



# Dutchess County Dental Society

**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**

**Title:** Can We Save Them All?

**Speaker:** Dr. Hossein Moosavi

The Blue Fountain Restaurant

826 Route 376

Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

**Cash Bar 6:30PM**

**Dinner Meeting 7:00 PM**

Veal Marsala

Chicken Piccata

Shrimp Scampi

\$30 Active, Active Life, Associate and Retired Life

\$40-Retired, Honorary, Applicants

\$40-Students, Residents, Non-Dentist Staff of DCDS

\$90- non-members

Non-DCDS Member Lecture Only—\$50

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## Official Minutes of the January 7th, 2020 Dutchess County Dental Society Executive Board Meeting

The Executive Board of the Dutchess County Dental Society met on January 7th, 2020.

The meeting was at The Olive Garden, 2044 South Road, Poughkeepsie, New York.

Board members present were:

Drs. Prunty, Smith, Schwartz, Dewhirst, Blondin, Kroboth, Paunovic, Weiner and Payami

Call to order at time: 6:47pm.

**Motion:** Motion passed to accept the November 2019 Executive Board minutes.

**President's Report:** Dr. Kroboth, welcomed the board members. Dr. Kroboth announced that Dr. Payam Goudarzi (president of NYSDA) will be attending the 9th meeting on March 11th at Villa Borghese. Dr. Kroboth also announced the passing of Dr. Elmer Leigh. Elmer Leigh, DDS passed away on December 19th 2019. Dr. Leigh was in practice in Poughkeepsie for many years and had served as a volunteer Dentist at the Vassar Brothers Medical Center Dental Clinic. He served the Dutchess County Dental Society as a long time Board member and President. Elmer was a fine Dentist, a highly ethical person and treated his patients with kindness and skill. It was a privilege to have known him.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Dr. Schwartz reported. No inquires. Dr. Schwartz and the board discussed DCDS condolence letter for Dr. Elmer Leigh. Dr. Schwartz also requested input from the board members for the upcoming bulletin.

**Correspondence from Ninth District and NYSD:** The Ninth District has voted to increase their administrative fee from \$150 to \$500. The board discussed the fee increase.

**Treasurer Report:** Dr. Smith reported for Dr. Rosenbloom who had proposed a discussion on membership as follows:

At issue is the recurrent theme of applications by non-Ninth District (or other) Members for DCDS membership. In the past, we had discussed the issue of our members enjoying some of the perks of belonging to tripartite dentistry and the DCDS in particular. As a financially thriving branch society, our members enjoy wonderful subsidies such as the Season Ticket program, the Early, Early Bird Special for the Spring Seminar, and meal subsidies at all general membership meetings attended. Dr. Smith (Membership Chair) and Dr. Rosenbloom have had a discussion about this topic. Dr. Smith brought up that he believed that the ADA accepts people within 10 years of graduating dental school and they pay reduced dues on a sliding scale until they are out 10 years and then full dues. Dr. Rosenbloom had decided to do some research and found out that there is a program, but it is only 3-4 years. Here is what Dr. Rosenbloom had learned: NYSDA Applicant does not pay any dues in the year of applying for membership, then 1/3 dues in year 2, 2/3 dues in year 3 and full dues in year 4. ADA: 4 year sliding scale. Applicant does not pay dues during the first application year, then pays 25% in year 2, 50% in year 3 and 100% in year 4. Dr. Rosenbloom was also informed that there is a proposal set forth in the ADA that is to be voted upon and expected to be passed to reduce that sliding scale from a 4 year to a 3 year sliding scale beginning 2021. NYSDA will follow suit if this in fact passes. Dr. Rosenbloom's view is and always has been that we should not accept any new members who are not Ninth District (or other district) members. Dr. Rosenbloom states that DCDS offers tremendous benefits for those who commit to belonging to organized dentistry and those who do not should not be eligible for any of our generous benefits and subsidies from our Treasury. If they are in some form of membership on a sliding scale or otherwise, then they would at least be committed to being members of tripartite dentistry and therefore, eligible for some form of DCDS membership. At issue for us is that

