

General Meetings and CE 2007

Program Chairperson

*Dr. Robert Ashmen, Dr. Constantine Simos
(Sept. Course)*

**May 15, 2007
STAFF NIGHT**



May 17, 2007

Annual OSHA Certification

Cathy Jameson, Ph. D.
Building Your Practice the Old-
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Wednesday, September 19, 2007
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The Dental Newsletter



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President's Message ... Robert Silverstein



Wrap-Up

I hope my previous messages have provided food for thought. Several of you have approached me to tell me that they have helped you make your day more enjoyable. This was my goal and I'm glad I could help. For those of you who are interested, information on the seminar that got me started thinking this way

is at nybasic.webhop.net.

Two of our Board members who have given a great deal to our Society are stepping down after this May, and I want to recognize them here:

Joel Leizer has been our ADA Delegate since I have been a member, and he has provided many years of dedicated service to our Society. He has represented our interests with the ADA during many Caucus meetings and Annual Sessions. As President, I want to thank him for his contributions and I hope that he will continue to serve in some capacity. His helpful guidance at Board

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STAFF NIGHT – Tuesday, May 15, 2007
THE PINES Route 27 • Edison, NJ
 Registration and Cocktails begin at 6:00 PM
 Dinner & Entertainment begin at 6:30 PM
 Prizes awarded All Night Long!



STAFF NIGHT – A Deserving Tribute

As we gather this month to honor our respective staffs for their contribution to our success, we should reflect on how each separate staff person is so vital to the practice as a whole. Any practitioner who forgets the vital function of a staff person is clearly reminded of it when he/she calls in sick and we are left to perform his/her functions on top of our treatment duties.

In an age where loyalty to an employer in the marketplace is becoming nonexistent, many of us are blessed with employees who will go to the end of the earth for us because they believe in us and we have made them feel a vital part of our business. For these staff members who show unyielding loyalty to us during inevitable hard times, this night of tribute is deserving. As our practices are extensions of ourselves, so too are our staffs extensions of our families. There is no doubt that they see sides of us only our immediate family members know about.

We hope that you make every effort to honor your staffs by attending this special event.

MCDS Board of Trustees Report

-April 10, 2007-

Attendance: Ashmen, Brunsdn, Clemente, Fahsbender, Galkin, Glickman, Kahn, Krantz, Nandra, Patel, Prabhu, Savage, Silverstein, Simos, Stein, Villa, Vitale, Weiner, Marlene Glickman (Executive Secretary)

Acceptance of minutes: Vote unanimous

President's Report: Bob Silverstein

I am still working on the AGD application. This should be finished soon.

Treasurer's Report: Scott Galkin

See full report on Page 3.

Program Chairperson's Report: Bob Ashmen

Dr. Susan Calderbank will be speaking this month at the Tuesday night meeting. She will be the recipient of the Sy Symanski Memorial Lecture Award. Our final all-day lecture will take place the following day (4/18) at the Pines Manor, featuring Dr. Vafiadis and Dr. Lauciello. The topic is overdentures and implant-supported removable prosthetics.

NJDA Trustee's Report: Nancy Villa

See full report under NJDA Noteworthy News on page 6.

A motion was passed to donate \$150 to the silent auction at the Annual session in Atlantic City. The proceeds will benefit the Special Olympics.

NJDA Council Reports:

Annual Session: Araceli Ziemba

Pre-registration for the Annual Convention at Atlantic City is strongly encouraged to avoid a \$25 on site registration penalty. Please go to www.NJDA.org for information on the Annual session.

Dental Benefits: Mark Vitale

Insurance Company Overpayments- Recently, there have been a number of requests made by insurance companies, predominantly Aetna, asking provider dentists to return "overpayments". If you receive a request to remit such an overpayment you may take one of the two following actions:

- if you are a participating dentists you must return the amount requested.
- If you are NOT a participating dentist you do not have to return the amount requested so long as the following requirements are met:
 - you are an innocent third party creditor
 - you acted in good faith when submitting the claim
 - the overpayment was not induced by any misrepresentation on your part
 - you had no prior knowledge that an overpayment was made

NJDA is prepared to assist it's members in dealing with this situation, by sending a letter to the insurance company on behalf of the dentist. Please call NJDA with any questions.

