



"Old Timers" Meet for the First Time in Five Years

June 6 was Lane County Dental Society's Retiree Luncheon. While some retirees have shared hobbies and spend time together regularly, there were many who had not seen each other for a very long time. Yet, the five years seemed to pass quickly.

The group spent time going around the room and sharing what they had been up to. Many spent a great deal of time traveling and enjoying retirement.

Some said they should have retired earlier. When asked if they miss the work, the common response is that they don't miss the work, but they miss the people.

Dr. Lew Blue told everyone about his 'honeymoon' trip to Niagra Falls with his wife, a granddaughter graduating from University of Washington as a bio-medical engineer, and his oldest granddaughter who is getting ready to have a baby.

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Executive Director Message

Nissa Newton

Summer is here and there is a lot going on at LCDS! This year we are having a few summer socials. I am hoping that our picnic on August 5th will be a good time for our dental families to meet each other.

Lane County Dental Society's Executive Council needs new leaders to volunteer for positions that are open now and for next year. We have members that have served on the council for a number of years and have enjoyed the experience, but their term is ending.

There are a lot of new dentists who have joined our society that could benefit from the opportunity, while contributing their ideas and talents to the council. Often those that serve on their local council move onto other leadership roles in their community or with Oregon Dental Association. Those who served before can also serve again. Anyone wanting to have more input on programing or membership benefits should consider joining the council.

Council meetings are held every other month and last about two hours. There is always time for food and socializing with other council members when we gather. The council provides administrative guidance and direction to me and assists in suggesting speakers or topics for future Continuing Education opportunities. This year's council has been instrumental in helping me complete the CE schedule through 2024.

Please reach out to me at office@lanedentalsociety.org or any council-members if you wish to attend our next council meeting on October 3rd, 5:30 - 7:00 pm. Attending this meeting will be a good way to find out more about the opportunity.

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White Bird Dental Clinic Update

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Our staff stayed busy at our Bethel and Springfield school districts providing kids with dental care. With the school year coming to an end, we were able to place a total number of 1,049 sealants and 1,410 students received fluoride! Great job to all the staff that make this possible!



We were lucky enough to be able to hire a new full-time Dentist and Hygienist. After three long years of COVID we are starting to see the full use of our new building. To keep our mission going! Thanks as always for the support of the dental community.

2023 House of Delegates Registration is Now Open!

The 2023 ODA House of Delegates will be held on September 23rd and will be 100% virtual. Please contact Katy at kadishian@oregondental.org for more information.

Commission on Dental Accreditation at LCC

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) will be conducting a site visit for review of the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs at Lane Community College from November 15 through November 17, 2023. Interested parties may submit third-party comments using guidelines found here: www.bit.ly/CODALCC



