



# Chronicle Monthly

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

AAWD celebrates 100 years of women in dentistry!

Presidents' Series

Lucy Hobbs Taylor Call for Nominations —deadline EXTENDED

to JUNE 30

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I have been a member since 1989, less active since my retirement in 2015. AAWD has always held a special place in my heart and what I discovered today helps explain why. Attached you will find one of my personal journal entries written during the 1994 Strategic Planning Retreat held in Chicago. I hope in reading it you will feel that the spirit continues within the organization today.



## From the Archives

Betsy Disharoon, DMD

### 1994 AAWD Strategic Planning Meeting, Chicago, IL August 13-14

This group of strong, talented women always inspires me, rekindles my creative and energetic fires. It is happening again this weekend. I came to give and receive as we all did. I came offering opinions and ideas but I always receive such inspiration, support, creative ideas and solutions. We are women of integrity and stamina who have given to our families, our patients, our staffs, our profession much more than we have received back. But we come to this group knowing that here we have permission to receive back. We have so few sources to go to find unconditional acceptance and support. But we can count on this source for those things that rejuvenate our professional lives and our spirits. We bring our surviving spirits that are tired and deflated and rough on the edges from constant assault. Here in this group those spirits pick up energy, begin to re-inflate, bright colors emerge within us. Our edges never get totally mended to look like new again but those rough edges are our badges of courage, wisdom and growth. Let us be proud of ourselves as individuals, ourselves as a successful group and be proud of our rough edges of courage, wisdom and growth.

# President's Message

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

May 9-15, 2021

National Women's Health Week is usually the second week in May and coincides with Mother's Day. This is a special time when we remind women of the importance of care – (re)assess one's mental health, physical health and oral health. Communities and organizations offer community outreach screenings and education as well as social media activities. These events promote the importance of learning more about the prevention, early detection and treatment options that women have for various diseases.

As Oral Health Clinicians, this is a wonderful week to emphasize to our women patients that health involves more than the oral cavity. It's important that they take care of their mental and physical well-being. This past year has been emotionally and physically hard on all of us. As we as Oral Health Clinicians assess our patients' blood pressure, oral CA exam, and diabetes, share with them the evidence-based information about the systemic systems in relationship to oral health. It could actually improve one's quality of life as well as save a life.

## Career Opportunity



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**Assistant or Associate Professor/Program Director,  
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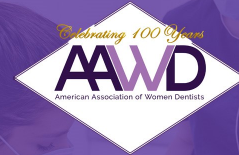
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