



CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION of
ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGEONS

CALAOMS 26TH ANNUAL MEETING & OPTIONAL ADD-ON OBEAM COURSE

THE WESTIN LONG BEACH MAY 2 & 3, 2026

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

**“TOP TEN REASONS FOR POOR ANESTHESIA OUTCOMES
IN DENTAL OFFICE ANESTHESIA”**

SPEAKER: JOEL WEAVER, DDS, PhD

**“PREPARING YOUR TEAM TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO
ADVERSE ANESTHESIA EVENTS IN THE OFFICE”**

SPEAKER: LOUIS RAFETTO, DMD, MEd

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

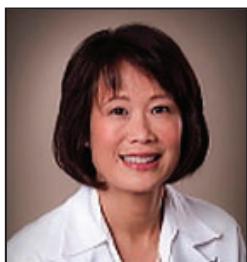
“RESIDENT PRESENTATIONS - ON ANESTHESIA”

Residents from Southern California OMS Training Programs

***Meeting Dedicatee ~ Ms. Pamela Congdon
Retired CALAOMS Executive Director
Honorary Fellow, AAOMS***

***THIS TWO DAY COURSE MEETS THE DBC’S REQUIREMENTS FOR
9 UNITS OF ANESTHESIA CONTINUING EDUCATION.***

President's Welcome



Welcome to the CALAOMS 26th Annual Meeting. We hope you enjoy a weekend filled with outstanding education, meaningful discussion, and the camaraderie that defines our specialty.

Oral and maxillofacial surgeons take great pride in our extensive training in anesthesia and our strong record of safety. At the same time, we recognize that adverse events can occur despite our best efforts. We cannot—and should not—rest on our laurels. Instead, we must continually refine our systems, processes, and training to reduce risk and improve outcomes. When complications arise, their impact can be profound—not only for our patients, but for our practices and for our specialty as a whole. CALAOMS remains firmly committed to supporting you and your teams in maintaining the highest standards in anesthesia education and safety.

This year's presenters are leaders at the forefront of anesthesia education and training. Joel Weaver, DDS, PhD, is a dental anesthesiologist and researcher who has practiced at the Ohio State University in both clinical dental and operating room settings. His presentation directly addresses areas of vulnerability in anesthesia delivery, particularly in the office-based setting. Louis Rafetto, DMD, MD, well known to oral and maxillofacial surgeons nationwide, is a past president of AAOMS and an ABOMS examiner. His focus is on anesthesia team training and the critical role of teamwork in delivering safe, effective care. As we all know, we cannot do this alone—success depends on a highly trained and cohesive staff.

This meeting also gives us the opportunity to recognize and celebrate members who have generously dedicated their time and energy to strengthening CALAOMS. Our Distinguished Service Award recipient is Dr. Ned Nix, Committee Member of the Year is Dr. Margaret Delmore, and this year's meeting is dedicated to an extraordinary member of the CALAOMS family - our Executive Director, Pam Congdon.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the future of our organization. We welcome our new lobbyist, Michelle Rivas, who is launching a Key Person Program—an initiative CALAOMS has long sought to implement. Michelle is organized, responsive, and highly communicative, and she is already working closely with our Legislative Committee.

We are also pleased to introduce our new Executive Director, Robyn Alongi. Robyn brings extensive experience from both the state level and the CDA. She has a genuine passion for dentistry, a strong appreciation for oral and maxillofacial surgery, and great enthusiasm for joining our organization.

Finally, we encourage all members to deepen their engagement with CALAOMS—whether by serving on a committee, volunteering, or simply reaching out with ideas and concerns. Your involvement is what makes this organization strong.

We look forward to a productive, educational, and inspiring meeting.

Vivian Jui, DMD, CALAOMS President

26th Annual Meeting Dedicatee ~ Ms. Pamela Congdon

Typically, CALAOMS dedicates annual meetings to a surgeon who has dedicated their professional life to our specialty in areas such as education, leadership, or other substantial endeavors. In the spirit of this tradition, this year the CALAOMS Annual meeting is dedicated to Ms. Pam Congdon, CAE, IOM. Pam is not a surgeon, but she has contributed the last 32 years of her life to CALAOMS and our specialty as our Executive Director. In recognition of these contributions, she was inducted as an AAOMS Honorary Fellow in 2020. This is an honor reserved for those few individuals who have shown significant contributions to our specialty and profession.

