

The Times

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President's Message: **Mary Calka, RDH**



Thanks to all our members and potential members who attended the AADH annual meeting this year.

AADH member Jane Weiner, RDH enlightened us with her presentation on resources available to dental hygiene professionals in order to meet the challenges of dental hygiene in a mobile society. Wow! Jane's commitment to accuracy was extremely evident and we thank her for this awesome presentation.

It's always a pleasure to hear about all the wonderful accomplishments dental hygienists take part in throughout the year. As you read through this issue of the AADH Times you will see just how successful our members are and what a difference they make in our professional world. Yes the world of dental hygiene is comprised of a great number of motivated professionals willing to reach out and do what is in the best interest of the various groups we serve.

Just to give you all an idea of how our leaders make commitments to the growth of our organization President-Elect Osuna created an opportunity for all members in our last issue of the AADH times. A membership challenge in which the member sponsoring the highest number of new members between April 1 and December 31 will receive one year's membership dues paid for by her. Look through the next few pages to see just how well we are doing and welcome to our new members. There are still another three months left and I am sure the pool of potential members is swimming with applicants just waiting to hear all about the Academy, why you personally decided to join and what it means to you.

Visit the American Academy of Dental Hygiene on the web at aadh.org to download the tools needed to capture the attention of potential members.

The Governing Council (GC) conference call dates are set as follows: 10/10/07, 01/09/08, 04/16/08 & 07/09/08 they begin at 7pm CST. Please mark your calendars and join in to contribute your opinions on the business operations of the Academy.

I'd like to personally welcome Mary Kellerman, RDH, MS and Judy Mc Cauley, RDH, MA as newly elected GC members. We welcome you to our team and look forward to working with you both. Mary and Judy have both accepted appointed positions to the Bylaws Committee where they will work with Chair Kim Benkert, RDH, MPH, COM to present an up-to-date document which reflects the growing needs of our

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group. We all look forward to a draft for review and comment at our fall conference call.

Our newly appointed treasurer Ann-Marie De Palma, RDH, BS will prepare a quarterly treasurer's report in an electronic format for easy distribution to allow for accurate tracking of AADH revenue and expenses. This quarterly report will allow the Academy members a better understanding of our fiscal viability. The finance committee and the executive committee will consult with the treasurer throughout this next fiscal year in order to prepare a balanced budget, for presentation, at next year's annual meeting.

Mark your calendars for July 31 through August 2, 2008 and join in the RDH Under One Roof Meeting in Chicago where the AADH hosts our annual meeting.

President Elect: Tricia Osuna, RDH, BS

Membership Challenge



For any association, organized group or network of individuals to be successful and have longevity there must be communication and growth. The AADH Times offers the communication tool for us to keep in touch with one another and deliver messages to you about meetings, new ideas for administrative changes and we need to work on other aspects of the Academy. Our Vision states:

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Leadership has been established with committed individuals offering their personal time to guide AADH along and comply with state laws for organizations, stay on track with meetings and planning future events. Fellowship is organized and is a newly growing part of the Academy which is awesome. Fellowship is newly establish part of the Academy which recognizes the excellence that member have attained. Mentorship however seems to be the one part of our vision statement where I see we need to seriously focus on and succeed in this direction to enhance AADH. Mentorship *and* membership go hand in hand. Without the mentoring of new members, there will be no growth. Membership is so important to the success of AADH however membership is not increasing as it needs to.

I truly believe that member enthusiasm, one on one encouragement and education of the Academy mission and goals is what is needed to 'jump start' AADH to the next level. The Executive Committee is working diligently on the administrative portion of the Academy to fine tune various aspects to bring us to the next level of as national association however it takes each of you to help AADH grow to that level. The goal I am looking at is that we have at least 100 new members by the March 2008. High goal? You bet! If dentistry is able to have so many participate in their Academy then I strongly believe that dental hygienists are able to do the same thing. Yes it is another association to join, yes there is paperwork involved for the application process and yes it does take time to do this. The best part is you are doing it to support YOU and who better to support than yourself?

