the L.S.U. School of Dentistry, this area will be devoted to informational updates.*

DATE	COURSE TITLE		COST
March 4-6	"Expanded Duty Dental Assistant"		\$369.00
March 25-26	"Cosmetic Dentistry A to Z" Dr. Ross W. Nash Linda B. Nash, R.D.H.	Dentist Auxiliary	\$230.00 \$115.00
April 8	"Non-Surgical Endodontics –Alpha to Omega" Dr. Ronald Lemon (Prerequisite to Intensive Mini Series #1 scheduled for July 8.)	Dentist Auxiliary	\$145.00 \$ 65.00
April 15-16	The F. Harold Wirth Memorial Lecture "Predictable Restorative Excellence" Dr. Henry Tanner Dr. Ronald Presswood	Dentist Auxiliary	\$265.00 \$115.00
April 22-24	"Expanded Duty Dental Assistant"		\$369.00
April 30	"Radiology for Dental Auxiliaries"		\$ 95.00
May 27	Alumni Day "The File Cabinet Millionaire . . . Internal Marketing" Dr. Omer K. Reed & Ms. Suzie Redding	Dentist Auxiliary	\$145.00 \$ 65.00

\*\*\* Please call (504) 948-8584 for fees not listed or for further information.

LA Toll Free No. 1-800-223-1569

**Rossner Seminar scheduled  
February 25 at Touro**

Touro Infirmary's 11th annual Charles W. Rossner, DDS Seminar will present Sol Silverman, Jr., DDS in an "Update on AIDS, Oral Cancer and Infectious Diseases in Dentistry" Friday, February 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Touro Infirmary, 1401 Foucher Street.

Established in memory of a deceased NODA member and his many contributions to dentistry, the Touro seminar is dedicated to continuing his pursuit of excellence in dental education and professional skills. Dr. Rossner served on the Touro staff for over 50 years.

Dr. Silverman, who heads an active oral medicine clinic involved in patient care, research and teaching, is professor of oral medicine, school of dentistry, at the University of California in San Francisco.

Touro will grant six hours of Academy of General Dentistry credit to eligible dentists. A \$30 registration fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, and coffee breaks.

Advance registration and prepayment are required. For further information, call Touro's Community Education Department at (504) 897-8423.

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