The Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists’ Association is...

Breaking Barriers in 2012!
**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

My first dental hygiene mentor was Irene Woodall. She did my interview and gave my father and me a tour of the University of Pennsylvania dental and dental hygiene school. This was back in 1977. Irene was the first to break barriers for me. At Penn, we did not wear white uniforms or receive white nurse’s caps. Our attire consisted of casual business clothes, no jeans, with a white jacket just a little shorter than the dental students. We even had a man in our class. That was a barrier broken at the time. Our instructors were not called by Professor or Dr. or Mrs., but by their first name. After 13 years of parochial education, using first names for educators was unheard of. Our externships were in the community of Philadelphia at places such as a home for the blind, child guidance centers and the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. That was the start of access to care for me. Breaking more barriers.

Many of my former employers built barriers, which is not uncommon especially back in the days of wet finger dentistry. I was a cleaning lady; the faster I worked, the happier the dentist. Then in one office I had the freedom to provide periodontal therapy for my patients. This dentist did not like to refer out to a periodontist often. Scaling and root planing was fun, but I had to wait for local anesthesia, even though I learned it at Penn. In 2009, the local anesthesia barrier was broken at long last!!! But of all the injections, the inferior alveolar nerve block was the one I could not remember. Taking the local anesthesia course at Penn College was again a barrier that was broken. Finally!

The next barrier to be broken was becoming an actively participating member of the Lehigh Valley Dental Hygienists’ Association and then PDHA. The Lehigh Valley president at the time, Debbie Gschrey, and I taught together in the clinic at Northampton Community College. She convinced me to become membership chair and then a delegate to PDHA Annual Session. My prior experience with a component meeting was arguments about money. Even now, funds are a concern. However, the meeting was also about local anesthesia, fluoridation and, of course, access to care. Another barrier broken.

The dental society is experiencing many of the same growing pains in scope of practice and access to care as PDHA. It is hard for political newcomers to the associations to change the minds and employ co-therapy initiatives in both organizations. In an effort to open dialogue and show mutual support, the Lehigh Valley Dental Association and the Lehigh Valley Dental Hygienists’ Association ran a joint continuing education course as a pilot program. A profit was realized and split between the Lehigh Valley Dental Association and the Lehigh Valley Dental Hygienists’ Association. A post-event meeting provided positive feedback and enthusiasm about the joint event. Talk about a break in the barriers.

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Secretary of the Commonwealth, Carol Aichele, commented at the First House of Delegates of the willingness of the Pennsylvania Dental Association to work WITH the Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists’ Association. Dr. Dennis Charlton (President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association) is a positive force behind this. Maybe this joint effort can break more barriers across the entire state.

Another barrier we need to break is hygienist to hygienist. I am not saying that we all are, but hygienists can be territorial. My patient, my practice, my way. It can be difficult for us to open ourselves to ideas and changes suggested by our fellow hygienists. When I was serving as Member Services Co-Chair, my comments were that we needed to be open and friendlier to our peers. At meetings, it is great to see our “friends” but harder to greet, speak, and open up to the newbies. The newbies are the ones we must be kind to so they feel welcome and comfortable with ALL of us. We all need to be nice to each other and need to feel welcome especially if we want more members and more member involvement in our organization. Break the barrier – open the door.

The biggest barrier to break is the one with self. I am resistant to upgrade my cell phone from just a phone with minimal texting to one more advanced such as an iPhone. As in any new adventure, it would be advantageous to define the pros and cons – and really look at the pros. You might find that the pros can break the barriers for change. In my mind, breaking the barrier will not hurt, but may lead to many rewards.

Those who will not embrace the paradigm shift in dentistry may need to work on breaking their own barriers. We need to welcome and encourage those incoming professionals so they can be comfortable and mentored into leadership roles. We need to break the barriers in dental hygiene, with the dental association, and with ourselves.

Change is not easy and at this point I am experiencing major changes accepting this position as President. I will need help from all of you, and your guidance and support. In the upcoming year, work with me to encourage others to break their barriers, to step forward, become members, and become actively participating members. Who knows what the future may hold for all of us?

