

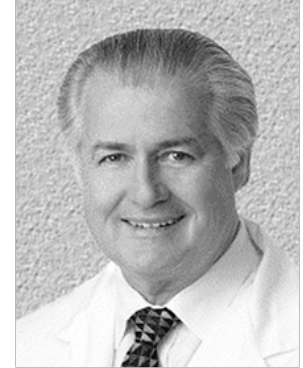


## Message from the President—Dr. Nathaniel Tippit

What an honor and a privilege it is for me to serve as WREB’s President. I, and the Board of Directors, are committed to the continued success of our organization: financial stability, growth, and constant improvement. Today WREB is truly a national examination accepted in 37 states.

The past and continued success of WREB can be directly attributed to its people: our staff and our examiners. The staff is highly trained and administrated by consistent and competent leadership. The examiners give liberally of their time and talents. I am blessed to have many, many of them as close friends. There is no finer group of people anywhere.

Let us all work together to assure WREB’s future in the examining community. What a great way to “give back” to the sovereign profession of dentistry!



Dr. Nathaniel Tippit

## 2015 WREB Board of Directors



WREB is proud to introduce the 2015 Board of Directors.

*From left to right:* Janet Ingrao, RDH, Co-Director of Dental Hygiene Exam Development & Administration; Connie Sliwinski, RDH, At-Large Member; Dr. Jeff Lunday, At-Large Member; Dr. Bruce Horn, Director of Dental Exam Administration; Dr. Dale Chamberlain, At-Large Member; Kelly Reich, RDH, Co-Director of Dental Hygiene Exam Development & Administration; Dr. James Ence, DERB Chair; Dr. Norm Magnuson, President-Elect; Dr. Jerri Ann Donahue, Director of Dental Exam Development; Dr. Nathaniel Tippit, President; Dr. Gregory Waite, Treasurer; Mary Davidson, RDH, HERB Chair; Dr. James Sparks, At-Large Member; Beth Cole, WREB CEO; Dr. Charles Broadbent, Director of Dental Exam Development; and outgoing President, Dr. Joe Zayas.

## Linda Paul Receives the David S. Low Service Award



The David S. Low Service Award, created in 2006, is awarded annually by the Board of Directors to those who give truly noteworthy and extraordinary service to WREB. It is intended to memorialize the 26 years of exceptional leadership that Dr. Low gave to WREB.

This award, WREB's highest commendation, recognizes the invaluable contributions that outstanding WREB team members render to the examining community. Recipients must demonstrate the highest level of commitment, dedication and innovation. In addition, they must possess a genuine compassion for candidates, patients, fellow examiners, and staff.

WREB is pleased to announce that Linda Paul has been selected as the recipient of this year's David S. Low Service Award. Linda received a plaque at February's Leadership Meeting to memorialize her award. In addition, her name will be added to the recipient plaque in the Board Room at the WREB office.

When presented with the award, Linda said she was especially touched to be this year's recipient because of her great admiration of Dr. Low and her many years working closely with him.

Congratulations Linda! And thank you for your thirty-plus years of service to WREB!

## WIN Thanks

After many months of hard work, WIN, the WREB Information Network, went live earlier this year. WIN is the technological backbone of the WREB office, providing the infrastructure for everything from signing up for exams to receiving results. After many years with our beloved ETS, the precursor to WIN, it was time for an upgrade. WREB

staff have worked tirelessly with our software developer to create a whole new custom application.

WREB would like to thank everyone who has been working on the WIN project. Your hard work is truly appreciated!

## Dental Hygiene Rolls out iPads for Examiners

Anesthesia, hygiene and restorative teams got a technology upgrade this year at WREB exams—WREB rolled out iPads for grading examiners.

According to Nic Cronin, WREB System Administrator, netbooks are increasingly difficult to repair due to the lack of available parts. Nic had resorted to scouring eBay for second-hand parts to repair the aging machines.



Mobile devices have advanced significantly since the netbooks were purchased for dental hygiene and dental exams nearly 6 years ago. Switching to iPads will not only improve examiner experience at exams, but will ease maintenance and troubleshooting issues for IT staff and site coordinators. And they are kind of fun to use!