if receive an application from a recent grad, and Dr. Rosbenbloom too would have defined that as 3 years out of school even before he learned the above from the ADA and NYSDA. Therefore, for the program that Dr. Rosenbloom is proposing here, that we can discuss offering them a new class of DCDS membership that we can refer to as "Recent Grad". Dr. Rosenbloom's view is that you either wish to belong to tripartite dentistry or you do not. If one does choose to, the ADA and NYSDA offer them to begin that process with a sliding dues schedule within 3 years of graduation and beyond that, if they haven't committed to organized dentistry, we should not offer membership and the perks and benefits available in the DCDS. As we have no dues in the DCDS currently, I will keep this discussion to that scenario. In that scenario, I would suggest that we consider these recent grads for DCDS membership with stipulations for this new category. Specifically, we would offer them the opportunity to obtain local CE, meet and network with local colleagues who can help them navigate their young careers. However, I would suggest that they not be eligible for any subsidies for that first year when no fees are being paid to belong to tripartite dentistry. However, instead of non-member rates at meetings which we just voted to be a \$50 surcharge beginning January 2020, these proposed "Recent Grad" members would be offered to come to our meetings and pay our non-subsidized cost of the meeting meal or allow them to attend the meeting without the meal at no charge. This pricing would be similar to Applicants and Staff. The problem if we were to create this new category of Recent Grad membership is that it creates an additional burden for the DCDS Executive Board and specifically the Membership Chair and Treasurer to keep track of Year Of Graduation on our membership spreadsheet and keep track of who would no longer be eligible for our generous membership benefits once they have passed the one year mark and make sure that they are now full dues paying members of NYSDA and ADA. At that point, they would be eligible to be converted to full DCDS members automatically without additional application once they are paying their sliding dues to ADA and NYSDA. They would then be eligible for our subsidies. If not, then they would be removed from our mailing list and would still be able to attend at the non-member rate. As a note, it is incumbent upon the Membership Chairperson to check our membership list annually to make sure that all members are still members of tripartite dentistry and eligible for our generous subsidies. Dr. Rosenbloom believes that this should be done at the same time each year and a report to the Executive Board be presented annually on our Agenda the same time each year. Therefore, after discussion, I would like to suggest that somebody make a motion to adopt a new category of DCDS Membership to be known as "Recent Grad" and that we will accept applications to join the DCDS as long as they have made a commitment to join organized dentistry within 1 year of graduation on their sliding dues schedule. A DCDS "Recent Grad" member could only maintain this status for a period of one (1) year, after which they would be eligible for automatic conversion to Full or Associate DCDS Membership or they would be removed from our membership role and mailing list.

Board discussed Dr. Rosenblooms proposal and proposed the following pending motion:

**Pending Motion:** A new graduate dentist who is out of residency/dental school less than 10 year can get 1 year associate membership prior to becoming a part of 9th District and NYSDA.

**Membership Committee:** Dr. Smith reported. Dr. Smith discussed the above matter. Dr. Smith also discussed new prospective member Dr. Gisha Varghese who is an associate of Dr. Victor Nesheiwat.

**Motion:** Board voted to have Dr. Varghese pay associate member dues while her application is pending for membership.

**Bulletin Committee and Web Site:** Dr. Weiner reported. Deadline for the Bulletin is February 5th.

**All-Day Committee:** Dr. Smith reported. All day seminar will be on April 29th at The Grand View in Poughkeepsie. Dr. Robert Lowe at the Catapult Education Group signed the contract.

**Steward's Report:** Dr. Blondin reported for Dr. Jo. February meeting will be at Blue Fountain Restaurant.

**Program Committee:** Dr. Blondin reported. Dr. Hossein Moosavi will present on Endodontics, Apicoectomy and 3D scans.

**A/V Committee:** Dr. Jo. No report.

**Member Benefits Committee:** Dr. Weiner reported. Dr. Weiner discussed insurance quotes and premiums on directors and officers (D&O) liability Insurance. Board was collectively in favor of purchasing a 1 million dollar D&O policy.