Sincerely,
Lorraine M. Lockawich, RDH, MBA, PHDHP

Montgomery-Bucks News...
Pictured on the right is the Routes of Hope walk held for the Tierra L. Dobry Foundation on November 5, 2011. Tierra was a dental hygienist for 30 years. She lost her battle with cancer in December of 2010. She was a graduate of Montgomery County Community College and a member of MBDHA. The walk was held to raise money for her foundation that was established to provide a scholarship for students pursuing a career in dental hygiene.
Our annual meeting was a great success this year with over 400 attendees and more than 20 continuing education credits offered. The Corporate Exhibits and Marketplace were well attended by hygienists and guests alike, and more than 60 student table clinics were presented. The First and Second House of Delegates meetings were held as well as the pre– and post-Annual Session Board of Trustees meetings.

Morgan Plant, the PDHA Governmental Relations Consultant, addresses the group at the Professional Issues Forum on Thursday.

Kathy Schlotthauer, Keynote Speaker

Corporate Exhibits

Reference Committee A: L-R: JoAnn Fleming, Terry Barr (Chair) and Diane Creme

Reference Committee B: L-R: Lisa March, Brenda Lahner, and Deb Gschrey (Chair)
Pennsylvania Academy of Dental Hygiene Studies welcomed its members at the PDHA 88th Annual Session this year. The Academy was formed in 1979 to encourage members to participate in continuing education courses and maintain their professional competence. The Academy provides a formal structure in which continuing education course completion can be recognized. Academy guidelines help ensure quality continuing education. Elaine Confer is serving as the Academy Chair and Christine Bennett is responsible for course accreditation. During the PDHA Annual Session each year, new members as well as new distinguished and retiring members are recognized. See page 15 for an application to join the Academy, or visit our website to download an application.

Component Trustees
Back Row L-R: Michaela Kelly (Chester-Delaware), Diane Crème (Lancaster/Lebanon/York), Deb Barr (Harrisburg), Betty Zumpano (Lehigh Valley), Dana Shaffer (Northwestern)
Front Row L-R: Kristin Good (Berks-Schuylkill), Helen Hawkey (Western), Daiphin Bober (Northeast PA), Monica Konig (Montgomery-Bucks), Linda Moore (Hanover), David Tule (North Central) Not Pictured - Lisa Reynolds (Philadelphia)

CONGRATULATIONS to the new members of the Academy:
Martha Drusedum, Laura B. Forlano, Diane Blasek-Kehoe, Kimberly A. Lutz, Sandy Yanchick

And to our retired members of the Academy:
Judie Johnson and Phyllis Dickert

And CONGRATULATIONS to our distinguished members: (L-R) Alberta Landis, Agnes Silverman and those not pictured: Julie Cleary, Tina Cunningham, Judy Ernst
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PDHA Awards Presented at the 88th PDHA Annual Session

Jaclyn Gleber and Christine Bennett presented the Certificate of Recognition Award to their former employer, Dr. Alvin Arzt. Dr. Arzt was awarded for giving his all and giving his best for 60 years in dentistry. Thank you, Dr. Arzt!

The PDHA’s Community Dental Health Award was presented to Carol Martin, RDH. Carol’s work at the Water Street Mission and her multiple volunteer trips to Honduras as a dental hygienist earned her the award. Carol’s fourth trip to Honduras is scheduled for February 2012. Carol’s motto is: One Smile at a Time.

Our Other Generous Sponsors...

The PDHA would like to thank the Lancaster, Lebanon, York Area Dental Hygienists’ Association for hosting the 88th Annual Session this year. This component generously sponsored the photo booth and hors d’oeuvres at the President’s Banquet, as well as provided PDHA with a fabulous welcome reception.

The Lehigh Valley component sponsored the Installation Reception, and the Northwestern component sponsored the Corporate Breakfast. We were also gifted with the new PDHA Retractable Signs donated by the Montgomery–Bucks component.

A special thanks to one of our member’s sons, Zachary Schlotthauer, for donating his time during the Corporate Exhibits and Marketplace giving massages. He donated a portion of the proceeds to the Honduras mission trip that a few of our members will be traveling on in February.

