

The Articulator

Give Kids a Smile Day 2008

Central District and LCC team up for local children.

The 2008 GKAS event sponsored by CDDS and the Dental Hygiene Program at LCC is scheduled for February 1, 2008, and will once again be held at the LCC Dental Hygiene Clinic. The LCC clinic has 24 chairs. Our goal this year is to fully utilize available resources from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM, with prophies and preventive care rendered from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Ideally, 10-12 dentists will be providing restorative care during the event.

Children will be screened clinically and radiographs will be made in advance of the February 1st event. The screening process is managed by the LCC teaching staff and is spearheaded by Christina Dauka, RDH. Our other major partner for GKAS is the Lansing School District. Children from Vivian Riddell Elementary School will once again



be participating in the program. Many children at Riddle are recent immigrants to the US and have been placed at Riddle because of the availability of English as a Second Language Programs. Space and resources permitting, children from Lutheran Social Services will also be treated at the event.

In order to maximize efficiency, participating dentists are encouraged to bring their chairside assistant, handpieces and restorative setups. Working with familiar personnel and instruments will help to maximize the number of procedures completed at the event.

At the 2007 event, 71 children were treated and 143 procedures were done, representing about half of the dental needs in this group. With your support, this event can be even more successful and productive this year.

CDDS Volunteers for GKAS 2008

Joseph Schmid
Ernie Rompf
Charlotte Cortis
Jason Hartman
Kristina Palmer
David Hallman
Dan Sadler
Craig Spencer
Matt Yun
Sherill Behnke
Scott Stone
George Noel
Greg Komyathy
Pat Gadola
Van-Anh Peters
Sandeep Sood
Heather Huffer Charcut
Sarah Deck Davis
Jim Figenshau
John Mashni
Doug Hinterman
Lana Lewis
Mark Hostetler
Mark Johnston

To Sign up to volunteer at GKAS 2008, contact Dr. Don Burkhardt at 347-0946

Young Dentists Kick off the Year at Beggar's

The first Young Dentist gathering of the 2007-2008 cycle was held at Beggar's Banquet in East Lansing on October 17, 2007, and was well attended. This gathering was a social function with a short presentation given by the Rehmann Group. A continuing education event is planned for Thursday, January 17, 2008, at 6:30 PM. The location for the event is to be announced. Dr. Vince Benivegna will speak on management of office emergencies. In addition to CE credits, fellowship and food, Dr. Benivegna will be providing participants with an emergency kit.

Members of Central District who are 40 years old or younger, or who have been out of dental school for less than 10 years, are encouraged to attend Young Dentist meetings. This year's coordinator for the Young Dentist program is Dr. Nikki Pecora (npecora@umich.edu).



Young Dentists congregate at Wine Night at Beggar's Banquet. From left to right: Matthew Yun, Curt Nurenberg (Rehmann Group), Jamey Peters, Alexa Vitek, Amber Peters)

Corky Wilhite Lecture a Huge Success

A nationally known speaker on esthetic dentistry, Dr. Corky Wilhite, presented a full day of CE at the Kellogg Center on 10/12/07. Attendance at the event topped 150--certainly the best-attended event in recent history. Congratulations to CDDS President Dr. Don Burkhardt on a successful program and thanks to our corporate sponsors, Delta Dental, Patterson Dental, Sullivan Schein, Cosmedent and MDA.



*Attendees at the Corky Wilhite lecture enjoy lunch.
From left to right: Alexa Vitek, Lisa Lewis, Greg Komyathy, John Willoughby, Sherill Behnke, Sandeep Sood, and Don Behnke*

Evening CE Programs Slated for February and March

To conclude this year's CE program, two evening continuing education programs are planned. On Wednesday, February 13, 2008, Doug White, a dental laboratory technician and laboratory owner, will give a presentation entitled, "Esthetic Dental Materials/Functional Demands and Limitations."

Rounding out the year on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, Dr. Jack Gobetti will give an after dinner presentation on Pain Management. This lecture fulfills the mandated requirement for at least one hour of continuing education on pain and symptom management as part of the continuing education requirement for relicensure by the state of Michigan.

Both meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn South, with registration starting at 6:00 PM and dinner and presentation to follow at 6:30 PM. The meetings are free for members, but a \$25.00 check needs to be included with your registration to hold your place. Your check will be returned on the night of the meeting. Staff is invited to attend the evening meetings for a cost of \$35.00/staff member.

Planning a GKAS Event in Your Office

If you are planning to participate in Give Kids a Smile Day by hosting an event in your office, Central District would like to hear about your activities. Please contact Brad Eschler at tbradster@aol.com with the details of your activity. It would be ideal to include the names of volunteers, number of children treated and any photos of the event that you may have. It is important to recognize the volunteer efforts of members--be in touch!

Register For February 13, 2008 Evening Meeting

Esthetics/Materials

Doug White, CDT

Holiday Inn South

6:00 PM Check-In (Free Members)

Name (\$25.00) _____

Number of Staff Attending (\$35.00/each) _____

Names of Staff _____

Register For March 18, 2008 Evening Meeting

Pain Control

Dr. Jack Gobetti

Holiday Inn South

6:00 PM Check-In (Free Members)

Name (\$25.00) _____

Number of Staff Attending (\$35.00/each) _____

Names of Staff _____

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CDDS Events/Meetings

Board Meetings, Kellogg, 6:30 PM:	1/8/08
	2/5/08
	3/4/08
	4/1/08
CDDS President's Night:	4/17/08
Golf Outing: Mid-June (details TBA)	