

GUEST PRESENTERS

Joan L. Allen, B.S., M.A. • St. Louis, MO

Joan Allen is the first executive director of Give Kids A Smile – St. Louis. She has been the acting executive director since 2005. Under her leadership, GKAS – St. Louis recently conducted its 15th consecutive GKAS free dental clinic which to-date has served over 7,000 children with nearly \$2.7 million in free dental care and related services. Mrs. Allen received her BS from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and her MA from the University of Missouri. Her expertise as a retired business educator and vocational coordinator in a school district in which over 85% of the children were at or below the poverty level, further prepared her for the logistical and personal needs of the underserved children and their families. Joan Allen believes that providing comprehensive dental care for children while educating the kids and their caregivers will “slow the tide” of dental disease for all family members.

Tina Bailey, C.D.A., C.D.P.M.A., • Richmond, VA

Having received her dental assisting certification in 1982 and dental practice management administrator certification in 1986, Tina Bailey has worked to increase access to health care, especially dental care, in a variety of settings ever since. She is currently Public Benefits Coordinator for Delta Dental of Virginia and works specifically with Delta Dental’s Smart Smiles® and statewide outreach programs, which include GKAS Day. Tina has shared her expertise with numerous clinics providing dental care to the uninsured throughout Virginia and is an instrumental member of the planning and implementation team for the award-winning Mission of Mercy (MOM) projects. Her experiences with care for disadvantaged children have translated into systems changes as she has worked with various committees and legislators on Medicaid reform. Tina is President-Elect of the Virginia Dental Assistants Association and President of the Richmond Metropolitan Dental Assistants Society.

Lori Benvin • Reno, NV

Lori Benvin is the Executive Director of the Northern Nevada Dental Society (NNDS). She is also the Program Liaison for the Northern Nevada Dental Health Program (NNDHP). NNDHP is the non-profit dental program for eligible children and is a collaborative effort between the Northern Nevada Dental Society, the Northeastern NV Dental Society, and Saint Mary’s. Lori has been with the NNDS and NNDHP since 2001. In 2003 she became the Tournament Director for the annual charity golf tournament sponsored by the dental society to benefit the Northern Nevada Dental Health Program. Lori also serves as Executive Secretary for the Academy of General Dentistry in northern Nevada.

Susan Bishop, D.M.D. • Peoria, IL

Susan Bordenave-Bishop, D.M.D., a graduate of the Washington University School of Dental Medicine, Bordenave-Bishop also earned a B.S. in Nursing from Loyola University and a B.S. in Medical Technology. She furthered her general dentistry continuing

education with completion of Fellowship and Mastership Awards from the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD). Currently, Bordenave-Bishop practices general dentistry in private practice in addition to being Dental Director of the Peoria City/County Health Department. She is a past President of the Peoria District Dental Society and the Illinois Academy of General Dentistry. She is also past Chair of the Access to Care Committee of the Illinois State Dental Society. Currently, Bordenave-Bishop is President of the Illinois Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped. She has served as a Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the ADA, Illinois State Dental Society and AGD House of Delegates and the Self-Instruction, Long Range Planning and Communication Councils of the AGD. She is also a Fellow of the AGD, the American and International Colleges of Dentists and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Burton L. Edelstein, D.D.S., M.P.H. • Washington, DC

Burton L. Edelstein D.D.S., M.P.H., a pediatric dentist, is Professor of Dentistry and Health Policy & Management at Columbia University and Founding Director of the Children's Dental Health Project (CDHP), a DC-based non-profit policy and strategic consulting organization that advances policies to improve children's oral health. At CDHP, Burt also directs the National MCHB Oral Health Policy Center. He practiced pediatric dentistry in Connecticut and taught part time at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine for 21 years before committing to full time health policy practice. As a 1996-97 Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow, he was health aide to US Senate Leader Tom Daschle (D-SD) during development of the State Child Health Insurance Program. Edelstein served as consultant to the US Department of Health and Human Services on its oral health initiatives from 1998-2001, chaired the US Surgeon General's Workshop on Children and Oral Health, and authored the child section of the US Surgeon General's Report "Oral Health in America." He is a graduate of Harpur College, SUNY Buffalo School of Dentistry, Harvard School of Public Health, and the Boston Children's Hospital pediatric dentistry residency program. His work on behalf of children has been nationally recognized by dentistry (ACD Outstanding Service), pediatric dentistry (AAPD Pediatric Dentist of the Year), public health dentistry (AAPHD and ASTDD Distinguished Service; MSDA Visionary Leadership), academe (ADEA, Harvard Distinguished Alumnus), the research community (Friends of NIDCR Public Advocacy), and students (ASDA Dental Visionary).

