

## Connecticut State Dental Association

### 2018-2019

The following members have been elected to serve on the CSDA Board of Governors:

#### **Dr. David Fried, President**

Dr. David Fried is a general dentist practicing in his hometown of Wallingford, CT. He majored in Biology at Clark University, and graduated from the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. He completed a general practice residency at Bolling Air Force Base/Andrews Air Force Base, and completed tours of duty in Sicily, Italy and Portsmouth, NH. He is retired from the CT Army National Guard having completed 23 years of service achieving the rank of Lt Col. Dr. Fried has held all positions in the Meriden-Wallingford-Cheshire Dental Society, has been on the CSDA Legislative Council for many years, and served on the CSDA House of Delegates and was the CODPAC Chairman. Dr. Fried is also a member of the CT Study Club for Excellence in Dentistry. Dr. Fried volunteers at UCONN as a Clinical Instructor in the Operative Department and annually travels with third-year students to Honduras on mission trips. He has never missed a Mission of Mercy. Dr. Fried is an advocate for organized dentistry who feels that our organization enhances our ability to provide professional services to our communities, our patients, our staff and our families.



#### **Dr. Al Natelli, President-Elect**

Dr. Al Natelli is a graduate of Miami University (OH) and the Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry. Upon graduation he did a general practice residency at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Paterson, New Jersey and a Fellowship in Hospital Dentistry and Oral Surgery at The Hospital for Special Surgery/Orange Memorial Hospital in Orange, New Jersey. Dr. Natelli came to Connecticut in 1991 and worked for a short time in Middletown, Cromwell and New Britain, before settling in Southington, CT. In 1995 he purchased Southington Dental Associates and has been practicing there ever since. Dr. Natelli has served as Treasurer of the CSDA. He has also served as co-chairperson of the Leadership Development Qualification Committee and serves on the Legislative Council and Annual Session Council. In addition, he is a part-time clinical instructor of dentistry in the Advanced Education in General Dentistry program at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine for more than 20 years and has published in several journals. Outside of dentistry, Dr. Natelli is a former college division I ice hockey official and has also officiated numerous junior, prep school, high school and youth games. A past Chamber of Commerce chairman, he was elected to the Southington Town Council in 2009 and again in 2011. In 2013 he was a candidate for State Representative in the 81st District. Currently he serves on the Town of Southington's Parks Board.



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## **Dr. Tam Le, Vice President**

Dr. Tam Le is a general dentist in Hamden, CT. He is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, School of Dental Medicine, and completed his residency at St. Mary's Hospital of Waterbury, CT. As a fellow of the International College of Dentistry (ICD), Dr. Le worked with other health professionals in various community projects through the Yale School of Medicine and Smilow Cancer Center. Every year he looks forward to joining thousands of other volunteers and his wife in the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic. Outside of dentistry, he is actively involved in local and international humanitarian and community organizations. In addition, he balanced his professional career with being a coach for his son's various activities. Dr. Le has held several positions within the New Haven Dental Association, including President from 2012-2013 and is currently its Executive Board Member. Within the CSDA, he has served as a member of the House of Delegates.



## **Dr. Bethaney Brenner, Treasurer**

Dr. Bethaney Brenner established her practice in 1980 in Burlington, CT. After completing an undergraduate degree, Dr. Brenner graduated from UConn School of Dental Medicine in 1979. She has been involved in teaching dental students since 1980 through the dental school. Dr. Brenner is an honorary member of the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the International College of Dentistry. She has participated in the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic and has sat in leadership positions with State of Connecticut Department of Social Services to help those who are underserved.



## **Dr. Robert Hughes, District 1**

Dr. Robert Hughes is a general dentist in Stamford, CT. He went to undergrad at Villanova University and received his DDS from Georgetown University School of Dentistry. Dr. Hughes worked in the dental profession for 45 years, before retiring in January 2016. He has held several leadership positions in organized dentistry including, Chairman of the Peer Review Committee for the Stamford Dental Society for the past 15 years, Past President Stamford Dental Society, as well a Past Caucus Chairman District 1, and served as an alternate delegate and delegate to the CSDA House of Delegates for more than 20 years representing Stamford and District 1.



## **Dr. Edward V. Finnigan, District 2**

Dr. Finnigan is a general dentist in Fairfield, CT. He went to SUNY Oneonta for undergraduate and received his DDS from the University of Maryland, School of Dentistry. Dr. Finnigan is also a Fellow Academy of General Dentistry. Dr. Finnigan has been involved in organized dentistry for a number of years and is an active participant in the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic, as well as Give Kids A Smile. He has also served on the CSDA Membership Council, Peer Review Council and as President of the Bridgeport Dental Association from 2006-2007.



## **Dr. Annemarie “Mimi” DeLessio-Matta, District 3**

Dr. Annemarie “Mimi” DeLessio-Matta is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a member of the College of Diplomates. Dr. DeLessio-Matta was a recipient of a Presidential Scholarship at Saint Francis University, Loretto, PA where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology in 1989. She was also a graduate of the Honors Program. In 1993, she graduated with a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine in Farmington, CT. She completed a general practice residency in 1994 at Brigham and Women’s Hospital/ Harvard Medical School in Boston, MA. Dr. DeLessio-Matta received her Pediatric Dental training at St. Barnabas Hospital in Bronx, NY in 1997 and also served as Chief Resident. While at St. Barnabas, she had the opportunity to treat patients with special needs at the Rose F. Kennedy Center at Jacobi Hospital. She is currently on staff at St. Mary’s Hospital in Waterbury, CT. She is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the Connecticut Society of Pediatric Dentists. She is currently an officer on the executive board of the Dental Society of Greater Waterbury. Dr. DeLessio-Matta she has served on the CSDA Access to Care Committee, the Council on Membership and the Give Kids a Smile Committee. Outside the dental office, she is a member of the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Nonnewaug Athletic Club. She volunteers for the Woodbury-Bethlehem Youth Soccer Club and St. Teresa Church.