## Meet Janet Ingrao—New Co-Director of Exam Development and Administration for Dental Hygiene



Janet Ingrao

Earlier this year, WREB welcomed Janet Ingrao as the new co-director of exam development and administration for dental hygiene. Janet recently retired from a 37-year career in clinical dental hygiene, including 20 years as an examiner for WREB where she served mostly as a team captain. Retiring was difficult for Janet, but she felt fortunate to have been associated with WREB and to have met so many wonderful friends and colleagues.

As it turned out, Janet's retirement was short-lived. According to Janet, "When Beth Cole called and offered me the position of Co-Director of Exam Development and Administration, I was shocked and very honored to be considered. I am now 'back in the WREB saddle' and enjoying it immensely."

Janet is looking forward to speaking to educators and students regarding the WREB exam, and becoming an integral part of the long-range planning that continues to place the WREB exam at the forefront of national exams. In her new position, Janet hopes her examiner and team captain experience will help her to develop a greater understanding of the exam process and organization.

Janet lives in Boise, Idaho with her husband of 47 years, Joe. They have two grown children and 6 grandchildren. This past year, they lost their 16-year-old cat, Squiggy, but his older brother, Lenny, is still going strong. Janet commented: "Our house is full of active Senior Citizens!"

Janet continues to work with individuals in recovery and oversees the faith based Celebrate Recovery program in 7 mountain states. She loves watching the program's participants regain tools for good decision-making and their sense of self-respect and purpose for their lives. Janet feels that hope is a powerful gift to give someone, and it can make all the difference. Change is possible!

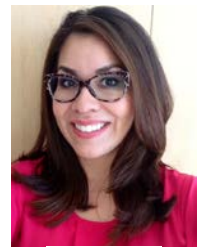
"Thanks for welcoming me back! I look forward to serving with and learning from all of you."

## New Faces at the WREB Office

In our last newsletter, we introduced Edna Ontiveros as a new site coordinator for dental hygiene exams. In December, however, she joined WREB staff as a new dental hygiene coordinator. Edna's duties include preparing dental hygiene exams, enrolling candidates, supporting the anesthesia committee and being a site coordinator. Previously, Edna was the Clinic Office Manager at Fortis College in Phoenix.

So far, Edna is enjoying her job at WREB. She even got to bring her dog Michito to work one day. Edna is a native Phoenician and most of her family lives nearby in Phoenix.

Welcome Edna!



Edna Ontiveros

## Dental Hygiene Retake Exams Underway

Dental Hygiene examinees are now given immediate feedback on their performance at the conclusion of their exam. In addition, they are offered the opportunity to do an immediate examination retake.

The development of technology, logistics and procedures that came together to allow WREB to be the first and only testing agency to offer this option highlights WREB's ongoing dedication to making the candidate experience as stress-free as possible.

Candidate feedback has been extremely positive. Over 75% of candidates offered the retake option have taken advantage of this new feature.

## A Snapshot of the Comprehensive Treatment Planning (CTP) Examination

So far this examination season, 110 Examiners have assigned almost 220,000 individual grades to almost 7,000 candidate responses to CTP patient cases. On average, examiners grade about 90 different candidate responses during a typical grading session.

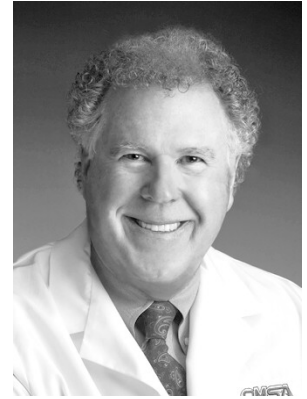
The candidate passing percentage is 94.6%, after over 2,300 examination attempts, and reflects

our prediction that performance would be slightly higher than previous candidate performance on the Prosthodontic and Periodontal written exams and slightly lower than previous performance on the Patient Assessment and Treatment Planning exam.

## Spotlight on: Dr. and Artist James Cole

Many at WREB know Dr. Cole from his long history with WREB. He has been involved with WREB in various capacities since 1988, including serving as president in 1993 and 1994. Dr. Cole was an oral maxillofacial surgeon for most of his forty-three years practicing dentistry, a profession he chose because it allowed him to work with his hands on a daily basis.

