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We were happy to see members of the Dental Champions program were honored with Fellowship in the [American College of Dentists](#) last week.

Congratulations Lisa Thurlow, Dental Champions Class 7. Cathy Taylor-Osborne also Dental Champions Class 7 was inducted last year and sponsored Lisa as a new fellow and nominated her for this year.

Registration deadline is two days away

Our conference is next week, November 2 and 3 at the [KState Olathe Campus](#). We are getting excited and hope you are too! If you haven't registered, **Friday, October 27 is the LAST day to register.**

MEETING the CHALLENGE of CHANGE

We are grateful for our speakers and the variety of sessions we have to offer this year. **You can earn up to 14 CE's!**

Here are the sessions again for you to review:

Conference Schedule-at-a-Glance Thursday, November 2: Pre-Conference

8:30-12:30 Dental Champions



Congratulations to Kevin Robertson, Class 1 for also becoming an honorary fellow for the American College of Dentists. Well deserved!



What do YOU use to floss?

Do you always use floss or do you use another item? We all have had broccoli in our teeth and panic when we don't have floss.

A [survey](#) of 1,005 adults, released in October, found that most Americans say they have used the following items to remove food between teeth: fingernails (61 percent), folder paper or cards (40 percent), cutlery (21 percent), safety pins (14 percent) and strands of hair (7 percent).

Sixty-three percent said they knew not to use those items.

Leadership Program Alumni Session:
Fluoridation Strategies: A National
Perspective (4.0 CEs) (free registration)

8:30-12:30 Networking Opportunity:
Community Oral Health Coalitions (**by
invitation only**) Thursday, November 2:
Annual Conference (3.5 CEs)

12:00-1:00 Exhibits and Registration
Open

1:00-1:30 Opportunities in Oral Health
Public Policy

1:30-2:15 Meeting the Oral Health
Challenges in Kansas Communities

2:15-3:15 Assessing the Oral Health
Status of Low-Income Seniors

3:15-3:45 Break with the Exhibitors

3:45-5:00 The Challenge of Preventing
Opioid Abuse

5:00-7:00 2017 Excellence in Oral Health
Awards Reception (open to all no charge)

Friday, November 3: Annual Conference (3.5 CEs)

7:30-8:15 Continental Breakfast with the
Exhibitors

8:15-9:30 Adapting Health
Communications in a Changing Online
Environment (Keynote Speaker)

9:30-10:00 Break with the Exhibitors

10:00-11:00 Meeting People with
Disabilities Where They Are

11:00-12:15 Even Your Zip Code Affects
Your Health: Health Equity at Work in
Wyandotte County

Using those items are unsanitary. Remember to keep dental picks, interdental brushes, floss and water flossing tools in your bag, desk or even your car.



Sugary Drink Display

We will have a sugary drink display at our Oral Health Kansas conference next week for you to see.

Our sugary drink display has 10 popular beverages and shows how much sugar is in each. We also include some of our [Tips and Tricks](#) fact sheets and brush your teeth mirror clings! The display is free to use for up to a month, and we reimburse postage!

Send your reservation request ahead of time to ensure you will have one on hold! [Email us!](#)



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12:15-12:30 Wrap-up and Adjourn Friday

Post-Conference (3.0 CEs) (fee is separate)

1:30-4:30 New Advances in Caries Management: Risk Assessment, Silver Diamine Fluoride, and Glass Ionomer Cement

[Register here!](#)

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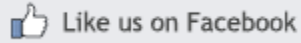
Last week, we had the honor of hosting Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins as she wanted to learn more about Oral Health Kansas and the [Brush Book Bed \(BBB\) program](#). BBB is an American Academy of Pediatrics program and aims to improve oral health services at home while linking oral health information with messages about early literacy, sleep, and establishing a regular nighttime routine.

OHK and the Shawnee County Oral Health Coalition established the program in 2016. One of the locations that is participating in the program is Parents as Teachers-Pine Ridge. Parents and children are provided with one oral health book to read and are given techniques to help with brushing.

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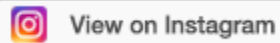

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