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4/2/2024	Greater Long Island Dental Meeting		
4/3/2024	Greater Long Island Dental Meeting		
4/8/2024	Board of Directors Mtg.		
4/13/2024	SCDS Officers Gala Celebration		
4/15/2024	White Coat Ceremony SBSDM		
4/17/2024	Signing Day		
4/18/2024	Resident/New Dentist - Expert Panel Event		
4/20/2024	Shredding Day		
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5/8/2024	General Membership Meeting		
5/13/2024	Board of Directors Mtg.		
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5/31/2024	NYSDA House of Delegates May 31-June 2		
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7/31/2024	New Dentist Summer Social		
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9/18/2024	Seminar Series 2024#3 Dr. David Rice		
9/25/2024	Zoom General Membership Meeting		
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10/2/2024	Seminar Series 2024#4 - Dr. Brian Goodacre		
10/7/2024	Board of Directors Mtg.		
10/9/2024	<u>Hands On Endo Course - Dr. Anne L. Koch</u>		
10/17/2024	SmileCon 2024 - New Orleans Oct 17-19		
10/19/2024	ADA House of Delegates 2024 - Oct 19-22		
11/1/2024	SAVE THE DATE - LI Womens Dental Symposium		
11/6/2024	New Dentist Event - Save The Date		
11/13/2024	General Membership Meeting		
11/18/2024	Board of Directors Mtg.		
12/4/2024	Compliance Day - SAVE THE DATE		

Please note there are several events and courses in active planning, watch our website and our emails and social sites for updates (as events are subject to change). Your support, patronage and patience are appreciated as always. Please send any comments to Contact@SuffolkDental.Org.

SCDS Registration

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SCDS Calendar





We Are Here for You!

As I write this article for our spring edition of the Bulletin, I think of the



quote, "You're only here for a short visit. Don't hurry, don't worry. And be sure to smell the flowers along the way."

On January 17, I was honored to have been inducted as the 44th. president of this great Dental Society. It is my goal to do what I can to support and strengthen our Society, while conveying the message to the newer dentists that a good work-life balance is crucial to their success. To that end, in 2022, I helped introduce the Mentorship Program, which serves to match dental students, residents, and new dentists with those more experienced to act as their mentors. It was not only intended to guide and support the new dentist within the practice of dentistry, but to help them achieve an ideal work-life balance, which is not often easy when first starting out.

I know, all too well, about life's "short visit." My father worked hard to provide my family with a good life, while his was cut short by cancer. Although he never got to enjoy his retirement or see me become a dentist, I credit his influence, as well as my mother's, for shaping who I am today and the belief in giving back. It is nice to be a part of something greater than oneself, and I have both personally and professionally reaped the benefits along the way.

That is why I encourage all of you to get more involved in organized dentistry, whether it is to join a committee, help with community outreach, or becoming a SCDS Board Member. As Mahatma Gandhi once said, "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." There is more to dentistry than just treating patients. When you limit yourself to working in an operatory, day after day, you are cheating yourself out of getting the most from your chosen profession. The Society is here for you and would be happy to find a program that best suits your needs.

In addition to mentoring and growing the involvement within the Society, I would like to

increase the engagement of our member dentists who practice on the east-end through future bulletin articles highlighting the happenings within the twin forks. Please reach out to us as we would be happy to feature you in an upcoming article.

Suffolk County is known for its leaders. From the NYSDA past president Dr. Henner, its current Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Leary and current Trustee, Dr. Jonke, to our own Dr. Maranga, who is currently a candidate for ADA President -Elect. We are a better component for having them in it. Additionally, we continue to make great strides with diversity, equity, and inclusion within dentistry, thanks to the great work of Dr's Smith and Vazquez.

We are fortunate to have the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine within our own backyard and grateful that Dean Lloyd has taken such an active role in solidifying the bond between the school and our Society. His updates on the dental school happenings at our monthly Board meetings allow us to keep our finger on the pulse of what is going on at the University.

