Dear Members,

We had a wonderful turnout for our holiday party. The Eau Gallie Yacht Club set the festive mood for our event with great entertainment, food, drinks and fellowship amongst friends and colleagues. I hope everyone had a great time celebrating the holiday season with BCDS as we moved towards the start of a new year.

January 2018 will be a relatively busy month for BCDS with 3 events on our calendar. Don’t forget our continuing education events in January will provide valuable live CE hours for our license renewal requirements at the end of February. We will kick off the month with a continuing education/dinner meeting on Thursday the 18th at the Space Coast Convention Center at the Holiday Inn Express in Cocoa. Dr. Annelise Driscoll the director of the Executive Practice Management Program from UF College of Dentistry will be visiting to discuss Success Strategies for Successful Associateships and Practice Management on Thursday. This topic will not only appeal to younger dentists looking to associate but also older dentist who may be starting to think about transitioning into retirement or a different phase of practice.

On Friday, January 19 Dr. Driscoll will continue to educate us with an interactive workshop on Embezzlement in the Dental Office. Unfortunately, somewhere between 60-80% of dentists have been shown to be victims of embezzlement depending on the study. This workshop will show us how embezzlement occurs, how to spot it, how to avoid it, and how to survive and thrive after it should you become a victim. We will discover where we may be vulnerable and how to adopt new strategies to protect our practices and assets. We hope to have a great turnout for both of these meetings.

Finishing off the last Saturday of January will be the 20th Annual Tooth Trot on January 27th. Let’s make this the best tooth trot to date to honor Jerilyn Bird’s last year as the Tooth Trot’s race director. Please lace up you shoes to walk, run or jog to support Give-Kids-a-Smile for National Children’s Dental Health Month in February. If traveling 5K on your own accord isn’t your thing there are certainly plenty of ways to support the event through volunteering or through monetary donations. Please contact Jerilyn Bird (jrbird23@aol.com) for opportunities to help support our race.

I hope to see everyone at all three events to kick off the New Year!

Best Regards,

Ryan Caudill, DMD, MSD

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

- **January 18, 2018**
  - Dinner Meeting
  - Holiday Inn Cocoa

- **January 19, 2018**
  - All Day CE
  - Holiday Inn Cocoa

- **January 27, 2018**
  - 20th Annual Tooth Trot
  - Wickham Park

- **February 3, 2018**
  - Give Kids a Smile
  - TBD

- **February 6, 2018**
  - DDOH
  - Tallahassee-Aloft Hotel

- **February 23, 2018**
  - Staff Appreciation
  - TBD

- **March 22, 2018**
  - Dinner Meeting
  - Holiday Inn Cocoa

- **April 19, 2018**
  - Dinner Meeting
  - Holiday Inn Cocoa

- **June 21-23, 2018**
  - FL. Dental Convention
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Brevard County Dental Society invites you to attend Dinner Meeting

“Success Strategies for Associateships and Transitions”

1 CE hour will be awarded

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2018; 6:30 pm cocktails, 7 pm dinner/meeting
Cost: $35.00 per attendee
With instructor: Dr. Annelise Driscoll
Location: Holiday Inn Express, 301 Tucker Lane, Cocoa, FL
Cancellation policy: Payment will be required in full unless cancelled no less than 24 hours prior to event.
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Please check your calendars and call to set up a date for your community volunteer service date!!

Call 321-634-6032 option 3 OR email Shauna.Christian@FlHealth.gov for more information on receiving Sovereign Immunity and to setting up a date.

Again, Thank you for all that you do!
News You Can Use

• Check it Out! Brevard County Dental Society now has a new website. Visit us at mybcds.org. All the latest scheduled events are posted, BCDS documents can be downloaded, and other useful membership information is included as well.

• We now have over 100 likes on our Facebook page. If you have not already done so, please go to https://www.facebook.com/brevardcountydentalsociety/ and like the “Brevard County Dental Society” Facebook page and you will receive updates on meetings, see photos from events, and keep up on all the latest happenings with the dental society.