To this end, I offer each of you a challenge:

Between April 1 and December 31 2007, the individual that 'sponsors' the most new members will have one year of membership paid my yours truly in the American Academy of Dental Hygiene.

You can download applications from the website and place your name on a corner as a sponsor of the

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applying individual or ask them to do it, pass them out to your colleagues in the office in your local component or state associations. Ask them to share with their peers as well. We will have the administration report all applications as they are received and it will be submitted to the President Elect each quarter to keep us informed on how the challenge is going. Best of luck to each of you and I hope that this will serve as an incentive for you to speak out on the behalf of the Academy and help us grow!

International Federation of Dental Hygiene in Toronto, Canada

It was a very special experience to attend the IFDH meeting in Toronto. I had not attended an international symposium before and did not know what to expect. It was stimulating and fun to meet other hygienists from all over the world who have the same cares, concerns, and challenges in delivering quality dental care to their patients as we do! Everyone was friendly and interested in getting to know hygienists from across the globe. It truly is a small world, and so important to share ideas and to collaborate to provide the best care in the world for our patients. Personally, I was happy to meet Elina Katsman of the Smiles Foundation and a winner of the first World Dental Hygiene Award by Sunstar Foundation. Elina has worked to establish dental clinics in the Dominican Republic, and I am interested in learning from her as I work with Cape CARES to bring dental and medical care to the people of Honduras.

I look forward to attending the next IFDH meeting in Glasgow in 2010, and encourage others to do so. You will find it a most rewarding experience.

Christel Koppel Autuori, RDH, BS



AADH is a Major Presence at the RDH Under One Roof (UOR) Conference in Washington, D.C.

The AADH had terrific representation at this year's UOR. First, it was the location for our annual business meeting which brings together officers, members and interested dental hygienists (in other words, prospective members!). President Calka chaired the meeting following an excellent presentation on "Meeting the Challenges of Dental **Hygiene** in a Mobile Society" given by member Jane Weiner, RDH. Jane helped prepare us for a move to another state and her program was packed with great resources.

The AADH continues to approve the CE courses offered at the UOR as the only dental hygiene CE credentialing entity and again had a table top display in the exhibit hall. This year, we had our brand new AADH brochures and many were picked up at the table as well as given out by our members. Tricia's membership challenge is on!

Many speakers were AADH members: Donna Brogan, RDH, BS; Anne Marie DePalma, RDH, BS, FAADH; Patti Di Gangi, RDH, BS; Winnie Furnari, RDH, MS, FAADH (congratulations to Winnie for achieving her MS!); Anne Guignon, RDH, MPH; Tricia Osuna, RDH, BS; Betsy Reynolds, RDH, MS; and Jane Weiner, RDH.

Plus, two of our members received the Sunstar Americas Award of Distinction. This award is given in conjunction with *RDH* and recognizes dental hygienists who make a unique contribution to the health of patients all over the country. Our winners this year were: Linda Bohacek, RDH, MA, CDHC and Millie E. Thaw, RDH (who was on the cover of *RDH!*). Previous winners include Diane Brucato-Thomas, RDH, BS and Jane Weiner, RDH.

We are so proud of our outstanding members! *Leslie Andrews*



From left to right: Jane Weiner, RDH presents CE at annual meeting. Attendees at annual meeting; President Elect Tricia Osuna, RDH, BS answers questions after her CE; President Mary Calka, RDH presents GC member Winnie Furnari, RDH, BS, MS with a certificate of appreciation.

Published articles:

President-Elect - Tricia Osuna, RDH, BS
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New column in *RDH magazine* as of June 2007 - "Tech Know"

Sunstar Americas/RDH Magazine Awards of Distinction - 2007

Millie E. Thaw, RDH and Linda Bohacek, RDH, MA, CDHC
with Dennis Roy of Sunstar Americas



Thank you to Jane Weiner, RDH for fabulously presenting
"Meeting The Challenges of Dental Hygiene in a Mobile Society"

AADH Annual Session 2007

RDH Under One Roof in Washington, DC

Welcome New Members

Maureen Chodaba, RDH New York Jodie Heimbach, RDH New Jersey

Joanna Campbell, RDH , MA New York Francis Plunkett, RDH Texas

Joan Harris Patterson, RDH, BS Florida Donna Grzegorek, RDH Illinois



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WELCOME NEWLY ELECTED GC MEMBERS

