

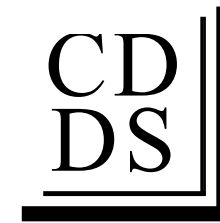
CE Registration 2006-2007

<p>Thursday, October 19, 2006 Dr. Brent Ward Osteoradionecrosis and Bisphosphanates Holiday Inn South Registration and Social Hour: 6:00-6:30 PM Dinner/CE: 6:30-9:00 PM</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Number of staff attending _____</p> <p>Staff Names _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Thursday, November 9, 2006 CDDS Election Night Keith Felty, J.D. Risk Prevention/Management Holiday Inn South Registration and Social Hour: 6:00-6:30 PM Dinner/CE: 6:30-9:00 PM</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Number of staff attending _____</p> <p>Staff Names _____</p> <p>_____</p>
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Please send in one \$25.00 check for each meeting that you plan to attend along with the registration for that meeting. Cost for each staff member is \$35.00/meeting. Only one check needs to be written for all fees covering staff attendance for any combination of meetings. For example if you register 2 staff members for 2 meetings, fill out the appropriate registration forms, but send only one check (\$140.00 in this example).

Mail completed registrations and checks to:

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The Articulator

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Interview with Dr. Greg Komyathy CDDS President 2006-2007

BE: Tell me a little about your background--I know you grew up in my hometown of Taylor, MI. How about undergraduate school, dental school and practice experience?

GK: I went to the University of Michigan for my undergrad studies. Yes, I do bleed maize and blue. I went to UDM for my dental degree and graduated in 1995. I associated for approximately one year before I purchased my existing office. I have been in my current practice for 10 years now; proving once again that a downriver kid can make it.

BE: Can you tell me about your family?

GK: Angie and I have been married for 16 years--we met on a blind date in high school. She has played a key role in my success and my development as a person. I have two daughters, Jordan age 14 and Kelsey age 12. Both of our children are very active in sports and music.

BE: What are your leisure activities and hobbies?

GK: I hunt, fish, and enjoy outdoor activities, generally. I play the Great Highland Bagpipes with the Hillsdale college bagpipe band every Thursday. I compete in the Bagpipe Competition at the Highland games every year. I took first place in my grade in both the Alma games and the Oberlin Ohio games.

BE: Within dentistry, what are your major professional interests?

GK: I enjoy all aspects of dentistry and have incorporated endodontic treatment, oral surgery, and orthodontic treatment into my practice. I also enjoy the challenge of cosmetic dentistry. I have wanted to be a dentist since the second grade. My mom has a crayon drawing of a newspaper that we had to create as a school assignment. My headline reads, "Dr. Greg Komyathy Finds Painless Way to Fill Teeth." I was 6 years old when I did that--lets you know how disturbed I must have been as a child. Perhaps even worse that I followed through and actually became a dentist!

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Key Dates:

- New Dentist Mixer: 09/28/06
- Board of Directors: 10/3/06
- CE Meeting: 10/19/06
- Board of Directors; 11/7/06
- CE Meeting: 11/9/06

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BE: What led you to get involved in organized dentistry?

GK: I have been involved with organized dentistry since dental school. After coming to the Lansing area, Tony Spagnuolo approached me to serve on the Committee for the Young Dentist. After chairing that committee for a few years I served as the Dental Education Committee chair. After this apprenticeship and the usual arm-twisting, I ran for treasurer to get in line for President. (continues on page 2)

BE: What are your objectives for your presidential year?