Governmental affairs: Mitch Weiner

Legislation is being proposed that will mandate that insurance companies use UCR as a basis for determining payments to non-participating health-care providers. This is to counter a proposal put forward by the NJ Department of Banking and Insurance that would tie non-participating provider reimbursement to the Medicaid/Medicare fee schedules.

The next COGA meeting in May will be an information session with legislators held in Trenton along with the NJDPAC.

Membership: Scott Galkin

The membership committee will be hosting a continuing education program entitled "After Dental School 101: What Do I Do Now?" This program was originally given as part of the NJDA's weekend study club in

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meetings was always welcome. Peter Clemente is our new ADA Delegate and we look forward to his representation and participation on our Board.

Mitch Weiner is ending his tenure as Newsletter Content Editor. Mitch has served as an Editor for over 10 years. As a Co-Editor, I have had the privilege of working with him since 1999 and know first hand all of the work that he has put in on this Society's behalf. Mitch started out doing the entire newsletter himself - specifying the content and doing the layout and working with an outside printer. He has donated countless hours of his time help create our monthly newsletter and on behalf of our membership, I want to thank him for his years of service in this capacity. I hope we can still look forward to the annual crossword puzzle... I will be assuming the responsibilities of the Content Editor. I apologize in advance for any forthcoming typos.

James Courey is our incoming President. He has served on our Board for many years, and we are in very capable hands. I am looking forward to supporting him as immediate Past-President.

I also want to take this opportunity to publicly thank all of the members of the Board for all that they have contributed this past year. They are all volunteers, and have all donated many hours of their time to benefit us all. Middlesex County is very fortunate to have so many talented and dedicated people contributing to our Society. The job of President has been made so much easier by having such a great support system.

Have a great time at Staff Night! This is a great opportunity to thank our staffs for all they do to support our practices (thank yourself if you are the staff).



The **Dental Newsletter**

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Detailed Treasurer's Report
February 28, 2007
Scott Galkin, DMD

	(2/28/07-3/31/07)	
Checking	\$8,002.90	\$1,196.84
Savings	\$39,389.14	\$24,482.76
CD (5.22%)	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
	(matures 12/18/2007)	
CD (3.70%)	\$0.00	\$25,000.00
	(matures 6/15/07)	
TOTAL:	\$ 72,392.04	\$ 75,679.60
P&L STATEMENT CHECKING ACCOUNT		
	(2/28/07-3/31/07)	
INCOME		
CONT. EDUC.-INCOME	4,865.00	
CORP SPON- CONT ED.	8,000.00	
CORP SPON- MEETINGS	250.00	
CORP SPON- NEWSLETTER	200.00	
DUES	10,140.50	
INTEREST	4.31	
MENTOR COMM- INCOME	1,020.00	
TOTAL INCOME	24,479.81	
EXPENSES		
ACCOUNTANT FEES	275.00	
CD DEPOSIT	25,000.00	
CONT. EDUCATION	11,437.48	
DINNERMEETINGS	7,668.66	
EXEC. COMMITTEE DINNER	277.79	
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	550.00	
NEWSLETTER	1,514.98	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	48.00	
TELEPHONE	75.95	
WEBSITE	203.45	
TOTAL EXPENSES	47,051.31	
TRANSFERS		
FROM CD - 3 month - matured 3/16/07	765.44	
FROM Savings MCDS	25,000.00	
TO Savings MCDS	-10,000.00	
TOTAL TRANSFERS	15,765.44	
OVERALL TOTAL	-6,806.06	
P&L SAVINGS ACCOUNT		
	(2/28/07-3/31/07)	
INCOME		
INTEREST	93.62	
TOTAL INCOME	93.62	
TOTAL TRANSFERS	-15,000.00	
OVERALL TOTAL	-14,906.38	

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MCDS Board of Trustees Report

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December 2006. Three of the presenters at his program will be MCDS members; Drs. Cavan Brunsten, Hugh Habas, and Mitch Weiner. This program will be co-sponsored by AFTCO, dental practice consultants and Mid-Atlantic Insurance Resources, a provider of all types of insurance for dentists and dental practices. Kim Iannotte of AFTCO will be giving a short presentation as well. This program will be held on Thursday, May 3rd, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the NJDA headquarters in North Brunswick, NJ. The program will be given at no cost to our newer and younger members due to the generosity of the sponsors previously mentioned.

