

# *Alliance of the American Dental Association*

*Early Spring 2010*

## *TrusteeGram*

*District 6*

*Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin*



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Hi All!

Are you ready for the 3 R's, and I don't mean Readin', Writin', and Rithmetic!!! How about **Relax, Renew, and Recharge!!!** If you are, then I hope you'll join us in **Tempe for Conference 2010**. It's not too late to register or obtain a room, so sign up today!

### ***Conference 2010, Tempe, Arizona***

***“RELAX and have fun, RENEW friendships,  
and RECHARGE the AADA mission”  
April 15-18, 2010***

***The Buttes, A Marriott Resort, Tempe, AZ  
2000 Westcourt Way  
Tempe, AZ 85282  
602-225-9000***

***[www.marriott.com/phxtm](http://www.marriott.com/phxtm)***

***Room rate \$149.00/ night***

***Reservation deadline – March 13, 2010***

***Go to [www.AllianceADA.org](http://www.AllianceADA.org) for the registration form and  
check out the conference page for some of the conference  
highlights and Tempe area activities.***

**Member At Large States  
(MAL States)**

Iowa  
Michigan  
Minnesota  
North Dakota  
South Dakota  
Wisconsin

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**Armella Glenn** needs articles and information to assist each member in becoming an involved "Partner in Dentistry" through **KEY**. Please contact her at [armellaglenn@aol.co](mailto:armellaglenn@aol.co).

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**The AADA 2010 TENTATIVE Conference Schedule**  
(Revised 02-13-2010)

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Function</b>
<b>Thursday, April 15</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Sedona Tour (7- 8 hours)</b>
	<b>3:30 pm – 5:30 pm</b>	<b>Foundation for Dental Health Education Board Meeting</b>
	<b>5:00 pm – 8:30 pm</b>	<b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, April 16</b>	<b>8:00 am –12:00 pm</b>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>
	<b>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Lunch</b>
	<b>1:30 pm – 4:30 pm</b>	<b>Well Being/Membership Session (Julia Pearl)</b>
	<b>2:00 pm – 6:00 pm</b>	<b>Registration</b>
	<b>4:30 pm – 5:30 pm</b>	<b>Nominating Committee Meeting</b>
	<b>4:30 pm – 5:30 pm</b>	<b>First Time Attendee/New Member Orientation</b> <i>First Time Attendee Awards sponsored by the American Dental Association (ADA)</i>
	<b>5:00 pm – 6:00 pm</b>	<b>Surviving Spouse Gathering</b>
	<b>7:00 pm – 9:00 pm</b>	<b>Reason to Smile Welcome Event</b>
	<b>Saturday, April 17</b>	<b>7:30 am – 2:00 pm</b>
<b>8:00 am –10:00 am</b>		<b>Legislative Breakfast</b> <i>(Dr P. Gosar, Dr. R. Thrifthauser &amp; Dr. M. Walker)</i> <i>Sponsored by the American Dental Political Action Committee (ADPAC)</i>
<b>10:30 am –11:30 am</b>		<b>Membership Re-Charging</b> <i>(Johanna Manasse)</i>
<b>11:45 pm – 1:45 pm</b>		<b>Beulah K. Spencer Award Luncheon</b> <i>Sponsored by the ADA Insurance Plans underwritten by Great-West Life</i>
<b>2:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>		<b>Dental Health Education Session</b> <i>(Ray Wagner, MD; Meth Mouth Mary; Senior Smiles)</i> <i>The DHE Session is supported through a Grant awarded by the Foundation On Dental Health Education (FDHE)</i>
<b>4:00 pm – 5:30 pm</b>		<b>Student Spouse Forum</b>
<b>Sunday, April 18</b>	<b>7:00 pm – 10:00 pm</b>	<b>Presidents' Gala &amp; FDHE Auction</b>
	<b>8:00 am – 10:00 am</b>	<b>District Meetings with Continental Breakfast</b>

## Mission Statement

“The Alliance of the American Dental Association, as a partner organization to the American Dental Association, actively provides community oral health education, supports the well being of the dental family, and engages in legislative advocacy for the welfare of the public and the dental profession.”

## Dates to Remember

Thelma J. Neff Award applications are available on the AADA website. Please nominate a deserving Alliance member who has served 10 years or more. Deadline for submission is April 22, 2010.

The Member Project Award applications are also available on the AADA website. Deadline is April 22, 2010. Please note there is a new category — **Well Being Awards!**

ADA Washington Leadership  
Conference  
April 12-14, 2010

AADA Conference 2010  
Tempe, Arizona  
Buttes Resort Marriott  
April 15-18, 2010

AADA/ADA Convention  
Orlando, Florida  
October 7-11, 2010

AADA Conference 2011  
Richmond, Virginia  
Omni Hotel  
March 3-6, 2011

We are planning to have a LOT of FUN at conference, and want you to be a part of it. Please plan to:

- **Wear comfortable relaxed attire and comfy shoes** for our session with Julia Pearl. (I can assure you that mine will be a little more conservative than what she was wearing in the conference brochure!).
- **Wear something that will give others the reason to smile** at the “Reason to Smile Welcome Event” — **Be creative!**
- And note the President’s GALA has a **Black and White** Theme.