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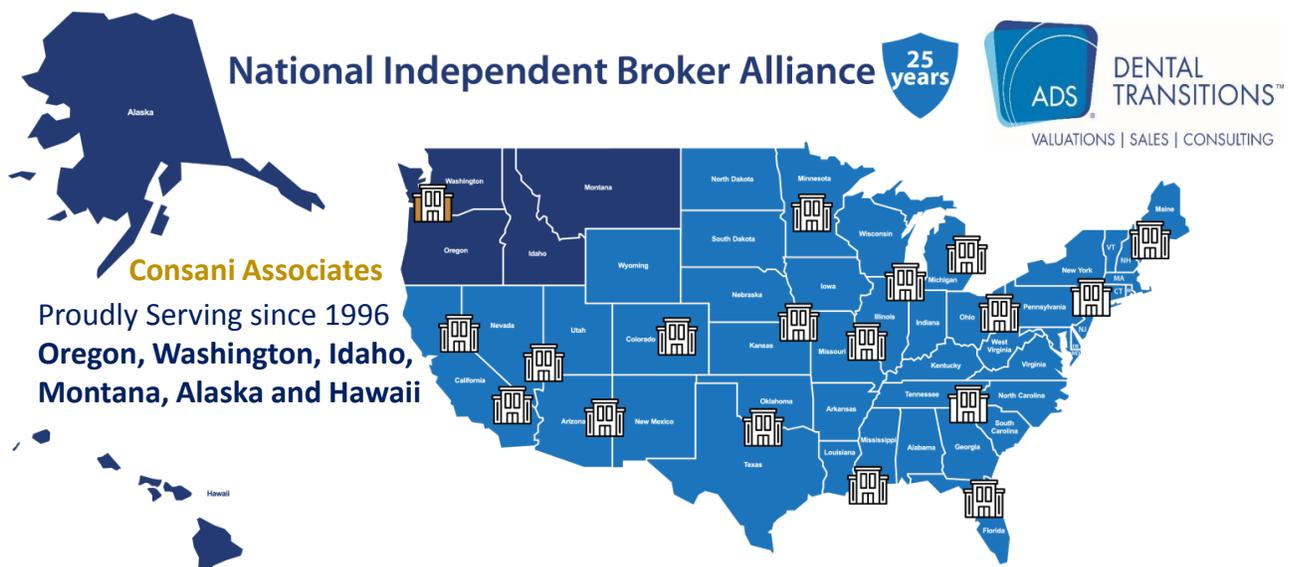
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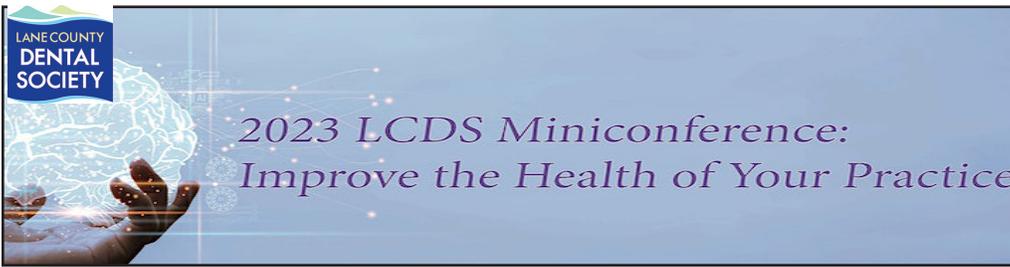
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Morning Keynote: 9 am - 12 pm



Our Chamfered Psyche: The Mental Dental Connection Joshua Austin, DDS, MAGD

Speaker sponsored by: Columbia Healthcare Banking
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On main stages at major conferences across the industry, Dr. Joshua Austin's presentations deliver practical, applicable education that inspires and entertains attendees while also offering sound fundamentals that make a difference in dental practice success. His keynote performances, from Dentsply Sirona World to Seattle Study Club Symposiums, are met with rave reviews from audiences and conference organizers alike. Joshua incorporates his trademark comedic style in his lectures across the country on topics such as mental wellness, new products/materials review, and online reputation management.

As editorial director and columnist for Dental Economics focusing on dental products and technology (Pearls for Your Practice), he offers a fresh approach in today's commercial driven dental journalism. When you read a 'Pearl', you are getting an honest evaluation of a product which was used by Joshua in clinical practice on a patient.

As a graduate of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School, Joshua served five years post-graduation as faculty in the Department of Restorative Dentistry. Today he maintains a full-time restorative dentistry private practice in San Antonio, Texas.

Course Overview

Dental professionals often examine the physical aspects of wellness yet we rarely explore or discuss the mental aspects. It is time to remove the taboo and face the facts.

Anxiety, pain, depression, burnout. Dentistry can be difficult and take a toll. Studies show us that dental professionals experience a high incidence of mental illness. Additionally, many dental professionals don't clearly understand the mental health conditions that our patients present with, which red flags to watch for or what to do/how to intervene.

Presented in Dr. Joshua Austin's trademark comedic style, this course explores strategies for working together to improve mental health so we can be our best. Learn how to recognize triggers and warning signs. Identify essential tools and resources. Discover how and when to refer to a mental health professional. Explore and understand mental health terms, common treatments and therapy options. Gain coping mechanisms and learn how to manage expectations – both our own and those of our patients.