The whole is greater than the sum of its parts, and our Executive Director, Bill Panzarino and Executive Assistant Carol Deerwester, are the glue that keep us together. Our society continues to be praised at the local, state, and national level for its excellence and cohesiveness. At a time when the overall membership within organized dentistry is on the decline, membership within the Suffolk County Dental Society continues to grow, increasing our market share year over year. This trend is largely due to the success of our TV and digital ad campaign which educates the public on the benefits of seeing an ADA member dentist, in addition to the hard work of our Membership Committee.

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Tell me what you want...

Am I quoting the Spice Girls, or for those of another generation, Zebra? Nope, I just want you to tell me what you want. We're still here - 631-232-1400, or Contact@SuffolkDental.Org. Last bulletin, I did get 1 phone call on the article so that's progress. We are keen to know how you want to be



communicated with. What are the things you need from the society or the profession? How can we evolve to better serve you? It starts with communication. How do you want to hear from us? Do you value this bulletin? Do you value our website? Do you value the emails we send? Is Instagram, Facebook, X, LinkedIn or similar services where you want to hear from us? Would text messages from the society be good for you? If so how often?

As you may gather, supporting all these vehicles in an effort to engage you makes for quite a bit of work. Hard work is fine, provided you are getting what you need. From where we sit, it is really hard to tell. Our membership marketshare is strong, and we take pride that

it's growing where others are not. We understand that we need to continue to evolve, but we need your help to ensure that we evolve in a way that best supports membership, the profession and the oral health of the public.

To summarize, we believe communication is key and it drives engagement. Engagement is the key for sustainability of a truly vibrant society and tripartite association.

Please send any comments or questions to Contact@SuffolkDental.Org or call us at 631 -232-1400.

Bill Panzarino - Executive Director, SCDS



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EDITORIAL

NYSDA Trustee Update

Greetings!



I always look forward to Spring as it begins a new season of growth and optimism not to mention golf season, lol. Our Suffolk leaders, beginning with our president Steve Feigelson, continue to promote our profession by creating value to all our members. Advocacy, our first and foremost value, takes much time and effort behind the scenes. All of you should be very proud that we have so many dedicated individuals willing and able to spend their time away from their offices and families. They bring creative ideas, thoughts and suggestions benefitting our members for their commitment to our profession. Many also represent Suffolk County at the highest state and national levels.

Our own executive director, Bill Panzarino and Carol Deerwester keep us very active as well. Just take a look at our society's calendar of events. I challenge anyone that our event schedule including high demand continuing education, social events, and general membership meetings is busier than anyone else. Be supportive and sign up for our activities.

The Greater Long Island Dental Meeting is coming up fast, April 2-3 at the Melville Hilton. Past president Craig Smith is general chair and his Board of Directors has worked tirelessly this past year to bring high demand CE programs including mandated courses and a first Botox Certification Workshop. Please register on line and view the schedule of seminars at GLIDM.org. Support the meeting by bringing a colleague too!

Advocacy Day is March 19-20 located in Albany. This is the premier event to network with our legislators in the capital. Much more information is on NYSDA's website nysdental.org.

Lance Plunkett is NYSDA's general counsel. On the NYSDA website, Mr. Plunkett has a blog called Lance's Corner. He uploads al-

most daily information regarding governmental affairs. Take a look at the issues our profession faces each and every day. Increasingly, we face unnecessary legislation. Our lobbyists and governmental affairs council are constantly voicing our concerns so we may continually practice for the benefit our our patients. This is just another member benefit. Advocacy remains our best value for all dentists. Please consider donating to EDPAC. The funds we raise are needed to support and elect candidates that are friends of our profession.

NYSDA's House of Delegates will be held at Turning Stone Resort located in Verona, NY May 30-June 1. Our elected delegates and alternates will be studying and voting our issues that are important to Suffolk County.

Lastly, each and every year NYSDA awards 3 exceptional leaders in our profession. This year Scott Firestone has been awarded the William Jarvie-Burkhart Award. This award is presented in recognition of great service rendered to mankind in the field of dentistry. Let's all congratulate Scott on his well deserved honor.

I look forward to seeing you at our next general membership meeting May 8th. Mark your calendars and make your presence known. Everyone can make a difference.

