On Service

“Perhaps when we face our maker, we will not be asked, ‘How many positions did you hold,’ but rather, ‘How many people did you help?’”

— Thomas S. Monson, Pathways To Perfection: Discourses Of Thomas S. Monson

Three years ago, I was honored to receive the Pennsylvania Dental Association’s Public Service Award at their annual meeting. The theme of that meeting was “Tikkun Olam”. Here follows an excerpt of my remarks upon the acceptance of the award, which are as timely as ever.

“Tikkun Olam, as you know, is an ancient Judaic philosophy which affirms that one gains spiritual meaning in their life by serving the needs of the underserved and vulnerable in society.

I know many of you have done some personal and professional service work in your communities and in the larger world. Those of you who have done so know that the reward of seeing the smile, the look of gratitude, the fulfillment of the need, the acknowledgement of your help, is a much greater reward than any award that could be given.

If you have not, however, spent time doing service for others, then in my opinion you are missing an essential part of human life. Stepping outside of your comfort zone, and doing something for those less fortunate, is an incredibly enriching experience. You don’t have to run to Haiti; you don’t have to travel to a third world country somewhere far abroad. You don’t have to set up a nonprofit organization. Opportunities exist in your own neighborhoods, in your own communities, in your own professional organizations be they dental related or otherwise, to participate in public

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR
2016-2017

Executive Council Meetings: (held at Blue Bell Country Club Clubhouse)
January 12, 2017
March 23, 2017

Dinner Meetings: Cocktail hour beginning at 6:00 & dinner at 7:00
Thursday, December 1, 2016 – Dr. Leslie Stone-Hirsch
Esthetics: An Interdisciplinary Approach
Monday, February 27, 2017 – Dr. Samuel Kratchman
Endodontic Update
Monday, April 3, 2017 – Dr. Shalin Shah
TMD Occlusal Appliances
Monday, May 15, 2017 – President’s Banquet Event

Friday Full Day CE Meetings: Friday courses run 9:00 to 3:30
January 20, 2017 – Dr. Brian B. Nový
How to Eat Candy
April 7, 2017 – Hans Peter Weber, DMD
Contemporary Implant Dentistry

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PRESS RELEASE

Local Prosthodontist Claims National Award

Dr. Thomas J. Balshi, founder of Fort Washington’s Pi Dental Center, recently received his profession’s highest award from the American College of Prosthodontists in San Diego.

The Dan Gordon Award is presented annually to an individual who “contributes at the highest level to the welfare and advancement of the College, the specialty of Prosthodontics, science and the health professions.”

In presenting the award to Dr. Balshi, Dr. Carl Driscoll, President of the American College of Prosthodontists and Director of the Prosthodontic Graduate Program at the University of Maryland, described the award as a recognition for lifetime achievement and stated that Dr. Balshi “epitomized the description of the Dan Gordon Award.”

The Pi Dental Center has a thirty year history for providing state of the art dental implant and restorative dental treatment, with an emphasis on excellence and expediency. The Center also includes a research and educational component and will soon launch personal mentoring options for dental practitioners in their own offices with Dr. Balshi as the coach.

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Dr. Carl Driscol (left). President of the American College of Prosthodontists presents Dr. Thomas J. Balshi (right) with The Dan Gordon Lifetime Achievement Award at the 46th Annual Session of the ACP.
President’s Message

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and community service. Let’s face it, we all have many commitments and responsibilities, but we are also very fortunate to be here, and very grateful to be able to practice our professions. It is, however, a principle of a good life, I believe, that we should give back to society and share some of the riches with which we have been blessed. The allusion I have used in Men Anpil (www.menanpil.net) is that what you do may only seem like a drop in the bucket, but many drops will eventually overflow the bucket, creating a river, and finally an ocean of kindness and service to those most vulnerable.”

In this spirit our members have been very active over the last few years with MOM-PA, Give Kids a Smile, in-school programs run by our pediatric dentists, and even our own residents doing programs for other organizations. I encourage our members who have not taken advantage of such opportunities to do so. There is no greater reward in life than in the service of those in need. This statement may sound trite and repetitive to anyone who has not gotten out of their professional “box”, but think about it: how would you like to be remembered someday?

To all, I wish a spectacular holiday season!

Steve Moriconi

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Drs. Cary Limberakis and Jay Freedman were honored as part of the annual community fundraiser for PAL. Pictured left to right: Chief Bill Kelly, Dr. Cary Limberakis, Dr. Jay Freedman, Lt. Kelly Warner (head of community policing) and Jan Harris (Dr. Freedman’s office manager and GKAS community coordinator).
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PM—What’s New in High Tech Dentistry?