What some may not know is that Dr. Cole is an accomplished artist whose work was recently on exhibit at the Palette Contemporary Art and Craft, a well-respected art gallery in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Dr. Cole and his partner Joann Francomano presented "Rooms of Art," an exhibit combining Joann's love of fashion with Dr. Cole's love of carpentry.



*Rooms of Art* are small dioramas depicting individual rooms which might be found in a hip home or art museum. The largest diorama measures 12" long by 10" high by 4" wide. The idea to create these small rooms came about when Joann asked Dr. Cole to build a small closet to display miniature dresses she had created. (See picture at left.)

An accomplished artist herself, Joann has a degree in fashion design from New York's Fashion Institute of Technology. She needed a beautifully crafted closet to house miniature dresses she made, all of which were

inspired by iconic fashion designers of the 50s and 60s (Yves Saint Laurent, Paco Robanne, Rudi Gernreich). The collaboration resulted in the idea to create *Rooms of Art*.

The exhibit included eight pieces that reflect Joann and Dr. Cole's vision of mid-century/retro design and culture. To create each room they pick a mid-century artist, architect, or designer to miniaturize. Joann creates the art and Dr. Cole designs and builds the floors, walls and furniture. "It's the first time I've been invited to display something I've helped to create in a respected gallery," said Dr. Cole about the experience. He's won several "Best of Show" awards and blue ribbons for his wood carving in the New Mexico State Fair, "But this show validates a collaboration between an artist and a woodcarver," says Dr. Cole.



When asked how he got started as an artist, Dr. Cole responded, "Art, I think, is in my DNA. I suspect that's a subconscious reason I chose to become a dentist." In addition to being on his way to becoming a world-renowned artist, Dr. Cole has two accomplished daughters, seven grandkids and a West Highland Terrier named Maxine. When not creating *Rooms of Art*, Dr. Cole keeps busy with pastel painting, mountain biking, downhill skiing, and, of course, wood working.

## Linda Paul Honored at Leadership Meeting

After thirty years at WREB, Linda Paul retired at the end of 2014. At February's Leadership Meeting, Linda was "roasted" by her friends and colleagues. Roasters included Dr. Mark Christensen, Dr. Charlie Broadbent, Dr. Ed Carlson, Kelly Reich and Dr. Gerald Woodworth.

At the end of the roast, Beth Cole presented Linda with a gift certificate for a yoga/bird watching retreat and an custom made "WREB Retiree's Decision Maker Wheel" so Linda would never be without something to do!



## ExpenseWire Tips

It's that time again! If you are examining this year or attending a meeting for WREB, you'll be submitting your expenses through ExpenseWire (www.expensewire.com). Below are a few reminders to help you get those expenses to WREB as easily and quickly as possible.



- Send your receipts to your personal ExpenseWire receipts email address *before* you start your expense report. Send one receipt (or type of receipt-see next bullet) per email, and remember to describe the receipt you are sending in the subject line of your email! This will make attaching receipts to line items *much* easier.
  - Your expensewire receipts email address looks something like this:  
 firstname.lastname#####@receipts.expensewire.com
  - Be sure to add your personal receipts email address to your contacts to make emailing your receipts even easier!
- You are welcome to combine like-items in a single picture and add only one line in your expense report for the total amount of the like-items. For example, if you have three taxi receipts, take one picture of all three receipts and send it to your ExpenseWire receipts email address. When adding a line item for "Taxi/Shuttle", add up all three receipts and put the total in the Amount field. Attach your receipts as you normally do. This method can be used for other expenses like "Baggage" and "Gas" to make submitting easier.
- If you are asked to choose a size for the picture you are sending, please select **medium** or larger so Stacy can clearly see your receipt.
- If you forward an email to your personal ExpenseWire receipts email address, remember that the email *must* include an **attachment** that ExpenseWire can interpret (PDF, GIF, JPEG or PNG formats). ExpenseWire *cannot* read the text of an email to create a receipt.
- Please submit your expenses in a timely manner so WREB can close out exams as soon as possible.
- **New in 2015:** All exam site names now have a "code" in parentheses that tells you the EXACT name of the site (or committee) to choose when selecting the **Class** as you are "Adding a Line Item." For example, the **Class** for the Baylor hygiene exam in early May is "Site:BAYLOR #1".

