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S. Shaun Daneshgar, D.M.D. presents

"What is New in TMJ? - Making TMJ Arthrocentesis Easier"

"Review of Level of Success of Tilted Implants in Posterior Fixed Bridges in Upper and Lower Jaws" Wednesday, October 25, 2017

ABOUT THE TOPICS

1 What is New in TMJ? - Making TMJ Arthrocentesis Easier: This presentation will review the anatomy, pathophysiology and arthridities of the temporomandibular joint. I will discuss treatment of jaw and facial pain. In particular, I will demonstrate treatment of closed lock and painful click by arthrocentesis and show how

this procedure has become more simplified. Use of Botox for treatment of facial pain and bruxism will be briefly discussed.

Review of Level of Success of Tilted Implants in Posterior Fixed Bridges in Upper and Lower Jaws: This presentation will show a new method of fixed prostheses without grafting to rehabilitate posterior edentulous ridges. Major grafting to augment vertical and horizontal bone deficiencies may be avoided. It will discuss successes and failures and the reasons for them. This is not an "all on 4" concept with cross arch stabilization. Computer assisted surgery using guides can minimize failures. This method can minimize surgical trauma and will avoid involvement of vital anatomical structures.

Dr. Daneshgar is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and fellow of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He graduated cum laude from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and obtained his training in OMFS at University Medicine and Dentistry of NJ/Rutgers. He was on the teaching staff for the OMFS residency program at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and affiliated hospitals and is clinical instructor for the GPR program at Cedars Sinai Medical Center as he has been the attending of that hospital for the past 35 years. He has served in various Cedars Sinai committees.

Dr. Daneshgar has served as a member of the CE committee of California Association of Oral & Maxilliofacial Surgeons since 2003, past president of Beverly Hills Academy of Dentistry, and past president of Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity (LA Chapter). He has served as a qualified Medical Examiner in Oral Surgery and General Anesthesia Evaluator for the state of California. He is a member of Academy of Osseointegration, Southern California Orofacial Academy, LADS, and CDA. He has also served in many charitable organizations including Helps International serving Central America, Donated Dental Services benefiting the ill and underprivileged, Federation of the Blind, California Care Force, and CDA Cares.

Dr. Daneshgar has published a number of articles in scientific journals and has given many presentations in various local and national organizations on reconstructive/orthognathic jaw surgery, pathology, TMJ, implants and bone grafts.

DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2017

LOCATION:
Sinai Temple
10400 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90024
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TIME:

Cocktails 6:15 p.m.
Dinner 7:15 p.m.
Speaker 7:30 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We must continually face and negotiate change, for that is the way of life. Change is the only consistent thing in life, the only thing that stays the same, the only thing we can count on., change. This coupled with the Talmudic saying "Reality is an opportunity before it is a hindrance" gives us the ability to anticipate change as a positive. So it is with Alpha Omega.

At the heart of this change are the "newcomers", the students who are our key to survival. Alpha Omega has modified our stance towards students, welcoming them as never before. Here are some of the things your Executive Board has voted as policy at the last board meeting:

- 1. "SPONSOR A STUDENT" tzadakah opportunity. When responding for attendance at our speaker/dinner meetings members will be able to sponsor a student's attendance by paying for their meal at the basic food cost which is well below the usual entrance fee. In the past these costs have been critically dangerous for our financial survival and out of necessity limited the number of students we could invite. On the response envelope will be a space for the member to indicate sponsorship along with their RSVP.
- 2. Sponsoring members will be acknowledged in the newsletter.
- 3. Students will be asked to sit with members, not sequester themselves at one or two tables as has been the case in the past. This will give the students the opportunity to relate to practicing dentists and visa versa. Most students have no idea what it is like once they graduate. This will also give us the opportunity to make the students feel welcome and part of Alpha Omega, enhancing the probability of their continued involvement in Alpha Omega once they graduate.

By changing we keep up with life. In giving we receive. That's tzadakah!

Please join with your colleagues in this opportunity to enhance the lives of our Alpha Omega student members at USC and UCLA, and the opportunity to enhance the goals of Alpha Omega by sponsoring a student's attendance at our speaker/dinner meetings.

Fraternally, Phil Trask

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REGENT'S REPORT



ear Fraters,
With the High Holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur approaching I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a happy new year and an easy fast. May we all be written in the book of life and sustenance. Let us hope that in

the coming year we will witness peace amongst all nations. Let us resolve to be all that we can do to help those in need, especially the victims of Hurricane Harvey and Irma, in the spirit of Tikkun Olam.

Thanks to efforts of Dr. Rami Etessami Regency 14 was able to procure tickets to the Hollywood Bowl which was distributed to members of both our alumni chapters. All who attended were entertained by the LA Philharmonic

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performing Mozart Violin Concerto and Symphony. We look forward to arrange more such social events where we can enjoy each other's company in an informal manner.

