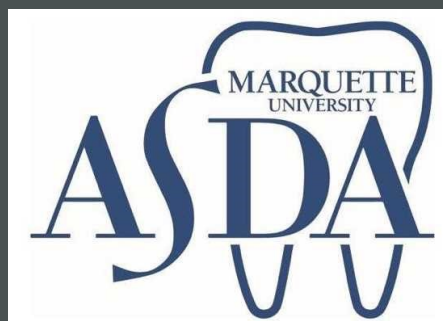


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Marquette wins “ideal ASDA” award
Ryan Twaddle, Tyler Robers and Stephanie Zbin new
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MU ASDA is the 2018 “Ideal ASDA”



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Alyse Gooderham, MUSOD, 2019

During Annual Session each year, there is a ceremony to give out the Gold Crown awards. You can consider it the Academy Awards of ASDA. This year MU ASDA took home the biggest prize, the Ideal ASDA award. This means that Marquette ASDA was recognized as best overall chapter in the nation in the following categories: Membership and Communications, Advocacy Initiatives, Activities, Fundraising and Preidental.

That is right MUSOD: your ASDA chapter was voted most ideal in the nation!

The winning chapter is selected by ASDA's Ideal Award Committee. This committee consists of members of the Council on Membership and other national leaders. They utilize ASDA's standards of excellence award criteria to select the winner. Chapters submitted a written application and video summarizing their year and achievements to be reviewed.

For the second year in a row, MU ASDA also walked away with the award for Best Use of Chapter Video. We were praised for our annual music video, “Policy for Dummies” series and other MU ASDA videos.

Congratulations to all members of MU ASDA. Special thanks to those who helped construct the application and to all those involved in MU ASDA!



Ryan Twaddle is elected **Speaker of the House**

Although Ryan Twaddle originally hails from Illinois, he has spent the past five years in Milwaukee, WI. Applying and accepting a spot as a pre-dental scholar, he knew in high school that he would one day attend Marquette Dental School. Even in undergrad, Ryan nurtured a true passion for legislature and making positive changes in every organization he joined. Ryan is excited to take on this role and to work directly with the executive committee and the rest of the Board of Trustees. After dental school, he will be a dentist for the US Navy. He hopes that he can find some way to continue to utilize his legislative passion through the Navy. Ryan is extremely friendly and approachable. Even though he now holds a high level position in ASDA, you can always contact him with any questions or concerns. His warm personality is sure to make you feel heard and appreciated. Ryan is an excellent example of a student who does his best to help our profession grow and evolve. I am excited to see what adventures this position brings him and how he brings his talent and passion to national ASDA.

-Alyse Gooderham, MUSOD 2019

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What is speaker of the house and what do they do?

The Speaker of the House is a nationally elected ASDA leader who sits on the Board of Trustees as a non-voting member. Their main role is to preside over the House of Delegates every year at Annual Session. The SOH sets the agenda, explains parliamentary procedure and organizes the reference committees that review resolutions and the governing documents.

Tell me a little about yourself.

I attended Marquette undergrad from 2012-2015 where I got involved in the student government. This experience combined with my time with residence life got me passionate about working with my peers to address hot topics. I also like studying languages, sailing, cooking, and trying to grow house plants.

Why did you run for this position?

After serving as the President Pro Tempore and Program Vice President on the Marquette University Student Government, I realized my passion to be involved in policy making and organizations for my profession.

What tooth do you most identify with and why?

The First molar. It establishes how the rest of the teeth are arranged. I see myself as a cornerstone of a group, holding it together and setting a trajectory.

How do you plan to help bring what you're doing on a National Level to Marquette?

Being on the Board of Trustees will keep me updated on topics that we can host LNLs on and make videos for. Also, I have met so many incredible people that I hope we can collaborate with.

Do you think it is important to get involved in ASDA early?

One of my goals throughout my time with ASDA is to encourage everyone to get involved in ASDA. From D1 to D4 and graduates there is a spot for them in organized dentistry. If you are interested in a national role, earlier is better, but everyone has different passions and I would be happy to help anyone find theirs. ●



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Mari Liestman
MUSoD, Class of 2020

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Stephanie Zbin is the new Chair of National ASDA’s Council on Communication

Steph Zbin, a D3 student, is one of the current Chairs of Marquette ASDA’s Social Media/Communications committee. She was recently elected to the position of “Council on Communications Chair” at the national ASDA level for the 2018-2019 school year.

