

President's Message

Pat Powers, RDH

Well, it has been an exciting start to the TDHA year.

We started the year off with a Yoga in the Park in September. We had 26 participants and it turned out to be a beautiful day. Thank you to Sue Nichols and Stephanie Lautz for leading us in yoga. October was the Miles for Smiles event in which many of our members participated. This was put on by the Toledo Dental Society. TDHA was a sponsor. In November was the ODHA Annual Session. This was held at Cherry Valley Hotel in Newark, Ohio. Our delegation consisted of our Trustees, Kelley Bennett and Samantha Sorah, our Delegates were Gisell Smith, Alex Rouleau, Janice Darah, and Brittany Nagel. You can be proud of the way they represented TDHA. Gisell and Alex have consented to be our new Trustees. Thank you to all the participants and thank you to Brittany Nagel for putting together a beautiful silent auction basket. December has TDHA participating in the Parade of Trees at the Toledo Club. The trees will be auctioned off and the proceeds will benefit the Northwest Ohio Dental Center. On November 28, Sue Nichols, Janice Darah, and I met at the Toledo Club to assemble and decorate our donated tree. It turned out beautiful. Unfortunately, we got a call from the Toledo Club saying that our stand had broken and the tree fell over. We needed to get a new tree up and decorated fast. Thanks to Janice Darah for purchasing a new tree and she and Miriam Armstrong rushed down to the Toledo Club on Tuesday night and decorated the tree. A BIG thank you to them. On December 1, the Toledo Club held a reception and lighting event for all the participants who donated a tree. Miriam Armstrong, Deb Manore, Arlene Boyles, and I had the opportunity to attend. It was a very nice and enjoyable event.

In the coming year, we have some events coming up that I hope our members will be interested in attending. January will be a TDHA Board meeting and budget planning, and we are taking the month of February off. Hopefully, we will have a CE in March. Stay tuned for more details. April we are planning a Pub Crawl, and in May, we will have our Installation Banquet and celebrating the Owens Graduates.

Looking forward to a new and prosperous year in 2022. Hope you will have the opportunity to join us in our activities. If you have any suggestions for events that you would like TDHA to hold, please let me know.

Pat Powers

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Calendar of Events

2022

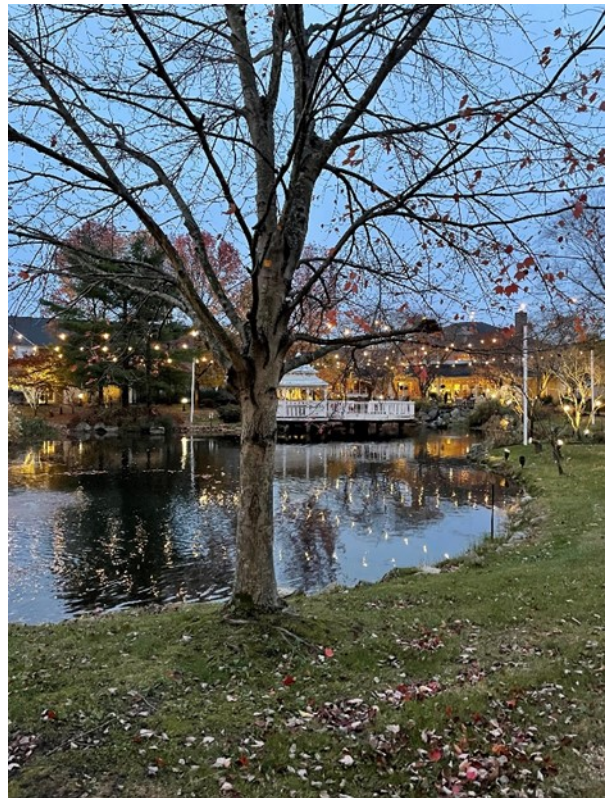
JANUARY 13	TDHA open board meeting and budget review
FEBRUARY	Nominating Committee to work on slate of officers for 2022-23
APRIL	
22	Spring Clinic
30	Tentative date for the 1st TDHA Pub Crawl
MAY	
Date TBA	Spring Banquet– Honor OCC Graduates/ Install TDHA officers
6-7	Total Development Weekend
JUNE	
8	Dr. Tohme Continuing Education Course: Perio Topic (more info to come)
17-19	ADHA annual Session– Louisville KY
JULY 16	ODHA Leadership Retreat
SEPTEMBER	
Dates TBA	Yoga in the Park
	ODHA BD meeting in Columbus
	Fall Newsletter
OCTOBER	Dates TBA
	Miles for Smiles
	Opioid CE (More information TBA)
	TDHA meeting to review PR's and PBY's for Annual Session
NOVEMBER 4-6	Annual Session
	Cherry Valley Lodge Newark, OH
DECEMBER	Holiday Social

The Experience of ODHA from our TDHA trustees and Delegates.

Gisell Smith

- I thought that this year's Annual Session was a breath of fresh air! After the crazy year we had in 2020, it was so nice to be in-person with everyone and to be reminded of what a tight community TDHA/ODHA really is! I most enjoyed judging the student table clinics. I was really impressed with the chosen topics and the amount of knowledge that each group possessed.