During Pam's busy tenure as Executive Director, she saw a void in the California healthcare system addressing those who do not have the means to obtain dental and optometric care. Through her empathy, foresight, perseverance, and an innate ability to achieve her goals, she established California Careforce (CCF) in 2014. Since its inception, this philanthropic arm of CALAOMS has served over 27,600 patients and organized over 12,000 volunteers, providing over \$11 million dollars in free dental and optometric care to this patient population. To continue its mission, Pam now serves on the California Careforce Board of Directors.

Pam has been married to her husband Paul, for over 30 years. They have two wonderful children, (Samantha and Cameron) that they raised during these very busy 32 years. Paul calls her "Superwoman" because of her ability to accomplish all these things and still be an attentive and loving mother and wife.

After 32 years of dedication and commitment to CALAOMS, Pam has decided to retire and pursue other well-deserved activities. Being present at our inception, Pam is the cornerstone of CALAOMS and our institutional memory. Without Pam and our talented and dedicated staff, CALAOMS would not have thrived and become the force it is at a national level.

We all would like to thank Pam for everything she has done for us and our profession and wish her all the best in the future. *I'm sure this is not the end of Pam's accomplishments in life ...*





Distinguished Service Awardee ~ Dr. Ned Nix

Dr. Ned Nix served as President of CALAOMS in 2009 and has been an active member since joining the organization in 2000. After many years in private practice in San Jose, he accepted a faculty position at the University of the Pacific (UOP).

Following the passage of Assembly Bills 880 and 936—which permit dental students who have begun clinical training to provide care at free health care events without a license—Dr. Nix became a leading advocate for expanding student participation in California CareForce (CCF). Under his guidance, dental students have taken on an increasingly significant role at CCF clinics, greatly enhancing the volume of dental care delivered to under served and uninsured individuals.

Dr. Nix was also among the earliest CALAOMS members to train his staff for the Dental Sedation Assistant permit. He subsequently helped other members prepare their own staff, contributing to improved patient safety across California. In recognition of his exceptional commitment to the profession, dental education, and public service, we proudly congratulate Dr. Ned Nix on receiving the CALAOMS Distinguished Service Award.



Committee Member of the Year ~ Dr. Margaret Delmore

Dr. Margaret Delmore joined CALAOMS in 1992 and has been a continuous member ever since. She has served the profession in many capacities, including private practice, dental consultant for the California Department of Health Care Services, and Trustee for California Northstate University.

Dr. Delmore has generously contributed her time and expertise to numerous CALAOMS committees, including Ethics, ACLS, and Continuing Education. Even after retiring from private practice, she continues to advance the oral surgery and dental community through countless hours of teaching ACLS, PALS, and BLS, as well as volunteering on committees for the Sacramento District Dental Society (SDDS).

It is our great pleasure to award Dr. Margaret Delmore the 2026 CALAOMS Committee Person of the Year Award.



“TOP TEN REASONS FOR POOR ANESTHESIA OUTCOMES IN DENTAL OFFICE ANESTHESIA”

Speaker: Joel Weaver, DDS, PhD

Saturday, May 2, 2026 ~ 8:00 am

Synopsis:

This presentation will discuss Dr. Weaver's list of his top ten reasons for office anesthesia poor outcomes for patients, and anesthesia-related medical-legal short-comings by dentists. Actual clinical cases will be discussed to demonstrate what mistakes were made and how the margin of anesthesia safety could have been increased. The algorithm for the poor management of the inability to ventilate a patient will be emphasized in addition to other emergency scenarios that should be included in office emergency practice sessions.

Learning Objectives:

- Name the #1 cause of serious morbidity and mortality in office anesthesia.
- List the four basic items of the physical examination that must be documented for a pre-anesthesia evaluation in addition to the pre-operative vital signs.
- List the step-by-step procedures when a patient cannot be ventilated.

Joel Weaver, DDS, PhD ~ Bio:

Dr. Joel M. Weaver graduated from Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy (B.S. Ph.) and The Ohio State University College of Dentistry (D.D.S.), followed by a 4-year anesthesiology residency and Ph.D. in Pharmacology at The Ohio State University (OSU). He immediately embarked on a full-time academic career at OSU that spanned 39 years of teaching, researching, supervising, and providing anesthesia care in the College of Dentistry and in the operating rooms at OSU Wexner Medical Center.

He is a Diplomate of the American Dental Board of Anesthesiology (ADBA) who retired from O.S.U. as a Professor Emeritus. He was the founding director of OSU's 3-year Master's Degree CODA-accredited anesthesia residency for dentist anesthesiologist specialists. He received the Ohio Dental Association's Achievement Award for outstanding service and the Distinguished Service Award from both OSU and the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists (ASDA). He earned teaching awards in both the College of Medicine's Dept. of Anesthesiology and the College of Dentistry, and has published more than 175 peer reviewed articles, abstracts, book chapters, monographs and editorials.