If you have seen Marquette’s dance videos, you are already familiar with some of her work and can likely understand why she was selected for a leadership role at the national level. In this position, she will use her talents to work with the Board of Trustees

(including newly elected Speaker of the House, Ryan Twaddle, and District 7 Trustee, Tyler Robers) and an ASDA staffer to identify and prioritize the association’s communications needs. She will then delegate tasks to her team, two associates and two video production managers, and assist with the planning and production of various materials. Her job will be especially important for the purpose of bridging the gap between national and individual members, part of ASDA’s new strategic plan. Steph hopes to help national ASDA to make sure that students across the country receive information in a quick, easy-to-understand way via multiple media and communication platforms.

Steph decided to pursue this lead-



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big shoes to fill.

When asked how her involvement in ASDA has influenced her dental school experience, Steph said, “90% positively.” She has been able to get to know members of each class and has gained confidence she did not have when she began her dental school journey as a D1. The slightly less positive 10% is attributed to the lack of sleep and stress when project deadlines coincide with other aspects of dental school, but the final product has made it all worth it. Though lofty goals and numerous projects required many hours of time outside of the already-exhausting school day, Steph mentioned that she prefers being a little bit too busy to not having enough to do.

ership role in order to expand on her current duties at Marquette, but being selected for such a position was no easy task. Steph has accounted some of her success to Marquette ASDA’s strong national presence as well as lots of networking, especially with the previous members of the board. She had to submit an application detailing some of the specific ways she would work with the council to communicate with the thousands of ASDA members across the country. The previous Council on Communications was very close-knit. Steph is looking forward to working closely with the new council, though she mentioned that she has very

To pull off the production of the last dance video, Steph recalled that it was approximately a one month time commitment. The was even a two week period where she worked on the video from 6:00-8:00 am and 4:30-8:30 pm every day while also managing to stay afloat in school. As exhausting and stressful as working on the videos and other social media projects may be, Steph enjoys the time spent with friends and enthusiastic classmates. This year, she plans to create a task force to delegate more of the work, fulfill her duties at the national level, and still keep an eye on Marquette's social media presence.

After returning from Annual Session in Anaheim, Steph recalled that she was struck by the fact that Gold Crown Award applications from schools across the country were consistently of high quality. She was excited to see that each school is improving to be a cohesive unit and become stronger. Marquette ASDA showcased their hard work over the past year by taking home the "Ideal ASDA Chapter" award this year.

For those who want to get involved with ASDA but don't know how, Steph recommends that you simply approach one of Marquette's many ASDA leaders. Talk to them about what you are passionate about and share any ideas you have, and they will find a place for you! There are many committees in need of chairs, associates, and members. It's never too late to get more involved in ASDA, even if you are a D3 or D4. Though Steph came down with the formidable "ASDA fever" as a pre-dental student, you might find yourself dealing with a similar ailment after talking to those with the most contagious strain of the fever at Marquette (especially the Executive Board and committee chairs). Steph mentioned that more people should apply for District 6/7 meeting and that there are a variety of local chapter events to attend throughout the year as well. As she put it, "Marquette ASDA is a dynasty!" Our chapter is only strong because of the individuals who are involved, so don't be afraid to step up and find a way to get more involved!



Fun facts from Steph:

- When asked what most people do not know about her, Steph talked about how she became a certified wedding planner last summer when she was the maid of honor in a friend's wedding. She took an online course and even has a certificate to prove it!
- If she could choose one song to play every time she walked into a room for the rest of her life, Steph would choose "Galway Girl" by Ed Sheeran.

Dental School Advice:

- Pay more attention to dental materials lectures! You won't always have an instructor at your disposal to tell you when to use certain products, and much of the information we receive will become invaluable when we are practicing dentists.

Congratulate Steph on her appointment to Chair of ASDA's Council on Communications when you see her! Keep an eye out for the exceptional videos and communications from national ASDA that she will be helping create this upcoming year! Steph mentioned having big shoes to fill this year, but her drive and passion for the work might just stretch those shoes out a little bit.