**Helping Hand Partnership Committee:** Dr. Payami. No report.

**Community Outreach and Support Committee:** Dr. Smith no report.

**Social Events:** Dr. Smith. No report.

**Next DCDS Board Meeting:** March 10th, 2020.

## **NINTH DISTRICT AND NYSDA REPORTS**

**Ninth District Executive Committee:** No report

**Ninth District Board of Governors:** Drs. Erin Prunty and Michael Smith.

**Ninth District ABF Committee:** Dr. Michael Smith, No report

**Ninth District Nominating Committee:** Dr. Kirtland, No report.

**Ninth District for Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry:** Dr. Riggins, No report

**Ninth District Medal Committee :** Dr. Kirtland, No report

**Ninth District Bulletin Committee:** Dr. Riggins, No report

**Ninth District Membership Committee:** Dr. Smith, No report.

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business:** No new business

**Good and Welfare:** No news

**Other announcements:** No new announcements

**Meeting adjourned:** at 8:02pm

**Respectfully submitted by:** Respectfully submitted by Dr. Ali Payami, as Recording Secretary.

## Upcoming DCDS Meetings

3/17/2020

5/19/2020

6/23/2020

Check out the Ninth  
district

Calendar of events  
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April 29, 2020

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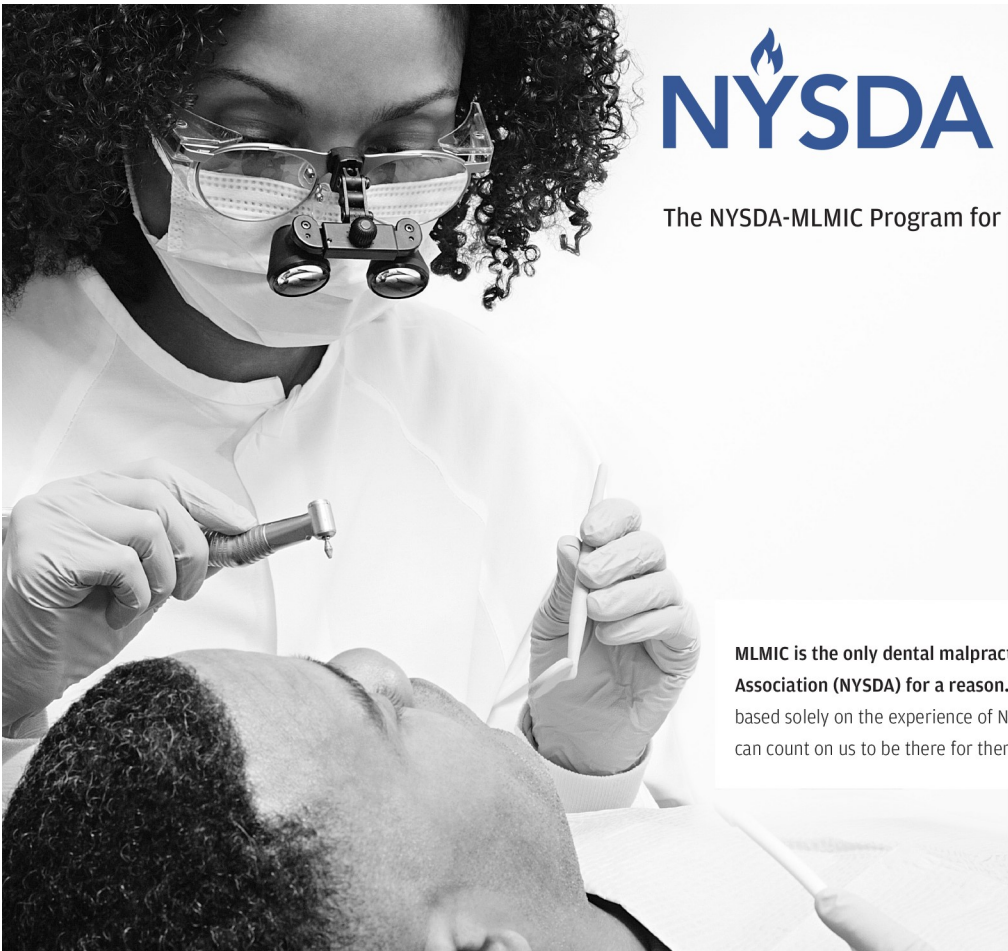
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