Sincerely,

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Guenter Jonke, DMD - Trustee New York State Dental Association

The Suffolk County Dental Society

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR GALA DINNER-DANCE ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 , 2024 THE HAMLET GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB COMMACK, NY

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It's no secret that organized dentistry has a membership challenge across the country. With membership marketshare falling in basically every state, it would



be easy for SCDS to give up and slowly fade away. Instead, we work harder every day to ensure your membership works for you. We meet regularly to discuss how to best serve our members and program the year with you in mind, but that's not enough. It's not enough for us to just keep our membership numbers up, we want to see our members deriving real value and more engaged. Without you, the member, attending the many CE events, socials, and meetings, your membership value is not recognized. We have events to fit every dentist at all stages of your career. If you're fresh out of school, join a new dentist event. If you're mid-career, come to the seminar series or join a study club, and learn something new. For those who are seasoned and bursting with wisdom, our mentorship program is always looking for mentors. When you come to events, you can network with colleagues and vendor sponsors and avoid working in the dentist silo. Trust us that showing up and connecting with other society members will enhance your career and make the profession even more fulfilling for you. Your choice to renew each year becomes a no-brainer!

Many of our CEs are free or discounted at least 50% for members and are a great opportunity to learn something you might not

ordinarily have sought out. Member attendees at our most recent General Membership Meeting enjoyed an excellent discussion on oral pathology given by Dr. Rekha Reddy. Which of us doesn't need a refresher on that? And at no additional cost! We also have an excellent Seminar Series running throughout the year with renowned speakers from across the U.S. The next seminar, called "Why Digital, Why Now?" will be held on March 27, so make sure to register now to save your spot.

We are looking forward to SEEING you at the Greater Long Island Dental Meeting April 2-3 in Melville and our next general membership meeting. Register for all our great events here: https://www.suffolkdental.org/calendar

Hailey Taylor, DDS Chairperson SCDS Membership Committee





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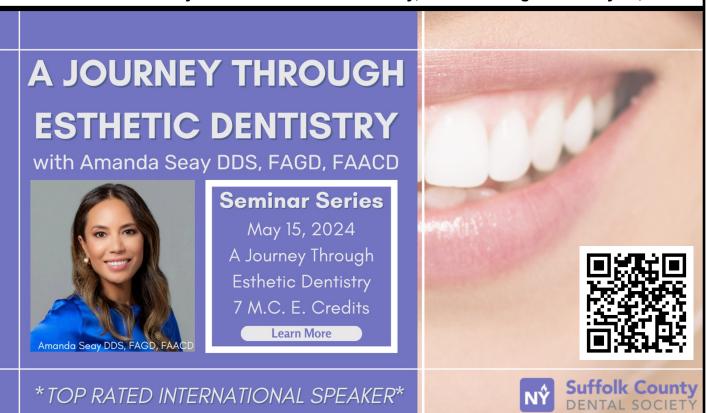


Suffolk's own Dr. Maria Maranga formally announced her candidacy for ADA President-Elect at the close of the ADA House of Delegates in October. Have a look at her brochure and her video. Both can be accessed with this QR Code. Dr. Maranga is opposed by four other candidates - Dr. Chad R. Leighty, Dr. Rudoph T. Liddell, Dr. Michael D. Medovic and Dr. Richard J. Rosato.



Dr. Maranga has our full support and we wish her well in this challenging and important endeavor. Stay tuned for additional updates throughout 2024.

Don't Miss Internationally Renowned Dr. Amanda Seay, here on Long Island May 15, 2024



Obituaries

Anthony Fragola, DDS – Passed away on December 26, 2023 at the age of 74. Dr. Fragola graduated from New York University and practiced endodontics in West Islip, and also served as Assistant Director in the Good Samaritan Medical Center Department of Dentistry. Dr. Fragola was a member of the ADA for 40 years, earning Life Membership in 2014.

Joel Greenberg, DMD – Passed away on August 17, 2022 at the age of 73. Dr. Greenberg was a graduate of Tufts University. He practiced periodontics in Huntington and Fresh Meadows, retired in 2016, and was an ADA member for 50 years.

Daniel Hensen, DDS – Passed away on October 28, 2023 at the age of 98. Dr. Hensen graduated from New York University, retired in 1997, and was a member of the ADA for 69 years.

