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NOVEMBER DEADLINE FOR ANESTHESIA PERMITS

***** Yes, we're moving through the calendar pretty fast, so it might be prudent to total the continuing education credits that you have earned over the past 2 years, and make sure that there are a sufficient number for renewal of your anesthesia permit. The State Board requires a total of 100 credits over the 2 year period. Credits may be earned by attending approved courses relating to anesthesiology or successfully completing a course in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation (BCPR) or advanced cardiac life support (ACLS).

***** Prepare now to register for our next program to be held on Wednesday, October 4, 1989 at the East Brunswick CHATEAU restaurant. This establishment is located at 678 Cranbury Road, East Brunswick, NJ. (Detailed directions will accompany the registration flier from the secretary.)

The speaker will be Dr. Larry Trapp of Lomita, California. Dr. Trapp is engaged in the private practice of anesthesia for dentistry and is a lecturer in hospital dentistry at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Dr. Trapp will speak on:

Angst, Anxiety and Dental Practice

Anesthesia Management of the Young Dental
Patient

Anesthesia Management of the Adult Patient in
the Dental Office

This program should hold some special interest for our
colleagues who are practicing pedodontics.

The program fee including luncheon will be \$75.00
for members and \$100.00 for non-members. As always make
every effort to pre-register in order for us to provide
sufficient food and seating, and for you to avoid any
late charges.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For a change of pace, there will be a change of
place for our next meeting. The East Brunswick Chateau
should be a pleasant location for the October 4th
lecture. There are adequate parking facilities right
next to the building, so there won't be a need to wait
for the shuttle bus (or hassle with the shuttle bus
company.) And, there are lounge facilities to
accommodate socializing after the lecture.

As for the lecturer, Dr. Larry Trapp, I took the
liberty of informing him that he will be facing a tough
crowd. He graciously accepted the challenge, and we
should expect an interesting and informative
performance. Dr. Trapp has presented at the ADSA
National Conferences and lectured at the annual review
courses; his jokes are great and the educational
material even better.

Remember - the general anesthesia permits are due
for renewal this autumn. The meeting is scheduled well
ahead of the due date for submission of your C.E.
credits. If you still need additional points, BCLS and
ACLS courses count, possibly an AAOMS course dealing
with anesthesia and emergencies may count. It may make
sense to err on the positive and have an extra course,
rather than have someone on the NJ Board decide a course
was not appropriate and thereby be left without enough
credits for renewal.

In addition to the NJDSA members, our meetings are open
to other dentists interested in anesthesia, pain and
anxiety control; nurses and physicians, and the staff of
our offices; especially members of the anesthesia team.

If you have heard a worthwhile anesthesia lecture
and would like to have the speaker considered for one of

our meetings, please let the executive committee know.

There will be another winter ADSA review course in Breckenridge, Colorado this coming February. There will be a special national anesthesia course in January, initiated by Dr. James Phero based out of Cincinnati, Ohio- via "Troll" telephone linkup; featuring Drs. Norman Treiger and Tom Jones as the key presenters.

My personal thanks and appreciation to the lecture attendees who stayed to the end of the past meetings. From personal experience, it is both gratifying to the speaker and a display of the good manners of the membership.

Most sincerely,
Lee M. Lichtenstein, DMD

FROM THE LITERATURE

***** The sedative and amnesic effects of intravenous diazepam were reversed by flumazenil in 30 patients undergoing conscious sedation for dental surgery. Tests showed flumazenil partially reversed the impairment of immediate and delayed recall with recognition. It also reversed physical and mental sedation. Reversal of mental sedation returned to pre-surgery scores. As for physical sedation, after 15 minutes, there appeared to be no demonstrable differences from those receiving the placebo. Time Course Of Antagonism Of Sedative And Amnesic Effects Of Diazepam By Flumazenil. M. M. Ghoneim, MD; J.B. Dembo, DDS; R.I. Block, PhD. Anesthesiology 70:899-904 June 1989

***** Delayed respiratory depression may occur after the administration of all opioids. This emphasizes the importance of recovery rooms after the use of potent analgesics or general anesthesia. Delayed Respiratory Depression Following Alfentanil. Dr. H. Owen; Dr. W. Brose. Anesthesiology 70:1038, 1989.

***** The parenteral administration of drugs may be contaminated by glass particles from ampoules. Transparent, metal etched ampoules produced the greatest number of glass particles. Transparent chemically etched, amber metal etched, and amber chemically etched ampoules produced much less particulate material. The use of filters will also reduce the risk of injection. Glass Particle Contamination: Influence Of Aspiration Methods And ampoule Types. R.L. Saben, Jr., MD; E.Y. Cheng, MD; K.A. Stommel, MT; C.R. Hennen, RPh. Anesthesiology 70:859-862, 1989.

***** Care must be exercised in the use of plastic-coated stylets during endotracheal intubation. The plastic may shear off and obstruct the tube, or pieces of plastic may break off and act as foreign bodies in the lungs. An Unusual Case Of Endotracheal Tube Obstruction. W.P. Zymslowski, MD; D. Kam, DMD, MD; G.T. Simpson, Md. 70:883, 1989. and

A Problem With Metal Endotracheal Tubes And Plastic-Coated Stylets. C.E. Larson, DMD, MD; R.M. Gonzalez, MD. 70:883-884, 1989.

***** Pulse oximetry is not presently an American Society Of Anesthesiologists standard. Letter To The Editor. B.S. Epstein, MD. 70:884, 1989.

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