The Table Clinic awards this year were sponsored by the following components and companies:

- Berks - Schuylkill DHA
- Chester - Delaware DHA
- Lancaster, Lebanon, York Area DHA
- Northeast PA DHA
- North Central DHA
- Philadelphia DHA
- Western DHA
- Premier Dental
Over 200 dental hygiene students from across the state came to the PDHA’s Annual Session to present their table clinics and attend their business meeting. Jaclyn Irvin, a Montgomery County Community College student, was elected by her peers to serve as the 2011-12 Student Member Liaison to PDHA (right, pictured with Jodie Sneed, last year’s representative.)

2011 Table Clinic Winners

This year, the competition was very close among the 61 groups who presented their table clinics. The judge’s scores revealed a 3-way tie between the 1st place winners as well as the 2nd place winners. Congratulations to all the well-deserving dental hygiene students!


L-R: Karen Steinhagen and Nicole Meckley (HACC) “Deminish Demin,” Maureen Bell and Leah Schafer (WCCC) “Chain Reaction,” Angela Rokosz and Lorina Maraldo (WCCC) “Meth’ology: Meth Mouth, Not a Myth”

The PDHA would like to thank all of the student members who presented their table clinics at the 88th Annual Session. We hope to see you back next year!
President’s Banquet

2010-11 President, Elaine Anderson-Kump, was honored at this year’s Annual Session with a dinner/dance held in her honor. The 2011 theme was “It’s a Party” and attendees were seated at multi-themed tables such as “Mexican Fiesta” and “Happy Birthday.” A photo booth was set up outside the hall and everyone made sure to get some great snapshots for the president’s scrapbook!
More Familiar Faces...

2010-11 President Elaine Anderson-Kump addresses the House

Some of the newest members of the Academy of Dental Hygiene Studies

Carol Martin, registration chair, Janice Cantrell and Cathy McMaster, local registration committee

The Mexican “Ole” table at the President’s Dinner on Friday evening

From the PDHA Annual Session
Some of the gals from the Northwestern component

View of the Lancaster Skyline...

Old friends catching up at the Welcome Reception on Wednesday evening

Visiting with Morgan Plant, our Governmental Relations Consultant

The Honduras Mission Trip Crew

Trying out the mobile dental equipment...

Some of the Chester-Delaware gang

Penn Hy-PAC big winner, Sue Giorgio
Ladies with a Past...

The Past Presidents of PDHA met during the conference for their annual luncheon.


PA Colleges Continuing Education Courses

More course information can be found on the “Courses in Your Area” page of the PDHA website.

**Harcum College**
SAVE THE DATE! **Saturday, March 3, 2012**, 6th Annual Dental Expo, Courses will include a radiology refresher, local anesthesia CE, and more...

**April 2012** Local Anesthesia for Dental Hygienists

**Harrisburg Area Community College**
March 17, 18, 31, April 1, 2012, "Local Anesthesia for Dental Hygienists” Call Non-Credit Health Care Education office at 717-221-1351 for information

**Manor College**
Local anesthesia course for dental hygienists to be held in May 2012. Course is approved for both Pennsylvania and New Jersey local anesthesia licenses. For more information, contact Miriam Tehrani at 215-885-2360 x285 or Mtehrani@manor.edu

**Westmoreland County Community College**
“Local Anesthesia for the Dental Hygienist” Spring 2012, Course to be announced...check PDHA website for dates
Northeast PA Dental Hygienists’ Association Installs 2012 Officers

The Northeast Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists’ Association (NPDHA) held their annual installation of officers and committee chairs on Sunday, October 23, 2011. Lorraine Lockawich, 2012 President of the Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists’ Association served as installing officer.

