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MISSION STATEMENT

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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INSTALLATION DINNER MARCH 31

Dr. Carol Stuckey will assume presidency

Dr. Carol A. Stuckey will be installed as the New Orleans Dental Association's 83rd president at the annual dinner and installation of officers Saturday, March 31 at Metairie Country Club, beginning at 7 p.m. Dr. Stuckey succeeds Dr. James D. Roethle as president of the 630-member organization.

Metairie Country Club is located at 580 Woodvine Ave. in Old Metairie. A cash bar will be available for cocktails at 7 p.m. with a delicious dinner being served at 7:45 p.m.

Also to be installed at this premier NODA social event are other officers for 2001-2002, and members of the Board of Governors.

A feature of the evening will be the conferring of NODA's Honor Dentist Award upon Dr. Edmond J. Ganucheau, Jr., longtime practitioner and NODA leader. Dr. Kathryn L. Sturm will be mistress of ceremonies.

A graduate of the University of Texas Health Science Center, Dr. Stuckey began practice in Slidell in 1983 and in New Orleans in 1991. A board certified orthodontist, she served as president of the Louisiana Orthodontic Association in 2000.

Here is the delicious menu to be served by the Metairie Country Club on March 31:

- Turtle Soup
- Club Salad
- Choice of Entrees:
- Salmon Florentine
- Filet Henry IV
- Veal Oscar
- Bananas Foster
- Coffee

Cost for this sumptuous evening is only \$50 per person, \$100 per couple. Why not get up a party of classmates or colleagues and spouses and enjoy this elegant evening with your fellow practitioners?

Special invitations will be mailed. Be sure to return the RSVP card with your menu selections by the **CUTOFF DATE OF MARCH 26!**



DR. STUCKEY

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Lectures, clinics feature LSUSD Alumni Day

Oral pain management, oral pathology particular to Louisiana, and esthetics in the general practice are the topics for the 2001 LSU School of Dentistry Alumni Day March 23, 2001 at the LSU School of Dentistry.

Dr. Henry Gremillion, director of the Parker E. Mahan Facial Pain Center and associate professor at the University of Florida department of orthodontics with an affiliate appointment in prosthodontics, will discuss TMD and orofacial pain diagnosis and multidisciplinary management of it.

Dr. Jim Weir, professor and head of the LSUSD department of oral and maxillofacial pathology and director of the LSUSD oral pathology biopsy service, will present commonly encountered lesions, with an emphasis on those more frequently seen in Louisiana, and Dr. Corky Willhite, whose private practice is limited to cosmetic dentistry, will examine esthetics.

Alumni Day will also feature the LSUSD Table Clinics, giving alumni the opportunity to view student research. Last year 75 postdoctoral, dental-laboratory-technology, and dental-hygiene students presented table clinics. The day will also have a parade of prizes, which will include a luxury hotel package, a riverboat cruise, haute cuisine, and more; a wine-and-cheese reception; and the presentation of the alumnus-of-the-year award. At the end of the day, the alumni association will host TGIF for faculty, students, staff, alumni, and friends.

Members of the LSUSD Alumni Association can attend Alumni Day for a reduced fee. Non-members still benefit from a fee that is already a bargain for 5 hours of clinical CE. For more information, call 1-800-488-2925.

To become a member of the alumni association, call the LSUSD Office of Community Relations, 504-619-8597.

Sponsors of the 2001 LSUSD Table Clinic Competition are the New Orleans Dental Association, New Orleans Dental Hygiene Association, Dentsply, and Procter & Gamble.

President's Message

by JAMES D. ROETHELE, DDS

THE PRESIDENT LOOKS BACK

What lies behind us, and what lies before us, are tiny matters compared to what lies within us. I was lying at home Sunday morning before mass. I use this time to meditate and relax. I heard a faint buzz and then WHAM! I was stung on the butt by a wasp. I was so shocked, startled and in pain that I immediately jumped out of the bed so fast that I think I pulled a muscle in the process. Naturally it stung for a short period of time. I got a little worried when I looked back in the mirror because I could tell it was a little swollen. It is a little tender as I'm sitting at the computer writing this, but I will be fine. I will, however, always be cautious when going back into that tanning bed and I will react faster when I hear a buzz in the future. The reason I'm telling this story is it is very similar to my year as President.

