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A-Z of HPV & The New Epidemic of Oro-Pharyngeal Cancer



Dr. Donald Cohen

Dr. Donald Cohen received his DMD degree from Washington University School of Dental Medicine. He then trained in oral pathology at Temple University School of Dentistry receiving an MS in Oral Biology and a Certificate of Specialization in Oral Pathology. He obtained his MBA degree summa cum laude from the University of Nebraska. Dr. Cohen is Professor and Division Head of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology at the University Of Florida School Of Dentistry. He is the director of a large multi-state biopsy service and has a private practice limited to Clinical Oral Pathology at the University of Florida. He has authored over 100 peer reviewed scientific publications and co- directs the residency in Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology at UF College of Dentistry. . He is a sought-after speaker and has given hundreds of lectures on the topic of Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology.

At the conclusion of the presentation the participants will:

- Be familiar with the demographics of many important types of HPV and lesions they cause
- Be familiar with clinical features and be able to diagnose benign and malignant HPV driven lesions
- Be more skilled at recognizing the specific intra-oral signs of oropharyngeal cancer
- Be able to freely discuss with patients sexual & neoplastic implications of a papilloma diagnosis
- Know when to order additional testing for HPV +lesions
- Understand facts concerning effective screening tests for high risk oral HPV, including oral rinses, and the value of preventive vaccines for both adolescent males and females

The Club at TI – 400 Treasure Island Causeway, Treasure Island 33706

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Social begins at 6:00 pm / Business begins at 7:00 pm

Attendees are required to RSVP with Kelsey Bulnes at smilepinellas@gmail.com or (727) 342-0374. Hygienists and Certified Dental

Assistants are invited for a \$45.00 fee to cover the cost of dinner.

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Mark Your Calendar 2016

February 27, 2016

Give Kids a Smile
 St. Petersburg Health Department,
 Mid-County Health Department
 and Clearwater Health Department
*Volunteers needed, including
 Assistants and Hygienists!*

February 28, 2016

End of the Biennium

March 2, 2016

HPV, Dr. Donald Cohen
 The Club at TI
*Hygienists and Certified Dental
 Assistants are invited!*

April 6, 2016

Vendor Fair, Sponsored by Henry
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 The Club at TI
All Staff is invited!

[View the online PCDA
 Master Calendar here](#)

“El Presidente” Letter



Dr. Alberto Bird

February is a short month but it still came and went too fast. It was a very busy and productive month. The FDA House of Delegates was held at the Tampa Airport Marriott Hotel. PCDA delegation was in full attendance and there we learned about the new FDA digital and social media campaign that will be launched in 2016. This campaign will support our membership using digital media platforms like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to name a few. The FDA advertising campaign will help educate about the benefits of being a member to consumers and Florida dentists. The timing of this campaign launch is ideal for us at PCDA because we have already started promoting the value of membership and brand recognition in Pinellas County through printed media and billboards.

Dentists’ Day on the Hill (DDOH) was a success. This year, due to changes in the legislative calendar, we invaded Tallahassee on a Tuesday instead of Wednesday. PCDA was able to meet with all the Senators and Representatives of our district. My biggest surprise was how so many of the legislators, irrespective of being republicans or democrats, were very open to discuss all the talking points of concern that were brought to their attention. They reinforced their support to our profession and some of them spoke with respect to PCDA, knowing what happened in Pinellas County when the county commissioners voted to discontinue community water fluoridation. I heard comments that our association is very strong and that we fought the fluoridation issue relentlessly to benefit our younger and elder population and help control this dental decay epidemic.

I am pleased to announce that PCDA has received the FDA Affiliate of the Year Award. This award will be presented to us at the FDC in Orlando. Any members going to the FDC can attend at the Awards Luncheon. This is not a free lunch; so purchase tickets at the time of registration.

Dr. Donald Cohen will be presenting an interesting update on Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) at The Club at TI on March 2, 2016.

Hope to see everybody at our next meeting.

Alberto M. Bird DMD, MScD

PCDA President

Dentists' Day on the Hill 2016



PCDA Membership

Invite a Colleague!