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Course Objectives

- Define mental health terms and analyze mental health statistics
- Discover mechanisms for coping with our personal and professional challenges
- Illuminate common DSM-5 diagnoses and characteristics
- Learn how to choose the professionals for our own personal wellness team
- Identify and examine our psychologic triggers and their importance
- Explore the benefits of psychotherapy
- Consider today to be Dental Mental Health Day!

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Afternoon Session 1: 1 pm - 3:00 pm

Brian Holmes, DMD, MPH

Speaker sponsored by: Columbia Healthcare Banking
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Give What You Know (2 CEs)



Dr. Brian Holmes D.M.D. was born and raised in the small, northern Utah town of Willard. In high school he was involved in football, wrestling, and theater. After graduation he enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve. He transferred to the Inactive Ready Reserve for 18 months to serve a Church mission in Ecuador. After this mission, he studied at Weber State University where he met and married his wife, Tammy DeVine. He graduated from OHSU School of dentistry in 1992.

Upon graduation, Dr. Holmes worked at a corporate dental clinic in Grants Pass, OR and then as an associate dentist at a private office in Gladstone OR. In 1994, Dr. Holmes, Tammy, and their two children moved to Hailey, ID where he bought the practice of a retiring dentist. They loved this small community and the many friends they had there, but they didn't like the excessive snow and cold. So, missing Oregon, in June of 2000, they sold their Idaho practice and bought a dental practice in Florence, OR

Almost immediately, Tammy and Brian became very involved in the community and in their church. In 2001, Dr. Holmes started a preventative dental program that began in Mapleton. That project soon spread to Florence, Yachats, Waldport, and eventually to Ecuador and Grenada.

Dr. Holmes has participated in twelve international dental humanitarian projects since 2012, and established a 501 (c)(3), Spice Isle Smile, in June 2020 with the focus on Grenada, West Indies. He completed his MPH in Global Health December of 2022. Dr. Holmes has also been accepted as a member of the International College of Dentists.

Course Overview and Objectives

Participants will engage in discussing strategies for reducing Early Childhood Caries sharing with their colleagues successes and failures. The goal of eradicating dental caries continues to be a worthy goal.

Participants will learn various ways to establish programs locally aimed at reducing dental decay for children in their communities.

Participants will be introduced to a successful international humanitarian school-based mobile dental program that can be operated anywhere and on a limited budget. This discussion will include strategies for volunteer recruitment, utilization of partnering with a nonprofit, volunteer training, and working with government officials. Also to be discussed is the importance of partnering with local dental providers and sharing dental knowledge with these individuals.

Time will be allotted at the end of the program for Q & A (which is encouraged during the presentation) and an opportunity for others to share their experiences with international dental projects.

Afternoon Session 2: 3 pm - 4:30 pm

Michael Ralph Shirtcliff, DMD

Speaker sponsored by: Columbia Healthcare Banking
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Dental Disability Insurance (1.5) CEs



Dr. Shirtcliff is the former president and CEO of Advantage Dental and currently is president of RMS Dental Director, Inc. His practice in limited to Sleep Apnea treatment with Redmond Dental Group. He serves as a dental consultant to Major Dental Insurance Companies and Dental Networks. In 2011 he was awarded the Ellen C. Lowe Community Advocate Award and in 2019 he was awarded the American Associate of Public Health Dentistry Public Service Award.

Course Overview

Learn more about Dental Disability Insurance and pitfalls of Disability Insurance Companies. Discover what to look for in a policy including age, income, assets, liabilities, and family. It is important to understand what can lead to disabilities as well as characteristics of living a long life.