Juilanne (Judy) Gelinas, R.D.H., B.S. • Philadelphia, PA

Juilanne (Judy) Gelinas, RDH, BS, is the director for St. Christopher's Foundation for Children Community Dental Initiatives in Philadelphia. These Initiatives have provided a dental home for over 4000 children from low income families and a school-based oral health literacy program. This is the second mobile clinic program start-up for Judy. She believes that mobile dentistry overcomes the most common barriers to accessing much needed care for many children. Reaching children at an early age focuses on prevention and lays the groundwork for a lifetime of healthy smiles. Judy is currently serves as a Board member of American Association of Community Dental Programs and Chair for the Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists' Association Public Health Council. She is a Past President of the Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists' Association and awarded the Clark J. Hollister Award for Outstanding Ability in Dental Hygiene Education and the Drs. Edward B. and Arnold R. Cook Award for Academic Excellence in Dental Hygiene.

Hazel Juanita Harper, D.D.S., M.P.H. • Washington, DC

Dr. Harper received a B.S. degree from Howard University in 1971. She served as the second president (and first woman president) of the Student National Dental Association in 1973–74 and received her D.D.S degree from the Howard University College of Dentistry (HUCD) in 1975. In addition, she holds a Masters in Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. An activist for oral health, Dr. Harper has served her profession in many capacities, including membership in 1993 on President Bill Clinton’s Health Care Reform Task Force. In 1997, she earned the distinction of serving as the first woman president in the 85-year history of the National Dental Association. Dr. Harper contributed to the first ever Surgeon General’s Report on Oral Health under the direction of U.S. Surgeon General Dr. David Satcher (1999–2000). Dr. Harper maintains a private practice in general dentistry and has been awarded numerous honors for professional service and community involvement.

Michael L. Johnson • Reno, NV

Michael L. Johnson is the Vice President of Community Health and Mission Integration for Saint Mary’s Regional Medical Center in Reno, Nevada. He administers outreach programs for two community based family practice clinics, four mobile medical, nutrition and dental programs, community immunization, tobacco prevention and health promotion programs, the community benefit process that includes the formation of organizational strategy, community health advocacy, resource allocation, auditing, and reporting of community benefit services. He has executive responsibility for the organization’s environmental initiatives including, system wide recycling, energy reduction and sustainable food programs. He has a Master’s of Science in Health Service Administration from the University of St. Francis and a Bachelor’s of Science degree in Social Psychology from the University of Nevada.

Cathy Bowman Levering • Sacramento, CA

Cathy Bowman Levering is the current Executive Director of the Sacramento District Dental Society as well as the Executive Director of their Foundation. Serving both organizations since 2001, she has taken the SMILES FOR KIDS project from a “small focus, one clinic, big heart project” to a “large focus, 40 clinic, really big heart project”! Her experience in community voluntarism and advocacy, fundraising, event planning, teaching and nonprofit organizations has played a major part in what she has brought to the Sacramento District Dental Society and Foundation the past 8 years. Her love of people, social dynamics, the Sacramento community (of which she is a 6th generation) and giving back makes her love her job more and more each day! She is excited to partner with the California Dental Association and Gayle Mathe in this presentation for Give Kids a Smile! She hopes to “share the experience, share the knowledge and share the joy!”

Gayle Mathe, R.D.H. • Sacramento, CA

Gayle Mathe, Manager of Policy Development for the California Dental Association, practiced as a registered dental hygienist for nearly 30 years before joining CDA as a community health policy analyst and legislative advocate. Ms. Mathe holds a B.A. in Communications and has been involved in a variety of community advocacy projects, including a successful school bond campaign in the City of Folsom and tobacco policy work to create a smoke-free environment at the California State Fair. In her work at CDA, Ms. Mathe manages projects and policy development that promote the dental profession and protect the public's oral health.

Colleen McCauley • Philadelphia, PA

Colleen McCauley is the Health Policy Director at Public Citizens for Children and Youth or PCCY, Southeast Pennsylvania's lead children's policy and advocacy organization. Colleen has been at PCCY for over seven years working on lead poisoning prevention efforts, children's access to health insurance, oral health, behavioral health and vision care services. Before coming to PCCY, Colleen was the Assistant Director at a nurse-run, federally qualified health center in a North Philadelphia public housing community. Colleen is a registered nurse and has a public health degree.