Exam Site (School), Committee or Meeting	Description	Ignore This Field	City	State
Arizona School of Dentistry (ASDOH) 03/16 - 03/19/15	Dental			
Baylor College of Dentistry (BAYLOR #1) 05/01 - 05/04/15	Dental			
BAYLOR TEXAS A&M (BAYLOR #1) 5/1 - 5/4/15 (Hygiene)	Hygiene			
Boston University (BU) 03/26 - 03/29/15	Dental			
CABRILLO COLLEGE (CABRILLO #1) 05/29 - 05/31/15 (Anesthesia)	Anesthesia			

- For questions or help, please contact **Stacy Tomko** at **623.209.5401** or **stomko@wreb.org**.

**2015 WREB Calendar of Events**

<b>Dental Hygiene Committee Meeting</b>	May 28 – 30
<b>Anesthesia Committee Meeting</b>	Jun 6 – 7
<b>HERB—Salt Lake City</b>	Jul 23
<b>DERB—Salt Lake City</b>	Jul 24
<b>Board of Directors Meeting—Salt Lake City</b>	Jul 25
<b>CTP Committee Meeting (tentative)</b>	Aug 14 – 15
<b>Dental Hygiene Committee Meeting</b>	Oct 3-5
<b>Operative Committee Meeting</b>	Oct 9 – 10
<b>Endo Committee Meeting</b>	Oct 23 – 24
<b>AADA Meeting</b>	Nov 2 – 3
<b>ADA Meeting</b>	Nov 5 – 10
<b>Board of Directors Meeting—Washington, DC</b>	Nov 5

*Ideas for the next newsletter? Feedback on this newsletter? We'd love to hear from you! Email AnneMette at [alavery@wreb.org](mailto:alavery@wreb.org).*