Michael Kampel, DMD – Passed away on September 28, 2023 at the age of 76. He was a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and practiced in Huntington. Dr. Kampel retired in 2014 and was an ADA member for 51 years.

Edward O'Shea, Jr., DDS – Passed away on December 6, 2023 at the age of 92. He graduated from Notre Dame and Georgetown University and practiced orthodontics. He served in the US Navy for 29 years, advancing to Rear Admiral in the Dental Corps. Dr. O'Shea retired in 1998 and was a member of the ADA for 68 years.

Guy Spinner, **DDS** – Passed away on April 19, 2023 at the age of 70. Dr. Spinner was a graduate of the University of Buffalo, practiced in Westhampton Beach, retired in 2021, and was an ADA member for 47 years.

John Yuliano, **DDS** – Passed away on October 10, 2023 at the age of 65. He graduated from New York University and practiced in Amityville. Dr. Yuliano was an ADA member for 39 years, earning Life Membership in 2021.

ETHICAL CORNER JOHN LAGNER, DMD

Pioneering Ethical Standards in the Age of Al

Ethics in dentistry represents the cornerstone of professional practice, encompassing principles that guide dental professionals in providing optimal care while upholding integrity, honesty, and respect for patients. As advancements in technology, particularly Artificial Intelligence (AI), con-



tinue to revolutionize the healthcare landscape, it becomes imperative to integrate these innovations ethically to ensure patient welfare remains paramount.

At its core, ethics in dentistry revolves around principles such as Patient Autonomy, Nonmaleficence, Beneficence, Justice and Veracity. These principles dictate that dental practitioners must act in the best interests of their patients, avoid harm, respect patient autonomy, and distribute resources fairly. In practice, this means delivering competent and compassionate care, maintaining patient confidentiality, and engaging in continuous professional development to uphold the highest standards of clinical practice.

Al holds immense potential to enhance various aspects of dentistry, ranging from diagnosis and treatment planning to patient management and education. However, the ethical integration of Al in dentistry necessitates careful consideration of several key factors.

Firstly, transparency and accountability are paramount. Dental professionals must ensure that Al algorithms used in clinical decision-making are transparent, understandable, and free from biases. Transparency fosters trust between patients and practitioners, enabling informed consent and shared decision making.

Secondly, data privacy and security are critical. With the vast amounts of patient data processed by AI systems, maintain strict confidentiality and adhering to data protection regulations are imperative. Dental practices must implement robust cybersecurity measures to safeguard patient information against unauthorized access or breaches.

Moreover, AI should complement, not replace, human judgement and expertise in dentistry.

While AI algorithms can analyze data and provide recommendations, they serve as tools to assist dental professionals rather than dictate clinical decisions. Human oversight ensures ethical considerations, empathy, and contextual understanding are incorporated into patient care.

Furthermore, equitable access to Al-driven dental technologies must be ensured to prevent exacerbating healthcare disparities. Dental practices should strive to make Al-enabled services accessible and affordable to all patients, regardless of socioeconomic status or geographic location.

Education and training also play a crucial role in fostering ethical AI adoption in dentistry. Dental professionals must undergo comprehensive training to understand the capabilities and limitations of AI technologies, as well as the ethical implications associated with their use. Continuous education ensures practitioners remain up to date with evolving ethical standards and best practices in AI integration.

In conclusion, ethics in dentistry necessitates the ethical integration of AI to optimize patient care while upholding fundamental principles of Autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence, justice, and veracity. By prioritizing transparency, data privacy, human oversight, equitable access, and education, dental professionals can harness the transformative potential of AI while preserving the ethical integrity of profession, ultimately advancing the well-being of patients and communities alike. I would like to disclose I used AI to help me write this article and help integrate my ideas.

John E. Lagner, DMD, PC

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New Dentist Corner with Devin - Wellness

As New Dentists, many of us stress over the new lifestyle of caring for our patients independently without the guiderail of dental school or residency. While

private practice life is something most of us looked forward to during our training, it does not come without challenges. Remembering to care for yourself is equally as important as caring for your patients. Incorporating wellness practices into one's own life is not only beneficial for patients but also essential for personal and professional sustainability. Prioritizing personal wellness ensures that we can provide optimal care to our patients while maintaining our own physical, emotional, and mental well-being. Practices such as mindfulness, regular exercise, and healthy eating habits not only enhance one's own health but also serve as powerful examples for the patients we treat.

