

# Congratulations

## DENTURIST OF THE YEAR

Bill Disantis is a quiet gentleman yet dynamic in his service to his patients and for the denturist profession. His education in the dental field is extensive having studied at Durham NC Tech Institute, University of Pittsburg School of Dental Medicine, New York University College of Dentistry, Tufts Dental College and George Brown College. Enjoying the prosthetic part of dentistry and respecting the services of denturists, Bill chose this as his career and received his license to serve in Washington State in 2004 and established his denturist practice in 2005. He is a Master CDT, a member of the American Prosthodontics Society, the International Congress of Oral Implantologists, the Washington Denturist Association (WDA), the National Denturist Association, USA and the International Federation of Denturists. He is a volunteer for the Seattle/King County Clinic - Remote Area Medical Clinic providing dental prosthetics to the indigent. He has served as the president of the WDA since 2012; this association has made much progress under his leadership, not the least is the expanded scope of practice for Washington denturists. During the 2015 World Symposium in Washington, D.C., he and other Washington State delegates and the WDA lobbyist, Carolyn Logue, met U.S. Senators Cantwell and Murray and U.S. Representatives Kilmer, Newhouse and Larsen. He reported they were all positive and appreciative of denturists and their exemplary service in Washington State and they assured him they would keep the profession in the loop when it becomes relevant to the Affordable Health Care Act. Bill is a humble man with the heart of a denturist, an excellent practitioner whose goal is to serve his patients kindly and professionally. Bill is certainly deserving to be the 2015 Denturist of the Year.



## THE RAYBORN AWARD OUTSTANDING PERSON OF THE YEAR

Jan Rosenberger is the outstanding person of the year extraordinaire. She is the person to ask if anything needs to be done and done thoroughly and correctly. Jan has been a valuable "behind the scenes" worker for the last several National Denturist Association, USA, (NDA, USA) conferences; her talents have certainly contributed to the success of these conferences and her willingness to donate her time and energy is much appreciated. Jan's introduction to the denturist profession was when she applied and was hired for a position as office manager in the denturist office of Bill Disantis. She was awed by Bill's talent and was very much impressed with the denturist profession. The rest is history; she has been an outspoken advocate and dedicated worker for the profession. Not one to leave a stone unturned, she has been an irreplaceable office manager for Bill, in just a few weeks she will celebrate her 9th year working with him, and a "willing worker" for the NDA, USA; her unselfish contributions have proven invaluable to the denturist profession. Congratulations to Jan on her well-deserved honor as the 2015 Rayborn Award Outstanding Person of the Year.



## DISTINGUISHED PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Clayton Sulek was awarded the Distinguished President's award at the 2015 denturist conference in Alexandria, VA. This award is presented to an individual who has given dedicated service above and beyond the ordinary for the denturist profession. That statement can certainly be attributed to Clayton. As a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer for the National Denturist Association, USA, he has dedicated countless hours toward this responsibility. He is also a valuable member of the Washington State Health Department's Denturist Board. Clayton has a "heart for his profession" and a vision and determination to have denturists free to serve everywhere in the U.S. Congratulations to Clayton; he is certainly appreciated and deserving of this award.



## DISTINGUISHED PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Each year at the annual National Denturist Association, USA, (NDA, USA) conference an individual is honored for exemplary service to the profession and presented with the Distinguished President's Award. This year the NDA, USA was honored to join the International Federation of Denturists hosting the 2015 World Symposium on Denturism and the award was unique in that the NDA, USA not only honored a denturist from the U.S. but also a denturist from Canada who has given unparalleled support for the denturist efforts in the U.S. Carlo Zanon, from Toronto, Ontario. Carlo has unselfishly and quietly solicited support for the NDA, USA, is always one of the first individuals to join the association each year; is a popular speaker at NDA, USA conferences, writes pertinent articles for *The National Denturist, USA*, rarely misses a NDA, USA event and is always willing to assist with a humble response to thank you's, "I am honored to be asked to help." We are pleased to honor Carlo for his unselfish contributions and support.