Mary Kellerman, RDH, MS

Judy Mc Cauley, RDH, MA



Congratulations to the Graduates of Masters Degrees:

Ann-Marie DePalma, RDH, BS - Med

Winnie Furnari, RDH, MS– Forensics

Elected President of New Jersey Dental Hygienists' Association:
WINNIE FURNARI, RDH, MS

FOUR ACADEMY MEMBERS GO TO RUSSIA AND POLAND

On August 24th of this year, four members of the Academy— Marge Green (Delegation Leader), Nancy Barnes, Joyce Turcotte and Mary Kellerman (see picture) joined the People to People National Organization for a cultural and dental hygiene educational exchange to St. Petersburg, Russia and The City of Warsaw, Poland. Over the course of several days, 50 participating USA-DHs visited various medical / dental facilities, and with the aid of interpreters, conversed with many key university-trained dentists, dental-nurses(who are hygienists *.*), and their dental-school faculty—revealing their very interesting programs! We were also delightfully treated to two very special cultural musical programs: a superb Russian ballet (Giselle) and a wonderful private piano concert featuring Chopin's music.

All the dental hygienists and their accompanying guests agreed it was a most enjoyable trip— food, camaraderie, exchange of ideas and events left us all with a truly, rich lifetime experience.

Mary Kellerman, RDH, BS



**Notes from WCS - Wojewodzkie Centrum Stomatologii
Warsaw, Poland**

Thursday, August 30, 2007
Joyce Turcotte, RDH, M.Ed

Met with Dr. N. med. Maciej Nowak, Medical Department Director, 2 dental hygienists and Infection Control Coordinator, Agnieszka Jeziorska

Summary of topics discussed:

100 dentists, 30 dental assistants and 4 dental hygienists service approximately 1000 patients per day. Various specialties, such as surgery, perio and radiology are practiced. Dental Hygienists practice without supervision to perform prophys and sealants. Dental Hygienists are responsible for administration, documentation and inventory control. The radiology department solely takes x-rays.

Dental Hygienist receive a diploma upon graduation from Dental Hygiene school. Next year, legislation is proposed to draft regulation to be licensed for Dental Hygiene profession. Fees for service are through public finance and national service.

Irene Connelly, our group leader, described our group demographics and dental hygiene clinical services and levels of supervision in the USA. She further explained our National licensing procedures and variations existed from state to state. Irene briefly described the ADHA, educational standards, access to care issues and increase of scope of practice goals to serve the underserved.

Tour of the facility revealed high end, state of the art technology and equipment. Top of the line ergonomic equipment accommodated the comfort of the dental hygienist and patient. The infection control coordinator of the facility closely monitored high levels of infection control. A centralized sterilization department managed all the instruments of the facility.

Other points discussed:

The Polish National Association of Dental Hygienists meets 3 times per year. If a Dental Hygienist does not practice for five years, they must retake a practical exam to re-enter the workforce. Dental Hygienists work mostly in private practice settings.



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People to People Announces Dental Hygiene Delegation Returns From Russia and Poland

Chicago—October 16, 2007—People to People Citizen Ambassador Programs, together with the American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA), coordinated a delegation of 52 licensed dental hygienists, accompanied by fourteen guests, who traveled to Russia and Poland from August 24 through September 2, 2007. This unique opportunity provided the selected delegates with the chance to meet their colleagues in St. Petersburg and Warsaw face-to-face to engage discussions on a number of topics including: the Russian, Polish, and American health care systems, how the education systems vary in their designs to prepare oral health professionals including dental hygienists, and a variety of public health measures intended for disease prevention and health promotion.

Participants from both sides shared their knowledge of successful techniques and effective strategies for impacting professional education, regulation, standards of dental hygiene practice, and integration of oral health services among targeted populations. Select members of ADHA were invited to participate in this delegation based on their areas of interest, experience, and expertise in the field of dental hygiene. A broad cross section of delegates, both geographically and professionally, represented a range of experience from three years to more than forty years in the dental hygiene profession. A variety of dental hygiene professional roles were included in the delegation; educators, researchers, practitioners, administrators, and the members of the corporate industry were all represented. ADHA was applauded throughout the journey for their initiative in fostering international goodwill and promoting the profession of dental hygiene with many countries who share the common goal of improving the oral and total health of all people.