Have you met a new dentist in the area? Invite them to our upcoming general membership meeting on March 2, 2016 at The Club at TI. They will quickly learn the benefits of strong organized dentistry! It is important to keep our voices strong and loud so that our politicians have our best interests at heart.

Become a Member

Please contact Kelsey at smilepinellas@gmail.com or PCDA Membership Chairman, **Dr. Mike Insoft** at minssoft@tampabay.rr.com for more information about attending a meeting or becoming a member. Membership applications may also be located online at www.smilepinellas.org.



Small Bites

Sugar Wars: Why is sugar so harmful to your mouth?

February is National Children's Dental Health Month and the 2016 observance promotes good oral health for military children and adults in the war against sugar. American people, including military families, are frequently consuming foods and drinks high in sugar and starches. Junk foods and drinks have slowly replaced healthy, nutritious beverages and foods. Sugar is the enemy of the mouth. Army Col. Georgia Rogers, who specializes in preventive dentistry, provides insight into this problem.

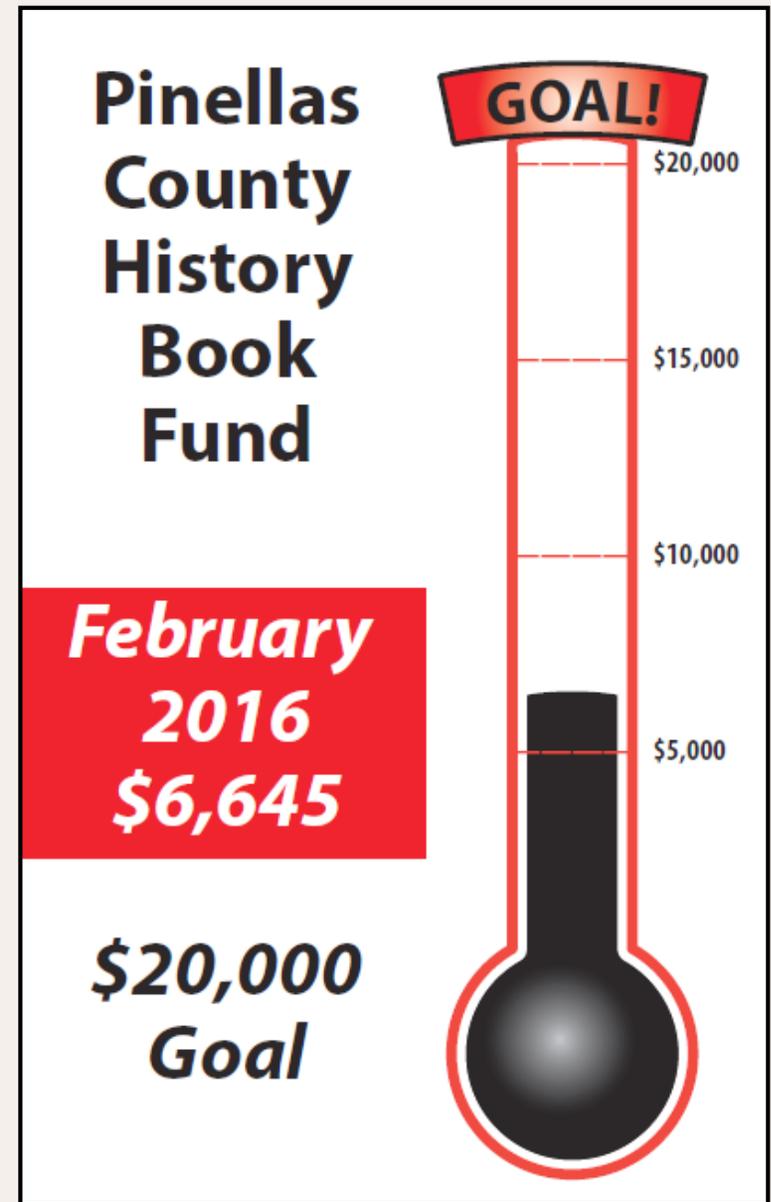
Question: Many people say that they have cavities because they have inherited "soft teeth" from their parents. Is it true that people who get more cavities have "soft teeth?"

