

THE ARTICULATORALEXA M. VITEK DDS—EDITOR
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517-277-2000**EXCITING CHANGES IN CENTRAL DISTRICT FOR 2011-2012****Our new President, Sandeep Sood:**

Dr. Sandeep Sood is a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan and became a member of Central District Dental Society in 2002 when he purchased an existing general practice office in Holt. He was born and raised in the Metro Detroit area and also attended the University of Michigan for his undergraduate studies. Sandeep and his wife, Sapna, have two boys - Krish who is almost 4 years old and Armaan who recently turned 1 year old in July. Sandeep enjoys traveling across the world and watching good movies in his spare time.

His goal for this year includes providing a broad base of continuing education speakers for our dental society. Local members can see nationally and internationally recognized speakers here in Mid-Michigan. Deb Cohen, our first speaker, comes from Florida and is a master of getting teams to communicate with each other and our patients. She also will be helping us learn how to assess people's DISC personality styles. Our second speaker, Dr. W.C. Foong hails from the University of Detroit Mercy and will be providing our needed licensure pain management credits. Dr. Ken Hebel is a prosthodontist and implant dentist who hails from Ontario, Canada. Dr. Hebel has spoken at most of the major meetings around the world. Sandeep is excited about the list of speakers he has arranged for this year and the information that they are providing. Please contact Sandeep if you have any ideas for additional continuing education meetings.

We will be returning again to Jimmy's Pub for our winter social event. Information about the New Year event will be mailed later in the year.

New location for Continuing Education Meetings: Please carefully note the location for CE meetings. Our two fall evening meetings will be held at the new MDA Building on Okemos Road in Okemos, instead of the Causeway Bay Conference Center as in past years.

****Registration forms for the first two CE meetings can be found attached to this newsletter! First meeting is SEPTEMBER 8, 2011.****

Local non-dues paying members: As of June 1, 2011, Central District members in the categories of retired, retired life, life, and limited practice will be asked to cover the cost of their meal and expenses at continuing education meetings. Thus, the \$40 registration fee will not be returned to members in these membership categories. Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining the financial health of our organization.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEMBERS:**

- **President: Dr. Sandeep Sood**
- **President Elect: Dr. Greg Maxson**
- **Treasurer: Dr. Tamara Bauer**
- **Secretary: Dr. Steven Charchut**
- **Trustee: Dr. Mark Johnston**
- **Executive Secretary: Dr. Sherill Behnke**
- **Editor: Dr. Alexa Vitek**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Thursday, September 8, 2011—6:00 pm—Continuing Education Meeting**
 “The Ultimate Synergistic Team” - Deb Cohen of “Transitions” - MDA Building
 See www.cdds.org for presenter worksheets for this CE meeting.
- **Tuesday, October 18, 2011—6:00 pm—Continuing Education Meeting—ELECTION NIGHT**
 “Acute Pain Management in Dentistry” - Dr. W. Choong Foong — MDA Building
- **Thursday, January 12, 2012—6:30 pm—New Year’s Celebration—Social Event**
 Jimmy’s Pub - East Lansing
- **Friday, February 17, 2012—8:30 am—Continuing Education Meeting—ALL DAY MEETING**
 “Treatment Planning & Restoring Implant Dentistry” - Dr. Ken Hebel

MDA LIFE MEMBERS 2011

Each year in May the MDA Awards life membership status to members who are turning 65 during the year and who have maintained membership in some membership category for 30 continuous years or 40 total years. Life membership is also awarded to those who are retired from dentistry and have maintained membership continuously since graduation from dental school. Life membership represents a lifetime of dedication to the dental profession, and the support of the Michigan Dental Association—year in and year out. (Journal of the Michigan Dental Association—July 2011—pg 68)

Congratulations to the following Life Members of Central District Dental Society:

Dr. James Figenshau • Dr. Michel Nasif • Dr. John Willoughby

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Each year we elect member dentists to serve on our two local peer review committees—Standard of Dental Care and Ethics. Again this year, we are looking to elect three dentists to Standard of Dental Care Committee and two dentists to Ethics Committee.

The Standard of Dental Care Committee is composed of a minimum of nine (9) general practitioners, each with a minimum of five (5) years practice experience. Each member shall serve a three year term so that three members go off the committee each year and three new members are elected. The Ethics Committee is composed of six (6) members to each serve a three year term. The committee is arranged in a way that two new members are elected each year to a three year term.