## **Dr. Jennifer You, District 4**

Dr. Jennifer You is a general dentist with an active practice in New Haven and has been practicing dentistry in the state of Connecticut since 2005. She graduated from University of Alabama in Birmingham School of Dentistry and completed a one-year General Practice Residency at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford. Dr. You is active in organized dentistry and has participated in many past Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinics. She has opened up her office to the Give Kids A Smile event and also at various times throughout the year to the public to provide free dental to those less fortunate.



## **Dr. Nancy Treiber, District 5**

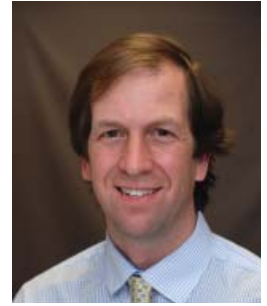
Dr. Nancy Treiber attended the University of Connecticut for her undergraduate degree, Quinnipiac College for her masters and the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine for her DMD. Dr. Treiber has been involved in organized dentistry for several years. She has served on the CSDA Insurance Council, the Ethics Council and has been a member of the CSDA House of Delegates. Dr. Treiber has volunteered with Give Kids a Smile Day, and has done volunteer work in Jamaica.



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## **Dr. Steve Hall, District 6**

Dr. Steve Hall is a general dentist in Farmington. He graduated from Union College before attending the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine. He is a past president of the Hartford Dental Society and has served on the Council of Legislation and the House of Delegates for many years. Dr. Hall serves as a clinical instructor at the UConn Dental School and is the team dentist for the Hartford Wolfpack. He has also been actively involved with planning and volunteering at all of the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinics.



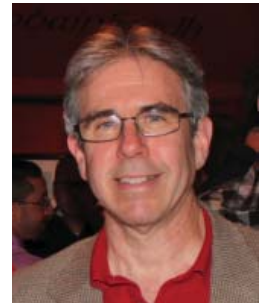
## **Dr. Laurence Levy, District 7**

Dr. Laurence Levy is a general dentist and has been practicing in Middletown since 1991. He attended Penn State and majored in Chemistry. He later attended Fairleigh Dickinson University College of Dental Medicine. Upon completing dental school in 1986, Dr. Levy completed a one year General Practice Residency. He has his Fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry (FAGD). Within the CSDA, Dr. Levy has been involved in the Leadership Development & Qualifications Committee. Dr. Levy also volunteers his time with the East Hampton Rotary Club and serves as co-vice chair of the Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic.



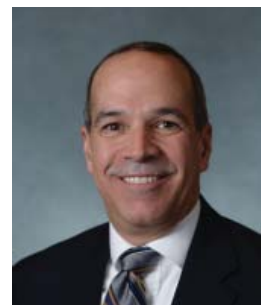
## **Dr. Gary Linker, Immediate Past-President**

Dr. Gary Linker is a general dentist with an active practice in New Britain, CT. He is a graduate of New York University College of Dentistry. Dr. Linker has served the CSDA as Chair and member of the Insurance Council, member of the Governance Review Committee, District V caucus coordinator and a delegate to the CSDA House. He has also served as the President and Peer Review Chairman for the New Britain Dental Society. Dr. Linker is also a volunteer at The Hole in the Wall Theater in downtown New Britain.



## **Dr. Mark Desrosiers, ex-officio Speaker of the House of Delegates**

Dr. Mark Desrosiers practices endodontics in Middletown and Glastonbury. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and the Boston University Endodontic program, Dr. Desrosiers practiced general dentistry for 20 years before returning to school to specialize. He currently serves as Speaker of the CSDA House of Delegates and is a Past President of the CSDA. He has been very involved in legislative and political activities serving as an Action Team Leader, CODPAC Chair, AAE Government Affairs Chair and past member of the ADPAC board. In his free-time Dr. Desrosiers volunteers as a Clinical Instructor at the Boston University Dental School and is active in Boy Scouts.





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**Dr. Adi Tadinada, ex-officio**  
**Chief Editor, ex-officio**

Dr. Tadinada is a Board-Certified Oral and Maxillofacial Radiologist working as an Assistant Professor of Diagnostic Sciences at the UCONN School of Dental Medicine. He is Program Director for the Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Residency, as well as Director of Student Research for the dental School. Dr. Tadinada serves as Chair of the ADEA's section of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, and as Chair of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology's (AAOMR) Electronic and Publication Committee. He is the editor of the AAOMR's newsletter, Founding Curator of the AAOMR Virtual History Museum, and immediate past president of the AADR-Connecticut Chapter. He also served as the Associate Editor in chief prior to assuming the role of Editor in chief of *The Communicator*. He is co-author of thirty scientific articles and multiple book chapters and has lectured widely, including at the CSDA Annual Meeting and several local Dental Societies in our state. He is a reviewer for several journals and has received an outstanding reviewer award from several organizations for the past several years.

