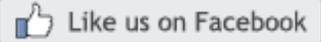




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New Member

AADH congratulates and welcomes new member, **Evita Sanchez-Rusinak, RDH, BSDH.**

Evita's biography will appear in the next edition of *The Times*.

AADH Member in the News

**Diane Brucato, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH, OMT, BBP** has written and published a children's book based on a comical true story from her family. Congratulations, Diane!

[Read](#) more about it.

Welcome to the spring edition of *The Times*. As you dig out of winter's unpredictable weather and enjoy the bloom of spring, take some time to catch up on AADH news.



Read about AADH members who are active in a variety of venues. **Diane Brucato, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH, OMT, BBP** wrote a children's book. **Diana Macri, RDH, BS, MEd** has written an article on triclosan and helped organize an event to attract new faculty members to dental hygiene education. **Carol Lee, RDH, MS** has accepted an appointment as Chair of the Fellowship Committee. Many members will give presentations at both the ADHA CLL 94th Annual Session in June, and at Pennwell's Under One Roof (UOR) conference in August. Learn about them in this newsletter.

Make plans to attend the AADH annual meeting at UOR so you can learn the latest about AADH as well as socialize and converse with your colleagues. See the side bar for more information.

Sending beautiful spring greetings to all.

Toni

Toni S. Adams, RDH, MA, Editor

Message From President Cynthia Koons

Upcoming National Dental Hygiene Events

**ADHA CLL**  
**94th Annual Session**

Didn't the wait for Spring seem to last forever? Once here, it is amazing how quickly the season passes! Soon Summer will arrive, along with vacations and a wonderful opportunity to "Elevate Your Career".

Please join me at RDH Under One Roof 2017, August

June 14-20, 2017  
Jacksonville, FL

[Click Here For More Information](#)

**2017 RDH**  
**Under One Roof**



August 10-12, 2017  
Hyatt Regency Chicago  
Chicago, IL

[Click Here to Register](#)

**AADH Annual Meeting**  
Wednesday, August 9, 2017  
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm at  
RDH Under One Roof  
RSVP at [info@aadh.org](mailto:info@aadh.org)

**AADH 2016-17 Sponsor**

**Our sincere appreciation to  
Premier for its support of AADH  
this year!**



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10-12, at the Hyatt Regency, Chicago, Illinois!  
Thursday, August 10th will be a big day! Our  
Membership Committee Chair, **Cathy Draper, RDH  
MS**, will present the AADH sponsored CE course,  
"Infection Control Update for 2017: Protect Yourself!  
Protect Your Patients!" from 8:00 - 10:00 am.

The Annual Business Meeting is also scheduled on  
Thursday, August 10th, from 12:30-2:30 pm. In  
preparation for our meeting, any amendment or  
suggestion may be sent directly to **Becky Pugh,  
RDH, BS**, Chair of Bylaws and Procedures,  
(ppugh253013@comcast.net) no later than June 1st,  
for inclusion in the final version to be voted upon. You  
may view the current bylaws on our website at  
[www.aadh.org](http://www.aadh.org). Members at the Annual Meeting will  
ratify the vote by the full membership. Everyone is  
invited to attend the AADH Annual Business Meeting!

I want to thank our Annual Meeting Committee Chair,  
Kristy Menage Bernie, RDH, MS, RTY, for coordinating  
our meeting and continuing education course. Many  
thanks go to AADH Administrative Assistant, **Mary  
Calka, RDH**, who will coordinate and prepare our  
booth and exhibit, where members will promote AADH  
and encourage membership. AADH also thanks  
PennWell for providing the Academy a location, and for  
allowing us to conduct our business meeting at RDH  
Under One Roof.

Highlights from the April 18th Governing Council  
Meeting include the approval for membership of **Evita  
Sanchez-Rusanik, RDH, BSDH**. Evita has a wide  
range of skills acquired through a comprehensive  
background in oral surgery, general/cosmetic  
dentistry, periodontics and public health. Welcome  
Evita!

In addition, I am pleased to announce that **Carol Lee,  
RDH, MS** has been appointed as Chair of the  
Fellowship Committee. Thank you, Carol. The  
Governing Council has been busy envisioning the  
future of AADH and is open to member suggestions.  
Feel free to email me: [cyndykoons@gmail.com](mailto:cyndykoons@gmail.com). I am  
looking forward to UOR and seeing everyone in  
Chicago!

Cyndy

Cynthia Koons, RDH, BS, MBA

## Call for AADH Officer Nominations

### Time to renew your membership!

Membership renewal this year will include your CE credit summary as well as a dues payment for two years. This was adopted by the membership as a way to streamline our process.

