

EMERGE Newsletter

FALL 2022



A Letter from the Editor

They say these four years of dental school fly by you before you know it and this semester was a testament to that. During my first semester as the Director of Regional Coordinators for the National SNDA, I've seen firsthand through weekly interactions with our SNDA members throughout the nation how much work is being put in by my colleagues across the nation. It is almost 3 years since the pandemic hit, and only a few months after our first in-person conference in years. In our return to almost-normalcy, our SNDA members throughout the country have returned this year more reflective and hungry to make a difference than ever. From pre-dental and D1 mentorship, to free dental clinics, to national charity drives and regional socials, our SNDA members were booked and busy this semester!

In this edition of the Emerge Newsletter, I aimed to highlight all of our collective successes throughout the nation.

-Shukran Babkir

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Fall 2022 Highlights

June 23-25

SNDA 50th Anniversary
Celebration & Convention

Sep 30

2022-23 Regional
Coordinators Selected

Oct 6

First National SNDA Business
Office Hours of 22-23 Academic
Year

Nov 15 - Dec 15

National SNDA Holiday
Toy/Canned Food Drive

Nov 21

Phase I Match Day

Dec 30

T-Shirt Competition
Deadline

Dec 15

Last day for Early-
Bird Dues Payment

**DID YOU HEAR
THE NEWS?**

The SNDA 51st National Convention
will be on July 20-23, 2023 in

*New
Orleans*



SNDA

51st National Convention

JULY 20-23, 2023 | NEW ORLEANS, LA

REGISTRATION OPENS IN 2023!

MUST PAY NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DUES TO ATTEND

**EARLY BIRD
REGISTRATION:** FEB 01 - MAR 15 | \$250

**REGULAR
REGISTRATION:** MAR 16 - MAY 31 | \$275

**LATE
REGISTRATION:** JUN 01 - JUN 15 | \$300



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SPOTLIGHT



Michigan Matches!

The only thing better than the taste of success is celebrating it with those around you. This year, SNDA national member Brea Fleming (D4) decided that the University of Michigan School of Dentistry SNDA chapter needs celebrate members who match into residency programs. On November 21, 2022, Phase I match results were revealed. We are proud to announce that three SNDA national members successfully matched into orthodontic residency programs: Ezinne Nwadinobi (center) matched at the Ohio State University; Jaerae Dell (left) at Mayo Clinic; and Raurie Petrich (right) at Case Western University. Michigan's SNDA members are "so proud of them and thankful for all the mentorship they have offered to our chapter." We echo these sentiments across the country and wish the rest of our National SNDA members the best of luck in the rest of this match season.



Ezinne Nwadinobi (center) matched at the Ohio State University; Jaerae Dell (left) at Mayo Clinic; and Raurie Petrich (right) at Case Western University.

Teaching Screenings at MUSC

SNDA members at College of Dental Medicine and the MUSC presented a Clemente Course at Trident Technical College. Students aimed to educate, empower, and provide access to care for adults in the community. Their course included a presentation about the importance of oral health and detecting oral cancer. SNDA members then conducted complete intraoral and extraoral exams for the participants. Assisted by their SNDA advisor, Dr. Gwendolyn Brown, members conducted head and neck exams. Congratulations MUSC for a successful event!



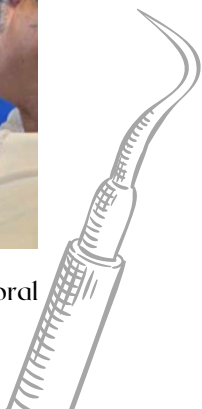
MUSC student providing intraoral screening.



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ECU Steps Up

One of the core values of the Student National Dental Association is outreach, and the students of East Carolina University School of Dental Medicine continued to embody these values this past semester. In the wake of the Mississippi water crisis, ECU SNDA quickly organized to raise money and send hand-delivered water bottles to families of our fellow SNDA members at University of Mississippi Medical Center that were in need of clean water. ECU Chapter President and National E-Board member student Doctor Octavia Miller made an announcement to Chapter Presidents to spread the word in early September, and chapters quickly began collecting money and sending their donations. In collaboration with SNDA chapters at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry, University of Washington School Of Dentistry, University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry, the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry as well as the ECU Black Alumni and individual donors, over \$500 worth of water bottles were sent to UMMC SNDA members.

"That's what family is for," she said in response to the gratitude from our UMMC SNDA.