The time commitment is under 10 hours per year and any pending cases are divided amongst committee members. Most times committee members communicate via phone or email and usually do not need to meet as a committee. Committee volunteers must be able to communicate effectively between both parties involved in the peer review case.

Standard of Care Peer Review Committee Members – Sunset Date – Term Limits: (Nine Members)

BethAnn Faber	Fall 2011	Serving final term
Brian Ruster	Fall 2011	Serving final term
Tom Faiver	Fall 2011	Serving final term
Bob Mondragon	Fall 2012	Serving final term
Matt Yun	Fall 2012	Serving final term
Jamie Peters	Fall 2012	Serving final term
Dave Golder (CHAIR)	Fall 2013	Serving final term
Steve Atkinson	Fall 2013	Serving final term
Greg Byra	Fall 2013	Serving first term (First three year term)

Ethics Peer Review Committee Members – Sunset Date – Term Limits: (Six Members)

Greg Komyathy	Fall 2011	
Steven Powell	Fall 2011	
Chuck Hagan	Fall 2012	Serving final term
Bob Erhard	Fall 2012	Serving first term
Doug Hinterman (CHAIR)	Fall 2013	Serving final term
Jim Figenshau	Fall 2013	Serving first term
Mark Hostetler	Fall 2013	Serving first term

Please contact Nominations Chair, Alexa Vitek if you are interested in serving on either committee. The time commitment is very minimal but peer review is a wonderful member benefit of organized dentistry and a great way to give back to our profession. (alexavitek@hotmail.com/517-277-2000)

THANK YOU DR. PETER CHIARAVALLI!

New Articulator editor and format: Thank you to Dr. Peter Chiaravalli for serving as our interim newsletter editor last year! We appreciate his many years of service to CDDS in different capacities. Our Past President, Alexa Vitek, will serve now as our Articulator editor. Since our fast paced lives are filled with many items to read, the Articulator will be streamlined to primarily only include facts and basic information instead of articles to read. To continue being financially responsible, the Articulator will be emailed again this year. **If you would like any information included in upcoming editions of the Articulator or your email address corrected, please contact Alexa Vitek at the 517-277-2000 or cddsarticulator@hotmail.com. Please help us create a correct email database!**

**Volunteering to
serve on a
committee is a
great way to give
back to our
profession and help
our fellow
colleagues!
Call today!**

GIVE KIDS A SMILE 2011



Dr. JJ Bechtel and Dr. Sandeep Sood



Dr. George Schneeberger, Dr. Sherill Behnke,
Dr. Craig Spencer



Dr. Jay Crawford and Dr. Tamara Bauer



Dr. Greg Maxson and Dr. Peter Chiaravalli



Dr. Jake Myers, Dr. Sandeep Sood,
Dr. Jay Crawford



Dr. Alexa Vitek and Dr. Melissa Royer

Thank you to all of the dentists, assistants, and hygienists who volunteered their time and talents during the CDDS Give Kids a Smile Day 2011! 😊

PRESIDENT'S NIGHT 2011



Mrs. Erin Koenigsnecht, Dr. Nick Koenigsnecht, Dr. Heather Charchut,
Dr. Steven Charchut



Dr. Gary Hubbard, Dr. Martin Tuck, Dr. Gary Dwight, Dr. Brad Eschler



Mr. Drew Eason, Mrs. Joanne Eason,
Dr. John Willoughby



Dr. John Faber, Dr. Beth Ann Faber



Dr. Alexa Vitek, Dr. Lana Lewis



Dr. Lucila Martinez-Castillo,
Dr. Lisa Knowles



Dr. Renee Owen,
Dr. Sherill Behnke



Dr. Tracy Epley, Dr. Sam Epley



Dr. Vince Benivegna, Mr. Josh Lord



Dr. John Zang-Bodis,
Dr. Nick Koenigsnecht



Dr. Alexa Vitek, Dr. Lana Lewis,
Dr. Neeru Ramaswami

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- To help us better serve you, the registration deadline is **September 1, 2011**. Checks to be made payable to **CDDS**.
- If you do not pre-register, please contact CDDS Treasurer Dr. Tamara Bauer on at 517-676-1091 as soon as possible.

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Dental Team Registration: *(First and Last Names)*

\$40 x _____ = \$ _____

of Team Members Attending

Non-Refundable Check

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