Submit your CE documentation and dues payment. AADH accepts credit card payments via PayPal at

<http://aadh.org/membership.html>

Questions? Contact Mary Calka at [tmcalka@inbox.com](mailto:tmcalka@inbox.com)

### AADH Members to Speak at Major Dental Meetings

Many of our members will present programs and perform other leadership roles at the ADHA CLL Annual Session and the PennWell RDH Under One Roof Conference.

We have compiled a list of their programs. See what your colleagues are doing, and, if you plan to travel to either of these meetings, attend their events and introduce yourself!

[Click here for more information.](#)

### AADH Leadership

See photos and read bios of AADH Executive Board and Governing Council members.

[Click here.](#)

Nominations for AADH officers for the 2017-2019 term are now open. We will elect a Secretary and three Governing Council Members. Nominate a valued colleague or yourself. The nomination for Secretary remains open.

Be heard and serve the Academy. To learn more about the positions, contact Nominations Committee Chairperson **Lynn Sutherland, RDH, BSDH, FAADH** at [llsjds@earthlink.net](mailto:llsjds@earthlink.net)

To nominate a member, including yourself, submit a brief biography and photo to Lynn as soon as possible.

To read about this year's nominees, click [here](#).

### AADH Member Addresses Faculty Shortage

**Diana Macri, RDH, BSDH, MSED** and her colleagues are concerned about the shortage of dental hygiene faculty members, and are trying to do something about it. She writes:

"Much has been written by dental and dental hygiene educators and researchers about the need for creating an academic pipeline. The retirement of dental hygiene faculty is particularly troubling considering the expanding scopes of practice of the profession. In order to ensure an adequately trained dental hygiene workforce, dental hygienists in clinical practice must be encouraged to pursue careers in academia. In April, I collaborated with dental faculty and an established medical organization to create a series of educational workshops that explain all aspects of academic careers for interested dental and dental hygiene students.

"If you are a dental hygienist in private practice, or and educator who is also concerned about the looming faculty shortage, click on the link to learn more about the program. If you are interested in offering these workshops in your institution, or learning more about our program, please contact me at

For a summary of AADH leaders, [click here.](#)

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## Draper to Represent AADH at UOR in 2017

The Governing Council selected **Cathy Draper, RDH, MS**, to represent AADH as its sponsored speaker for the 2017 RDH Under One Roof Conference, which is sponsored by PennWell. The conference will take place August 10-12, 2017, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Cathy will present "**Infection Control Update for 2017: Protect Yourself! Protect Your Patients!**" In the program, she will distinguish among OSHA, CDC, and state regulations, refer to newly released resources from the CDC, and review current specific state regulations. To learn more about her program click [here](#).

Join us at PennWell's Under One Roof, a phenomenal conference where you can attend our annual meeting, hear Cathy's program, and learn from many other outstanding speakers.

dmacri@hostos.cuny.edu."

Diana Macri, RDH, BSDH, MEd  
Assistant Professor, Hostos Community College

Editor's note: For more information, read Diana's article, "Who Will the Next Dental Educators Be?" on LinkedIn. It can be found [here](#).

## Times Features Peer-Reviewed Author Members

### Call for Citations

In order to celebrate our members' accomplishments, we feature citations of their published peer-reviewed articles.

We thank **Diana Macri, RDH, BSDH, MEd**, for her submission. Diana's article in a recent edition of *Contemporary Clinical Dentistry* is titled, "Worldwide Use of Triclosan: Can Dentistry Do Without this Antimicrobial?"

[Read all of the submitted citations and abstracts.](#)

This is an ongoing feature, so, if you have written an article that has appeared in a peer-reviewed publication, regardless of the date, please send the citation and the abstract in Word format to [tonisadamsrdh@earthlink.net](mailto:tonisadamsrdh@earthlink.net)

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### From your Editor:

I am honored to serve as Editor of *The Times*. I get to meet and work with amazing people, both virtually and in person, and learn so much.

This is your newsletter, and we strive to make it responsive to your needs, so please share your

opinions, suggestions, and submissions. The deadline for the Fall edition is **Monday, August 21, 2017**. Send information about Members in the News, announcements, citations of peer-reviewed articles published by AADH members, brief feature articles, and letters to the Editor to me via email. Also, consider running for office or nominating a colleague for a position on the Executive Board or Governing Council, and vote when you receive your ballot.

As always, I am happy to help anyone who wishes assistance with writing.

**Toni S. Adams, RDH, MA, Editor**

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