The new millennium started with awards for AACD Accreditation, AGD Fellowship and International Smile Gallery. Celeste and I had one of the best times of our life the night I was installed as President of NODA. The year continued with success as goals for the presidency had been fulfilled within a couple of months. There was media attention from 20/20 given to Medicaid Fraud and General Anesthesia that resulted in the death of children. Waterline Biofilm was revisited by 60 Minutes. Yet, there was no local concern from the media, the public or our patients. We were very prepared to handle such a crisis from our media training in 1996 and from our Bowden Conference training. Fortunately our profession is strong with integrity because of our relationships with our patients.

My presidency was simple. It was effortless because I was organized and computerized. It was trouble-free because controversy was limited. It was definitely easy because of our board members and committee chairpersons. I was fortunate to be surrounded with people who had experience on the board in view of the fact that they had elevated from previous positions. The committee chairpersons were trained very well by their predecessors, just as our forefathers had intended. I was coasting through with only a few months left and everybody loved me. You'll find in life that individuals who are loved by all rarely take a stand.

Just like my wasp incident. When I hear the buzz of dishonesty it scares me. When I feel the sting of unethical acts it hurts me. When I am President of a great organization and I see violations of our own bylaws there has to be a reprimand or consequences. Since the Boards of the NODC and the NODA make decisions that have major financial and operational implications for the association, having the same members serve concurrently precludes a system of checks and balances necessary to maintain the governmental integrity of the Association. It also seriously limits the opportunities for other members willing and qualified to serve on these boards. For this reason I proposed amendments to the bylaws for review and for a vote by our members, which is where, the final decision should rest. It was met with some opposition and the opposition's arguments were filled with bitterness and resentment. Strong and bitter words indicate a weak cause.

I was asked to serve as a Delegate to the LDA House of Delegates right after graduation. Since that time I have served NODA and the Conference for ten years. I went from serving on committees, to chairing committees, to the board of governors and finally to officers' positions. It was fun and informative, but there has always been some controversy. The biggest controversy in recent years was the conflict between NODA and the LDA. The conflict concerned retired members' privileges and whether or not they should be counted when determining delegates at the annual LDA HOD Meeting.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LSUSD ALUMNI DAY & TABLE
CLINIC
COMPETITION

Fri., March 23, 2001 - LSUSD

NODA INSTALLATION DINNER

Sat., March 31, 2001 - 7:00 pm

Dr. Carol A. Stuckey

NODA CRAWFISH BOIL

Fri., April 20, 2001 - 7:00 pm

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NODA GENERAL MEETING

Wed., May 16, 2001 - LSUSD - 7:00 pm

"Endodontia Update"

Dr. Lisa Germain, DDS

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A REMINDER

NODA members are reminded that 2001 NODA-LDA-ADA dues are due by March 31. Dues not paid by that date become delinquent.

Please send in your dues on time so that the many benefits of NODA-LDA-ADA membership can continue to come to you uninterrupted.

Questions? Call the NODA Central Office at 834-6449.

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- Dr. R. Jack Cassingham



Dr. Markus B. Blatz, an assistant professor in the LSU School of Dentistry department of prosthodontics, has received board certification in prosthodontics from the German Association of Prosthodontics and Material Sciences.

Dr. Ganucheau named Honor Dentist

Dr. Edmond J. Ganucheau, Jr., the only member to be elected twice to the presidency of the New Orleans Dental Association, has been named recipient of the association's Honor Dentist Award.

Dr. Ganucheau, known by everyone as Ned, headed NODA in 1981 and 1983. He served as general chairman of the New Orleans Dental Conference in 1977.

He will be presented the award at the gala annual Dinner and Installation of Officers Saturday, March 31 at the Metairie Country Club.

A graduate of Jesuit High School and Loyola University's School of Dentistry, Dr. Ganucheau has held a number of positions and earned a number of honors while a student and since opening his practice.

He is a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, Academy of General Dentistry and the Pierre Fauchard Honorary Scholastic Society. He has served as president of the Robert F. Eastman Study Club and as a member of the advisory committee of Loyola University School of Dental Hygiene.