## CONFERENCE 2010 FIRST TIME ATTENDEE GRANT RECIPIENTS & STUDENT SPOUSE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

I am delighted to announce that we have 12 First Time Attendee Grant winners, including 5 who are Student Spouse members with 2 being our first male members. We also have 2 Student Spouse Scholarship winners who have previously attended a conference. The Scholarship winners are generously sponsored by the ADA Insurance Plans underwritten by Great-West Life.

The First Time Attendee Grant winners include the following: Helen Adkins (GA), Mr. Korey Anderson (MCG Student Spouse – GA), Bertha Nell Barth (TX), Mr. Chad Brown (MCG Student Spouse – GA), Eva Carpenter (Case Western Student Spouse - OH), Katie Cowden (Case Western Student Spouse - OH), Alicia Fawson (Marquette Student Spouse - WI), Helen Gardner (UT), Jill Kralicke (TX), Nancy Manzanara (NM), Cheryl O’Donnell (GA), and Krystal Skinner (AZ).

The Student Spouse Scholarship winners include April Cobb (UT Student Spouse – UT) and Kimberly Fleming (Case Alliance – OH).

Please help them to feel welcome when you meet them in Tempe!!!

## HINMAN DENTAL MEETING

If you are in Atlanta for the annual **Hinman Dental Meeting**, please plan to join Alliance members for a FUN gathering:

*Silver and Gold Social Gathering of all current, past, or future male and female members of the Alliance of the American Dental Association. Please join us for some FUN, a beverage (Dutch treat), and door prizes, as we make new friends and renew the old; one is silver and the other is gold.*

*Saturday, March 27, 2010*

*3 - 4 pm*

*Omni Hotel - Latitudes Bistro and Lounge, South Tower*

Learn more about starting an Alliance or boosting the membership of your Constituent or Component; what benefits are available to student spouses; and how to become involved in local dental health projects, and legislative and well being initiatives by contacting Debbie Torbush or logging onto [www.AllianceADA.org](http://www.AllianceADA.org)

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**Need a Christmas, Hanukah, or Birthday idea? Consider giving your spouse a "Contributing Membership" in the Alliance of the ADA. Cost is only \$50 and applications are available on the Alliance website.**

***Dishing Up Smiles* books are still available. Although the free shipping has ended (cost is about \$40 per box of 20 books), AADA is continuing to provide the books to its members at no cost until the supply is exhausted through its Community Outreach Program. Program Guidelines and the application are available on the *Dishing Up Smiles* webpage at [www.AllianceADA.org](http://www.AllianceADA.org)**

The **Membership Council**, chaired by Johanna Manasse, has been hard at work developing membership packets, gathering "How To's" for use by all members, updating our website through Margo Martin and our website administrator, and consulting with a marketing firm to update our logo and tag line. As of this date, the Tag Line "**The Reason to Smile**" and the logo have been selected. This has been an exciting process and the final product will be rolled out at Conference 2010 in Tempe, Arizona, for duplication by all of us.

The **Membership Council** continues to work on multiple ways that AADA can be of support to members. They are soliciting "How To's" from Alliance members to help all of us with DHE presentations, fundraisers, etc. If you have a great project that you would like to share, please let me know so I can send you an easy form to complete. All of the "How To's" will be available through the AADA Central Office.

### **Parting Thoughts**

Please check out the evolving new Alliance website thanks to the work of Margo Martin and others! [www.AllianceADA.org](http://www.AllianceADA.org)

I would still love for someone to move into the **District 6 Trustee** position and welcome any phone calls or e-mails requesting information. The District Trustees are "The Face of the Alliance" and provide a connection between the Alliance of the American Dental Association (AADA) Board of Directors and the members in their district, which usually covers several states. Trustees are members of the AADA Board of Directors, and they chair their District Caucus Meeting during annual Convention and their respective District Meeting during the annual Conference. Throughout the year they prepare TrusteeGrams (what you are currently reading) highlighting various state and AADA events and information. Trustees are also available to offer assistance to constituent presidents and members-at-large, to attend state dental meetings within their district to promote the Alliance, and to serve as spokespersons for Alliance matters. Trustees are elected for a two year term and may succeed for one additional term. So . . . if you enjoy meeting new people, traveling to new places, being "in the know," learning new skills, and helping others, then the Trustee position may be for you.

AADA and I are appreciative of all you do to support dentistry, no matter how great or small that may be. Please let me know how I can be of help to you, and please send me information about what you are doing in your community or state. I would also love to hear from all of the Student Spouse Alliance groups!! Hope to see many of you in Tempe!