Something that I would like to incorporate into our

New Dentist events is a greater focus on wellness. As the weather starts to get warmer, I encourage you to spend some time outside and disconnect from our work lives. We are working with the Membership Committee to plan a pickleball tournament as well as other events to integrate positive wellness practices into our daily life. As always, give us a shout if you have ideas for events you'd like to see (contact@suffolkdental.org). We hope to see you at the next CE event on April 18th at the Hilton Garden Inn in Stony Brook!

Enjoy the start of extended daylight!

Devin Klein, DDS

SCDS New Dentist Chair



We welcome the following new members to the *Suffolk County Dental Society*Elected between November 2023 and February 2024:

New Members

Jennifer Fermo, DDS Publio Silfa, DDS

Transferred In

Perry Iacovetti, DDS Bari Padover, DDS James Priftakis, DMD Swetha Sathasivam, DDS Jayden Hong Duk Yoon, DDS

David Forlano, DDS Michael Simonetti, DDS

Welcome Back

Kristen Brocavich, DDS Nathan Clem, DMD Ankit Jain, DDS

Special New Dentist/Resident Event

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Why AEDs Aren't Effective (Without High Quality CPR)

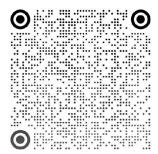
By Erik Zalewski, MS, NRP, CIC Chief Emergency Expert, Have Dummy Will Travel, Inc.

Over the past 25 years, Have Dummy Will Travel has trained tens of thousands of people in CPR and AED use. Over the years, we've had a handful of folks call to thank us because the skills they learned were used to save someone's life. Very rarely do we get the opportunity to download the code summary data from an AED, reconstruct the event, and dissect it to learn what we can do to improve performance and patient outcomes. Such an event occurred recently in one of our client's dental offices.

An 83-year-old patient was undergoing a dental procedure when he experienced sudden cardiac arrest, an event that can affect anyone at any time. The dentist immediately removed the rubber dam and began chest compressions (while the patient was still in the dental chair). The assistant called 911 and retrieved the AED.

The ECG downloaded from the AED serves as a "textbook example" of the importance of what you do as an initial responder, how high-quality CPR is often overlooked (even by professional rescuers), and how insufficient preparation and practice for such emergencies can add to the chaos. This article offers an expert analysis of the case including a description of why the AED did not instantaneously solve the issue, an explanation of why high-quality CPR is just as important as using the AED, and eight lessons we can all learn from this event. Thank you to our client for allowing me to reconstruct the event for you.

Scan the QR code below to learn more about this case and how you can empower yourself and your team to act appropriately and effectively when someone near you experiences sudden cardiac arrest.



Erik Zalewski is a Nationally Registered Paramedic and New York State EMS Certified Instructor Coordinator with over 28 years of experience responding to 9-1-1 calls for medical emergencies. Erik has taught EMTs and paramedics at Stony Brook University, Borough of Manhattan Community College, and the Suffolk County, NY EMS Academy. He and his team at Have Dummy Will Travel, Inc. are dedicated to helping medical professionals respond to emergencies safely, efficiently and in the most cost-effective manner possible. Call or text 631-849-4978 for additional information.

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Congratulations to our newly installed officers: Dr. Bill Bast, Dr. Natalia Elson, and Dr. John Guariglia. I look forward to working with all of you. I know Suffolk is in good hands with such a talented group of dedicated professionals.

Lastly, I wish to thank our immediate past president, Dr. Sachdeva-Munk, for an outstanding year. I look forward to her continued work towards the betterment of our profession through her commitment to advocacy and governmental affairs.

April 13 is the Suffolk County Dental Society Gala to be held at the Hamlet Golf and Country Club in Commack. I invite you all to join us in celebrating the Suffolk dentists and those who support us. In other words, help us celebrate YOU! We have a fun-filled evening prepared with top notch entertainment. You are sure to have a great time, and will be supporting your colleagues, as well.

