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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Amy Kuhmichel, DMD
 NDDS President

Albert Einstein is credited with saying “Time flies when you are having fun” and that could not be any more correct with our NDDS activities this year. Our Gala for Smiles at Truist Park Omni Hotel during a Braves game was a great time and raised much needed funds for the Greater Atlanta Dental Foundation supporting local clinics. Dr. Anthea Mazzawi and her committee did an outstanding job and I know everyone in attendance is looking forward to next year’s celebration.

Fortunately, this year we have been able to meet in person. We had a great turnout at the Atlanta Fish Market CE and social in September. Mr. Harris Gignilliat gave a very informative talk about financial markets and how they affect our livelihoods. If we missed you at these events, DO NOT FEAR, I need your help at an upcoming and very important gathering.

A cornerstone of NDDS and the GDA is legislative advocacy for Dentistry. We have an upcoming legislative reception - the NDDS Legislative reception on Thursday November 3rd at the Buckhead Club. This is a great social event where we get to meet our state legislators and strengthen the importance of what we do for our communities. Be on the lookout for Day on the Hill activities early in 2023.

I can’t thank you enough for allowing me the opportunity to serve. If I may be of any help, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

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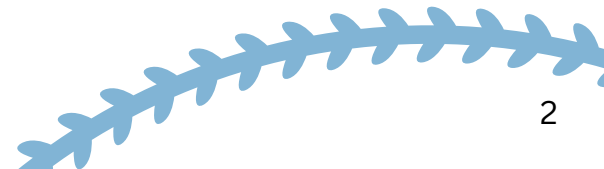
2022 "GRAND SLAM" FOR SMILES

The Greater Atlanta Dental Foundation hosted its annual Grand Slam for Smiles Gala on Saturday, August 20th at the Omni at the Battery during the rematch of the World Series. It was a thrilling night of baseball, auctions, dueling pianos, fabulous food, fellowship and most importantly, raising money for non-profit dental clinics of Atlanta.

Dr. Roy McDonald had the honor of presenting his friend and colleague, Dr. Bob O'Donnell with The Michael T. Rainwater, Dentist of the Year award. This award was created in 1971 to recognize a member of the Northern District Dental Society who has contributed significantly to the progress of dental health and the dental profession, and who has demonstrated good citizenship by participation in worthwhile community affairs.



*Left: Dentist of the Year, Dr. Robert J. O'Donnell, DDS
Right: Dr. Roy McDonald presenting a signed baseball from the NDDS members to Dr. O'Donnell.*







VIP EVENT

The Grand Slam for Smiles VIP event was a home run for all who attended. The event was held on the pool deck at the Omni, overlooking Truist Park. Attendees enjoyed live music, light bites and yummy baseball-themed desserts.

Following the Gala, attendees were invited back to the pool deck to watch the Braves take the WIN against the Astros during the cliffhanger game. It was an exciting night for all.





Melissa DaSilva, Managing Director



Dr. Sidney Tourial presented a donation to the Ben Massell Clinic from the 2022 Gala on behalf of the Greater Atlanta Dental Foundation.

CLINIC HIGHLIGHT

Each year, the Gala Committee selects a Dental Clinic to highlight. This year we were proud to honor the Ben Massell Dental Clinic. Since 2008, the Ben Massell Dental Clinic has continued to offer caring and professional dental care to people in Atlanta who cannot afford it with the help of 150 volunteer dentists and the Ben Massell staff.

Melissa DaSilva, the Managing Director of the Ben Massell Dental Clinic, shared an inspiring patient testimonial with the guests. In addition to Ben Massell, the GADF was honored to have the following clinics in attendance:

- Good Samaritan Health Centers of Gwinnett
- Good Samaritan Health Centers of Atlanta
- DDD Foundation
- Good News Clinics - Green Warren Dental Clinic

GSHC Gwinnett



Pictured: Henry Benson, Connie Camacho, Dental Practice Manager, and Executive Director Greg Lang, PhD.

Green Warren



Pictured: Ryan Vaughn, DMD, and daughter Ruby

NDDS UPCOMING EVENT

Scan the QR
code to register!



NDDS LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

Thursday, November 3, 2022

6:00 pm

The Buckhead Club

NDDS Northern District
GEORGIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION

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GDA NEWS

**It's never too early to plan for
2023-2025**



2023 GDA CONVENTION
OMNI ORLANDO RESORT AT
CHAMPIONS GATE
July 13-16, 2023

- Scan the QR code
- Complete the 2023 GDA "Intent To Participate" Form and return it to the contact at the bottom.

2024 GDA CONVENTION
LOEW'S MIAMI BEACH HOTEL, FL
July 11-14, 2024



2025 GDA CONVENTION
OMNI AMELIA ISLAND RESORT, FL
June 19-22, 2025

GDA Georgia Dental
ASSOCIATION.

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