DR. JOSEPH MASSAD
Full Day—Latest in Dentures and Overdentures

DR. TOM VIOLA
AM—Top of the Heap—An Overview of the Most Frequently Prescribed Brand Name Medications, their Dental Considerations & their Impact on Patient Care Planning
PM—Making Local Anesthesia Stick

MR. GARY ZELESKY
OPENING SESSION & AM/PM—The Passion Centered Practice & The Passion Centered Person

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017

IMPLANT SYMPOSIUM—AM
★ DR. JOSEPH MASSAD
Prosthetic Driven Implant Treatment Planning of the Edentulous Patient
★ DR. JON SUZUKI
Surgical Implantology—Basic Approaches and Complications

IMPLANT SYMPOSIUM—PM
★ DR. MICHAEL FLING
Practical Tips for Implant Retained Crowns
★ DR. CHRIS SALIERNO
Taking Charge of Implant Hygiene

DR. SANDRA BOODY
AM—2017 Update: Treating and Counseling the Oncology Patient
PM—Clinical Approach to Treating Patients with Disease Induced and Medication Induced Xerostomia

DR. ELLEN GAMBARDELLA
AM—WOW Factor... Tips and Tricks Every Clinical Staff Must Know
PM—Infection Control for the Dental Assistant... OSHA UPDATE

DR. PAT LITTLE
AM—The Walletectomy: Embarrassment in the Dental Office
PM—Who’s Spying on You and Your Patients?

DR. JOSEPH MASSAD
PM—HANDS-ON—Diagnosis and Prognosis of the Edentulous and Implant Retained Overdenture

DR. JON SUZUKI
PM—Contemporary Clinical NON SURGICAL Periodontology

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2017

DR. MICHAEL FLING
AM—Methods, Materials and Madness
PM—Seven Steps of Restorative Sequence

MS. TRISH O’HEIR
AM—Achieve Health in 5mm Pockets that Bleed
PM—The Impact of Mouth Breathing on Oral and General Health

MS. LACI PHILLIPS
AM—Dynamic Branding & Marketing... Bringing Your Story To Life
PM—The Three C’s of the Profitable Practice

DR. CHRIS SALIERNO
Full Day—How NOT to Fail Miserably in Private Practice (for new dentists only)

DR. JON SUZUKI
AM—Introduction to Periodontal Surgery
PM—HANDS-ON—Crown Lengthening Surgery—Pig Jaws

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Dr. Hans-Peter Weber, DMD, Dr.med.dent., is Professor and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at Tufts School of Dental Medicine. He holds dental degrees from the University of Berne, Switzerland (1976) and the Harvard School of Dental Medicine (1990), as well as Certificates in Prosthodontics (1979) and Periodontology (1984) from the University of Berne. Besides his administrative duties as department chair, he is actively involved in research and teaching at Tufts and sees patients for dental implant and prosthodontic care in part-time private practice in Boston. He has contributed extensively to the scientific and clinical literature in the field of implant dentistry and is a regularly invited panelist at national and international meetings. He is a Co-Editor of “Clinical Oral Implants Research” and serves on the review boards of several other journals. Dr. Weber is a Past President of the Academy of Prosthodontics and currently serves as Vice-President of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. He is an Honorary Member of the American College of Prosthodontists and a Fellow of the International Team of Implantology (ITI).

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**Course Objectives:**
- Discuss current radiographic, planning and surgical techniques in implant dentistry and demonstrate their clinical applications.
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**Enter off Route 202 opposite the Montgomery Community College entrance. Tell them you are attending the dental meeting at the clubhouse. Clubhouse is straight back and on the left.

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☐ #3, Friday, January 20, 2017 - “How to Eat Candy”
☐ #4, Friday, April 7, 2017 “Contemporary Implant Dentistry”

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Dr. Samuel Kratchman

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The lecture is clinically oriented with cases for each topic discussed

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- Understand the benefit to saving natural dentition
- When to save/When to extract and implant
- CBCT benefits for endo diagnosis and treatment planning
- Learn about the new Bioceramics
- Diagnosis/treatment of cracked teeth
- Understanding Endo complications
- To become comfortable performing Intentional Replantations

Dr. Sam Kratchman was born and raised in New York. He received a B.S. in Biology and a D.M.D. both from Tufts University in Boston, Massachusetts. Sam then entered the University of Pennsylvania, where he received a certificate of endodontics, and currently serves as an Associate Professor of Endodontics and the Assistant Director of Graduate Endodontics, in charge of the microsurgical portion of the program.

Dr. Kratchman has authored several articles and chapters on endodontics and intentional replantation for the Microsurgery in Endodontics textbook, and the Dental Clinics of North America. He also developed a patented instrument called the S Kondenser for the obturation of root canals. Both Main Line Today and Doctor of Dentistry magazines honored Dr. Kratchman as the cover story for their "Best of " issues.

Dr. Kratchman lectures on several topics of endodontics throughout the United States, Europe, Scandinavia, South America, Canada and Asia. He also maintains two private practices, limited to endodontics, in Exton and West Chester Pennsylvania.

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Dinner Meeting: Monday, February 27, 2017
Dr. Samuel Kratchman