Rogers: There is no actual condition called "soft teeth." Some rare genetic conditions can cause weak, brittle teeth but in the vast majority of cases they are not the cause of tooth decay. We now know that tooth decay is usually a sign that something is out of balance. Several factors can cause tooth decay, alone or in combination. Figuring out what is going on requires you to give a little time and attention to your diet and your daily hygiene regimen. Most tooth decay is caused by not using fluoride toothpaste the right way or by exposing your teeth to sugars too often.

Question: How should we use fluoride toothpaste?

Rogers: An adult should always assist children under the age of eight with tooth brushing. Use a rice-sized amount of toothpaste for children less than three and no more than a pea-sized amount for children aged three to six. Brush the toothpaste on all surfaces of the teeth for two minutes at least twice a day - just before bedtime is the most important. Then rinse the brush and brush the tongue and the roof of the mouth. Do not rinse with water after brushing. Just spit several times to remove the excess toothpaste. Have small children say "Patooyey!" very forcefully if they have difficulty spitting. Do not eat or drink for at least 20 minutes after you brush. This lets the fluoride stay on your teeth longer and fight decay. Brushing right before bedtime is particularly important to prevent decay.

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QUALIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT SEEKING FULL-TIME WITH BENEFITS:

Looking for established, busy dentist office to obtain a challenging career position that will correspond with my current abilities and skill. I am a graduate of PTEC, and have experience in assisting with a variety of dental procedures and oral surgeries. I am highly skilled in preparing dental materials, collecting patient health histories, and taking impressions and radiographs. I am available for full time with the ability to work over when needed. Please contact Stacey Goodman Wilson, CDA at 727-345-4134.

DENTAL ASSISTANT NEEDED:

Looking for a pediatric dental assistant with expanded functions and some clinical experience. We are a new practice with a general dentist and a pediatric dentist in the office. Part-time available (Tuesdays and Thursdays) or a full-time position is available with the ability to help our front desk. Please call Dr. Karen Burns at (727) 201-9950.

EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES NEEDED:

If anyone is selling dental supplies or lab equipment, please call Dr. Karen Burns at (727) 201-9950.

Direct all classified and ad inquiries to:

PCDA/Kelsey Bulnes: smilepinellas@gmail.com or (727) 342-0374

Other Important Dates

Give Kids a Smile, 3 Health Department Locations	February 27, 2016
End of Biennium	February 28, 2016
FLA-MOMS, Jacksonville	April 22-23, 2016
Florida Dental Convention (FDC), Orlando	June 16-18, 2016

Laser Meeting

The Academy of Laser Dentistry
April 14-16, 2016 • The Caribe Royal in Orlando

Register on the website www.laserdentistry.org

Lasers are incorporated into so many areas of dentistry, why not learn more about them from the experts at the annual meeting in Orlando! I've attended this international meeting in the past (which is usually held in California), and was very impressed at the vast knowledge of the speakers, let alone the educational interactions between the attendees. I encourage you to read their web-site and see what this meeting entails. Last years' topic on laser activation of the pulp and generating a dentin bone-like substance in the molars of rats made my jaw drop. A Chinese dentist and first-timer to the U.S. commented to me that she only came because of the laser meeting, and hadn't intended on visiting any other places! I hope you enjoy this meeting as much as I know I will.

Dr. Kathy Divito

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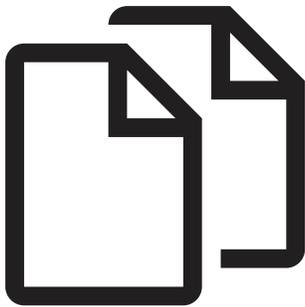


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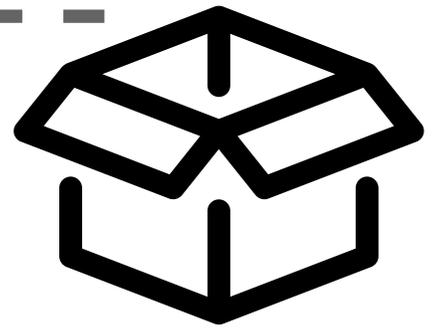


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