Dana Rafferty Parker, D.M.D., Med • Greenville, South Carolina

Dr. Dana R. Parker is a general practitioner currently serving as Community Outreach Coordinator for the Greenville Technical College dental programs in addition to teaching in the dental hygiene and assisting programs. Dr. Parker began her career in dentistry as an Expanded Duty Dental Assistant from the University of Louisville where she went on to earn her Bachelors of Science in Health Occupations Education and a Master's degree in Administration. She ultimately graduated from the University Of Kentucky College Of Dentistry in 1989. Following dental school Dr. Parker taught at Santa Fe Community College for 10 years where she managed numerous grants coordinating free dental services for underserved populations. Dr. Parker relocated to Greenville, SC in 2000 and became involved in initiating an Access to Dental Care Initiative including a collaborative arrangement between Greenville Technical College Dental Assisting and Hygiene students, bon Secours St. Francis Hospital Division of Community Ministries and Senior Services, New Horizon (a FQHC), United Way, and most recently adding the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine and the Greenville Free Medical Clinic. Dr. Parker has hosted the largest GKAS site in SC each year since its inception, was recipient of the South Carolina Dental Association Meritorious Award in 2007 for her outstanding work with Give Kids A Smile and is currently the SCDA Chairperson for GKAS. She sits on several task forces including Dental Delivery Services: Access to Care; Examination of Workforce Models; Oral Health Literacy and the (Dental Access Day) DAD Project which will host its first project in late August. The MUSC senior dental student rotation coordinated by Dr. Parker, "Lessons of the Heart" was awarded the Commission on Higher Education Service Learning Award in March 2009. Additionally, Dr. Parker volunteers as a forensic odontologist for the Greenville and Spartanburg Counties Coroners Office's.

Jan Silverman, M.S., M.S.W., L.C.S.W. • Chicago, IL

Janice Silverman, MS, MSW, LCSW, obtained master's degrees in Labor and Industrial Relations and in Social Work as well as a bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Illinois. Her background includes over 10 years of experience in early childhood mental health, including 9 years supervising and developing programs to promote positive parent/child relationships, prevent child abuse and enhance school readiness in at-risk families with young children. Over the past four years, she has served in a leadership capacity on various state-wide early childhood committees, including the Healthy Families Illinois Executive Committee and the Early Childhood Mental Health Subcommittee of the Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership. She has presented at state-wide and national conferences on topics related to enhancing the parent-child relationship, including field presentations for the Zero to Three National Training Institute on father involvement and on working with pregnant and parenting mothers who have experienced sexual abuse. Janice was co-author on journal article published in the Journal of Abnormal Psychology as an undergraduate at the U of I. Since that time she has published various articles on early childhood and parenting issues, including a Zero to Three article on the integration of Infant Mental Health principals in home visiting programs.

Tracey T. Williams • Philadelphia, PA

Tracey T. Williams is the Assistant Director of School Health Services for the School District of Philadelphia. Tracey has worked for the District for a little over one year, providing administrative oversight for approximately 300 Certified School Nurses, 40 Occupational & Physical Therapists, and managing vision care and oral health services programs for District students. Before coming to the School District of Philadelphia, Tracey worked for the Philadelphia Department of Public Health for over six years as a Health Service Administrator. In this role, Tracey worked in different units within the Health Department, including the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Health Commissioner's Office and the City of Philadelphia's community-based federally qualified health centers. Tracey has an MBA from Philadelphia University.

Roxolana (Roxy) Rak Woloszyn • Philadelphia, PA

Roxolana (Roxy) Woloszyn has worked on children's behavioral health for the past two years at Public Citizens for Children and Youth (PCCY). As behavioral health coordinator, Roxy manages the publication of PCCY's "Where to Go for Help" behavioral health resource guides, trains school staff and child care workers on connecting the children they work with to these services, and is involved in various efforts to call attention to early childhood mental health on the City and State levels. Roxy has been involved with Give Kids a Smile Day since coming to PCCY, and coordinated Smile Day 2009. She has also been involved in the rest of PCCY's oral health care work, such as assisting with the facilitation of the Southeast Region Oral Health Task Force. Roxy graduated from the University of Miami with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and English, and a minor in Spanish.