



## Dentists, Hygienists, Technicians and Doctors Volunteer: Caring Hands' Impact Your Health Dental Clinic

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December 14, 2021 (3 CE)

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## President's Message

## LCDS Financial Status



Kevin Sweeney, MD, DDS  
LCDS President

Hello all! I am so thrilled to have Nissa joining us as our new Executive Director. She is a breath of fresh air and is stepping into the role gracefully! We appreciate your patience as we continue our transition back to "normal," however that may look like. Thanks to our Executive Council, our

Society is still strong both financially and in our membership. We will continue to strive to make your membership worthwhile with valuable CE as well as hopefully in-person social events in the near future. Please encourage friends to renew to continue reaping the benefits of membership.



I cannot believe that the holidays are just around the corner. Thanksgiving is already barreling in our direction and we have so much to be thankful for. Personally, I got married a month ago and celebrated a memorable night with family and close friends!

I am so thankful for those that supported me and my new bride in our journey together as well as in our careers. As we move forward, I look forward to cultivating new professional and personal relationships to support our community for years to come!

LCDS will be producing six, twelve page bimonthly newsletters in 2022. This special eight page newsletter was completed quickly in order to get back to our normal schedule. Thank you for your support during our transition!



Carly Peterschmidt, DMD  
LCDS Treasurer

Greetings to the members and supporters of the Lane County Dental Society (LCDS)! I would like to personally thank you for the part you all play in the continuation of this local chapter of the American Dental Society. The COVID-19 Pandemic has definitely changed how we have been functioning as an organization and it is the goal of your Executive Council

to make effective changes and continue to provide you with value to being a member and supporter.

Since the start of this pandemic, we have attempted to continue on our mission to offer high-quality continuing education and provide resources for us all to participate in the improvement of health in Lane County. The part of our mission statement about promoting collaboration and socialization amongst local dentists has been a challenge that we have been discussing how to re-implement as COVID-19 becomes less of a concern in our community. We are also committed to getting back on track with our newsletter publications to keep us all connected. If you have any ideas or content for our publications, please reach out!

As we transition to online continuing education courses and have not had the opportunity to host social events, our expenses have decreased. Our revenue has also decreased with less sponsorships, advertisers, and in-person events. As a council, we have brainstormed how to further decrease our recurring expenses and manage our finances to the best of our ability to be able to continue moving forward. We are proud to say that we are on track with our proposed budget this year and are putting an emphasis on strengthening our relationships with current and possible future members, sponsors and advertisers.

Other notable news on the financial front is that we have implemented further accountability and skill with managing the finances of our society. Between our CPA, bookkeeper, and our new Executive Director, Nissa Newton, who comes to us with experience in managing the finances of another non-profit organization, we are confident in our ability to be good stewards of your investment into the LCDS.





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# White Bird Clinic Report



Fall is here. One of the approved pandemic activities is going to pick a pumpkin. We went to Northern Lights farm to pick pumpkins as a team. It was a simple activity but felt like much more. It represented a return to normalcy that we have missed. Two staff members were evacuated from the holiday farm fires and three families have contracted COVID 19. Fortunately, no houses burned, and everyone recovered from COVID (fingers crossed). The day was beautiful, and we laughed and forgot the burdens of the pandemic and the many new patients who have lost their job/insurance/housing for a moment.

Dr. Carly Peterschmidt is leaving our Bethel program. We will miss her patience and professionalism. She helped create the dental program at the Bethel Health center and provided treatment for children in pain.

We are still adjusting to our pandemic. Our hygiene department was furloughed from March to June. We are struggling with their schedule as we lost the opportunity to pre book appointment.

Thanks to the Oral Surgeons in Lane County who have provided thousands of dollars of donated care to our patients. The Oregon Oral Surgeons, NW Oral Surgery and Implant, T. Matthew Jacks and Dr. John Villano have worked with White Bird for many years. They see the patients we are unable to help. Thank you.

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## Impact Your Health Eugene

Caring Hands held their seventh annual Impact Your Health event at the Lane County Fairgrounds in the Performance Hall on November 13th and 14th. These events usually serve as many as 1,000 people. This year, due to Covid-19 safety concerns, the event served about 150 people. Those needing dental care had the choice of scheduling an extraction, filling, or cleaning.

Many of the volunteers, including dentists and doctors have been volunteering with Caring Hands for many years and plan to continue for many more years to come. Anna Nelson has been volunteering with Caring Hands since she was in high school. She has assisted in clinics around the world. Dr. Wilson travelled from Wyoming to join local doctors, providing medical assistance as needed.



Volunteers Mrs. Hayden and Raylene

Volunteering can have mental and physiological health benefits. The journal, Health Psychology, published a 2012 study that found that those that volunteered regularly with altruistic motives lived longer. In 2013, a Carnegie Mellon Study showed that those that volunteered for 200 hours a year experienced lower blood pressure.



Dental Hygienist Tiffany Duncan  
Providing a cleaning at Impact Your Health

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### Executive Director Message



Nissa Newton  
Executive Director

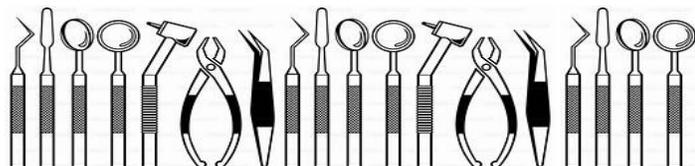
A few weeks ago, I joined you as LCDS' new executive director. I have experience in nonprofit management, working in community action and educational organizations. I am drawn to this work because I want to help others. The LCDS mission statement states that it exists to encourage the improvement of the health of the public, to promote art and science of dentistry, and to encourage dental education. I support these efforts and want to assist the membership in accomplishing LCDS' mission together.

