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## What's News

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### Message From Our President

With the new day comes new strength and new thought.  
-Eleanor Roosevelt

As the new year dawns, we often wonder what we have accomplished in the year that passed. Last year was definitely a challenge to say the least. One thing is for sure, CDHA has big plans for 2021, so I encourage all our members to invite colleagues and friends to join CDHA so they too can experience and see firsthand the benefits of joining their professional organization.



Please contact SVDHA if you wish to attend a meeting of the Board. Due to Covid 19, meetings are held on Zoom. Meeting dates are set by consensus of the Board members. You may contact the webmaster for information on an upcoming meeting and for instructions for attending.



### Tool Kit Available

Would you like ideas about promoting National Children's Dental Health Month?

[Click Here!](#)

### SVDHA Board Positions Open

The following positions on the Board of Directors are open for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Interested persons may send their statement of interest to [smclearan@gmail.com](mailto:smclearan@gmail.com). Be sure to specify the position of interest and how you can be contacted by e-mail and phone.

## Board Meeting



PRESIDENT - ELECT  
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## Join The CalHyPAC Team

Check the bottom of the NEWS to learn more about CalHyPAC

The PAC consists of six to ten CDHA members serving two year terms.

The 2021 terms start January, February etc and extend to December 31, 2023. Currently there are a number of openings. The committee meets via zoom 5-7 times a year for 60-90 minutes. Once a year the committee meets in Sacramento at the office of our legislative advocacy firm, Aaron Read and Associates (great view of the capitol.) This past year the committee did not meet in person but had an alternate zoom meeting for three hours. Other business is conducted via e-mail. Usually at the HOD the PAC has a fundraising table that CalHyPAC board members volunteer at. Every other year, the PAC organizes the HOD silent auction. Money raised from this go towards the PAC funds. To apply or find out more contact Ellen Standley by email. [ellenrdh@winfirst.com](mailto:ellenrdh@winfirst.com)

Have you tried to teach flossing for years? What about letting YouTube do it for you. Just a thought.



This little [video](#) from the NY Times was clever and timely in December. Hopefully, while still clever, it will be out of date by the time you access it.,

### **An Ode to the Before Times**

Also, I think I'm losing my mind.

Video by Tala Schlossberg

December 14, 2020

So what do you think about this?  
Very expensive but it seems to align with  
where dental hygiene may be headed in California.

Click to learn about [Oral Systemic Educator Certification](#)



**Courses offered  
via Zoom**

**Delta Pacific**

Elder Care- How To Manage and Retain Oral

Health in Vulnerable Populations

February 27 - 9AM-11AM

Members \$15, Non-Members \$20

**[Register Here](#)**

**Sacramento Valley DHA**

April 17, 2021 - 9AM-12PM

Therapeutic Benefits of Cannabis in Dentistry

with Nicole Greco-Roman

Members - FREE, Non-Members - \$29

**[Register Here](#)**

**Where To Go For INFO  
Important Links**

[Sacramento Valley Dental Hygienists' Association](#)

[California Dental Hygienists' Association](#)

[Dental Hygiene Board of California](#)

**Member Spotlight**

**"It's so easy now" says Ellen Standley**

Ellen graduated from UCSF Dental Hygiene program in a year we will not reveal. Like many of us she was in private practice but later found her calling in dental hygiene education. Ellen was a beloved instructor at Sacramento City College for over forty years.

For Ellen, students are a critical part of the profession. She provided warmth and understanding in the stressful educational environment. In addition, she wanted to share her love for the profession and the knowledge that it offers so many opportunities: private practice, public health, corporate sales, practice management, educator, etc.

Ellen has been past president of CDHA and the Sacramento Valley Component, holding other positions as well. She truly believes that one of the best things about dental hygiene is the ability to connect with others, personally and professionally and to advocate for oral health for all. She remarked that "with zoom and online resources, it is so easy to be included, informed and involved."



NOMINATION

Constant Contact

Is there a member you would like to put in the SPOTLIGHT? Please send us a name and contact information along with the reason for your nomination.



CalHyPAC. is the only political action committee representing California dental hygienists. The PAC (**P**olitical **A**ction **C**ommittee) is a non-profit, political advocacy committee comprised of volunteers. CalHyPAC **develops** and establishes relationships with California Legislators who believe that dental hygienists are an important and essential part of the health care system. The PAC **supports political** candidates who will work on behalf of CDHA, advocating for our interests, concerns and goals.

Donations can be made on the website: <http://www.calhypac.org/> or mail checks (**include on check:** address, occupation & employer) to:

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Treasurer, CalHyPAC  
182 Cameo Dr.  
Danville, CA 94526

**Senate Bill 653 Signed - Effective January 2021**

- This bill expands the ability of all hygienists to participate in for non-profit oral health activities
- Allows RDHAPs to work with Public Health Programs without having to be employed
- Allows unsupervised delivery of anesthesia by RDHAPs under specified protocols
- Adds some medical and dental to RDHAP settings

**For bill details [CLICK HERE](#)**

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