MEET THE District 7 Trustee

Mari Liestman, MUSoD, Class of 2020



Session in Anaheim, he was elected to the position of District 7 Trustee for the 2018-19 school year. He will serve on the Board of Trustees with other leaders from across the country to represent chapters and students in his district.

Tyler is devoted to leadership development and has used his role as Marquette ASDA's president this past year to increase leadership potential for his peers. From organizing a chapter leadership retreat last summer in Madison to helping implement leadership development sessions during general body meetings, Tyler has helped Marquette ASDA to become a stronger team. He will use this experience to guide the other chapters in District 7 (schools in Wisconsin, Illinois, Kentucky, and Indiana) this year while being a link between national ASDA and the individual chapters. He will also serve on the Board of Trustees to implement National ASDA's new strategic plan, work closely with a council to which he will be assigned, and collaborate with the District 6 Trustee to plan a joint district meeting.

To earn the Trustee position, Tyler went through a

process requiring a written application and questioning at the District 7 caucus at Annual Session current before each of the schools in the district submitted D3 and their vote. While the majority of the questioning was the soon-related to serious issues being faced by chapters in to-be im-the district, Tyler did have an opportunity to enter-mediate acting like a turtle stuck on his back and answering past pres-ident of to the tune of his favorite Chris Brown song. Along Marquette with his willingness to get a little goofy in front of ASDA. At those voting for him, Tyler's experience as Mar-quette ASDA's president and Chief of Staff for last A n n u a l year's District 7 Trustee Sean Aiken helped him earn the votes needed to win the position.

When asked why he decided to run for Trustee, Tyler talked about how he is not ready to be a "HASDA-been" and feels that he can give back to the organization that helped fuel his passion for dentistry. With this role, he hopes to continue to improve his own leadership skills, those of his peers, help his chapter remain strong, and improve the field of dentistry. He would love to see more district representation at the national level, so he will be working closely with individual chapters to find a way to get students involved early and on track to run for national positions.

In response to a question about how he will manage to stay involved at Marquette this year while fulfilling his role as the District Trustee, Tyler responded, "They haven't kicked me out yet." He will remain Marquette's ASDA president for approximately another month, and he will serve as the immediate past president when Jessica Messerschmidt takes over as president.

He is confident that Jessica and next year's leadership team will do a great job continuing the Marquette ASDA legacy, and he is excited to see how the chapter will continue to grow and improve. Tyler is looking forward to being an important voice in discussions with the board of trustees, especially regarding topics such as ASDA policy, licensure, and student debt. He is also excited to continue to network with other students and dentists across the country.

Tyler came down with "ASDA Fever" (not currently found in medical texts, but symptoms experienced by Tyler and others include excitement, jitteriness, and increased motivation) before the beginning of his D1 year when he had a chance to attend the District 6/7 meeting in Louisville. At that meeting, he decided that he wanted to become the District 7 Trustee. Besides inspiring his interest in this position, Tyler's involvement in ASDA over the last three years has improved his self-confidence, leadership skills, public speaking ability, and he has made lifelong friends along the way. Tyler is proud to be a part of Marquette ASDA and said that he has been given a vision of what the ideal dental student experience could be.

If you are unsure about becoming more involved with ASDA, Tyler's advice is to "just do it." He recommends finding a passion and running for a position that aligns with it. Even if you do not hold a national, district, or chapter level leadership position, there are so many ways to get involved at

Marquette. Committees are always looking for driven individuals to bring forth new ideas and a dedication to continued improvement.

Tyler also recommends setting lofty goals. Doing so will help keep you from settling for just "clinically acceptable" in school, your future profession, and life outside dentistry. Recognition as the country's "Ideal ASDA Chapter" was a pretty lofty goal, but Tyler had this in mind as he served as Marquette ASDA's president this past year. Tyler worked with the rest of the Executive Board to focus on setting goals and following through with concrete plans of action, and the hard work and dedication paid off as Marquette was awarded Ideal ASDA at Annual Session. When I asked Tyler how he did it, he said, "WE did it!" He mentioned that Marquette ASDA is not just a team - it's a family. Without all of the students willing to step forward and take on leadership roles requiring time and effort outside of their other school obligations, such a success would never have been possible.

Tyler's biggest take-away from Annual Session was that the people involved are what makes the association so great. He met a lot of inspiring people and is excited to see how we can continue to positively impact the dental profession. With colleagues like Tyler devoting their time and talents to organizations that can make a difference, I know that the field of dentistry is going to be in good hands for many years to come.