Pictured from left to right 1st row: Karen Webb, President-Elect & Publicity Chair; Lorraine Lockawich, PDHA 2012 President; Daiphin Bober, President & Trustee. Second row: Kristen O’Donnell, Hospitality Chair; Alicia McMonigle, LCCC 2nd Year Class Representative; Valerie McCreary, Secretary; Rachel Grochowski, Newsletter Editor. Missing from photo: Lynn Lombardo, Past President & Continuing Education Chair; Maureen Savner, Treasurer; Julie Cleary, Public Health Chair; Angie Yorina, Continuing Education Chair; Patti Bieski, Membership Chair.

Component Continuing Education Courses

(More Information can be found on the PDHA Website)

**Chester-Delaware/Montgomery-Bucks**
Saturday, March 24, 2012, 8:30AM - 12:30PM, 4 CEUs, “White Spot Remineralization: Healing and Esthetics Minus a Drill” By: Lory Laughter, RDH, BS. Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel Valley Forge (Near Movie Theatre & Bally’s) 260 Mall Blvd., King of Prussia, PA 19406, 610-265-7500. Course Fee: Postmarked by February 9, 2012: PDHA Academy* $50, ADHA/PDHA Member $65, Dentist/Non-member/Staff $85. Postmarked by March 9, 2012: PDHA Academy* $60, ADHA/PDHA Member $65, Dentist Non-member/Staff $85. If space is available after Registration Deadline: Pay non-PDHA member fee + $10.00 late processing fee, no exceptions. Limited Seating. No registration day of course. Payment must be received with registration. No refunds. Contact JoAnn Fleming, RDH, BS, at 610-543-1163 or jorofl@verizon.net

**Lancaster/Lebanon/York**
Friday, April 20, 2012, 8:30AM - 4:00PM, 6 CEUs, “Boomers & Seniors: Living Longer & Healthier: Is Your Practice Ready?” and “Taking Periodontal Care From Good to Great.” Presented By Carol Jahn, RDH, MS. Location: Lancaster Host Resort, Lancaster, PA. Course Fee: Postmarked by 3/3/12: PDHA Academy $99, ADHA/PDHA Member $110, Non-member $135. Postmarked by 4/2/12: PDHA Academy $110, ADHA/PDHA Member $120, Non-member $145. Registration deadline: April 2, 2012. NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION. For more information, contact Carol Martin, RDH at camartin59@yahoo.com

**Lehigh Valley**
Wednesday, March 21, 2012, 7:00PM - 9:00PM, 2 CEUs, Staff Night, Course title TBA (Periodontics by Carol Beidleman, RDH and Dr J. Potter will also talk on Lasers and Periodontics), Location: Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem, PA. Course Fee: Academy Members: $15.00, Members: $20.00, Non-member: $35.00, Registration deadline 3/14/12

Friday, April 13, 2012, Registration/Breakfast 7:15 AM, 8:00AM - 12:00PM, 4CEUs, "Eat, Drink and Be Wary: You Are What You Eat" and "Dental Implant Maintenance: The Basics and Beyond" By: Linda Blackiston, RDH, BS. Location: Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem, PA. Course Fee: Academy Members: $40.00, Members: $45.00, Non-member: $60.00, Registration deadline 4/5/12

Friday, May 18, 2012, Registration/Breakfast 7:15 AM, 8:00AM - 12:00PM, 4 CEUs, **ANYONE in your office who TAKES radiographs NEEDS this COURSE** "Improving Radiographic Techniques & Assuring Quality and Safety" By: Sherri Meyers, RDH, MS. Location: Northampton Community College - North Campus - Gates Center, Alumni Hall, Bethlehem, PA. Course Fee: Academy Member: $35.00 Member: $40.00, Non-member: $55.00, Registration Deadline 5/11/12 Questions on these courses? Contact Terry Warrick: 610-588-3849

**Western**
Wednesday, March 21, 2012, 1 CEU, 6:00PM - 8:00PM "WPDHA Annual Products Night & ADHA Student Member Installation Ceremony”
Sunday, April 1, 2012, 3 CEUs, 12:00PM - 3:30PM, Sunday Brunch included, “Clues to a Devastating Illness: Severe Mental Illness and Oral Health” By: Lisa Stillman, RDH, BS. Location: Greensburg Country Club, Greensburg (more info/registration form on PDHA website)
This year, the PDHA is once again looking for volunteers to donate their time to our annual children’s outreach program, Sealant Saturday. Thousands of children are given free sealants across the state at over two dozen clinical sites, and the program’s success depends on the generosity of hundreds of dental hygienists.