• Give Kids a Smile Update from Dr. Angela McNeight and Idi Alvarez. Mark your calendars. GKAS is set for Saturday, February 3rd, 2018, 8 am – 4 pm. It is going to be at the Eastern Florida State College Cocoa Campus. We are looking for dentist, dental hygienist, and dental assistant volunteers. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact Debbie at bcdssecretary@msn.com, Dr. Angela McNeight at angela.mcneight@gmail.com or Dr. Idi Alvarez at idaigna@cfl.rr.com. If you would like to volunteer for the morning (8 am-12 noon) or afternoon (12-4 pm) shift please contact us. We will be providing free oral health care in the way of preventative care (hygiene education, exams, prophylaxis and sealants) as well as emergency care (extractions and restorations on permanent first molars). Please encourage people to share the Facebook event and information that will be coming out with friends, patients, and colleagues. We would to help as many children as possible this year!!

• Get Ready for the 20th Annual Tooth Trot – From Jerilyn Bird
The year 2018 will mark the 20th Anniversary of the Tooth Trot 5K race presented by the member dentists of the Brevard County Dental Society (BCDS) and it will be BIG! As you know, this signature event provides needy children in Brevard County, Florida with free dental care. The Tooth Trot 5K run/walk will take place on Saturday, January 27th, 2018 at the Wickham Park Community Center located in Melbourne, FL. For the 20th Anniversary we are expecting over 500 runners and walkers as well as family members and friends that will come out to support them.

The funds generated by the Tooth Trot directly benefit Give Kids a Smile in Brevard County. The Give Kids a Smile program is provided by member dentists of the Brevard County Dental Society and helps provide over 150 needy children with free dental care each year in our county. The Tooth Trot provides a memorable and fun way to educate the community on oral health care and offers an enjoyable way to reach out to the community we serve. Race proceeds help with dental supply (consumable) costs and any dental laboratory costs for the kids.

Please go to mybcds.org and download the Tooth Trot sponsorship packet which details the sponsorship packages available. This will be the biggest year ever for this great event. I hope you will step up to sponsor the Tooth Trot and the Give Kids a Smile program in Brevard County. Please contact Jerilyn, Tooth Trot Race Director at Cell: 321.848.5940, Work: 321.631-7000, email JRBird23@aol.com.
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20th Anniversary
Tooth Trot 5K Run/Walk

The 20th Anniversary of the Tooth Trot will be our BIGGEST event ever! This is the time that every member of the BCDS should be involved to sponsor, support, volunteer, contribute, and have a team in the race! Clear your calendar for Saturday, January 27, 2018 and plan to be at the Wickham Park Main Community Center in Melbourne! How to help:

1. **BE a SPONSOR!!** If you haven’t done so already, contribute at least $75 to get your name on the race shirt!

2. **Donation of Toothbrushes, Tooth paste, and Floss:** Please bring 25 of each to the next meeting of the BCDS!

3. **Volunteer:** We need you to volunteer and help out! Please let me know if you can help on the day of race: JRBird23@aol.com to sign up.

4. **Door prizes:** Suggested items are: electric toothbrushes, gift certificates ($10, $15, or $20 each). Ex: Carrabba’s, Olive Garden, Outback, Chili’s, Longhorn, Starbucks, Walmart, Target, Publix, i-tunes and many others. You can buy them at any grocery or drug store. Please get them to a BCDS meeting or Drs. Bird and Johnson’s office before December 18th!

5. **Marketing Items:** We have lip balm and eye glass wipes currently, but can use other items, such as pens, calendars, first aid kits, flashlights, key rings, etc. Recommend donation of 450 – 500 items with your practice name.

6. **Corporate Sponsors:** Please consider being a corporate sponsor or help us garner more sponsors. Do you have a friend, close contact or business associate you can ask to be a corporate sponsor?

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Lecture 9 am – 4 pm
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Instructor: Dr. Annelise Driscoll

Location: Holiday Inn Express
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