Fun Facts About Tyler:

- When asked what most people do not know about him, Tyler said that he peaked in 7th grade when he got his first girlfriend. Though that momentous occasion will be hard to beat, he feels that this year will be the best one yet.
- If he could choose one song to play every time he walks into a room for the rest of his life, Tyler would pick "I Wanna Dance With Somebody" by Whitney Houston. He says that this is a Marquette

ASDA favorite that reminds him of all the friends he's made along the way.

- Dental school advice: When you have assisting rotations in the clinic, don't just pick the easiest cases so you can leave early. Use that time to learn and prepare for when you will be seeing patients in the clinic.

Join me in thanking Tyler for all of his hard work at Marquette this last year and congratulate him on his new position as District 7 Trustee!

5 things to know FROM ANNUAL



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What is Annual Session?

ASDA's Annual Session brings together hundreds of students from all U.S. dental schools. It is the official annual meeting of ASDA's House of Delegates, when ASDA elects national ASDA leaders, and where Gold Crown Awards are decided. Attendees also hear from prominent speakers, attend spotlight sessions, and go to networking events throughout the weekend.

And the Winner is...

A large part of annual session was electing new leaders. President and Speaker of the House candidates first addressed the House of Delegates. Individual candidates then rotated through each group of districts, or caucuses. Each caucus had prepared interview questions. Some caucuses had candidates do ridiculous actions or tasks while answering. After interacting with each candidate, caucuses voted on who they wanted for the executive committee and for speaker. The 3 candidates with the most votes were elected to the executive committee. ASDA's president was chosen from these three by a second vote. Similarly, candidates for district trustee went through the caucus procedure and were voted on by delegates from their respective districts (Congrats Tyler Robers!).

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Bringing Down the House

The House of Delegates is the supreme legislative body of ASDA and is responsible for electing officers and determining policies, initiatives and directives. Resolutions were proposed and delegates had time to speak in favor or against the resolutions. After debate, two members from each school act as chapters delegates and voted on their chapters behalf. These two delegates voted on these resolutions as well as voted for executive committee and speaker of the house candidates. Next year's house of delegates will be led by our very own Ryan Twaddle!

VIP's

Over 650 dental students attended this year's Annual session. Throughout the week there was ample time to meet student leaders from other schools, whether it be from your own district or across the country. Attendees were able to network and socialize at the welcome reception, sponsored socials, as well as in collaborative breakout sessions. These breakout sessions include time to collaborate and brainstorm ideas to bring back to our own chapter. The sessions were on many topics including wellness, advocacy, membership, fundraising, and leadership and organization. Spotlight sessions included topics such as alternative careers in dentistry and how to find the right practice for you. Additionally, there was time to network at the Dental Expo with potential employers, mentors, and vendors to utilize as your careers progress.

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Location, Location, Location

This year's annual session was located at the Disneyland hotel and resort in Anaheim, California. Attendees had the chance to spend the day at the amusement park, and stroll through the shops, restaurants and bars at downtown Disney. If the crowds aren't your scene, you could do a little sunbathing at the hotel's pool and hot tub patio. The Disneyland hotel also hosted ASDA's yearly Gold Crown awards and President's Gala for nighttime activities throughout the week in addition to a Roaring 20's sponsored social and a night at the Anaheim House of Blues.

legislation UPDATES



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Resolutions? Made at the beginning of the year?” you might be asking yourself after reading the title. “Like, flossing twice a day, not eating between meals, and hitting the gym eight times a week?” No! We’re not talking about New Year resolutions, people. We’re talking about ASDA Resolutions. These Resolutions are formal requests or actions presented to the House of Delegates at ASDA Annual Session every year. There are 132 delegates, two from

each ASDA chapter, and they are responsible for discussing the proposed resolutions in order to determine policies, initiatives and directives. The best part is, any ASDA member can write a resolution! If you have a problem that you think needs to be addressed or a policy that you think needs to be amended, go to <https://www.asdanet.org/utility-navigation/about-asda/leaders-and-governance/House-of-Delegates/How-to-Write-a-Resolution> to start writing your very own resolution to be voted on next year!