Over the last nine years, volunteers have provided over a million dollars in services to over 5,000 children through this worthwhile program. Children are screened, necessary sealants are placed, and dentist referrals are given as needed.

We would like to thank Dentsply Professional for their 9 years of donated sealant material. Additionally, Premier Dental has been a great supporter for the last 6 years with their donation of fluoride varnish. Without the assistance of these generous sponsors, this program would not be such a success.

Clinical sites for 2012 are listed on the opposing page. If you would like to volunteer for a certain event, please call the contact listed for the site. We are always looking for new sites and clinical contacts, so please email Jaclyn Gleber at gleber@sdfd.com if you are interested in setting up a new site.
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<td>Coatesville</td>
<td>Jaclyn Gleber, RDH, EdD Lisa March, RDH</td>
<td>610-383-3888x204 610-384-3974</td>
<td>Feb 11, April 21 &amp; Oct 7</td>
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<td>Community College of Philadelphia</td>
<td>Philadelphia</td>
<td>Sue Giorgio, RDH Theresa Grady, MEd</td>
<td>856-435-7784 215-751-8927</td>
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<td>Community Volunteers in Medicine</td>
<td>West Chester</td>
<td>Alberta Landis, RDH, MEd Janet Marra, RDH, BS</td>
<td>610-836-5990 610-793-2265</td>
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<td>Fortis Institute - Erie</td>
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<td>Dana Shaffer, RDH Patty Inks, RDH, MS</td>
<td>814-838-9668 814-838-7673</td>
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<td>Hammerlee Dental Care 5158 Peach St, 16509</td>
<td>Erie</td>
<td>Linda Straub-Bruce, RDH, PHDHP</td>
<td>814-868-3647office 814-440-2184 cell</td>
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<td>Harcum College</td>
<td>Bryn Mawr</td>
<td>Jean Ziegler, RDH, MEd Michaela Kelly, RDH, BS</td>
<td>610-526-6110 610 696-3602</td>
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<td>Karen Ponti, RDH, MEd Megan Brightbill, RDH, BS Mary Anderson, RDH, BS</td>
<td>717-221-1734</td>
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<td>Lower Bucks</td>
<td>Fairless Hills 10</td>
<td>Donna Wyatt, EFDA Monica Konig, RDH</td>
<td>215-453-4382 215 949-1139</td>
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<td>Nanticoke</td>
<td>Julie Cleary, RDH, MS Melissa Weller, RDH 2011 grad</td>
<td>570 -740-0543</td>
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<td>Mifflin Juniata Dental Clinic</td>
<td>Lewistown</td>
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<td>Blue Bell</td>
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<td>Bethlehem</td>
<td>Deb Gschrey, RDH, BS Sherri Meyers, RDH, MS</td>
<td>610-248-8961</td>
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<td>Williamsport</td>
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<td>570 -320-8007</td>
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<td>Reading</td>
<td>Liz Romberger, RDH MaryGrace Rugh, RDH</td>
<td>610-693-9695 610-796-9095</td>
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<td>University of Pittsburgh</td>
<td>Pittsburgh</td>
<td>Judy Gallagher, RDH, MS students and faculty volunteers only</td>
<td>412 -648-8432</td>
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<td>Conneautville</td>
<td>Candy Kull, RDH Leann Easley, RDH</td>
<td>814-720-1001</td>
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<td>Water Street Health Services / Dental</td>
<td>Lancaster</td>
<td>Tina Nissley</td>
<td>717-358-2011 717-627-0811Carol</td>
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<td>Welsh Mountain Dental Clinic</td>
<td>New Holland</td>
<td>Diane Créme, RDH, BS</td>
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<td>Westmoreland County Community College</td>
<td>Youngwood</td>
<td>Angie Rinchuse, RDH, MEd Amanda Kundrod, RDH, MA</td>
<td>724-925-4283 724-454-9107</td>
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<td>York County School of Technology</td>
<td>York</td>
<td>Karen Sherwood, RDH Julie Polito, RDH Tammy Boas, RDH</td>
<td>717-433-8863 717-471-9116</td>
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Hope 4 the 'Burgh
2011 Public Outreach Event