Peer Review: John Fahsbender, Mark Vitale

Three cases were successfully mediated by the Peer Review Committee this past month.

Committee Reports:

Mentor-Ethan Glickman

Our next program satisfies the **OSHA** standard on **Occupational Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens**, which is required annually for dentists and staff, will be given on **May 17, 2007, Thursday; 6:30 - 8:30PM**. Each office person trained will receive certification that they have been properly instructed for this OSHA regulation on Infection Control. **Two CEU credits** will be awarded to those attending this 2-hour seminar. This seminar is available to our members for **\$15/pp as a member benefit of MCDS**. See the OSHA insert in this Newsletter for additional information and registration. A big "Thank You" to Dr. Joe Fertig for arranging all our room accommodations for the MCDS-OSHA programs at St. Peter's Medical Center in New Brunswick.

MCDS Study Club - Dr. Ethan Glickman, facilitator; Subcommittee report:

Membership Committee - Dr. Scott Galkin, Chairman

The next meeting of the MCDS Study Club will be on Thursday, May 10, 2007.

We will be meeting on the main level of the Clarion Hotel on Rte 27, Edison, NJ. This is our 6th meeting of MCDS members. The format is a dinner meeting [each member attending pays for their own meal], starting at 6:30 PM, in a roundtable discussion group. We have had five very animated and enjoyable meetings.

The plan is to start a new MCDS Study Club [2] as new MCDS members join the group so that we can have viable group discussions at each meeting in this round table format.

We discuss cases that our members are actively treating and share information on everything from starting a dental practice, associating or retirement concepts with everything in between that is informational and practical in running a quality and efficient dental practice.

Please consider joining your fellow colleagues in this new type of Study Club at MCDS. This is a very valuable member benefit for all our members of MCDS. Please contact Marlene Glickman, our Exec.Sect'y for MCDS, at # 732-238-1255 for additional information and registration in advance.

Oral cancer: Report by Nandra

The WE (Women's Empowerment) organization will be holding a local health fair in the town of Montgomery, which is in Mercer County.

I will have a table and discuss oral cancer and also dental health education. I am trying to get a hold of Colgate products to give out and will also be distributing literature on oral cancer. From the reaction of the public and the interest they show, I will be able to determine how far we should take the oral cancer activities, and by this I mean that we either continue with education or start a screening program.

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Middlesex County Dental Society

Cathy Jameson, Ph. D.

Building Your Practice the Old-Fashioned Way: One Patient at a Time

Wednesday, September 19, 2007 8:30am-4:30pm



Cathy Jameson is founder and CEO of Jameson, an international dental coaching and lecturing firm. The Jameson Method of Management, developed by Cathy, is committed to helping dentists improve their practices through comprehensive coaching. An accomplished speaker, writer, and workshop leader, Cathy integrates her academic background and her knowledge of communication into the management of dental teams and practices. She and her team of coaches have lectured and consulted in 22 countries and have offices in New York and the United Kingdom, in addition to their two Oklahoma offices. The Jameson team has changed thousands of lives through lectures and in-office coaching as well as books, CDs, DVDs and other products.

No matter what profession you are in, we all would agree that impeccable customer service is IMPERATIVE for a successful business – or practice! How can you continue to move upward with your practice’s productivity and profitability? How can you get your patient base to grow? How can you keep patients in

your practice and what does it take to get them to send referrals? This is the art and skill of Old-Fashioned practice building: One Patient at a Time!

In this course, Cathy Jameson will teach you the tried and true skill of practice-building through basic techniques and cutting edge strategies of customer service. If you want to fill your practice with a satisfied, loyal and active patient-base, then this course is for you!

Specific Topics Discussed:

- DISCOVER valuable marketing techniques that will establish your niche in your community and bring new patients to your doorstep.
- LEARN the New Patient Experience.
- DEVELOP effective communication skills that will allow you to establish an open, trusting relationship with your patients.
- The MAGIC of effective Case Presentation. Learn vital presenting skills that will get the patient to say “yes” to treatment.
- THE HYGIENIST’S ROLE. Empower this position in your practice through proven systems and steps learned in this course.
- LEARN how to ask for referrals from your existing patients.
- THE DENTAL DREAM TEAM. How important is every member of a dental team? Each member can make or break the relationship with a patient. Learn remarkable team building techniques and effective and often overlooked roles each member plays in practice building.