He is past-president of the ASDA, ADSA and ADBA. He is a past editor of Anesthesia Progress and is a National Media Spokesperson of the ADA for anesthesiology. He received the highest awards from the ASDA (Monheim Award), the ADSA, (Heidbrink Award,) and the IFDAS (Horace Wells Award).

His clinical expertise in general anesthesia encompasses a wide range of patients including ambulatory anesthesia for dentoalveolar surgery for small children, adults and patients with special needs as well as for inpatient surgery for maxillofacial trauma, major oral-pharyngeal infections, and orthognathic surgery.



“PREPARING YOUR TEAM TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO ADVERSE ANESTHESIA EVENTS IN THE OFFICE”

Speaker: Louis Rafetto, DMD, MEd

Saturday, May 2, 2026 ~ 10:30 am

Synopsis:

While OMS has a well-documented record of safety when it comes to the administration of office-based anesthesia, we can be lulled into thinking that safety is a “given.” We do well to consider; 1) Research documents experience does NOT guarantee favorable outcomes, 2) Stress is ALWAYS associated with crisis events, and 3) The stress and uncertainty of crisis events have a negative impact on our ability to perform effectively. Therefore, we must do everything we can to prepare ourselves and our teams so that when an adverse events does occur, we have the best chance to respond effectively. One of the most important things we can do in this effort is to conduct regular and effective mock drills with our teams.

In this presentation, we will discuss: 1) Why mock drills are necessary, 2) How to best conduct effective drills, 3) Managing the human element of stress and uncertainty that accompanies crisis events, and 4) Review strategies to avoid crisis events from occurring in the first place.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand the challenges inherent with responding to adverse events in the OMS office.
- Understand the principles of conducting effective mock crisis management drills in the effort to prepare our team to respond in a productive manner to adverse events.
- Understand strategies to avoid crisis events from occurring in the office setting.

Louis Rafetto, DMD, MEd ~ Bio:

Dr. Rafetto has been engaged in the private practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery in Wilmington, DE since 1980. He has also been actively involved in the education of both general dental and oral and maxillofacial surgery residents at Christiana Care Health System.

Dr. Rafetto is a Past President of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, Chairperson of the Education Committee of the Osteo-Science Foundation, Chair of the Delaware Institute of Dental Education and Research, recent Chair of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation, and a former member of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Board’s Examination Committee.

Dr. Rafetto is the proud parent of two; Ali, a PA working in the ED as a major teaching hospital, and Austin, a sports psychologist and teaching golf professional. Rounding out his family are two charming and rambunctious grandchildren, Arlen and Otto.

“RESIDENT PRESENTATIONS - ON ANESTHESIA”

Residents from Southern California Resident OMS Training Programs

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 ~ 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
(3 Anesthesia CE)**

The *Resident Presentations* have been a mainstay in California's OMS society continuing education offerings for over 25 years, both north and south. The residents from the state's OMS training programs represent the future of the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery. This is a wonderful opportunity to get a glimpse into the OMS resident training programs in California. Also, if you are planning to expand your practice and are considering looking for an associate, come meet the newest residents in our training programs of today.

“Resident Presentations”

Southern California Resident OMS Training Programs:

- ● Harbor UCLA Medical Center / Dental
- ● Loma Linda University School of Dentistry
- ● UCLA School of Dentistry
- ● Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC
- ● Naval Medical Center / San Diego / Dental Dept.

Free Wi-Fi Provided in the Meeting Room and Exhibit Hall



AAOMS National Simulation Program



OBEAM is part of the AAOMS National Simulation Program designed to nationally standardize OMFS airway management & safety.

With the help of AAOMS and Laerdal, who will be providing the latest generation of manikins, CALAOMS has secured **40** spots. Per AAOMS, pre-registration is required. On site registrations are not allowed.

To register for the OBEAM Course, you must be a Member of AAOMS, and register through CALAOMS in conjunction with our “26th Annual Meeting”.

Come master your skills on special mannequins that simulate a human being and evaluate your strengths and identify areas you need to improve.

The OBEAM Course will be held **on Saturday, May 2, 2026**, for those that have pre-registered. The course will run concurrently with our meeting. You will have to step away from our meeting for 2 hours to attend the OBEAM course. (The CALAOMS meeting will not be recorded.)

The deadline to register is Friday, April 17, 2026. Due to high demand, we anticipate the course to be filled much sooner than this date.