Major focus areas for the working sessions for this delegation included:

- 1) Challenges faced in access to oral health care
- 2) Ways in which oral health care is provided and funded
- 3) Delivery of oral health services in urban and rural communities

The delegation combined educational activities and meetings centered on dental hygiene and public health in both Russia and Poland, while cultural activities highlighted the sights and sounds of these countries. Delegates enjoyed an insider view of the dental care systems in Russia and Poland and experienced these cultures in a way that most travelers never do. The delegation visited two orphanages to conduct one-on-one instructional sessions with the children on proper brushing and flossing techniques, and the importance of nutrition. They also observed the ways in which their professional counterparts practice in their own settings.

The delegation was led by Margaret Lappan Green, RDH, MS, Immediate Past President of ADHA. In addition, Professor Irene M. Connolly, Senior Instructor at Old Dominion University, joined her as co-leader of this program.

Ambassador Programs has been conducting educational programs for professionals in some of the world's most fascinating destinations for more than 50 years. The delegations allow professionals to exchange information with their overseas counterparts while forging the bonds of international friendship.

Details on upcoming delegations are available by calling 877.787.2000, ext. 8100, or by emailing professionals@citizenambassadors.org. More information on People to People Citizen Ambassador Programs can be found online at www.citizenambassadors.org.

ADHA is the largest national organization representing the professional interests of the more than 120,000 dental hygienists across the country. Dental hygienists are preventive oral health professionals, licensed in dental hygiene, who provide educational, clinical and therapeutic services that support total health through the promotion of optimal oral health. For more information about ADHA, dental hygiene or the link between oral health and general health, visit <http://www.adha.org>.

LAB ON A CHIP FOR ORAL CANCER SHOWS PROMISE

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

NIH News, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

<http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/>>

Finding out whether that unusual sore in your mouth is cancerous should become a lot faster and easier in the years ahead. Scientists supported by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR), part of the National Institutes of Health, have engineered the first fully automated, all-in-one test, or lab on a chip, that can be programmed to probe cells brushed from the mouth for a common sign of oral cancer. About half the size of a toaster, the portable device yields results in just under 10 minutes, or well within the duration of a routine visit to a dentist or doctor. Currently, patients must undergo an often painful tissue biopsy and usually wait three days to a week for the lab results.

"What's exciting is the speed and efficiency that this test will bring to the diagnostic process," said John McDevitt, Ph.D., a scientist at the University of Texas at Austin and the senior author on the paper, published in the August issue of the journal *Lab on a Chip*. "No longer will patients need to endure referrals, long waits for test results, and scheduling follow up consultations. Patients will get immediate results and feedback from their dentist or doctor on how best to proceed." McDevitt said his group's proof of principle study showed that their test could accurately measure levels of epidermal growth factor receptor, or EGFR, on three distinct types of oral cancer cells. This protein, which is normally displayed on the surface of our cells, tends to be overproduced in oral tumor cells and serves as a measurable marker of oral cancer.

His group's next step is to program the device to read not just EGFR levels but those of other proteins and genes that, when altered, are indicative of a developing oral tumor. This work already is well under way, and the group anticipates evaluating their test in the clinic with patients in the foreseeable future. "It could take several months to more than a year before we make the transition," said McDevitt. "But the diagnostic platform has been built, and it's just a matter of fine tuning the components that already are in place."

According to McDevitt, the lab on a chip evolved from a conversation that he had a few years ago with Dr. Spencer Redding of the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio about the difficulties of diagnosing oral cancer. Redding explained that dentists routinely face the dilemma of whether or not to refer patients to an oral surgeon for biopsies of suspicious sores, particularly possible recurrences of a previously diagnosed oral cancer. On the one hand, early detection is a key to fighting cancer and saving lives and, on the other, if the pathology report comes back negative, dentists risk upsetting their patients. McDevitt was uniquely qualified to consider the problem. He studied in his laboratory functional molecular assemblies, or manipulating individual molecules to assemble miniaturized electronic or sensor components. This area of research has contributed greatly toward developing nano scale devices and popularizing the new discipline of nanotechnology.

