



THE ALPHA OMEGA  
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**SEPTEMBER DINNER MEETING**



Thursday, September 22, 2011

**Abdi Sameni, DDS**

*presents*

**“Minimally Invasive  
Adhesive and Esthetic Dentistry”**

**About the Topic:**

The objective of the presentation is to review and present different treatment options that are available to restore the damaged tooth with minimal or no further reduction of the remaining healthy tooth structure using adhesive concepts and materials. A biomimetic approach will be discussed and demonstrated through various clinical cases.

**About the Speaker:**

Dr. Abdi Sameni is a Clinical Associate Professor of Dentistry and a 1991 graduate of the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC. He was the original director of the USC Advanced Esthetic Dentistry Continuum for the portion relating to indirect porcelain veneers. Dr. Sameni currently is the chairman and developer of the USC International Restorative Dentistry Symposium for the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC. Dr. Sameni is a Past President of the Dental Alumni Association, a Past President of the USC Century Club and a member of the Board of Counselors for the Ostrow School of Dentistry. Dr. Sameni also is a member of numerous professional organizations and societies which include OKU and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He maintains a private practice in West Los Angeles where he emphasizes restorative dentistry including implant reconstruction and esthetic dentistry.

**SEPTEMBER DINNER MEETING**

**Date:** Thurs., September 22, 2011  
**Time:** Cocktails 6:00 p.m.  
Dinner 7:00 p.m.  
Lecture 8:00 p.m.

**Location:** Braemar Country Club  
4001 Reseda Blvd.,  
Tarzana (818) 345-6520

*Note: if you require a Kosher meal,  
please give us 48 hours notice.*

**Program Chairman:** Dr. Michael Alfandari  
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**Cost:** \$60.00 per person



# Alpha Omega

## San Fernando Valley Chapter

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### HELP LEAD ALPHA OMEGA TO A STRONGER FUTURE

Hello from the President's desk. It is an honor to again be your President and serve on the Alpha Omega Board. I work with many great, dedicated, and motivated people. As with many organizations, it is a select few who work hard to supply the membership with a truly great organization. Members benefit from continuing education, social events, newsletters, business offers as well as Jewish fraternalism. This is not my first time as SFV's AO President: a fact that disturbs international AO. They would like an influx of new (young) blood to feed the leadership ladder.

International AO is trying to keep AO viable and current by attracting younger members. Recent graduates and new dentists are our future and need to be part of our present. Economics and changing dental school demographics have affected new membership.

An interesting side note: another reason for the decrease in new membership is the phenomenon of Jewish assimilation. Jews have worked hard to be more "mainstream" which has resulted in less need for organizing. Temple membership is down. Graduating Jewish dentists don't feel the need to join AO as in the past for social and business reasons.

So what can we do to recruit new (young) members? Make AO more attractive to Jewish dentists. International AO is sponsoring a meeting in October for young leader members to discuss the future direction of AO. Our own Dr. Michael Alfandari (a young guy) and Dr. Niki Zarabian ( a young lady) will be attending as will I (a not so young guy). We would LOVE to hear your suggestions to take to this meeting and lead AO into a stronger future.

*Fraternally,*  
 Dr. Ted Feder  
 President



### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SFV OFFICERS

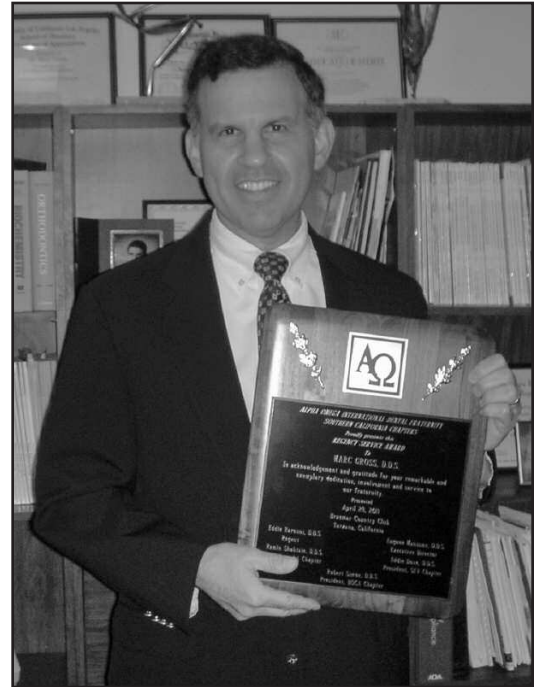
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## CONGRATULATIONS - AO IS PROUD

Marc Gross was presented the well-deserved "Regency Service Award" from International Alpha Omega and the Southern California Chapters on April 28, 2011 at the Braemar Country Club.

No one has been a better representative of Alpha Omega than Marc. It is most appropriate that he was acknowledged with much gratitude for his remarkable and exemplary dedication, involvement and service to Alpha Omega.

Thank you so very much - Marc and Sharon



- Mahrouz Cohen recently was installed as the Secretary of the San Fernando Valley Dental Society.
- Gary Herman recently was elected to a second term as a Trustee of the California Dental Association.
- Alan Stein currently is serving a second term as a Trustee of the California Dental Association.

Thank you to Mahrouz, Gary and Alan for their exceptional contributions upon our behalf to organized dentistry.



# 2011 ALPHA OMEGA CONVENTION

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To: Sumner & Fiby Saul  
*Congratulations on birth of Grandson Isaac*  
 From: Leon & Barbara Unterman  
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**IN MEMORIAM**  
 Our sincere condolences to Helen Sands  
 and her family  
 on the passing of  
**Dr. Ralph Sands**  
 University of Detroit 1960

*Dear Friends:*  
 Thank you for your good wishes for my speedy  
 recovery. Your thoughts are deeply appreciated.  
 Sincerely,  
 Estelle Kahn

*Dear Fraters and Ladies,*  
 A grateful thank you for all your good  
 wishes for my speedy recovery.  
 Thank YOU, Fraternaly  
 Ellis Fields

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 We are here to serve you and eagerly look forward to doing just that.  
 We have 5 categories of tributes. They are as follows.

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Special Tribute	\$18.00
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Special Golden	\$50.00
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 AS OF SEPT. 1, 2007-**  
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## 2011-2012 SFV Chapter - LECTURE SCHEDULE

### **September 22, 2011**

Abdi Sameni, D.D.S. – “Minimally Invasive Adhesive and Esthetic Dentistry”

### **November 3, 2011**

Robert Merrill, D.D.S., M.S. – “Sleep Apnea”

### **February 23, 2012**

Alan Felsenfeld, D.D.S. – “Oral Surgery”

### **April 19, 2012**

Kurt Skarin, J.D., Ph.D – “Practice Sales”

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### 2011-12 L.A. City Schedule

**Oct. 26**

Renzo Cassellini, M.D.T.  
"The Newest Techniques of  
Implant Esthetics"

**Nov. 30**

Joel Laudenbach, D.M.D.  
"Hot Topics in Oral Medicine"

**Feb. 29** – TBD

**April 25**

Manual Diaz, Esq.  
"Embezzlement in the Dental Office"

**May 23**

Rabbi Wolpe - Social event  
Topic – TBD

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