There are three things that I will need to accomplish to have a successful year. First, I would like to anticipate problems from a public relations standpoint and head off potential crises; I look forward to a smooth presidential year. Secondly, I recognize the importance of a successful "Give Kids a Smile (GKAS)" event to our local dental community. A successful GKAS program is important for community relations and to strengthen our partnership with the Lansing Community College Hygiene Program. I have had preliminary discussions with Sherry Kohlman, the program director at LCC regarding this year's event. Finally, I recognize that there is a huge problem with volunteerism and as things get more and more demanding in our personal lives, the lack of willing volunteers will greatly impact not only our association but every volunteer-driven association. I want to convey to the young dentists in our area that involvement in our local society is a great way to network, share ideas, get good advice, and build solid professional relationships as well as to serve. A lot of dentists practice day-in and day-out with no supportive professional relationships, living their practice life in a vacuum. I think it is a great thing to be able to call a fellow member and ask their opinion on a certain procedure or office-related issue. Volunteerism starts the process of networking that leads to lifelong relationships with other professionals and provides a valuable source of support and advice.

We wish Dr. Komyathy every success during his presidential year. --Brad Eschler, ed.

Get your Articulator on the World wide web

Traditionally, all active members and retired members received The Articulator via conventional mailing. In the future, you may choose to receive your newsletter electronically or to download the newsletter from the CDDS website (WWW.CDDS.ORG).

If you wish to continue to receive your newsletter via conventional mail, do nothing, your publication will be mailed as in the past. If you wish to receive the newsletter via an attachment to e-mail or to download the newsletter from the website at your convenience, notify the editor at tbradster@aol.com. After receiving your post with your preferred method of receiving the newsletter, your preference will be acknowledged via e-mail and the change will take place with the next mailing.

In the long run, it would represent real cost savings for the Central District to have all members receive the publication electronically. If you are computer savvy and check your e-mail routinely, one of the two electronic options would work well. If you have questions about your options for receiving your newsletter, please contact me at tbradster@aol.com. Ed.

Free Continuing education meetings and dues increase

At the 2006 President's Night event in April honoring Vince Benivegna, a proposal was brought before the membership suggesting a yearly dues increase in the amount \$50.00. The objective of this dues increase is to underwrite free continuing education meetings for all members. It is the hope of the CDDS Board of Directors that free CE meetings will increase participation at general membership meetings and return value to the membership for their dues dollars.

In order to register for CE meetings, the member will need to send in a registration for the meeting with a check for \$25.00. A separate check should be

sent for each meeting (see back page). Also, if you wish to register spouse or staff, a separate check should be sent for spouse/staff registration. Checks will be returned at CE meetings. If a member no-shows, then CDDS keeps the check. This arrangement complicates record-keeping for CE meetings to some degree, but the board felt that some method for limiting no-shows was necessary. This arrangement is similar to the scheme that Delta Dental uses for its free CE meetings. Ed.

Greetings from the CDDS New Dentist Committee!

As the crisp fall air enters in, so does the new and exciting year for the Central District Dental Society. This year's New Dentist committee is planning to offer continuing education meetings and social gatherings monthly on an alternating basis. We would like to invite all dentists who are out of school less than 10 years or are under the age of forty to join us for CDDS New Dentist events.

Please join us on Thursday, September 28 at 6:00 p.m. for our first social gathering at Smokey Bones Restaurant in Eastwood Towne Center (Lake Lansing Road, East Lansing). Appetizers will be provided. Each member will be responsible for his/her own meal and beverages. If interested in attending, please contact me at alexavitek@hotmail.com by Tuesday, September 27, 2006.

Do you have an idea for a continuing education meeting or place to gather for dinner? Please contact me at alexavitek@hotmail.com with your interests and ideas. Thank you!

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Guest articles or editorials are welcome and will be included at the discretion of the editor. To make a submission, contact the editor. Fax or e-mail submissions preferred.

If you are looking for a painless way to get involved in organized dentistry or looking for networking opportunities with other young dentists, the New Dentist Committee is a great way to start. We appreciate any amount of time or involvement – big or small.

Thank you!
Alexa Vitek DDS
New Dentist Chair

CDDS Roster Update

Once again, Dr. Mark Johnston has agreed to edit and publish the roster of the membership. If there have been changes in your address, phone, or e-mail, please fill in the blanks below and mail to:

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