Regency 14 will be celebrating Shabbat Across AO on Friday November 3, 2017 at Pat's Restaurant. Please mark your calendars and join us with your extended family to celebrate Shabbat as a unifying gesture of our Fraternity. Alpha Omega is more than an organization, it is one big family. Celebrate Shabbat on November 3 with your extended Alpha Omega family.

Fraternally, Ron Saidara, DDS

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Please join us in celebrating Shabbat across AO on Friday night, November 3, 2017

This November, AO members, families, and friends will celebrate Shabbat as a unifying gesture of our organization. On Friday night NOvember 3rd, 2017, we will be joining together as family and friends to host an AO Shabbat Dinner

DATE: Friday, November 3, 2017 RSVP to Tally:

LOCATION: Pat's Restaurant by phone at (424) 354-8051

9233 Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90035 or by email at: aosocal@gmail.com

Mail a check payable to: ALPHA OMEGA

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TIME: 7:00 p.m. Please address your mail to:

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Please RSVP before October 30, 2017

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Why Alpha Omega in the Fall of 2017

Alpha Omega is as vital today as it was 20 years ago. One of the most important aspects of Alpha Omega is our networking. In this article I am not going to discuss our relationships with the Israeli Dental Schools, the Holocaust Survivor Program and the continued support of our undergraduate dental students. I will mention several instances that demonstrates that Alpha Omega 's importance today

- Approximately a month ago a Bequest was given from the Elliot and Dorothy Wien's estate to the
 Los Angeles Chapter of Alpha Omega. This was related to the impact that AO was in the life of
 the Wien's and virtually to all of us as members
- We were in Johannesburg in August and we visited with an Alpha Omega friend that we haven't seen for at least 20 years
- As I am writing this article we think of many of our Alpha Omega friends that were in harms way related to Hurricane Irma.
- This last week we had our first continuing education meeting of the year where Stewart Balikov reviewed are requirements for Infection Control and California Law. This was a very successful meeting where we saw many of our Alpha Omega friends and met new ones
- This week Rami Etessami was able to acquire tickets for Mozart at the Hollywood Bowl. This was attended by at least 50 fraters and spouses. Thank you Rami

The bottom line is that Alpha Omega can touch our lives in numerous ways and continues to do it. Early November we should attend Shabbat across AO at Pat's restaurant

Fraternally yours, Lionell Greenberg



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IN MEMORY OF ELLIOTT L. WIEN, DDS

The L.A. Chapter of Alpha Omega received a significant donation in memory of Elliott L. Wien, DDS from his children this year. Elliott was a member of the L.A. Chapter for over 50 years, and practiced dentistry in Gardena, CA for close to 4 decades. Elliott was a graduate of U.C.L.A. and received his DDS in 1955 from the College of Physicians and Surgeons (now the University of the Pacific in San Francisco), which he always referred to as "P & S". The dental school is now called the Arthur A. Dugoni School



of Dentistry. He and his wife Dorothy met at Hillel during their undergraduate years at U.C.L.A. They married in 1953 and enjoyed their first years of marriage in San Francisco, while Elliott completed his DDS degree. His eldest daughter Jill Wien Badger says the decision to bequeath a donation to A.O. in their fathers memory was an easy one. "Our father had lifelong friendships with many members of Alpha Omega and shared his appreciation of Henry Brown, Sumner Saul, Leon Unterman and others with us. He was a long term, loyal member of Alpha Omega, so we wanted to honor the importance the organization made in his life." Elliott's youngest daughter Linda E. Wien sums up the philanthropic attitude her parents passed on to all their children. "Our parents wanted to honor organizations that were meaningful to them, and we enjoy keeping that tradition alive in their memory." Elliott passed away in March of 2016 at 88 years of age. His wife Dorothy predeceased him in 2013 after 59 years of marriage. Their 3 children; Jill Wien Badger, Keith M. Wien and Linda E. Wien treasure the opportunity to keep their parents memory alive with donations to the charitable organizations that were most important to them.



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Member Pre-register by 10/22/17	\$80.00	Cocktails 6:15 p.m.
Member Guest (non-dentist)	80.00	Dinner 7:15 p.m.
Member at the door	95.00	Speaker <i>promptly at</i> 7:30 p.m.
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LA City Schedule 2017

October 25 – "What's New About TMJ?" – Dr. Shaun Daneshgar

November 3 – "Shabbat Across AO" *– Pat's Restaurant*

SFV Chapter Schedule 2017

November 2 – "Get Clarity and Shorten Your Learning Curve: Practical Surgical Tips for General Dentists" – *Dr. Ziv Simon*

November 3 – "Shabbat Across AO" *– Pat's Restaurant*



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