Our president has been actively planning more informative CE webinars for the upcoming year. One of great benefits of being part of LCDS is getting to know others in our membership. We will start planning in person networking and social events once it is safe to do so.

LCDS is excited for 2022 and is eager to find new ways to increase your membership value. We are committed to producing six newsletters next year. Additionally, I am looking forward to finding out more about local dental practices, meeting members and highlighting them in future newsletters.

If you have information regarding volunteer opportunities, job openings, member achievements, or other stories for our newsletter, please let me know. The next newsletter will be sent out in February. The deadline for articles is December 15, 2021. Please send any submissions to me at [office@lanedentalsociety.org](mailto:office@lanedentalsociety.org).

Our LCDS office now has regular hours 11 – 5 on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Feel free to stop by to say hello. I would love to meet you.



### LCDS News November/December 2021

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### LCDS Executive Council Meeting Minutes October 11, 2021

Attending: Elizabeth Vivona Dow, Kevin Sweeney, Andrew Dow, Carly Peterschmidt, Dan Frederickson, Ivan Paskalev, Jordan Lentfer  
Absent: Vilija Hudson, Casey Thein, Matt Bahen

Meeting called to order: 5:30pm by Kevin Sweeney

Reading of the anti-trust policy

August minutes: pending approval via email.

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Dental practice team, left to right:  
Jonathan D. Powell, CPA, Partner  
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## Interim Executive Director:

- Jim Wilcox, former ED, to be reinstated as interim Executive Director until a suitable permanent hire can be made.
- Jim will help LCDS approximately 5 hours/week remotely, mainly checking and responding to emails, training etc...
- Ivan to contact Jim:
  - We've accepted his offer of temporary help.
- Jim to give employment documents to Payroll Specialties and subsequently to submit hours to Kevin and Carly monthly.
- Andrew will set up TeamViewer to give Jim (and Kaci) remote access to LCDS's laptop.

## CE Planning:

- Tomorrow: Anterior Implant Restorations
- Kevin to host, introduce the speaker and compile a list of attendees.
- Risk Management currently scheduled November 9, 2021 with Chris Verbiest.
- Kevin to contact Chris to push that CE back to December 2021 until we can hire a new ED.
- Infection Control: must schedule before March 2022.
  - Ivan knows of a speaker; target date for class is February 2022.

## Executive Director Candidates:

- Ivan identified a qualified candidate - will invite her for an interview Thursday, October 14 at 5:30pm.
- Ivan, Jordan, Carly and Liz to interview her.

## Executive Office Duties:

- Jim: Respond to emails, calls, day to day necessities, eventual training of new ED.
- Kaci: Mail, Bills
  - Set bills up to be automatically deducted from our checking account
- Hiring committee: hire a new ED; help Jim train ED.
- Kevin: CE
  - Tasks on-hold until new ED can be hired
    - Newsletters \*Sponsors and advertisers need communication from us.
  - Member networking

## Sponsors / Advertisers:

- Columbia Bank: Carly already reached out to Jennifer Kinkaid; in lieu of a social event, she'd be open to a small dinner with a select group from the executive council.

- DSI: Ivan will reach out to them.

- KS and Merrill Lynch: Ask Jim if he could contact them.

## Report on Handoff from Josh to Council

- Josh created a Powerpoint - on the LCDS Google Drive.  
 - Passwords were handed off - on LastPass (Jim has access now).

- Andrew took handwritten notes with password information is in the LCDS office

- Office Keys: Ivan, Liz, Kevin

- Multiple attempts to obtain information from Josh after the official handoff - no response.

## Financial Reporting:

- Kaci cited no large issues except we need a better system for getting checks deposited in a timely manner.

- Andrew to get Kaci remote access.

- Council decided to eliminate the LCDS credit card; new ED to save receipts for reimbursement.

- Large purchase will be made by a council member for reimbursement.

- Carly to ask Kaci to check for bills and set up automatic debits from our checking account.

- Mail Chimp must be paid this month.

- Carly reviewed most current P&L: LCDS in a better financial position than last year with approximately \$25K income.

## Membership:

- Council will not be increasing fees this year in light of our balanced budget.

## Next Meeting:

- Tuesday, November 2, 2021 via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Elizabeth Vivona Dow, DDS  
 LCDS Secretary

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CE Credit (3) - RISK MANAGEMENT  
Webinar, December 14, 2021, 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Christopher Verbiest brings over 40 years of insurance and business experience to his role as Dentist Program Director for Optima Healthcare Insurance Services. For many years Mr. Verbiest served as a Vice President of Dentists Benefits Insurance Company (DBIC), and most recently, Vice President of The Dentists Insurance Company (TDIC). He is a frequent speaker at state dental associations, dental component societies, dental

conferences, and study clubs around the western United States. He has also lectured at the American Dental Association annual meeting, and schools of dentistry in Oregon, Washington, Arizona, and Tennessee. Mr. Verbiest also serves on the Board of Directors for The Dental Foundation of Oregon.

This webinar reviews various risk management topics generally encountered in the dental office. This particular program addresses topics based on questions from the dental community such as What to expect during a deposition, treating minors, charting and dealing with complications during treatment, an annual dental practice checklist, and communication.