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President's Message

I am grateful for this opportunity to serve you as SWSP President. For anyone I have not yet had the privilege to meet personally, let me briefly tell you about myself. I have been a periodontist since 2003, currently practicing full time in LaVista, NE. Along with patient care, my office has a growing focus on conducting practice-based clinical research. One of the driving principles of my career is to provide the broadest access to intellectual excellence for those around me.



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Summer Meeting Recap

Over 80 periodontists, dental professionals, residents and vendors attended the 2022 Summer Meeting, held July 29 - 31, 2022 in San Antonio, TX. Dr. Daniel Melker joined us on Saturday to discuss the team approach in managing difficult periodontal and restorative cases.

On Sunday, Dr. George Kotsakis discussed titanium particle-mediated peri-implantitis and the harm associated with empirical dental treatments. We hope you enjoyed the educational and networking opportunities provided by this year's meeting! Thank you to our Summer Meeting sponsors, [Zeramex](#) and [GC Dental](#), for their generous support.





Residency Spotlight

The Summer eProbe is excited to spotlight our regional periodontics residency training programs. Our goal is to keep our membership informed about the programs, residents, recent graduates, and major events relevant to each program. In this inaugural issue, we will feature the three programs who responded to the SWSP. We look forward to featuring additional programs in upcoming eProbe issues.



New Graduates

Eugene Rowell III
Brian Goldfarb

New Graduates

Alicia Casarez-Quintana
Jacob Zellner
Antonella Botto
Nathan Loughridge

New Graduates

George Pylant IV
Sarah Kelly
Mary Aly Ricker

New Diplomates

Phuong Thao Nguyen
Margaret Weber

New Diplomates

Amanda Morris
Hunter Allen
Ryushiro Sugita
Michael Vieth

New Diplomates

John Wilson
John Bozanich
Wade Knight

3rd Year Residents

Katherine Carmona
Lauren Langlois
Emily Williams

3rd Year Residents

Mashaël Al Thunayan
Brandon Breard
Kara Dunegan Gilliam
Julia Shelbourn

3rd Year Residents

Panos Afouxenides
Stephanie Bowers
Kelechi Ukaegbu

2nd Year Residents

Trisha Nguyen-Luu
Erin Schwoegl

2nd Year Residents

Ellen Piehl
Se'quon Scott

2nd Year Residents

Stephanie Ortiz
Daniel Overfelt

Brook Thibodeaux

KC Esplin
Francis Keeling

Mirali Pandya
Katharina Tosti

1st Year Residents

1st Year Residents

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Amber Kreko
Tam Vu

Joelle Foster
Jessica Koster
Jaret Simonsen
Claire Miles

Hailey Bivens
Yael Breziner
Daniel Ryan

Clinical Case Spotlight - Dr. Jonathan Blansett



Dual Guide Protocol for
Partial Extraction Therapy



Jonathan Blansett DDS MS
Diplomate, American Board Of Periodontology



Brett Cotham DDS
Member, Aesthetic Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry

[View Presentation](#)

Do you have a case to be featured in an upcoming eProbe edition? Click the link to submit your case below.

[Case Submission Form](#)

Winter Meeting Preview

We look forward to returning to the Las Colinas Marriott in Dallas, Texas for the 2023 Winter Meeting, featuring Dr. Colin Richman, to be held Friday, January 27 – Sunday, July 29. Save the date for this unique educational and networking opportunity for periodontists and dental professionals in the Southwest region.

[More Information](#)

AAP Gold Medal



Congratulations to Dr. Brian Mealey on receiving the Gold Medal Award at the upcoming American Academy of Periodontology Annual Meeting. "The Gold Medal Award is given in recognition of outstanding service to the Academy and contributions to the understanding of the field of periodontology and the diagnosis and treatment of periodontal diseases. It is the highest honor bestowed by the Academy." The Southwest Society of Periodontists is extremely proud of Dr. Mealey's well deserved honor and extend our highest congratulations to him!

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