This course is recommended for ALL dental professionals.

Registration Form

Doctor’s Name (Last)

(First)

Address

City

State

Zip

Office Telephone Number

Fax Number

Non-Dentist Staff Members:

Name

Name

Name

Name

Name

Name

Name

Registration Fees: (Please check appropriate boxes)

MCDS Members/Residents: \$50 ea*

*(after 7/1/07 this course will be \$65 each)

NJDA Members (non-MCDS): \$85 ea**

** (after 7/1/07 this course will be \$100 each)

NJDA Non-Members: \$175 ea***

*** (after 7/1/07 this course will be \$225 each)

Total number of Non-dentist staff members:

(\$45 per staff member per course) _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please copy this form to register additional doctors or staff from your office

Checks Payable to MCDS (Payment must accompany registration)

Mail to: Middlesex County Dental Society, P.O. Box 7026, East Brunswick, NJ 08816

All programs to take place at the Pines Manor in Edison, NJ

Registration for all courses starts at 8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast and Lunch Included

For further information call 732-238-1255

Middlesex County Dental Society

After Dental School—What Do I Do Now?

Thursday: May 3, 2007 6:00PM registration 6:30-8:30PM 2 CEU Drs. Habas, Weiner & Brunsden

Place: New Jersey Dental Association Building, Route 1 South, North Brunswick

Buffet Dinner: available at **No Charge** as a courtesy of our sponsors!

Tuition: **No tuition fee [member benefit]** MCDS & NJDA Member Dentists

Sponsored by: AFTCO-Kim Iannotte & Mid-Atlantic Insurance Resources

Dr. Hugh Habas, Dr. Mitchell Weiner and Dr. Cavan Brunsden will speak about many of the issues and questions that a “fresh out of school dentist” may have. Learn the ingredients to start your career and find happiness in your professional life. Gain insight about the common denominators of a successful dental practice from “real down to earth” practicing dentists!!! This is a must - see program that will give you the WOW..... Words of Wisdom!!!

and

Kim Iannotte of AFTCO will present...How to analyze a dental practice profit and loss to better understand the practice acquisition process.

and

Mid-Atlantic Insurance Resources will present....information regarding the unique insurance requirements for practicing dentistry that makes sense for the way you practice such as policies that include Professional & Business Liability, Building & Business Personal Property.

Annual OSHA Certification Seminar

Thursday; May 17, 2007 6:00PM registration 6:30-8:30PM 2 CEU Matt Giachetti

COST: MCDS / NJDA members \$15----Staff \$15 [member benefit] Non-Members \$65

This program will satisfy the OSHA standard on Occupational Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens, which is **required annually for dentists and staff**. Each office person trained will receive certification that they have been properly instructed for this OSHA regulation on Infection Control.

Place: St. Peter’s Medical Center New Brunswick, NJ

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	After Dental School May 3 rd [no fee]	OSHA May 17th
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Total \$ _____

NJDA Noteworthy News

New business- Dental students interested in attending an externship program in the Dakotas asked if NJDA would help sponsor this event. A motion was made and unanimously adopted by the Board to support this trip to the Indian Health Services Externships in the amount of \$5,000.

Regarding the two recent cheating scandals at UMDNJ, three students withdrew from the school, one student is challenging the recommendation of dismissal. Other students are being handled depending on their individual culpability. At the recent NERB Exam, the school did exceptionally well.

Dr. Bob Shekitka was alerted that the southern part of the state is not getting volunteers for the DDS program. The problem is compounded that too few dentists are willing to treat children with special needs. Dr. Barbara Rich has spoken to those in charge at the Burlington County facility and they would be more than willing to work with DDS and they could use its clinic.

GKAS- 750,000 patients were seen nationally; New Jersey treated 2,600 children with 950 volunteers. Healthcare professionals were entitled to 3 CE credits and everyone received a certificate of appreciation. We had four TV news coverage spots from our two largest sites, UMDNJ – Newark and Burlington County College.