The Resolutions that were adopted by the 2018 House of Delegates at annual session this year fall into three categories: Education and licensure, Membership and Professional Issues, and Governance. You can view each adopted resolution in its entirety here: <https://www.asdanet.org/utility-navigation/about-asda/leaders-and-governance/House-of-Delegates/Adopted-Resolutions/2018-adopted-resolutions>

Education & Licensure

There were three ‘adopted’ (i.e. approved) resolutions regarding education and licensure, but the hot button resolution this year revolved around evidence-based prescribing. With the approval of Resolution 205-2018, ASDA took a stance encouraging dental schools to provide increased education on evidence-based prescribing. The resolution outlined that dental schools should provide resources for dental students to appropriately address opioids with their patients, and that the American Dental Education Association should create resources that establish evidence-based prescribing practices for dental school clinics. The other two approved resolutions revised language of already existing policies. For example, Resolution 206RC-2018 emphasized the importance of interprofessional collaboration by adding “The American Student Dental Association supports opportunities for interprofessional education and collaboration with other healthcare professions to improve the understanding of oral and systemic health” to the B-3 Interdisciplinary Dental Education policy.

Membership & Professional Issues

Issues this year focused less on membership and more professional problems, specifically sustainable solutions to reduce barriers to care in underserved communities. Adopted Resolution 306-2018 called for methods “efficacious and sustainable in reducing barriers to care in underserved communities. These measures include, but are not limited to, early intervention, Medicaid expansion and co-location of health services.” Two additional policies –C-2 and H-1— were amended to create a more comprehensive position on the dental student’s role in addressing barriers to care. Additionally, wording re-

garding ASDA’s position on teledentistry was modified to support radiographs and screenings performed by licensed dental hygienists and assistants.

Governance

If you’re ever curious about how ASDA operates or you’re thinking about running for a national position, check out specifics at ASDA’s “Dental School Administrative Policies and Student Government” page because each policy is scrutinized yearly by the national Governance Committee (<https://www.asdanet.org/utility-navigation/about-asda/leaders-and-governance/current-statements-of-position-or-policy/dental-school-administrative-policies-and-student-government>). All governance resolutions at annual session this year were amendments to clear up existing policies. Thrilling topics such as who can nominate the speaker of the House and how much experience they need, streamlining the process by which new pre-doctoral chapters are confirmed, and logistics of reference committee reports were all discussed by the House of Delegates.

You Shall Not Pass:

Resolutions that were not adopted

It’s not all flowers and fellowship on the House floor. There were two resolutions this year that were evaluated by the House and not adopted. Resolution 302-2018 proposed amending ASDA’s current policy ‘C-2 Functions of Dental Providers’. It endorsed licensed dental hygienists, dental therapists, and expanded function dental hygienists—under the supervision of a dentist—to performed exams, prescribing work authorizations, performing irreversible dental procedures, and prescribing medications. The second resolution that did not pass was resolution 406, ‘Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy ‘E-3 School Closings’’. The object of amending this policy was to clarify that fourth year dental students should be able to graduate in case of a dental school closure. In the end, the delegation could not decide on specific wording of the resolution, so it was sent back to the Governance committee to hash out the lingo.

Develop a standardized leadership training and transition program for chapter and district leaders.



STEP 01

Evaluate current business model and develop strategies to achieve financial organizational sustainability.



ASDA's

National Strategic Plan:

Every three years the national leaders along with the Board of Trustees develop a strategic plan that encompasses the goals of ASDA on a national level in order to advance and aid individual chapters and districts. At this year's Annual Sessions, the 2018-2020 ASDA Strategic Plan was announced as the following:

STEP 02

STEP 04



Develop a plan and promote the value of ASDA to dental school administrations to increase support of student involvement.

STEP 03



Evaluate current member benefits and recommend changes to increase member value.

This new strategic plan will now be implemented over the next three years, specifically within the Board of Trustees.

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ASDA National Leaders **Both Past and Present**



These are the ASDA National Leaders hailing from Marquette Dental School. The green scrubs are those who served this past year and the maroon scrubs are those who will serve in the coming year. From left to right are Ryan Twaddle, Emma Roy, Stephanie Zbin, Sarah Fodor, and Tyler Robers. These leaders are a great resource for all things ASDA and it is great to have so many national leaders at MUSOD.

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