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Calendar of Events

June 17 - CE & Golf @ TopGolf Midtown Atlanta June 28 - NDDS Pre-Caucus & Membership Meeting (<u>register via</u> <u>this link</u>) Aug. 20 - Diamonds are Forever Gala for Smiles Nov. 4 - NDDS Legislative Reception

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CE & Golf at Topgolf - Register ASAP!





Save the Date: 2021 NDDS Gala

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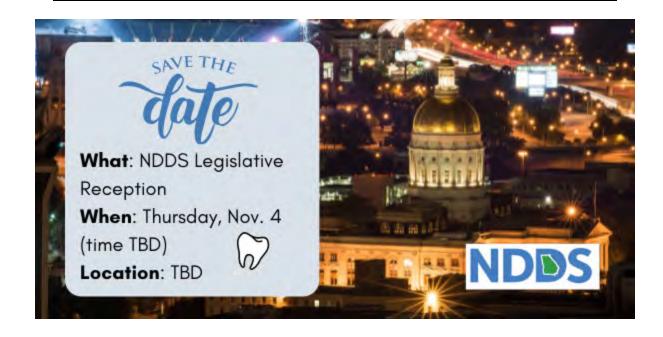
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NDDS Member Spotlight -President-Elect Amy Kuhmichel

A love of working with people is what ultimately led NDDS President-Elect Dr. Amy Kuhmichel to the path of dentistry. "I was always interested in medicine, but I really enjoyed doing things with my hands and talking to people," she explained. "When I shadowed physicians in college, I worried that I might not get to spend as much time with patients and spend more time typing with my hands than operating.



When shadowing my dentist at home, I found it was a perfect fit!"

While in dental school, she fell in love with oral surgery. Dr. Kuhmichel works at Peachtree Dunwoody Oral & Facial Surgery, with patients of all ages.

"My practice may be a little unique in that I treat children as young as infants. Most often, the children I see are elementary school-aged and older for dentoalveolar treatment that requires more sedation than what would occur in a dental office.

"I love treating children," she added. "They are fantastic, honest and each one has their own unique personality! I really want them to have a positive experience and to have the confidence moving forward to be comfortable in all dental and medical settings."

Dr. Kuhmichel initially joined NDDS as a way to meet her fellow Georgian dentists. "I didn't go to dental school in Georgia, so when I finished residency I knew a lot of people in the hospital settings but didn't really know anyone else," she said. "I went to a few NDDS meetings and was really happy to meet everyone. I think what we do on a daily basis is challenging and it's really nice to talk with colleagues. I also think our profession is amazing and I would like to make sure that younger dentists have the same practice opportunities I had."

On a personal note, Dr. Kuhmichel and her husband have welcomed their first child, Jack. "Jack's been a wonderful baby," she said. On top of being a new

mom, Dr. Kuhmichel also likes hanging out with friends, cooking, and enjoying food and wine. During the COVID-19 quarantine, she and her husband also found some trails around the Chattahoochee that they enjoy hiking.

Nominate yourself or a peer as a NDDS member spotlight to see yourself in our newsletter and on our social media pages! Email <u>carly@theassociationcompany.com</u> to get started.

Dawson family updates



<u>Stay up-to-date on Andrew Dawson (Dr.</u> <u>Kristina Dawson's husband) and his</u> <u>recovery from a brain tumor via their blog</u>. Per the last update, he's finished with radiation and will begin chemotherapy within the next month. Thank you for keeping the family in your prayers. They greatly appreciate the love and support

they have received from the NDDS community.

Award Nominations Sought

The NDDS is currently seeking nominations for the following awards:

- Honorable Fellow
- Community Service award
- Award of Merit

Award recipients will be honored later in the year. For information and to nominate a peer for one of these prestigious honors, email <u>katie@theassociationcompany.com</u>. Nominations are due by Aug. 1.



CDC Offers New Guidance on Masks

 The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention has released new guidance for people who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19; fully vaccinated people may resume all activities they did prior to the pandemic. <u>Read more on</u> <u>their website.</u>

2021 GDA Nominations

• Nominations are needed by June 17 for open state officer and at-large trustee positions. Learn more and nominate either yourself or a peer here.



ADA Coronavirus (COVID-19) Center for Dentists

Dr. Cohlmia Named New ADA Director

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