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## Future Meeting Dates

**March 12, 2018.** "Systemic Effects of the Traveling Oral Microbiome & Periodontal Treatment." Dr. Wenche Borgnakke. Weber's Inn. 6:15pm.

**March 16, 2018.** Legislative Breakfast. Weber's Inn. 8-10am

**March 31, 2018.** GKAS. UM-SOD.

**April 25-28, 2018.** MDA Annual Session. Lansing, MI

**Oct 18-22, 2018.** ADA Annual Session. Honolulu.

## President's Farewell Letter

Greetings from the WDDS Executive Board! It is difficult to believe that just under a year ago, Brian Meade handed over the gavel to me to become President of this great dental society. It seems like I was just sitting down to type out my "Welcome Letter" thoughts. As President, I was honored to interact with so many distinguished dental colleagues and friends. The year passed very quickly yet we managed to get a lot done on behalf of our membership and for organized dentistry.

I told Kristin Johnson, WDDS President Elect, after the January CE program that she "hit it out of the park" this year with regards to speakers and topics. We had some record numbers at our Monday evening meetings and half day programs. We even had to resort to a wait-list for our human trafficking program due to popularity. I would like to thank the Registration Committee for their hard work and warm welcome to attendees (members, guests, dental students, sponsors) in addition to Kristin for such a strong line-up.

All members had a chance to give some feedback and input with our WDDS member survey last spring. The Board has used those results to continue the things you like (CE, networking, social activities) but also reflect on what we could be doing better. With that in mind, be on the lookout for new events and opportunities. Most excitedly, we were able to offer our very first WDDS Scholarship to a deserving dental student at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. We will continue to raise awareness of the scholarship and also raise more funds so we are able to offer the scholarship in the years ahead. Thanks to Past President Sam Malcheff (2015/16) and the Scholarship Committee for their brainstorming and time dedicated to support our future colleagues.

From our fun-filled social events like the "WDDS Night Out" to our ever so important WDDS Legislative Breakfast, we continue to host activity favorites that connect our members. Social events are fun, but advocacy is such an important part of organized dentistry and it is difficult to put a price on its value. With our ever changing government, leadership, policies and procedures, we

must maintain the strong values of the WDDS and make sure our opinions are heard. We partner as a tripartite with the MDA and ADA to ensure that our voice is united, and resonates loud and clear with the legislators. Please continue to support our ADA/MDA Dental PAC, respond to those "take action" messages, and send an e-mail to your local or state representative.

This 400+ member society would not run well without the tireless hours that Barb Kolling, our Executive Director, puts in weekly. Under the most stressful situations and hectic times, she maintains her positive attitude and warm smile. She is quick to respond to members, whether a phone call or e-mail or face-to-face. Her out-of-the-box thinking is one of her most valued strengths. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Barb for keeping us on track and moving us forward. Her last 6+ years have been a blessing to our members and society.

The future of organized dentistry is bright! We have a competent and engaged Board who will continue to lead us down a positive path. We have vibrant and active committees who are doing great work, a lot of times behind the scenes. We have caring members who volunteer many hours towards "Mission of Mercy", "Give Kids a Smile" and other charitable clinics. We also have many members who serve on various committees and councils of the MDA and ADA, and we thank you for your service. Most importantly I thank you, the members, for paying your dues and recognizing the importance and value of organized dentistry. If you get the urge or calling to become a volunteer for WDDS, whether a small or large commitment, short-term or long-term, please don't hesitate to contact Barb or one of the Board members. We welcome your ideas, opinions, feedback, comments and concerns to help make this OUR dental society!

Daniel L. Edwards, DDS

WDDS President 2017-18

## Obtaining a Refund on Sales/Use Tax Paid on Dental Prosthetics

Thanks to MDA lobbying, the state sales and use tax on purchases of dental prosthetics was repealed as of Dec. 28, 2017. Here's more good news: Dentists can now receive a refund for sales and use tax paid after July 1, 2017. According to the Michigan Department of Treasury, eligible dentists can receive their refund from the dental lab in which they purchased the prosthesis. Labs are responsible for refunding dentists for the paid tax, and the Treasury Department will refund the dental labs. Questions about the process should be directed to Treasury Department Technical Services Division at [517-636-4357](tel:517-636-4357).



### MISSION OF MERCY

MAY 31 - JUNE 3, 2018 • CALVIN COLLEGE • GRAND RAPIDS

Since 2013 the MDA Foundation's *Michigan Mission of Mercy* program has united hundreds of dentists, dental team members, and other volunteers to provide dental care, to disadvantaged individuals — another example of dentistry's commitment to access-to-care.

# \$3,000,000

in dental health care services provided at no charge.