Course Objectives

Participants will understand disability:

1. Types of disability
2. Things that can cause disability
3. Things that can help prevent disability
4. Where to find policies



Refreshing Your Pediatric Dental Knowledge and Skills (6 CE)

December 8, 2024 9 am - 4:00 pm
Lane Community College

Free for LCDS Members
\$125 for non-LCDS dentists
\$50 for office staff

Register:
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Greg Psaltis, DDS Speaker sponsored by: Columbia Healthcare Banking LCDS exclusive banking partner

Dr. Greg Psaltis has been a pediatric dentist for 48 years. While most of his experience has been in private practice in Olympia, Washington, he served three years in the US Navy and in the past 15 years created and ran two volunteer clinics in Mexico. His varied career has included authoring several articles for professional journals, speaking at every major dental meeting in the United States as well as several international meetings that have taken him to Germany, Mexico, Australia, Russia, Canada and Kuwait.

He is the author of the recently published book, *Into and Out of the Mouths of Babes*, a memoir of his life and career. His engaging speaking style and sense of humor make learning both fun and interesting. Among his honors is the Gordon Christensen Speaker Recognition Award for excellence in dental education.

Attend one or both courses, separate certificates for each course.

Course Objectives

Participants in “So Little Room So Much to See” will understand aspects of the pediatric dental examinations including:

- Recognition of anomalies
- Growth and development
- Symmetry and balance of dentition

Participants in “But Aren’t They Just Baby Teeth?” will be able to answer common questions asked from parents in a way they insures a better understanding of dental issues topics including:

- Anterior trauma
- Stainless steel crowns
- Local anesthesia
- Timing of initial examination

Morning Course 9 am - 12 pm: So Little Room So Much to See The complete Pediatric dental examination (3 CE)

Every pediatric dental examination is like a new patient examination simply because of the dynamics of growth and development. Furthermore, there is much to see in the mouths of children other than caries and loose teeth. This program thoroughly covers all aspects of the pediatric dental examination including recognition of anomalies, growth and development, symmetry and balance of the dentition and other components that make examinations on children far from routine. Both clinical and radiographic photographs illustrate the areas of discussion.

Afternoon Course 1 pm-4 pm: But Aren’t They Just Baby Teeth? Answers to common questions from parents (3 CE)

You’ve heard these words and can’t help thinking, “Another ignorant parent.” They aren’t really ignorant— they’re working from old beliefs or genuine concerns for their children. The ability to answer common questions insures better understanding of the pediatric dental issues and creates more trust. This program covers questions routinely heard from parents of pediatric patients including a broad spectrum of topics, among them primary anterior trauma, stainless steel crowns, local anesthesia, timing of initial examinations and more. Practitioners who treat children will benefit from this engaging course.

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Classifieds

This year's Lane County Free Dental Clinic November 11& 12th at Lane County Fairgrounds Auditorium.

Up to Six hours of Continuing Education Credits are available for the renewal of your Oregon Dental or Dental Hygiene License. For additional information or to volunteer please contact Randy Meyer at randy@caringhandsworldwide.org call/text 541-556-5902.

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Bags of Love is a nonprofit serving children in crisis due to abuse, neglect, poverty, moving into foster care, or one without a home at all. In 2022, Bags of Love helped over 4,600 local Lane County children in crisis. Donations can be dropped off Monday - Thursday from 10:00 - 2:00 pm at 1052 Green Acres Rd or pick up can be arranged by calling the office at 541-357-4957

Don Dexter Gallery is pleased to present "At the Water's Edge," a solo exhibition of photographs by Mark S. Anderson, on view in Eugene at 2911 Tennyson Ave #202, from July 15 through September 29. Artist Mark S. Anderson encourages an awareness of what animates the beauty of the natural world with inspiration from water, particularly its reflections, shadows, and textures. His exhibition comprises photographs using archival inks on 100% cotton rag and dye sublimation on aluminum with a monochromatic treatment. The black and white rendering allows the spirit of a place to be more fully evident. For more information, visit dondextergallery.com

White Bird Clinic is growing its board of directors!

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The process to become a member of the board begins with our online application: <https://hipaa.jotform.com/202434208778155>. Please contact board member Susan Iax at susanl@whitebirdclinic.org if you have any questions.