DR. GANUCHEAU

While in dental school, he was named outstanding senior in Delta Sigma Delta fraternity and also was an officer in the Zeta Zeta chapter.

Dr. Ganucheau was a clinician at the NODC, LDADC, and Chicago Mid-Winter dental meetings. A director from NODA to the LDA Board of Governors several times, he has also been a board member of NODA.

DENTISTS DAY AT LEGISLATURE

May 3 is the date of the annual "Dentists Day at the Legislature." Each year a delegation of NODA members joins our colleagues from throughout the state to present issues in dentistry to our legislators.

The NODA bus leaves that morning and returns that evening. A box lunch and other refreshments will be provided. Bar and treats are complimentary.

The day usually concludes with a reception at the Governor's Mansion.

DENTAL CONFERENCE SHAPING UP

Plans for the 52nd New Orleans Dental Conference are going forward steadily.

The Exhibits Committee, a key committee in the financial underpinning of the conference, reports that 121 exhibit booths have been sold, 98 of them already paid. This represents a substantial increase over last year.

The fact that 41 states and Canada were represented by dentists attending the 2000 conference augurs well for the expanding

event. The Conference Core Committee is investigating larger meeting rooms in the Morial Convention Center since several clinics had standing room only last year.

The 2001 conference will be held September 19-22, 2001. In February a group of committee members attended the Chicago Mid-Winter Conference to talk up the New Orleans event and to sign up additional exhibitors.

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Members Drs. Mark Chaney, Frank Martello, Ray Unland, David Hildebrand.



Past President Dr. Darlene Bassett, Dr. Roger Sherwood.



President Dr. Jim Roethele, treasurer Dr. Sandra Catchings.



Dr. Tom McCoy, Dr. Byron Ganucheau, Dr. Carol Stuckey, Dr. Terry Walsh, Ms. Paulette Ganucheau, Dr. Ned Ganucheau, Dr. Ken Schott.



Dr. Mohammed delivers TMJ presentation.

It was a lively, informative, even suspenseful evening . . . the annual New Members/Election of Officers Dinner at Carlone's Restaurant. New members were welcomed, an interesting lecture on TMJ by Dr. Shawkey Mohammed was given, three proposed constitutional amendments were defeated and new officers for 2001-01 were elected.

Photos by
Dr. Kristi Soileau



Drs. Ken Schott, Jimmie Gaubert, Joe Kirn, Terry Fugetta and Chris Brown.

Dentists cited for pro bono work

BY FRANCIS G. MARTELLO, DDS
President, La. Foundation of Dentistry
for the Handicapped, New Orleans Chapter

Thanks to all the following doctors and laboratories that have graciously donated their time and services to the needy of our community. A special thanks to our board of directors composed of members: Drs. Raymond Unland, Robert Musselman, Thomas Salinas, James Cade, also Mr. Carl Barnes, Mr. Jerry Clark, Mrs. Stacey Culver and Mrs. Beverly Musselman, our coordinator, who have given their time and expertise to help run the Louisiana Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped, New Orleans chapter.

I extend an invitation to any doctor or lab that would like to help his or her fellowman by donating a few hours of their time per year to treat some of our patients.

Those interested please contact Mrs. Beverly Musselman at (504) 948-6141 or the New Orleans Dental Association at (504) 834-6449. There is nothing that touches the heart so deeply as giving. The satisfaction one receives when you have helped someone else is priceless.

Do you want to share your talents for a good cause? Please join our organization and extend a helping hand to those so much in need of your expertise.