## 2015 Dental Exam Schedule

Exam Location	Exam Dates	App Dead- line	Final Dead- line	Exam Fee	Registration Opens
Midwestern University*, Glendale, AZ	Mar 4 - 7	9/1/2014	2/11/2015	\$1,760	8/4/14 10:00 AM
University of Nevada - Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV	Mar 6 - 9	9/1/2014	2/13/2015	\$2,185	8/4/14 11:00 AM
Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health, Mesa, AZ	Mar 6 - 9	9/1/2014	2/13/2015	\$2,160	8/4/14 1:00 PM
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH	Mar 11 - 14	9/1/2014	2/18/2015	\$2,060	8/4/14 3:00 PM
University of Colorado, Aurora, CO	Mar 12 - 15	9/1/2014	2/19/2015	\$2,360	8/6/14 10:00 AM
New York University*, New York, NY	Mar 12 - 15	9/1/2014	2/19/2015	\$2,210	8/6/14 11:00 AM
State University of New York - Buffalo*, Buffalo, NY	Mar 15 - 18	9/1/2014	2/23/2015	\$1,760	8/6/14 1:00 PM
University of Missouri - Kansas City*, Kansas City, MO	Mar 20 - 23	9/1/2014	2/27/2015	\$1,760	8/6/14 3:00 PM
Tufts University*, Boston, MA	Mar 20 - 23	9/1/2014	2/27/2015	\$1,760	8/8/14 10:00 AM
Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA	Mar 20 - 24	9/1/2014	2/27/2015	\$2,185	8/8/14 11:00 AM
University of Washington, Seattle, WA	Mar 25 - 28	9/1/2014	3/4/2015	\$2,210	8/12/14 10:00 AM
University of California - Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA	Mar 26 - 29	9/1/2014	3/5/2015	\$2,420	8/12/14 11:00 AM
Boston University*, Boston, MA	Mar 26 - 29	9/1/2014	3/5/2015	\$1,760	8/12/14 1:00 PM
Temple University, Philadelphia, PA	Apr 8 - 11	9/29/2014	3/18/2015	\$2,185	8/12/14 3:00 PM
Western Univ. of Health Sciences, Pomona, CA	Apr 9 - 12	9/29/2014	3/19/2015	\$2,260	8/14/14 10:00 AM
Creighton University, Omaha, NE	Apr 9 - 12	9/29/2014	3/19/2015	\$2,210	8/14/14 1:00 PM
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA	Apr 17 - 20	9/29/2014	3/27/2015	\$2,360	8/19/14 10:00 AM
Roseman University, South Jordan, UT	Apr 22 - 25	9/29/2014	4/1/2015	\$2,260	8/19/14 11:00 AM
University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK	Apr 24 - 27	9/29/2014	4/3/2015	\$2,310	8/19/14 1:00 PM
Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, TX	May 1 - 4	9/29/2014	4/10/2015	\$2,210	8/21/14 10:00 AM
University of Texas - San Antonio, San Antonio, TX	May 1 - 4	9/29/2014	4/10/2015	\$2,260	8/21/14 11:00 AM
Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, OR	May 1 - 4	9/29/2014	4/10/2015	\$2,235	8/21/14 12:00 PM
University of Texas - Houston, Houston, TX	May 13 - 16	9/29/2014	4/22/2015	\$2,210	8/21/14 1:00 PM
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY	May 14 - 17	9/29/2014	4/23/2015	\$2,260	8/21/14 3:00 PM
University of California - San Francisco, San Francisco, CA	May 15 - 18	10/27/2014	4/24/2015	\$2,420	9/1/14 10:00 AM
University of Illinois - Chicago, Chicago, IL	May 28 - 31	10/27/2014	5/7/2015	\$1,760	9/19/14 1:59 PM
University of the Pacific, San Francisco, CA	Jun 5 - 8	10/27/2014	5/15/2015	\$2,235	9/1/14 1:00 PM
Tufts University*, Boston, MA	Jun 5 - 8	10/27/2014	5/15/2015	\$1,760	9/3/14 10:00 AM
Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA	Jun 12 - 16	10/27/2014	5/22/2015	\$2,185	9/3/14 11:00 AM
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA	Jun 19 - 22	10/27/2014	5/29/2015	\$2,360	9/3/14 1:00 PM
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA	Aug 14 - 17	7/2/2015	7/24/2015	\$2,360	2/2/15 10:00 AM
University of Nevada - Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV	Nov 13 - 16	10/2/2015	10/23/2015		5/2/15 10:00 AM

\*Site charges an additional fee to candidates.