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Old Timers continued from p. 1

The oldest member in attendance was Dr. James Gant, who retired 25 years ago and is now 92 years old. He spends a lot of time traveling overseas. The group also celebrated Dr. Stanley Clawson's 90th birthday with cake. Dr. Larry Wehde sailed up to Alaska after he retired and is now planning to sail back and forth to Mexico. Dr. Bill Sproul retired in 2016. His daughter, Sonya, took over his practice.

John Robinson retired in 2020 and gave an update on his family. He plays disc golf, and builds birdhouses. Dr. Jim Sweeney retired 10 years ago and enjoys golfing, going on trips, and taking on little projects. Dr. Fred Platt retired twice, enjoys traveling and has been helping remodel his son's house. He is also the head distiller at Heritage Distillery. Dr. Dan Vodvarka plays tennis 3-4 times a week and talked about his trip to Antarctica, saying it is beautiful in December.

Dr. Nat Kenny retired in 2011 and sold to Dr. James Lee. He enjoys bird hunting and playing golf with Dr. Jim Sweeney. Dr. Bill Knight retired 18 years ago and spent time living in Key West and enjoys going to Canada for salt water fly fishing. Dr. Jenson retired in 2020. He has five kids and one grandchild. He likes to have fun everyday and especially enjoys pickle-ball and golf. Dr. Jack Rocheld lives in Palm Springs part-time and plays pickle ball with Dr. Jenson. He enjoys retirement and loves having fun doing what he wants to do!

Dr. Carmichael gave an update on those from the Old Timer group that have passed. A moment of silence was held for these dentists. Since the luncheon was on June 6th, the group also honored those that lost their life in Normandy on D-day.

The bond and friendship shared by the Old Timers is strong and inspiring. Those who are currently practicing dentistry can look to this group as an example of the importance of getting to know other dentists and creating a community that can last the rest of your life.

LCDS will continue to support an annual get-together for our retirees on the second Tuesday in June. Next year 's luncheon will be held on June 11th. For those that could not make it this year we hope to see you in 2024!



Executive Council Minutes April 4, 2023

LCDS Executive Council Meeting Minutes

April 4, 5:30 – 7:00 PM, Dr. Lentfer's Office

Present: Drs. Mercedes Del Valle, Jordan Lentfer, Evan Harpster, Ivan Paskalev and Carly Peterschmidt. Absent: Drs. Travis Alcorn and Matt Bahen. Executive Director Nissa was present.

- Call to Order 5:40
- Reading of Antitrust Policy
- Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2023 – Motioned by Dr. Del Valle, seconded by Dr. Lentfer, all approved.
- Financial Update - 72.74% of income budgeted, 25.24% of expenses budgeted
- Review of March Financials, Profit and Loss, Profit and Loss Budget Performance, Profit and Loss Previous Year Performance, Balance Sheet, Balance Sheet Previous Year Performance. Council reviewed financials and voted and all approved.
- Executive Director Salary Discussion – tabled for discussion after meeting. Council members will discuss and let Nissa know their decision regarding her pay.
- Bank Account Signee Change Vote: Take Dr. Sweeney off and put Dr. Del Valle. Dr. Paskalev motioned, Dr. Lentfer seconded, all approved.
- Sponsors, Advertisers, and Partner Update
 - o Columbia Healthcare Banking, a division of Umpqua Bank
 - Merger Update
 - Sponsoring Women's Event and Family Picnic
 - o Two Business Associate Members:

GC, and Green Sales

- Membership Meeting Election Results
 - o Membership voted in support for 2023 council members and new president Dr. Del Valle President and Dr. Lentfer as Past President. Still have open positions President Elect and two directors at large.
- Social Events
 - o 6/6/2023, 12:00 – 2:00 PM, LCDS Retiree Luncheon, Veterans Memorial Association
 - o 7/15/2023, 3:00 – 5:00 PM, Women Dentist Garden Wine Party, Hendrick's Park - Francis M. Wilkins Shelter.
 - o 8/05/2023, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, LCDS Family Picnic, Alton Baker Park – shelter 2
 - o 09/14/2023, 5:30 pm – 8:00 PM 2nd Hop Valley Barrel Room Dentist Social Sponsored by Columbia