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George T., Metairie; Curley, Kevin, Slidell; Delaune, Duane P., Metairie; Delcambre, Timothy, New Orleans; Dupont, David A., Gretna; Felder, Susan M., Kenner; Ferrand, W. J. Gretna; Finger, Israel M., New Orleans; Fletcher, Gordon, New Orleans; Franco, George, New Orleans; Ganucheau, Jr., Edmond, Metairie; Germain, Lisa, New Orleans; Gonzalez, Jose R., Gretna; Goodspeed, Barry, New Orleans; Graziano, Robert J. Gretna; Gruner, Richard E., New Orleans; Gustafson, Jr., Harry P., New Orleans; Hambrick, Patrick, New Orleans; Hildebrandt, David J., Slidell; Indovina, A. A., Marrero; Kahn, Philip J., Kenner; Karam, Gerard A., Gretna; Kopfler, Edwin L., Slidell; Kramer III, W.E., New Orleans; LaCoste, Joseph, New Orleans; Lane, Robert E., New Orleans; LeBlanc, E.J., Metairie; Lindsay, Joseph Lloyd, Slidell, Lotten, Rayfield, New Orleans; Lynne, Sheldon, New Orleans; Madison, Romell, New Orleans; Martello, Frank, New Orleans; McMillen, Larry, Metairie; Melancon, Paul M., New Orleans; Moffatt, Jr., John H., Harahan; Musselman, Robert, New Orleans; Palmisano, Donna, Metairie; Prudhomme, P. Donair, New Orleans; Raphael, David, Metairie; Ribando, Guy A., Marrero; Richard, Gizell, New Orleans; Richardson, Ed, Kenner; Robichaux, Mike, Slidell; Rooney, J. Michael, Gretna; Salinas, Thomas J. New Orleans; Schmidt, Glenn, New Orleans; Smith, Demarcus D., Metairie; Soileau, Kristi, New Orleans; Sturm, Kathryn L., New Orleans; Sullivan, T. Kevin, Covington; Tomaszewski, James P., Slidell; Troendle, Elizabeth M., New Orleans; Unland Jr., Raymond J., New Orleans; Villars, Ronald, New Orleans; Walters, Paul J., Gretna; Wayman, William, Metairie; Wyatt, Lisa, Metairie; Paul, John, LaPlace; Danos, Wm. P., LaPlace.

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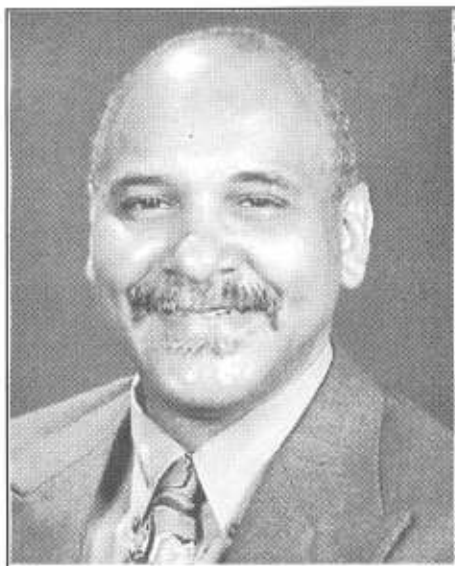
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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The LDA was in violation of the ADA Bylaws. Consequently any negotiations were halted by a complaint filed by NODA. The issue was finally out of our hands as the ADA Council on Ethics Bylaws and Judicial Affairs guaranteed a ruling in February of 2001. Regardless of the outcome we will abide by the ruling. It's unfortunate that a few individuals have strained relations between NODA and the LDA because most of us get along very well. This makes it difficult for newer members to see the benefits of serving in organized dentistry.

At the time of this letter I am unaware of the outcome, but I am confident that our members have become more involved. I am also confident that our leaders will act with respect toward our peers and colleagues in the future. Our leaders of the past have been called upon for guidance. Our future leaders will have these values for reference. Let's reflect on the positive issues of the past year like our new website www.nodental.org, the look of our new roster, the success of the PR Campaign, our preparedness for critical issues and our scientific program. I had a great time as president. I hope I have made it clear to our board members, committee chairpersons and members how much I appreciate all of your help, guidance and support. It was a pleasure writing these messages and hope I kept it positive and informative so you could enjoy reading. God bless, take care and remember: **The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.**

James D. Roethele, DDS, FACD
President



Dr. Stephen Brisco, clinical assistant professor in the LSU Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry department of general dentistry, received the Academy of General Dentistry Fellowship Award for his commitment to lifelong learning and excellence in patient care.