## 2015 Dental Hygiene Exam Schedule

Exam Location	Exam Dates	Application Deadline (Schedule Requests)	Exam Type	Registration Opens
Portland Community College, Portland, OR	Feb 27 - Mar 1	Jan 13	AN	12/9/14 10:00 AM
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM	Feb 27 - Mar 1	Jan 13	AN	12/11/14 10:00 AM
San Joaquin Valley College, San Diego, CA	Mar 12 - 15	Jan 26	AN DH	12/16/14 10:00 AM
Phoenix College, Phoenix, AZ	Mar 13 - 16	Jan 28	DH	12/17/14 10:00 AM
Lake Washington Institute of Technology, Kirkland, WA	Mar 19 - 23	Feb 2	AN RE	12/18/14 10:00 AM
Salt Lake Community College, West Jordan, UT	Mar 27 - 28	Feb 10	AN	1/6/15 10:00 AM
West Coast University, Anaheim, CA	Apr 2 - 4	Feb 16	AN DH	1/7/15 10:00 AM
Clark College, Vancouver, WA	Apr 10 - 12	Feb 24	RE	1/8/15 10:00 AM
Carrington College - Boise, Boise, ID	Apr 10 - 12	Feb 24	AN DH	1/9/15 10:00 AM
Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX	Apr 16 - 19	Mar 3	DH	1/13/15 10:00 AM
OIT @ Chemeketa Community College, Salem, OR	Apr 17 - 21	Mar 4	AN DH RE	1/14/15 10:00 AM
Utah College of Dental Hygiene, Orem, UT	Apr 20 - 25	Mar 6	AN DH	1/15/15 10:00 AM
University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK	Apr 24 - 27	Mar 10	DH	1/20/15 10:00 AM
University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA	Apr 24 - 27	Mar 10	AN DH	1/21/15 10:00 AM
University of Texas - San Antonio, San Antonio, TX	May 1 - 4	Mar 17	DH	1/15/15 10:00 AM
Texas A&M HSC - Baylor College of Dentistry, Dallas, TX	May 1 - 4	Mar 17	DH	1/27/15 10:00 AM
Rio Salado College - Tempe, Tempe, AZ	Apr 30 - May 4	Mar 17	AN DH	1/28/15 10:00 AM
Weber State University, Ogden, UT	May 6 - 10	Mar 22	AN DH	1/29/15 10:00 AM
College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, NV	May 7 - 9	Mar 23	AN DH	2/3/15 10:00 AM
University of Alaska - Anchorage, Anchorage, AK	May 8 - 11	Mar 24	AN DH RE	2/4/15 10:00 AM
University of Texas - Houston, Houston, TX	May 13 - 16	Mar 29	DH	2/5/15 10:00 AM
Portland Community College, Portland, OR	May 14 - 17	Mar 30	RE	2/10/15 10:00 AM
Fortis College - Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ	May 14 - 17	Mar 31	AN DH	2/11/15 10:00 AM
Portland Community College, Portland, OR	May 28 - Jun 1	Apr 13	AN DH	2/10/15 10:00 AM
Cabrillo College, Aptos, CA	May 29 - Jun 1	Apr 14	AN DH	2/12/15 10:00 AM
Eastern Washington University, Spokane, WA	Jun 5 - 9	Apr 21	AN DH RE	2/17/15 10:00 AM
Lake Washington Institute of Technology, Kirkland, WA	Jun 11 - 15	Apr 27	AN DH RE	2/18/15 10:00 AM
Great Falls College - MSU, Great Falls, MT	Jun 12 - 14	Apr 28	AN DH	2/19/15 10:00 AM
Clark College, Vancouver, WA	Jun 19 - 22	May 5	AN DH	2/19/15 10:00 AM
Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA	Jun 19 - 23	May 5	AN DH	2/24/15 10:00 AM
Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID	Jun 24 - 27	May 10	AN DH RE	2/25/15 10:00 AM
Pierce College, Lakewood, WA	Jun 25 - 28	May 11	AN DH	2/26/15 10:00 AM
UCLA School of Dentistry, Los Angeles, CA	Jun 26 - 28	May 12	DH	10/9/14 2:22 PM
San Joaquin Valley College, San Diego, CA	Jul 9 - 12	May 25	AN DH	3/3/15 10:00 AM
Carrington College - Mesa, Mesa, AZ	Jul 16 - 19	Jun 1	AN DH	3/3/15 2:00 PM
OIT @ Chemeketa Community College, Salem, OR	Aug 1 - 4	Jun 17	AN DH RE	3/4/15 10:00 AM
Cabrillo College, Aptos, CA	Aug 7 - 10	Jun 23	AN DH	3/4/15 2:00 PM
University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK	Aug 14 - 16	Jun 30	DH	3/5/15 10:00 AM
Carrington College - Boise, Boise, ID	Aug 15 - 16	Jun 30	AN	3/5/15 2:00 PM
Utah College of Dental Hygiene, Orem, UT	Aug 20 - 22	Jul 6	AN DH	3/10/15 10:00 AM
Eastern Washington University, Spokane, WA	Sep 10 - 13	Jul 27	AN DH RE	3/10/15 2:00 PM
West Coast University, Anaheim, CA	Oct 29 - Nov 1	Sep 14	AN DH	3/11/15 2:00 PM
San Joaquin Valley College, San Diego, CA	Oct 29 - Nov 1	Sep 14	AN DH	3/12/15 10:00 AM
Carrington College - Mesa, Mesa, AZ	Nov 12 - 16	Sep 28	DH	3/12/15 2:00 PM
Carrington College - Boise, Boise, ID	Dec 11 - 14	Oct 27	AN DH	3/17/15 10:00 AM
Carrington College - San Jose, San Jose, CA	Dec 17 - 20		DH	
Phoenix College, Phoenix, AZ	Dec 18 - 19	Nov 3	AN	3/17/15 2:00 PM
Utah College of Dental Hygiene, Orem, UT	Dec 18 - 20	Nov 3	AN DH	3/18/15 10:00 AM