Annual Session-- This year the alumni from Columbia, Temple and UMDNJ will be holding separate cocktail receptions. To date \$1,050 in monetary donations has been made to support the Silent Auction. She also asked the Board and Components to consider a donation to support the charity.

Membership- The association made a full membership mailing to collect member e-mail addresses for delivery of CAPSULE electronically and to provide urgent e-mail alerts and advisories. The Committee on the New Dentist has submitted a proposal for a half-day course followed by a reception at the 2008 convention and also a New Dentist CE course for September co-sponsored with Bank of America on managing debt.

Dental Benefit Programs- The death of a 12 year old boy in Maryland from a brain infection caused by an abscessed tooth has focused a spotlight on access to dental care, both in Washington and on the state level. The Washington Post article that originally reported the death was not critical of the profession, but rather the inadequacies of the Medicaid dental program and the need for fluoridated water. NJDA wrote to the Commissioners of the New Jersey Department of Children

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A Message from your Newsletter Content Editor

As this is my last official newsletter as your content editor, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank the general membership for your support and encouragement over the past decade. It has been my goal to make this newsletter a blanket statement: How can you NOT be a member of this organization! I have tried to highlight over the years all of the tangible membership benefits that MCDS and NJDA have to offer, while highlighting the major regulatory and legislative obstacles that we are faced with in our day to day practice in order to ‘rally the troops’ and stir up member support for our PAC. Non-members usually receive our September issue annually to drive home to them what they are missing by not supporting organized dentistry, and we have been successful over the years attracting new members in this manner.

This newsletter was transformed three years into my tenure with the addition of Bob Silverstein as Layout and Design Editor. Through Bob’s stewardship, in-house layout and printing of the newsletter was born, allowing us to make the newsletter timelier, more professional in appearance and VERY cost-effective. Through the early work of Ross Kline and Jeff Chustckie, later passed on to Constantine Simos, corporate sponsorship of the newsletter brought us consistent annual sponsors, further helping defray the costs of newsletter production.

The newsletter has become such a ‘well oiled machine’ that most of my content work in recent years has been proofing the issues and editing down submissions when space is tight. Personal obligations have left me proofing the newsletters over the past two years too late at night for my comfort. Knowing that I could no longer give 100% to the newsletter, I informed the MCDS Board in September 2006 of my decision to step down after the May 2007 issue. I will continue to contribute to the newsletter as your representative to the Council on Governmental and Public Affairs, as well as serving as your NJDA Alternate Trustee. As Bob Silverstein has been doing the vast majority of the labor involved in putting together the newsletter, my departure as content editor will not affect the quality of the publication whatsoever.

I must give recognition and thanks to my predecessors: Sy Symanski, our late Editor Emeritus, for his commitment to a monthly membership publication; and Cavan Brunsdon and Joe Perlmutter, who initiated the newsletters evolution to the professional publication that it is today. It was Cavan’s guidance and mentorship during the editorship transition over ten years ago that helped me to build upon the solid foundation he established.

I thank you again for entrusting me with such an important responsibility over the years and wish you all a professionally productive and personally relaxing summer.

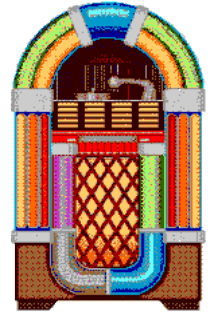
- Mitch Weiner

Staff Night — 50's Sock Hop!

Tuesday, May 15, 2007



6:00–6:30 Cocktails
 6:30–9:30 Entertainment, Dinner and Door Prizes



A SUPER fun-filled evening of entertainment for both doctors and staff. Discount for Early Registration!!! This event is provided for ALL members, regardless of whether they bring staff members or not. In the best interest of proper organization, based upon the large turnout of this event in the past, preregistration will be a must!! A financial incentive will be provided to encourage prompt return of reservations.

MCDS STAFF NIGHT REGISTRATION FORM

Cut-out and send check for total payable to MCDS to:
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Doctor's Name: _____
 Names of Staff _____
 Members: _____

MCDS Member Dentists — **No Charge** Staff: \$49/Person until 4/27 \$64/Person after 4/27
 Total # of Staff Attending: _____ Total Remittance: _____ Includes Open Bar



Membership Chairperson Dr. Scott Galkin (L.) and MCDS President Dr. Robert Silverstein (R.) welcome our newest member: Dr. Matthew Choi.