Lance Savoie, center, a fourth-year dental student at LSUSD, received the Pierre Fauchard Academy Scholarship, which the Fauchard Academy of Louisiana awards annually for leadership, professionalism, and academic achievement. He is student representative to the LSUSD Alumni Association Board and has served as president of his class for the past three years. With the honoree are Dr. Frank Martello, Academy chairman, and Dr. Eric Hovland, dean.



WE WANT YOUR NEWS

Anyone knowing of any dentist who has made a significant contribution, gained an elective or appointive office, written an article, delivered a paper, or rendered unusual public service, please call or write Dr. Kristi Soileau, 2820 Napoleon Ave., Suite 470, New Orleans, LA 70115. Phone: 899-2255.

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NODA PROFILE

NODA News continues a series of profiles of members of all ages and various lengths of membership in the Association. You may be next!

Dr. Barnett: The seeds were planted

Sometimes it's difficult to pinpoint when the seeds of one's life's work were planted.

For Dr. Morris G. Barnett, the name of his own dentist, a Dr. Holloway of Hattiesburg, MS comes to mind. "I was impressed with him," recalls Dr. Barnett. "Dentistry was a good experience for me. I never had a problem with dentistry as a youngster."

The fact that his wife's brother-in-law was a dentist may have also influenced his decision, he adds.



DR. BARNETT

But that decision was still in the future as young Morris Barnett was growing up in Hattiesburg. A native of Union, MS, he graduated from Hattiesburg High School in 1967 and four years later from the University of Southern Mississippi with his degree in mathematics.

Then came a year as a schoolteacher in Purvis, MS. Meanwhile, he also worked in his father's auto painting and repair business, eventually joining one of the insurance companies his father did business with as a claims adjuster.

But the interest in dentistry remained. Moving to New Orleans, and working a while for the city health department, he enrolled in UNO for pre-dental studies. He entered the LSU School of Dentistry in 1979 and graduated with his DDS in 1983. Meanwhile, he had met and married the former Yvonne Fornos of Nicaragua who was attending a boarding school in Hattiesburg.

After working as an associate with Dr. Clayton Barre on the West Bank, Dr. Irving Sheet in uptown New Orleans and Associated Dental Care in Marrero, Dr. Barnett decided "it was

time to put in my own business." After a brief time in the Westside Professional Building just off DeGaulle, he moved to offices on the second floor of Majoria Drug Store, 888 Terry Parkway.

There he conducts a busy solo practice, employing two fulltime hygienists and two fulltime dental assistants. His wife Yvonne serves as office manager.

The Barnetts lead an interesting life. Their home on Diplomat St. in Terrytown "is only 10 minutes from the office," says the doctor. "People tell me we should get a larger place. But I'm happy where I am. We like the neighborhood. We like our neighbors. We're comfortable where we are."

Dr. Barnett and Yvonne like to go on cruises. They've taken a European cruise, a Mediterranean cruise and in April they are traveling to Nicaragua where "we have a beach house on a bay." Part of the family will join them there. They are the parents of three daughters: Heather, a registered nurse; Jessica, a dental assistant who works with her father, and Glenda, a student at William Carey College.

Dr. Barnett, who is now fluent in Spanish, is a lifelong hunter and fisherman. "I charter a boat with friends to fish offshore and fish the bays in my flat-bottomed boat." He hunts in season, mainly for deer and turkey. "I grew up hunting," he says.

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March 9		"Extracting Dental Information from the Internet" w/Julie Schiavo, MLIS and Elizabeth Strother, MLS	02 cr. hrs. 9-11:00 a.m.	ALL \$ 35.00
March 23		Alumni Day Presentation w/Drs. Henry Gremillion, Jim Weir, and Corky Willhite	05 cr. hrs.	DDS* \$ 149.00 Hygienist* \$ 119.00 Aux. \$ 119.00
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April 6-7		"High Tech Continuum" w/Drs. Roy Nakal, John Barksdale & Jerome Smith	14 cr. hrs.	DDS \$ 465.00 Aux. \$ 169.00
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April 27-29	June 8-10	June 8-10 "Cosmetic Dentistry Continuum - Level II" a/k/a/ Advanced Anterior Esthetics w/Dr. Eubank & Dr. Morley	66 cr. hrs.	July 20-22 DDS \$7,500.00
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