Western PA Dental Hygienists’ Association

"2011 Hope 4 the 'Burgh" was a great success! This back-to-school event provides the underprivileged children of Pittsburgh with new backpacks, groceries, dental screenings and eye exams, eyeglasses, chiropractic screenings, makeovers and manicures, prayer, food, and fun! Our four dental site leaders (WPDHA members) Helen Hawkey, Valerie Jacobs, Amanda Kundrod, and Betty Onik were able to expand our mission from one to four locations this year!!!! With our team of 25 volunteers, we provided dental screenings, giveaways, and oral hygiene instruction to the underserved living in the neighborhoods of Braddock, Coraopolis, Sharpsburg, and the Southside. We were able to screen 443 people, with 159 (36%) referred for possible decay.

Of those with possible decay, only 22 (5%) had 5 or more lesions. Education and a sense of "hope" was provided to parents and guardians regarding their children's dental care including sealants, tooth eruption, orthodontics, oral hygiene, and dental clinic locations available throughout the city. The event was such a rewarding experience; we are already looking forward to next year! If you are interested in being involved for 2012 -- please email Amanda Kundrod @ shafferrdh80@yahoo.com!

Other Members involved – Chrissy Bold, Colleen Calvin, Rebecca Coles, Patti Donahoe, Tammy Gregg, Nicole Nabozny, Sheila Paig, Liz Pedley, Andrea Popowski, Coriann Stout, Katie Studt, and Samantha Walker

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Laura DeHennis
215-442-1515 or Lauradeh@yahoo.com
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Reminder:
ADHA Award
Nominations for ADHA’s Alfred C. Fones or the Irene Newman Award are due to the ADHA by December 30.
Applications are available on the ADHA website, www.adha.org.
Nominate a well-deserving colleague today!
ACADEMY OF DENTAL HYGIENE STUDIES

New Member Application

The Pennsylvania Academy of Dental Hygiene Studies was formed in 1979 to encourage members to participate in continuing education courses and maintain their professional competence. The Academy provides a formal structure in which continuing education course completion can be recognized. Academy guidelines help ensure quality continuing education.

Your participation not only benefits you, but it states to your patients and to your colleagues that you value education itself and care enough to continue staying current within your chosen profession. With mandatory continuing education needed for license renewal, you will be one step ahead since all collected information is computerized and kept on permanent record.

The courses attended must have been approved by the Pennsylvania Academy of Dental Hygiene Studies in order to apply toward membership. Forms are available for Self-Study and Independent Study courses (courses taken with other sponsor approval) and may be submitted to the Academy for individual consideration.

BENEFITS:

☐ Your continuing education will be tracked with the Academy's computerized recordkeeping
☐ At no cost, you will receive a personalized printout of your Academy courses each year
☐ Reduced fees for all continuing education courses sponsored by the PDHA and the Academy
☐ Certificate of Membership and Academy Pin
☐ Letter of recommendation upon request
☐ New members are received and inducted at the Academy meeting held during PDHA Annual Session

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Candidates are required to complete the application form on the bottom of the page and include the following information as appropriate for membership.

1. Applicants are required to list, on a separate sheet, a minimum of 30 PDHA CEUs in continuing education course work within the past three years. The listing must include the course name, date, PDHA number and the amount of CEUs awarded.
2. Proof of attendance at these courses must be submitted through photocopies of your Certificates of Attendance.
3. A letter of recommendation from a component, state or national officer or another Academy member. Candidates should obtain the letter sealed in an envelope and enclose with the application.
4. Please include a $25.00 filing fee -- make check payable to PDHA.
5. Application deadline is May 31st of the year of application. Academy membership applications will be reviewed only in the summer of the current year.

ACADEMY OF DENTAL HYGIENE STUDIES
NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORM—DUE MAY 31

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