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Titles

Registered Dental Hygienist
Nationally Recognized Speaker and Consultant
Creator/Owner/Founder/CEO Oraspa, Inc.
Illinois State Board of Dentistry, Member
Certified Aromatherapist
Creator of Perioromatherapy
Professional Health Consultant, American Federation of Teachers

Experience

1976-2005

Illinois and Florida

Registered Dental Hygienist/Periodontal Therapist

- Creator and Founder, dentalspa, Inc., Oraspa, Inc., Perioromatherapy
- Owner and President, Oraspa, Inc.
- 30 years Clinical Experience in dental hygiene
- 10 years Perio
- Certified in Local Anesthesia
- Dental Assistant, 4 years
- Elite Temp Agency, Inc., Owner
- MyoResearch, Inc. Consultant
- Professional Health Consultant
- Negotiations Consultant

Clinical Instructor

- Margaret Fehrenbach's *The Velvet Touch* Local Anesthesia Continuing Education Course, Rock Valley College, College of DuPage,
- 1978 Clinical Instructor Palm Beach Junior College, Palm Beach, FL

Guest Speaker 2004

- AFT convention in Washington, D.C., July 2004 on Oral Healthcare and Union Affiliation
- Discus Dental Extravaganza, Las Vegas, May 2006

Consultant 2001-2005

- IFT/AFT/IDHA negotiator
- Office Management
- Perioromatherapy™
- MyoResearch, Inc.

Continuing Education Speaker

- Professional Directions: The Series
- Empowerment & Self Worth
- Negotiations, Contracts & Interviews
- Creating the WIN/WIN “ideal” office
- Why Make Dental Hygiene a Career?
- How to Create the *dentalspa*?
- Holistic Hygiene
- Hygienetics
- Making the Media Work for You
- Who’s the Boss?
- Something’s Gotta Give
- The Genesis of the Power RDH
- Perioromatherapy™: The Original Dentalspa
- Earth, Wind and Fire: The Natural Elements of Dental Hygiene Part Two
- Optimizing YOU! –Improving Value Through Advanced Dental Hygiene Practice

Dental Affiliation Credentials

- Dentsply Circle of Clinicians PC3 Board of Directors
- Butler Product Development Advisory Board
- UIC Health Workforce Studies Program. Advisory Board
- Morton College Dental Hygiene Program Advisory Board
- Discus Dental Advisory Board for Product Development
- Illinois State Board of Dentistry, Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Member
- Chicago Periodontics, Hygiene Study Club Dental Hygiene Advisor
- National Aromatherapy Holistic Association, Member
- Heartland Key Influencer Panel and Advisory Board
- *Contemporary Oral Hygiene* Magazine Review Board

Publications

- *Spotlight*, ADHA Special Edition feature article, Fall 2000
- *Hygiene Herald*, President’s Message, cover article 1999-2000
- WSDHS *Visions* Newsletter 2000
- WSDHS *Helping Hands* Newsletter, President’s Message 1996-1997
- *Contemporary Oral Hygiene* Magazine, *Politics of Independence: Houston....We Have A Problem*, January 2003
- *Contemporary Oral Hygiene* Magazine, *Politics of Independence: It’s a Jungle Out There*, April 2004

- RDH Magazine, *Sinking into a Soothing Cocoon*, featured article on Oraspa™ and Perioromatherapy™ a personal success story, October 2004 Issue
- RDH Magazine, Journey of Passion, Series , November 2004-April 2005 Columnist
- RDH Magazine, Say Ahh to Spa!, Columnist, Beginning August 2005

Video

- ABC News. Channel 7, Chicago, Newscip, *Smile of the Century* Award awarded to Diann Burns
- NBC News, Channel 5, Chicago, News, *Health Watch: Who's Cleaning Your Teeth?*
- CNN, Reuter's Report, Blumberg's Report, Chicago Tribune, St. Louis Post Dispatch, *Interviewee: IDHA affiliation with the AFT/IFT*
- NBC, Channel 5, Anchorwoman Nesita Kwan presenter for *Smile of the Year* Award

Education

1974-76/1991 Parkland College/Florida Atlantic University

- Associate of Science Degree, Parkland College
- Florida Atlantic University
- University of St. Francis
- Over 3000 hours of continuing education
- Local Anesthesia Certification
- Aromatherapy, Certification

Professional Association Credentials

American Dental Hygienists' Association

- Council on Regulation and Practice 2002-2003
- Delegation Chair, IDHA, 1999-2003
- Delegate, IDHA, 1998-1999, 1999-2004, 2005
- Alternate Delegate, IDHA, 1995-1997

Illinois Dental Hygienists' Association

Presidential Advisory Committee 2001-2005
 Public Relations Chair, 2003-2005
 Immediate Past President, 2000-2001
 Governmental Affairs Co-Chair, 2001
 President, 1999-2000
 Midwinter Co-Chair, 1999-2001
 Vice President, 1998-1999
 Membership Chair, 1996-1997

West Suburban Dental Hygienists' Society

Offices held: President, President-Elect, Vice President, Immediate Past President, Program Coordinator, Co-Editor Newsletter, Trustee