The McDevitt laboratory already had an excellent track record of assembling novel, easy-to-use sensing devices that involve micro fluidics, the science of precisely controlling micro or nano volumes of fluid. Among their accomplishments were a novel, miniaturized sensor to detect anthrax spores for the Nation's biodefense efforts and thereafter a test for HIV infection and immune function in resource poor African nations. The laboratory also was working in the mouth, having received an NIDCR research grant to develop similar tests that use saliva, rather than blood, as a diagnostic fluid. Combining these areas of research expertise, the McDevitt laboratory developed a test for oral cancer that begins with brushing cells from a suspicious lesion, suspending them in fluid, and loading roughly a drop of the mixture into their device. When activated, the device conveys the fluid down a tiny, micro fluidic channel to a chamber with a porous membrane. "The cells stick to the membrane floor like starfish in a net," said Shannon Weigum, a member of the McDevitt laboratory and lead author on the paper. "The floor has little exit holes that drain the fluid out of the chamber and allow us to pump in a cocktail of, in this case, antibodies that are tagged with a fluorescent dye and that are programmed to seek out and attach to the EGFR displayed on the cells."

"The chamber creates a nice, miniaturized platform with a digital camera interface to display the fluorescent tags for analysis on a computer screen," she continued. "We can then read the level of fluorescence and determine how much EGFR is present on the cell surface. It automates a process that is done now by a pathologist. Think of the test as pathology on a chip." In their initial experiments, the all-in-one test detected significantly higher levels of EGFR in three known oral cancer cell lines compared to normal cells, which would have been expected. This indicated that the lab on a chip had excellent specificity for its protein target. The scientists also found that their results correlated well with those using flow cytometry, the current gold-standard analytical technique to quantify protein expression.

The scientists reported that their lab-on-a-chip protocol took about nine minutes to complete, from sample collection to digital display. For flow cytometry, the protocol took two hours and five minutes. "We are doing our immune function test in eight minutes, and that includes the software manipulation and collecting the sample," said McDevitt. "I feel comfortable saying that, with further manipulations, the oral cancer test ultimately will be completed somewhere between five and ten minutes. We have developed tests that can be performed in thirty seconds, but there is some loss in accuracy when you do things in an ultra fast manner."

The Food and Drug Administration approved the EGFR-targeted monoclonal antibody called cetuximab in March 2006 to treat oral squamous cell carcinoma, the most common type of oral cancer. This marked the first new drug approved for this cancer in 45 years. But challenges remain to identify patients who might benefit from this therapy. With further development and clinical validation, the oral cancer lab on a chip could one day fill this diagnostic niche.

The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) is the Nation's leading funder of research on oral, dental, and craniofacial health. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) -- The Nation's Medical Research Agency -- includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a

component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It is the primary federal agency for conducting and supporting basic, clinical, and translational medical research, and it investigates the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit <<http://www.nih.gov>>.

Update: FY 2008 Health Appropriations Committee Report

focus on improving dental public health infrastructure.

Directs HRSA to name a chief dental officer. "The unfortunate death earlier this year of a 12-year old Maryland boy from a brain infection stemming from an abscessed tooth has focused the Committee's attention on the issue of access to oral health care for underserved populations. As the agency that supports programs that provide services to disadvantaged, medically underserved and special populations, the Committee believes that HRSA should be actively involved in addressing this problem. The Committee was disturbed to learn that the lack of administrative support for oral health infrastructure within HRSA and the collaborative oral health initiatives among HRSA bureaus and with other Federal agencies has made it nearly impossible for HRSA staff to respond to States' needs.

The Committee believes that HRSA must appoint a chief dental officer who can coordinate the agency's oral health activities, focus on rebuilding the HRSA dental corps and provide direction for HRSA field officers. The Committee directs HRSA to report to the Committee no later than October 30, 2007 on its activities to name a chief dental officer." The ADA brought this issue to the Committee's attention after receiving a letter from ASTDD.