- I made the choice to step into the Trustee position out of curiosity. I am curious to learn more about our professional organization, and curious to see where my involvement may lead me in the future. I look forward to collaborating and learning from some of the most knowledgeable hygienists in Toledo/Ohio.



Janice Darah

From the ride to the Cherry Valley Hotel, to the ride back to Toledo with my new colleagues, I thoroughly enjoyed myself during the Ohio Dental Hygienists' Annual Session weekend! I am so glad, and still surprised, that I had an offer to be a delegate from Pat Powers. It had been several decades since I served as a delegate, and it had been at least 10 years since I attended an annual session as a "Table Clinic" judge. I am fortunate that my life has calmed down and allowed more time to do things that I did not have time to do before I "semi retired". I highly recommend to my fellow hygienists, to take the trip next year, even if you are not a delegate or trustee, to experience the parties, component discussions, the poster board presentations by the dental hygiene students of Ohio, The Candidates Forum, The House of Delegates, The Legislative Luncheon, the vendors, and meeting other dental hygienists in our state that make decisions on the future of our profession. Not to mention "getting away" from the daily routine! I also experienced proud moments seeing and hearing our locals getting involved statewide whether it was voicing their opinions, or taking the lead in presentations. It was not only a "good" time, but also a "fun" time and I plan on going next year, whether or not I am a delegate! For those of you that would be new to the politics of our profession... NO WORRIES!! I encourage you to get involved, as you have the BEST and kindest mentors available to you to get acclimated: Pat Powers, Katie Camp, Brittany Nagel, Samantha Merritt Sorah, and Kelley Bennett!!! Hope to see you in November at the Cherry Valley Hotel!!



Brittany Nagel

Annual Session 2021 was a wonderful in person celebration after the Covid 2020 virtual annual session. I have enjoyed being a Delegate many times over the last 10 years and plan to continue this important position in our association. Cherry Valley Lodge did not disappoint again this year with new renovations and a welcoming team. We got down to business during the weekend but also enjoyed the face-to-face time with fellow hygienists catching up with each other. I encourage everyone in the profession of Dental Hygiene to understand and find out how the association works to protect, enhance and develop our profession for the future. We hope to see everyone at upcoming TDHA events and next year and ODHA annual session.



ODHA 2021



Owens Community College 2nd Year experience at ODHA

ODHA was a great experience as a student delegate representing Owens Community College and TDHA. It provided us the opportunity to participate in discussion and learn about dental hygiene beyond the clinical aspect. We were also able to see the interworking of dental hygiene in Ohio and the people who advocate for our profession. It was motivational to be surrounded by passionate individuals who have a variety of backgrounds in the field of dentistry. Overall, ODHA was an eye opening, inspiring, and educational weekend that all dental hygiene students should be able to experience. As Owens Community College Dental Hygiene students, we are very grateful to have had this opportunity to represent the school and our fellow classmates.

-Olivia Wesley, Sydney Johnson, Sadie Sinn, Mikayla Borland-



Congratulations to Sadie Sin Who was the recipient of the Louise M. Barrett Student Scholarship of 2021.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to all of the Students that participated in ODHA. The Students at Owens Community College did an amazing job capturing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for the Table Clinic/ Poster Session. Some of the students also participated on the house floor at ODHA and helped as pages through out the weekend.





Miles for Smiles

It was a beautiful fall day on Sunday, October 17th, at Centennial Terrace, for The Miles for Smiles Race/ Walk! After the race, participants, family, friends and volunteers convened in the stage/ concession area to enjoy a breakfast donated by Nick and Jimmy's, Barry's Bagels, and Okun Produce. There were almost 300 participants for the race/walk, and the race brought in over \$27,000. A check for \$20,000 will be presented at the TDS 2022 Installation Dinner. TDHA Miles for Smiles committee members include Katie Camp (kids race), Brenda Wurzell (course marshals), Janice Darah (water station), and Lori Pasienza. Other TDHA volunteers included Paula Johnson, Miriam Armstrong, Laura Abbott, Nicole Buchanan and Katie Waggoner. We hope to keep the race in October for next year. Thank you to all of the donors and volunteers for a very worthy cause!

Thank you!
Janice Darah





Yoga with TDHA

A big Thank You to Sue Nichols and Stephanie Lautz for leading a relaxing morning of beginners Yoga.



Parade of Trees at the Toledo Club with TDHA

TDHA's Holiday Social looked a bit different this year. Members gathered at the Toledo Club on Wednesday, December 1st at 6:00 pm for a Tree Lighting Party.

In 2018, TDHA began sponsoring a decorated Christmas Tree at the Toledo Club as a partner in their holiday fundraiser for area charities. Proceeds from TDHA's tree support the Dental Center of Northwest Ohio. Unlike other safety net dental clinics, the DCNWO is not supported by tax dollars and is in regular need of operating funds.

Our tree decorators and ornament donors in the past have included Beth Tronolone, Miriam Armstrong, Sue Nichols, Laura Abbott, Janice Darah and Jayne Klett.

The historic Toledo Club is a grand building, and it is a rare treat to be able to walk the 3 levels of balconies and admire the Christmas trees and wreaths.

This Year the TDHA tree raised \$250.00 that will go towards the DCNWO.