You will receive 6 Continuing Education/Continuing Medical Education units from AAOMS for their OBEAM Course.

Please Note: The OBEAM course is an additional \$925, and cannot be offered separately. If you are interested in taking the OBEAM course, you must register to attend the CALAOMS meeting.

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333 East Ocean Blvd.
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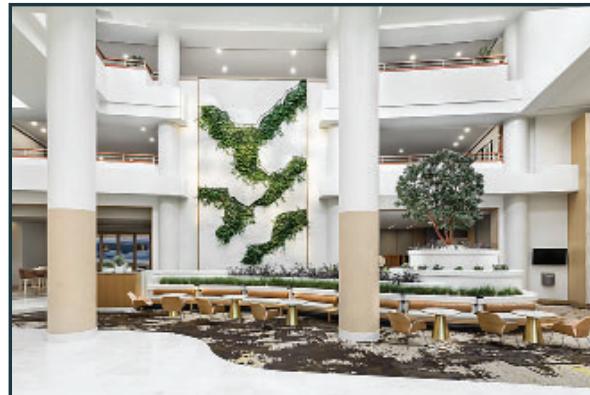
CHECK-IN: 3:00pm/**CHECK-OUT:** 12:00pm

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Long Beach Airport = 11 miles

Los Angeles Int. Airport = 22 miles

John Wayne Airport = 23 miles



CALAOMS has a room block for \$259 per room, per night (single/double occupancy) for a "Run of the House" room at The Westin Long Beach ~ 333 East Ocean Blvd. To receive the group room rate, please make your reservation by calling the reservation department at (562) 436-3000 or by using the on-line group reservations link on our website: www.calaoms.org ~ "Continuing Education" ~ "Meetings & Events" ~ "26th Annual Meeting" ~ "Hotel Information" tab. The hotel will guarantee the reduced rate until April 10, 2026, or until the room block is full. The room block name is "CALAOMS 2026 Annual Meeting".

26th Annual Meeting

May 2 & 3, 2026 ~ The Westin, Long Beach, CA

Registrant: (Please register each attendee separately)

First Name / Last Name

Address: _____

City / State / Zip

Phone: _____ Fax: _____
(Include Area Code)

Staff Attending (if applicable): _____

E-mail Address Required: _____

Registration Fee Includes:

Daily Continental Breakfasts, Saturday Luncheon, Refreshment Breaks, 9 Anesthesia CE for the 2-Day Meeting

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<input type="checkbox"/> CALAOMS Member	\$585
<input type="checkbox"/> CALAOMS Retired or Faculty Member.....	\$485
<input type="checkbox"/> Staff of Member or Non-Member	\$385
<input type="checkbox"/> Resident or Dental Student.....	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	\$785
<input type="checkbox"/> Add-On AAOMS OBEAM Course (Must be an AAOMS Member)	\$925

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(Email address on file at AAOMS: _____)

Membership Luncheon for Spouse/Guest (Advance Purchase Required)\$100

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~ *Walk-ins accepted for meeting only, on a space available basis* ~

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26TH ANNUAL MEETING
The Westin, Long Beach, CA
May 2 & 3, 2026

Schedule of Events

Saturday, May 2, 2026

7:00 am – 8:00 am *Sign-in & Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Area*
8:00 am – 10:00 am Welcome & Introductions
 Presentation ~ Joel Weaver, DDS, PhD
10:00 am – 10:30 am Break with Exhibitors
10:30 am – 11:30 pm ***Presentation ~ Louis Rafetto, DMD, MEd***
11:30 am – 12:00 pm ***Membership Awards ~***
 Meeting Dedicatee: Ms. Pamela Congdon
 Distinguished Service Awardee: Dr. Ned Nix
 Committee Member of the Year: Dr. Margaret Delmore
 OMS Foundation Presentation
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm ***Membership Luncheon***
1:00 pm – 1:30 pm Dessert Break with Exhibitors
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm ***Presentation Continues ~ Dr. Louis Rafetto***
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm Break with Exhibitors
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm ***Presentation Continues ~ Dr. Louis Rafetto***
5:00 pm ***Evening on own***

Sunday, May 3, 2026

7:30 am – 8:30 am *Sign-in & Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Area*
8:30 am – 10:00 am ***Resident Presentations***
10:00 am – 10:45 am Exhibitor Recognition Break with Refreshments
10:45 am – 12:15 pm Resident Presentations Continue
12:15 pm – 12:30 pm ***Closing Remarks ~ Visit with Exhibits***
1:00 pm Exhibits Closed

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