We thank everyone who took part in organizing these efforts and all our SNDA members for coming together to support one another. We especially thank our ECU students for highlighting the importance and value of creating a national network of motivated students with a common goal of bettering our community.



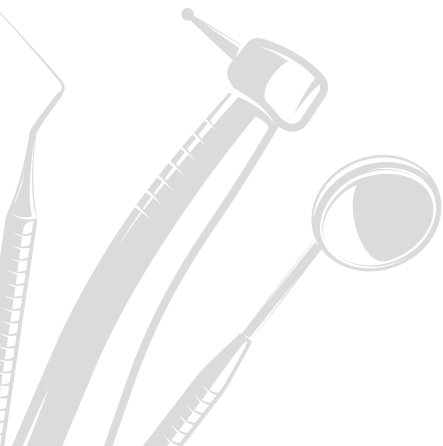
ECU SNDA members collecting waterbottles for delivery at UMMC.



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East Carolina University SNDA raising Breast Cancer Awareness.



Tufts University provides oral health instruction & kits to the Roxbury community.



Dental students at UNLV School of Dental Medicine mentoring high school students.

Community Service



Our SNDA members did not hold back when it came to community outreach this semester. Nearly every chapter from all 9 regions held at least one community outreach event. Whether it be holding a free clinic, sharing oral health instruction and kits with the community, or providing mentorship to aspiring future doctors, our members are prepared to give back to their community!



UNC SNDA's CAARE dental clinic



Columbia SNDA providing oral health instruction to the Washington Heights community



UAB SNDA's Back to School Supply drive



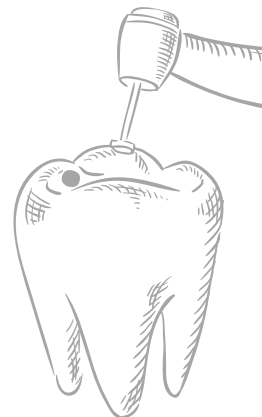
Colorado SNDA providing oral health instruction and sharing hygiene kits.



UCLA SNDA providing care at an emergency clinic



Penn Dental participating at health fairs in Philadelphia



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ECU vs UNC SNDA Game Night

Socials

Our SNDA members know the key to a healthy lifestyle in the midst of a busy dental school semester - work hard and play hard.



UCLA SNMA, USC SNDA & SNMA, Western Dental SNDA Beach Bonfire



University of Michigan School of Dentistry SNDA Tailgate party



Tufts University School of Dental Medicine SNDA E-Board Retreat



UT Health San Antonio SNDA Social



Dental College of Georgia Welcome Back Social



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UNC Adams School of Dentistry Impressions Day

SNDA Signature Program: Impressions Day

As a branch of the National Dental Association, the Student National Dental Association aims to empower and support budding minority dental professionals at every point in their careers. The SNDA Impressions Day Program has been crucial in continuing to encourage and introduce young pre-dental students to the world of dentistry. Our SNDA members across the country invited pre-dental students to their schools for a fun, educational, and interactive program. Supported with up to \$150 from the national SNDA, chapters are encouraged to create a personalized Impressions Day program that highlights the unique qualities of their dental school while uplifting the values of the national SNDA.



James B. Edwards College of Dental
Medicine MUSC Impressions Day



Impressions Day at Virginia Commonwealth
University School of Dentistry



Tufts University School of Dental
Medicine Impressions Day



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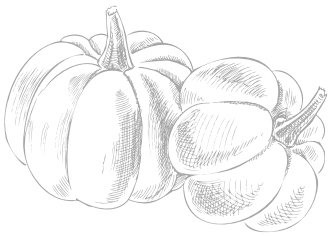


NOTHING SAYS HOLIDAYS LIKE

SPENDING TIME WITH OUR SNDA FAMILY



UMKC School of
Dentistry SNDA Trunk or
Treat



USC Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry
SNDA Friendsgiving



Students at the Dental
College of Georgia painting
pumpkins for Halloween.



University of Detroit Mercy School of
Dentistry SNDA Friendsgiving



Creighton University School of
Dentistry SNDA Friendsgiving



WesternU College of Dental
Medicine SNDA Trunk or Treat



Creighton's Operation Giving
Tree



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Thank you to our SNDA local and national leadership for their hard work and success thus far. We look forward to our continued collaboration in the new year!

WISHING YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS
IN

2023

**"Happy
Holidays
to our
SNDA
Family"**

STUDENT DOCTOR KAMAL SMITH
NATIONAL SNDA PRESIDENT 2022-23



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