## 4,049

patient visits

## 3,332

volunteers



**WDDS GENERAL MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018**WEBER'S INN

3050 JACKSON RD

ANN ARBOR, MI 48103

**"Systemic Effects of the Traveling Oral Microbiome & Periodontal Treatment"****PRESENTED BY:****Dr. Wenche Sylling Borgnakke****6:15PM REGISTRATION/SOCIAL HOUR , 7:00 DINNER & ANNOUNCEMENTS, 7:30 PROGRAM**

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE BY MARCH 5, 2018. SIGN IN, NAME TAGS & CE VOUCHERS FOR GUESTS WILL BE AT THE REGISTRATION TABLE FOR PICK UP.

**NO COST to WDDS ACTIVE & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS****LIFE, RETIRED AND LIMITED TIME PRACTICE MEMBERS \$35.00****GUEST FEE \$45.00 for staff and dental auxiliaries****Non Member DDS's \$100****CE CREDITS: 1.0****Course Overview:**

This presentation will provide an overview of the scientific evidence for characteristics of the oral microbiome and the consequences for the rest of the body when its members travel and colonize remote locations. The evidence for links between periodontal disease and systemic diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease, rheumatic arthritis, aspiration pneumonia, kidney disease, Alzheimer's disease and other cognitive decline, as well as pregnancy will be summarized along with the systemic effects of periodontal treatment.

Research designs and the strength of the evidence possible to derive from them will be briefly described. Moreover, the importance of using standard case definitions for periodontitis surveillance will be described.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- understand the fluctuating and diverse nature of human oral microbiome
- know the current guidelines for prophylactic use of antibiotics
- understand the systemic effects of antibiotics
- be familiar with the mechanisms underlying the oral-general health links
- understand the status of the current scientific evidence for the relationships between the health of the mouth and the rest of the body
- be familiar with the current evidence for the effect of periodontal treatment on various systemic diseases
- understand different research designs
- know the difference between "association" and "causality"
- appreciate why it is so difficult to demonstrate causality between oral and general health
- understand the importance of standard periodontitis case definitions

**Speaker Bio:**

**Wenche ("Venke") Borgnakke DDS MPH PhD** is a Senior Research Associate in the Department of Periodontics and Oral Medicine at University of Michigan School of Dentistry. She earned DDS and PhD degrees from the Royal Dental College in Copenhagen, Denmark, and a Master of Dental Public Health degree from the University of Michigan. Dr. Borgnakke has published 8 book chapters and about 70 papers; is a reviewer for 42 scientific journals; is Principal Investigator for an 8-year study funded by the ITI Foundation among persons with diabetes and end-stage periodontitis restored with overdentures; and has lectured nationally and internationally in Canada, Cuba, The Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and The United Arab Emirates. The American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) awarded her a 2012 Special Merit Award and the Clinical Research Award in 2013 and 2016. Since its inception in 2005, Dr. Borgnakke has been a member of the CDC/AAP periodontitis surveillance workgroup whose clinical periodontitis case definitions increasingly are regarded the global standard. Dr. Borgnakke regards it a special honor to be first author on the only chapter on oral health and diabetes in the federal work "Diabetes in America."



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## Legislative Breakfast

Registration Deadline Approaching! The WDDS is hosting a Legislative Breakfast at Weber's Inn on Friday, March 16, 2018 from 8-10am. RSVP by March 6, 2018 to Dr. Emily Kennedy at [emlysk@gmail.com](mailto:emlysk@gmail.com).

The Legislative Committee has contacted and invited local state representatives and senators to our annual legislative breakfast. This year, we should have once again SEVERAL state representatives, and we hope for a Senator as well. Please contact Dr. Emily with further questions.

On Friday, March 16th, WDDS members are encouraged to attend to

share their insights on current and upcoming legislation. This is YOUR opportunity as a tripartite member to have face-to-face discussions with your state legislators, and possibly a US Senator (depending on their schedule which changes often and abruptly) regarding political and legal issues/concerns impacting dentistry today as well as the future, all while enjoying a delicious breakfast. The topics for discussion will be open. If you have any specific topics you would like to see addressed please bring them to Dr. Emily's attention when you RSVP.

## Attention all Chefs

Attention all Chefs: The WDDS is looking for members to host a very simple, elaborate, or in between gathering at their homes to benefit the WDDS Scholarship fund.

How it works: Hosts select and donate the meal and drinks. Their guest will leave a donation for the dinner equivalent to what a similar meal & drinks would be in a restaurant. This check is made out to the

MDA Foundation and is tax deductible. Because the food & drinks are donated by the host, the monies go 100% to the Scholarship Fund. Its a great way to see friends and help students at the same time. Please contact Barb and let her know when you are hosting or if you have any questions.

## GKAS

This year's Give Kids A Smile event will be Saturday, March 31st from 8:00am-12:00pm at the UM School of Dentistry. Registration will begin promptly at 7:30 am. We'll be seeing the first 100 children ages 4-14 on a first-come, first-served basis. Parents or legal guardians of each child must be present.

We will be providing dental cleanings, limited exams, x-rays, sealants, fillings, and extractions. Pre-registration by email at [gkasumsod@gmail.com](mailto:gkasumsod@gmail.com) or by phone at 989-787-0712.