Please check your email for important happenings and updates from the Suffolk County Dental Society. Feel free to reach out to me, as I am available to hear your comments, concerns, and suggestions.

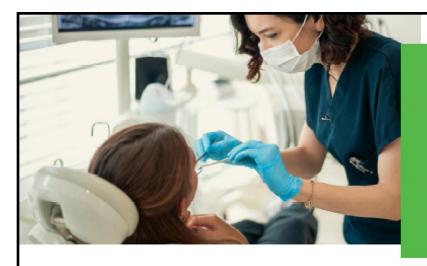
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Steven R. Feigelson, DDS

President, Suffolk County Dental Society

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Date	SCDS Event	Location	Time
Wednesday, March 27, 2024	Seminar Series 2024#1 - Why Digital, Why Now?	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-4pm
Tuesday, April 02, 2024	Greater Long Island Dental Meeting	Hilton Hotel, Melville, NY	1pm-9pm
Wednesday, April 03, 2024	Greater Long Island Dental Meeting	Hilton Hotel, Melville, NY	8am9pm
Monday, April 08, 2024	Board of Directors Mtg.	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
Saturday, April 13, 2024	SCDS Officers Gala Celebration	Hamlet Golf & CC in Commack NY	7pm-11pm
Monday, April 15, 2024	White Coat Ceremony SBSDM	SBSDM Student Activities Center	5:30pm
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	Signing Day	Stony Brook SDM	Noon-1pm
Thursday, April 18, 2024	Resident/New Dentist - Expert Panel Event	Hilton Garden Inn, Stony Brook	6pm-9pm
Saturday, April 20, 2024	Shredding Day	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-Noon
Saturday, May 04, 2024	Give Kids a Smile	Riverhead Aquarium	10am-3pm
Wednesday, May 08, 2024	General Membership Meeting	Radisson Hauppauge	6pm-9pm
Monday, May 13, 2024	Board of Directors Mtg.	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
Wednesday, May 15, 2024	Seminar Series 2024#2 Dr. Amanda Seay	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-4pm
Friday, May 31, 2024	NYSDA House of Delegates May 31-June 2	Verona NY	Multi-Day Event
Wednesday, June 12, 2024	Golf Outing - Willow Creek Golf and Country Club	Mt Sinai NY	11am-7pm
Wednesday, July 31, 2024	New Dentist Summer Social	Top Golf, Holtsville NY	6:30pm-9pm
Monday, September 16, 2024	Board of Directors Mtg.	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
Wednesday, September 18, 2024	Seminar Series 2024#3 Dr. David Rice	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-4pm
Wednesday, September 25, 2024	Zoom General Membership Meeting	Virtual	7pm-9pm
Friday, September 27, 2024	Course and Registration - Blockbuster Event - Dr. Roger Levin, Sponsors - Sponsor Information	Heritage Club - Bethpage	8am-4pm
Wednesday, October 02, 2024	Seminar Series 2024#4 - Dr. Brian Goodacre	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-4pm
Monday, October 07, 2024	Board of Directors Mtg.	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
Wednesday, October 09, 2024	Hands On Endo Course - Dr. Anne L. Koch	150 Motor Pkwy	9am-4pm
Thursday, October 17, 2024	SmileCon 2024 - New Orleans Oct 17-19	New Orleans, LA	Multi-Day Event
Saturday, October 19, 2024	ADA House of Delegates 2024 - Oct 19-22	New Orleans, LA	Multi-Day Event
Friday, November 01, 2024	SAVE THE DATE - LI Womens Dental Symposium	Heritage Club - Bethpage NY	8am-12:30pm
Wednesday, November 06, 2024	New Dentist Event - Save The Date	State Room, Patchogue NY	6:30pm-9pm
Wednesday, November 13, 2024	General Membership Meeting	Radisson Hauppauge	6pm-9pm
Monday, November 18, 2024	Board of Directors Mtg.	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
Wednesday, December 04, 2024	Compliance Day - SAVE THE DATE	150 Motor Pkwy	ALL DAY





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