MCDS President Dr. Robert Silverstein (L.) and Program Chairperson Dr. Robert Ashmen present the Sy Symanski Memorial Lecture award to April Featured Speaker Dr. Susan Calderbank.

MCDS Board of Trustees Report, continued from page 3

New Business:

Dr. Silverstein requested that a committee be formed to investigate setting up our website for online payments using Paypal/Credit Cards. This was approved. The committee consists of Drs. Silverstein, Galkin, Rosen, Courey and Ashmen.

Dr. Constantine Simos, our incoming Program Chairperson, reported on the courses that he is working on:

This is the preliminary program for 2007-08:

September- Cathy Jameson, PhD, "Critical Factors of the Business of Dentistry"

September 19th, 2007 Full Day CE Cathy Jameson, "Building Your Practice the Old-Fashioned Way :One Patient at a Time"

Frank Celenza is scheduled to speak in October. He will speak on the use of 'microanchorage'.

November- Thomas R. Flynn, DMD, Harvard University, "Update on Odontogenic Infections and Antimicrobial Therapy"

February-Kenneth S. Kurtz, DDS, New York University, "Biological Consequences of Clinical Intervention"

March- John C. Cranham, DDS (topic to be determined).

March 19th, 2008 John C. Cranham, DDS Full Day CE, (topic to be determined).

April- Elliot V. Hersch, DMD, MS, PhD, University of Pennsylvania Pharmacology (topic to be determined).

Good and Welfare

Drs. Jamie Leizer and Jason Wasserman are the proud parents of a baby girl and have named her Andie Jayne Wasserman. We congratulate the young parents and wish them well. We also extend our best wishes to Dr. Joel Leizer, the proud grandfather.

Respectfully submitted,

Maya Prabhu,

Secretary



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and Families, Education, DEP, Human Services and Health and Senior Services concerning the incident and the need to work together to improve access to dental care in New Jersey and to move forward with fluoridating drinking water. Dr. Lou Kay, a pediatric dentist – and a good friend of Dr. Fred Jacobs, Commissioner of NJ Department of Health and Senior Services – requested some financial help from the Department for the DDS program. Commissioner Jacobs rejected the offer. The Health Care Consumer Information Act, requires the disclosure of any disciplinary action, malpractice judgment, settlement or arbitration award and any criminal conviction for physicians, podiatrists and optometrists. The Division of Consumer Affairs has recommended to Mr. Codey that dentists and chiropractors be included. Due to our relationship with Mr. Codey, the NJDA has been able to slow the advancement of this legislation.

The State Board of Dentistry has written a draft rule proposal to allow local anesthesia to be administered by a dental hygienist who has had proper training. Many states allow this and there have been no reports of adverse incidents.

Dr. Barbara Rich has been nominated for the position of Treasurer.

The NJDA's parking lot has to be repaved and after 3 bids a request of \$50,000 was approved.

Mr. Meisel has been assisting a member against Aetna pertaining to the recovery of an overpayment to a non-network, innocent third party creditor, dentist. He will also seek a declaratory judgment on behalf of the member and the NJDA.

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St. Peter's Medical Library

Members of the Middlesex County Dental Society are allowed to borrow dental materials from the Medical Library at Saint Peter's University Hospital. A valid ADA ID must be presented in order to borrow materials. Here is a list of some of the materials in the dental collection:

- Excellence in Cosmetic Dentistry-Video Series;
- Gordon Christensen Video Tapes;
- Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery;
- Oral Surgery, Oral Medicine, Oral Pathology, Oral Radiology, and Endodontics.

Information about the Medical Library, including hours of operation, can be found at www.stpeterslibrary.com

Middlesex County Dental Society Councils and Committees

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Mark Vitale..... Dental Benefits494-7575	John Fahsbender Peer Review.....356-1313
Robert Ashmen..... Dental Education846-6366	Ethan Glickman..... Relief572-4244
Mitch Weiner..... Governmental/Public Affairs.....297-4900	

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