\$12M under MCH SPRANS Account. This includes the \$5M that was in this account in FY 07, plus the \$2M from the Dental Health Improvement Act and additional funding: "\$12M is provided for up to 25 competitive State grants to help expand access to oral health services. \$2,000,000 of this total is transferred from HRSA program management, the former placement of the oral health workforce activities program. States may use these grants for the purposes outlined in the Dental Health Improvement Act, such as encouraging more dentists to practice in shortage areas through such mechanisms as loan forgiveness and repayment for dentists; providing grants to establish or expand oral health services in community-based facilities; and expanding dental residency programs. States may also use these funds to integrate oral health services into the medical home concept for children with special health care needs, and for grants to ensure low-income pregnant women and women of child bearing age have access to appropriate oral health services. States should develop proposals that address the shortage of dentists and dentists' reluctance for financial reasons to work in certain geographic areas and to serve low-income and Medicaid patients." The block grant also includes \$1,000,000 for pediatric dentistry leadership training programs.

An additional \$1.5 M for the CDC, Division of Oral Health Restores cuts to public health preventive medicine and dental programs Maintains \$10 M for general practice and pediatric residency training grants.

Become a Fellow in the American Academy of Dental Hygiene

Fellowship Application Procedures and Deadlines

The following regulations apply to members who are seeking the award of Fellowship in The American Academy of Dental Hygiene (FAADH). Members who have met all requirements and choose to apply for the Fellowship must complete an application.

Applications for the Fellowship Award must be postmarked by July 1st, 2007 and sent to Executive Director to be considered for convocation that same year.

Applications received by the July 1st, 2008 deadline will be reviewed by the Fellowship Review Committee. Applicants will be informed by letter regarding AADH action by August 1st. All new fellows are encouraged to attend a special ceremony held during the AADH Annual Meeting.

A \$25 application fee is required and must accompany the award application.

Requirements in effect at the time of your membership will apply to your records.

Membership in AADH maintains Fellowship status. Requirements for future members may change.

1. Be a active full or life member of the Academy for at least three (3) years.
2. Provide documentation of achievement of a Baccalaureate degree or higher.
3. Be elected by 3/4 vote of the Governing Council.
4. Fulfill 3 of 4 additional criteria.
 - A. Document advanced education of at least 100 hours in the specialty or field.
 - B. Document active participation in the specialty or field via practice, published research or poster/clinic presentations at national or international hygiene meetings, or having served elected leadership positions in hygiene associations.
 - C. Present a continuing education course which meets AADH guidelines for course approval.
 - D. Advanced the cause of the specialty/field in some community related significant manner.

Call for Nominations

As Chair of the nominations, committee, I invite you to contact me, *Joyce Turcotte* at jturcotte@pls.org or 203-261-2857. If you are interested in learning about the role of a Governing Council member of AADH. It does not require a lot of your personal time and does require your thoughts, ideas and vote on issues presented to the Governing Council Board. There will be four Governing positions opening up on the AADH Board for 2008-2010 term. Please submit names to the nomination chair no later than June 9, 2008.

Or E-mail to Executive Director Nancy Barnes at pbarfam@aol.com



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The AADH Times will now be delivered only via the Internet. This is a cost saving measure to better serve our members in a more fiscally responsible manner, not incurring the cost of printing and mailing. If you do not have access to a computer you will be able to obtain access to www.aadh.org at your local public library. This also will ensure our funds are focused on member benefits and continuing education which will further enhance our relationships with other professional associations.



ATTENTION ALL SPEAKERS!!

A slide has been created for all AADH speakers to insert into their programs with the purpose of promoting the Academy. It is only one slide and copy (Notes Page) is provided. The slide is in a generic white background and when placed into your PowerPoint program, will automatically convert to the background of that program.

To receive the slide via email, please contact Leslie Andrews at Leslieandrews@att.net. Leslie will send you the slide and instructions on how to use it.

Please share achievements and articles with fellow members through the AADH TIMES by submitting them to me via email:

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