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New Members

AADH congratulates and welcomes new member, **Faizan Kabani, RDH, MBA, PhD.**

[Read his bio.](#)

AADH Members in the News

Our admirable colleagues, **Emily Boge, CDA, RDH, MPA, Cathy Draper, RDH, MS, and Mary L. Kellerman, RDH, MS-DPH, FAADH** have excelled in education, invention, community service, and professional service.

[Read about them.](#)

Upcoming National Dental Hygiene Events

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

Winter is upon us with full force in many forms. Stay warm and safe and take a few minutes to see what your colleagues are doing.



As always, AADH members keep very busy. In this edition of *The Times* you will read about accomplishments in invention, scholarship, and service in several forms.

Make plans to attend the AADH annual meeting at Pennwell's Under One Roof conference in Chicago in August so you can socialize and converse with your colleagues. See the side bar for a link to more information.

Sending warm winter greetings to all.

Toni

Toni S. Adams, RDH, MA, Editor

Message From President Cynthia Koons

Happy New Year AADH members! We look forward with renewed spirit and anticipation to 2017.

Our members are busy continuing to pursue professional growth opportunities. AADH is pleased to welcome new member, **Faizan A. Kabani, RDH, MBA, PhD**, who was approved at the Governing Council meeting on January 17th. We also amended a bylaw at that meeting. Yes, change and growth are occurring.

I cannot help pausing to reflect on the loss of honorary member, **Dr. Esther Wilkins**. Her name will indelibly reside in my mind, along with Dr. Alfred Fones and Irene Newman. Like many of you, I was educated using the Clinical Practice of the Dental Hygienist. Mine was the yellow covered 3rd edition. I currently teach first year dental hygiene students using the lime green covered 12th edition. Oh, what a story the two texts tell when placed side by side! Clearly there has been change and growth in the dental hygiene profession

June 14-20, 2017  
Jacksonville, FL

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**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)

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since the publication of earlier editions! Much of that change occurred while students learned from Dr. Wilkins' text. She was a role model for change, leadership, and growth. Thank you, Dr. Wilkins, for sharing your life with thousands of dental hygienists. You have prepared us to grasp the probe and embrace the future!

Cyndy

Cynthia Koons, RDH, BS, MBA

**Dental Hygiene Loses a Star**

Our dear colleague, brilliant leader, and honorary AADH member, **Esther M. Wilkins, RDH, DMD**, left us December 12, 2016, three days after celebrating her 100th birthday. She has been called the "Godmother" of dental hygiene, and has influenced all of us, both directly or indirectly.

Dr. Wilkins' pioneering textbook, *Clinical Practice of the Dental Hygienist*, was the base for organized education in dental hygiene and established our focus on prevention. It was first published in 1960 and revised every four years until the 12th and latest edition that was published in 2016.

I had the pleasure to meet her twice. The first time was when she presented a class in the San Francisco Bay Area in the late 1970s; the second was at an awards ceremony in 2009. In all that time she had not lost a step and was still bursting with enthusiasm for our profession. Her inspirational example will always remain in my head and heart.

May she rest in peace.

Toni

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**Call for AADH Officer Nominations**

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.

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)

## 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 will be at either of these meetings, attend their events and introduce yourself to them!

[Click here for more information.](#)

## AADH Leadership

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

[Click here.](#)

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

To nominate a member, including yourself, submit a brief biography and photo to Lynn by April 1, 2017.

## 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 go to <http://events.pennwell.com/RDH2017/Public/SessionDetails.aspx?FromPage=Sessions.aspx&SessionID=17525&SessionDateID=516>

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.

## 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 **Kristy Menage Bernie, RDH, MS, RYT**, and new member, **Faizan Kabani, RDH, MBA, PhD**, for their submissions. Kristy Menage Bernie's article on her original research was recently published in the Journal of the American Dental Hygienists' Association. Dr. Kabani's articles focus on patients with special needs, including spina bifida, cerebral palsy, and pregnancy.

[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 **Tuesday, April 25, 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.

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