Healthcare Banking

- o Golf Tournament May 2024 Shadow Hills Country Club
- o Columbia Healthcare Banking will pay for food on course.
- Membership
 - o 190 (113 paid full dues), 10 non renewals (renewal rate 5.2%), 56.2% of the market share
- Publications
 - o Directory went out Thursday.
 - o March April Newsletter should be going out this week.

Adjournment 6:30 PM, next meeting June 6, 2023 5:30 PM Dr. Lentfer's Office

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NOTICE OF SCHEDULED SITE VISIT
for the
LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DENTAL HYGIENE AND DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAMS
by the
COMMISSION ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION

The United States Department of Education (USDE) procedures require accrediting agencies to provide an opportunity for third-party comment, either in writing or at a public hearing with respect to institutions or programs scheduled for review.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) will be conducting a site visit for review of the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs at Lane Community College from November 15 through November 17, 2023. Interested parties may submit third-party comments related to accreditation standards for the programs and the required accreditation policies, using the following comment guidelines:

- All comments related to the program(s) must be submitted no later than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled site visit.
- All comments submitted must pertain only to the standards relative to the program(s) being reviewed or to policies and procedures used in the accreditation process.
- All comments must be made directly to the Commission's office via email and should not be sent via US Postal Service. Submission guidance should be directed to the Commission.
- All comments will be screened by Commission staff for relevancy. Signed or unsigned comments will be considered.
- All relevant comments will have names and/or signatures removed and will then be referred to the program at least fifty (50) days prior to the site visit for review and response.
- For comments not relevant to these issues, the individual will be notified that the comment is not related to accreditation and, where appropriate, referred to the appropriate agency.
- A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy on third-party comments may be obtained by contacting the Commission by calling 1-312-440-4653 or by email.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) may be reached at: coda.ada.org

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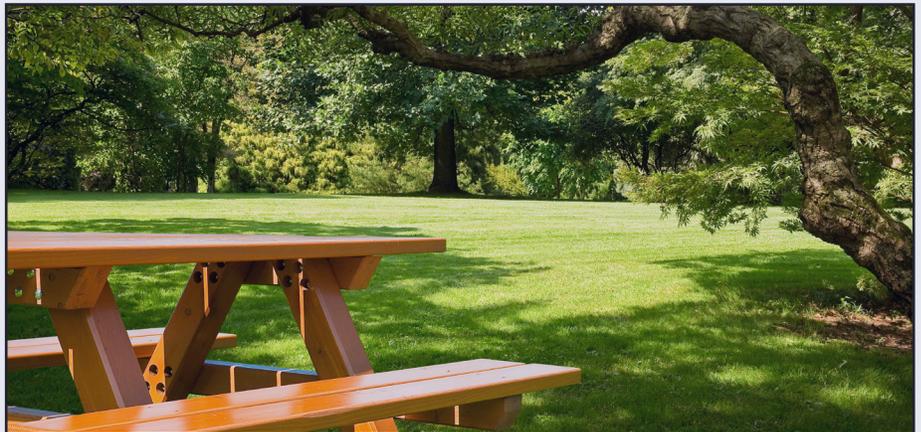
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Evan Harpster, DDS

Executive Director: Nissa Newton



LCDS Family Picnic

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August 5, 10 am - 1 pm, Alton Baker Park - Shelter 2

Calling all LCDS Members and Families! Join us for a summer potluck. Meet and socialize with other dentist families. The goal of this event is to get as many dentist families together as we can to make new connections and lasting friendships in our dental community. RSVP Requested: www.bit.ly/LCDSEVENTBRITE or email office@lanedentalsociety.org.