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The Voice of Dental Hygiene

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To: Component Newsletter Editors

From: Lisa Okamoto, President
Lin Sarfaraz, Speaker of the House
Rosie Tesselaar, Executive Administrator

Subject: 2011 House of Delegates News

"It's a Small World"

President Lisa Okamoto celebrates "Reach Out, Connect, Grow"

CDHA celebrated "Maximizing Opportunities" at this year's House of Delegates. Over 300 delegates, officers, students and special guests letting their voices be heard attended the magical Annual Session held June 3-5, 2011 at the Disneyland Hotel.

Speaker of the House, Lin Sarfaraz, RDH, AS convened the delegates, welcomed all attendees and opened the session with the Magnolia High School color guard who led the assembly in the Star Spangled Banner. Lisa Greenshields from Sacramento Valley component shared inspirational thoughts. Rhonda McMorran brought greetings from Orange County component.

President Ellen Standley, RDH, MA welcomed all in attendance to the CDHA Annual Session/House of Delegates and thanked the host components Sacramento Valley and Peninsula.

President Standley gave the state of the association address stating CDHA represents dental hygienists in California and acts in the best interest of the entire profession. As an association we have a strong voice and are able to be heard in all the key places affecting advocacy, standards of practice, access to care and oral health promotion. The support, talent and friendship of colleagues and fellow leaders help maximize many opportunities.

During Saturday's President's Recognition Luncheon, CDHA lobbyist Terry McHale addressed those in attendance and presented Ellen with a proclamation sent by the California State Senate.

Noël Kelsch receives the 2011 President's Recognition Award. Saturday's President's Recognition Luncheon was Ellen's opportunity to thank the officers, trustees, councils, corporate sponsors, staff and all association members who had been so supportive of her theme "Maximizing Opportunities" this past year. Ellen

presented Noël Kelsch, RDHAP with the 2011 President’s Recognition Award for her dedication, passion and commitment to the association and the profession of dental hygiene. CDHA honored Ellen with donations to take a trip with her husband Dick.

The House of Delegates adopted several Bylaw and Policy changes. A new goal was established to Mandate membership for all dental hygiene licensees, as well as amending a goal to Advocate direct access to the services of the registered dental hygienist in all roles and practice settings. The delegates adopted definitions for cultural and linguistic competence and health literacy to support future association policy. The adoption of the 2011/2012 budget included monies for the redesign of the CDHA website to update CDHA’s technological capabilities and facilitate achieving our mission.

CDHA Officer’s 2011/2012

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Home City</u> | <u>Term</u> |
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| President | Lisa Okamoto, RDH | Sunnyvale | 1 year |
| President-Elect | Susan Lopez, RDH, BS | Pacifica | 1 year |
| VP of Administration & Public Relations | Karine Strickland, RDHAP, BS | Santa Cruz | 1 year |
| VP of Membership & Professional Development | Terri Vosper, RDHAP, BS | Camarillo | 1 year |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Lygia Jolley, RDH, BA | Hanford | 2 years |
| Immediate Past President | Ellen Standley, RDH, MA | Sacramento | 1 year |
| Speaker of the House | Lin Sarfaraz, RDH, AS | Fullerton | 2 years |

Newly Elected ADHA Delegates

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| Term Expires 2014 | Ellen Standley, RDH, MA | Sacramento | 2 years |
| | Susan Lopez, RDH, BS | Pacifica | 2 years |
| | Lin Sarfaraz, RDH, AS | Fullerton | 2 years |
| | Tricia Osuna, RDH, BS | Redondo Beach | 2 years |
| | Diana Thomson, RDH | Long Beach | 2 years |
| | Sharon Golightly, RDH, EdD | Oakdale | 2 years |
| | Nadine Lavell, RDH, MS | Windsor | 2 years |
| | Julie Coan, RDH, BSDH | Antioch | 1 year (1 st alternate) |
| | Lory Laughter, RDH, BS | Napa | 1 year (2 nd alternate) |
| | Susan Clark, RDHEF | Temecula | 1 year (3 rd alternate) |

The “Maximizing Opportunities” drawing was held at the close of Sunday’s installation luncheon. The lucky winner of the \$2,000.00 grand prize was Santa Clara Valley component member Sue Treleven. A Zen cordless prophy as well as other product donations were raffled off. The “opportunity raffle” has become a great fundraiser for the CDHA thanks to all the support it receives from members. Tickets for next year’s drawing are available. Remember if you don’t play you can’t win!

Incoming President Lisa Okamoto, RDH was installed on Sunday, June 5th. Cathy Draper, RDH, MS and Carol Lee, RDH, BS welcomed those in attendance and installed the 2011/2012 officers, trustees and ADHA delegates. Lisa's husband Bob presented her with the CDHA president's pin.

Trustees' Set Schedule for 2011-2012

The Board of Trustees (BOT) is the managing body of the CDHA vested with the full power to conduct all business of the Association subject to California law, CDHA Bylaws and mandate of the House of Delegates.

The 2011/2012 Board of Trustees met in the late afternoon on June 5th, after the close of the House of Delegates and approved the following:

2011/2012 Council and Committee Appointments:

- Administration Council ~ Nadine Lavell, Chair; Colleen Beasley, Lori Gagliardi, Michelle Gray, Kesa Hopkins, Jeanne Porush and Jim Southard
- Government Relations Council ~ Katie Dawson, Chair; Sharon Golightly, Noël Kelsch, Genny Klugman, Diane Melrose, Maureen Titus and JoAnn Galliano
- Information Technology Council ~ Kristy Menage Bernie and Mary Jo Cardinale, Co-Chairs; Kirsten Jarvi, Marlena Shore, Carol Lee and Tamara Wells
- Membership Council ~ Liz Marks and Daphne Von Essen, Co-Chairs; Patricia Anderson, Laurel Bleak, Lisa Greenshields, Michelle Ketola, Arlene Parker, Stephanie Mozell, Annette Stelter and Tamara Wells
- Professional Development Council ~ Eva Adams and Brenda Kibbler, Co-Chairs; Susan Lindberg, Saty McDaniels, Trudy Schuckers, Shirley Smith, Jocelyn Weinhagen, Lori Welch and Evangeline Ward
- Public Relations Council ~ Noël Kelsch, Chair; Michael LaFlamme, Brittany Negrete and Reina Wong
- Public Health Council ~ Debbie Hartman and Susan McLearn, Co-Chairs; Larisa Figueroa, Lisa Handa, Mary Jacobson and Cheryl Terpak
- Student Relations Council ~ Julie Coan, Chair; Diann Azevedo, Carole Broder, Elvira Cabelli, Kimberly Cruz, Kimi Kan, Danette Ocegueda, Diane Okubo-Fong, Beth Strauss and Saira West
- Finance Advisory Committee ~ Nadine Lavell and Zoe Milkie

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on October 30, 2011 at the San Mateo Marriott. All members are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Next year's House of Delegates is scheduled June 1-3, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Santa Clara. Look to 2012 to "It's a Small World" and connect with your professional association.

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