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## Future Meeting Dates

**March 11, 2019.** "UMSOD Update and An MDA Update." Dean Dr. Laurie McCauley & Dr. Deb Peters. Weber's Inn. 6:25-8:45pm.

**March 22, 2019.** Legislative Breakfast. Weber's Inn. 8-10am

**March 3, 2019.** GKAS. UMSOD. 2nd Floor Blue Clinic.

**May 1-4, 2019.** MDA Annual Session. Detroit, MI

**May 6, 2019.** WDDS all Committee Meeting. Weber's Inn. 6:30-8pm

**September 4-8, 2019.** ADA Annual Session. San Francisco, CA

**September 20, 2019.** MDA/WDDS/Livingston All Day Meeting. TBD

## President's Farewell Letter

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

As the President of the Washtenaw District Dental Society, I had the honor of representing you for the 2018-2019 year. It has been a pleasure attending many excellent events, meeting new WDDS members and getting to know better many fellow WDDS members.

It has been an exciting year full of great CE's planned and executed by our Program Chair, Ray Maturo and our Executive Director, Barb Kolling. We learned important information about the ongoing Opioid Crisis and the what, why and how to of Silver Diamine Fluoride as a tool in our armamentarium. We learned about Evolutionary Biology and Nutrition and its impact on dentistry. And we updated ourselves with the newest methods and protocols for treating dental caries. We enjoyed a wonderful new venue for our Night Out Event which allowed more time to mingle and socialize before attending a great show at The Purple Rose Theatre. Looking to next year, our new Program Chair, David Schmidt has a great CE line up. Please visit our website [www.washtenawdentalociety.org](http://www.washtenawdentalociety.org) to keep up to date with the latest news and the schedule. Dentistry is ever changing and our Tri-Partite associations have had great successes this year thanks to your continued membership and advocacy. At the national level, the ADA was instrumental in passing the Action for Dental Health Bill, aimed at improving access to dental care in rural, underserved and Native American communities. The ADA was also involved in the passage of the bipartisan legislation addressing the Opioid Crisis. At the state level, the MDA fought hard against the Dental Therapist Bill. Although the law was eventually passed, their advocacy for our profession is strong and will continue as the

State Legislature works through implementing this new law that will impact our communities and practices. At the local level, WDDS was involved in the Give Kids a Smile day at the Dental Schools, our members participated at the Mission of Mercy, and we met with our legislators at the Legislative Breakfast to pass on our thoughts about what is important to us in government.

At the close of this year, our Past President, Dan Edwards, will be leaving the Board. I'd like to extend a big thank you from all of us for his continued service to Organized Dentistry. Also, thank you to our current Board members: Ray Maturo, David Schmidt, Eric Brust, and John Hamerink. I am especially grateful for the continued leadership of our Executive Director, Barb Kolling. Our society is top notch due to her hard work and dedication.

Leading as our President has been a rewarding experience and I would recommend volunteering with WDDS to all members. It is a great way to meet more colleagues, learn more about dentistry and feel a greater involvement in our society. If you are interested in volunteering for the Executive Board or a committee, please contact any of us on the board or Barb Kolling. We would love to help find the right position for you.

Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you in the 2019-2020 year!

Kristin Johnson, DDS



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**2019 ANNUAL  
SESSION**

**WDDS GENERAL & BUSINESS MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019****WEBER'S INN**

3050 JACKSON RD

ANN ARBOR, MI 48103

**“The ABC's of Helping Members Succeed”**

MDA President Dr. Debra Peters

and

**“An Update from the Dean on the University of Michigan School of Dentistry”**

Dr. Laurie K. McCauley

**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 auxillaries****Non Member DDS's \$100****CE CREDITS: 1.0****Course Overview:**

Dr. Deb Peters will present “The ABC's of helping Members Succeed”

Attendees will learn:

-what an MDA membership does for them!

Dean McCauley will give an overview of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry including the following topics: 1) teaching and learning; 2) research and discovery; and 3) patient care. The objective of this presentation is to provide an update to the members of the Washtenaw District Dental Society. Participants will gain an understanding of the overall mission of the School of Dentistry with an emphasis on dental education, research foci, and recent accolades.

**Speaker Bio:**

**Dr. Deb Peters** is the president of the Michigan Dental Association. Dr. Peters, of Grand Rapids, has been an active member and dedicated volunteer with the Michigan Dental Association and organized dentistry for the past 25 years. As president of the MDA, she brings a history of outstanding leadership, dependability, and community service. Dr. Peters joined the MDA Board of Trustees in 2008 as speaker of the House of Delegates, serving until 2017. She also is a former chair of the MDA Committee on the New Dentist.

With the West Michigan District Dental Society, Dr. Peters served as treasurer, vice president, president-elect and finally president in 2002. She also served on the society's Peer Review Standard of Care Committee, Public Relations Committee, and as co-chair of the New Dentist Forum. For the past 20 years, Dr. Peters has been a member of the 9th District Delegation to the ADA House of Delegates, serving as delegation chair in 2017. Additionally she served on the ADA Council on Membership from 2003-2007, chairing the Council in her final year. Her professional organization affiliations include the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists, the American Institute of Parliamentarians, and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Dr. Peters' volunteer activities include serving 10 years as a Give Kids a Smile team coordinator, and a 2014 and 2016 Mission of Mercy participant. She earned her DDS degree in 1993 from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry.

**Laurie K. McCauley** is the William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor and Dean of the School of Dentistry, and Professor in the Department of Pathology at the Medical School at the University of Michigan. Dr. McCauley earned her B.S., D.D.S., M.S. and Ph.D. (Veterinary Pathobiology) all from The Ohio State University. She has had several visiting scientist/professor appointments including the Institut de Genetique et de Biologie Molculaire et Cellulaire, the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon, and the Center for Experimental Therapeutics and Reperfusion Injury, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School. Dr. McCauley is a diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a former council member of the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR), former Associate Editor of the Journal of Bone and Mineral Research (JBMR), a Fellow in the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists, and also served on the National Institutes of Health, National Advisory Dental & Craniofacial Research Council. For more than twenty years,

Dr. McCauley has led an active research program in hormonal controls of bone remodeling, parathyroid hormone anabolic actions in bone, and prostate cancer skeletal metastasis. Among her many recognitions are the inaugural Paula Stern Achievement award from the ASBMR, a distinguished scientist award from the International Association for Dental Research, The Ohio State College of Dentistry Distinguished Alumnus award, and membership in the National Academy of Medicine.



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## Legislative Breakfast

Registration Deadline is Approaching! The WDDS is hosting a Legislative Breakfast at Weber's Inn on Friday, March 22, 2019, from 8-10am. RSVP by March 8, 2019 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 are working on getting a good politician turnout. Please contact [Dr. Kennedy](#) with further questions.

On Friday, March 22 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 US Senators, 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. Kennedy's attention when you RSVP.

Lynn Aronoff, the MDA's grassroots adviser will be in attendance to facilitate discussion.

The legislators are making a point to come speak with members about concerns regarding our profession. Therefore, we hope you will attend this worthwhile event. Kindly RSVP to Dr. Emily Kennedy by March 8, 2019. [emlysk@gmail.com](mailto:emlysk@gmail.com) or call or text (734) 645-3665

Regards,

2018 Legislative Committee,  
Emily S. Kennedy, co-Chair  
Paul C. Lopez, co-Chair

Kim Rice  
Peter Durbin (Student)

## Give Kids a Smile Day

### 2019

Free  
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March 30, 2019

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**Limited to first 100 patients registered**

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Contact us to register at: [gkasumsod@gmail.com](mailto:gkasumsod@gmail.com) or  
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