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From the Desk of Chris Kammer

Congratulations!!!!

And THANK YOU, to all of the over 1,500 offices that registered and participated in this years Halloween Candy Buy Back.

Now, we want you to share your story with the world! Send us your pictures, videos, stats, and most importantly your testimony about how your Buy Back impacted you, your team, and your community. Tell us your story and we will post as many as we can on a new section of the [Halloween Candy Buy Back.com](http://HalloweenCandyBuyBack.com) website.

Send your info to hcbb13@gmail.com and based on what we receive, I will try to recognize a few offices for their efforts at Operation Gratitude's Millionth package event on December 7th.

Where do we get the money to ship the candy?

Some offices have sponsors that are covering their expenses but most, are likely donating their own money towards this great cause.

There is a discussion about this on [Facebook](#) where some offices have suggested other options that don't cost anything at all. Please become a fan of Halloween Candy Buy Back on [Facebook](#) for more on this.

Are you able to include a toothbrush for every pound of candy that is being mailed?

Some offices are doing that! Please send as many brushes as you can with your candy.

How do we ship the candy to Iraq?

Hopefully, by now you know that there is no need to ship the candy to Iraq. You can ship your candy to [Operation Gratitude](#) and they will address hundreds of thousands of gift boxes each with an individual soldier's name on it (**Shipping instructions and a link to the Donor Sheet is in the column on the right. The Donor Sheet should be placed in every box**). *However, if you know a soldier – get it directly to that service man or service woman. They can help you spread the word. Or have them sign up with [Operation Gratitude](#).*

SPONSORS:

If you didn't get a chance to patronize the sponsors - it's not too late. You can always buy any of the sponsor items, as listed, below for your patient giveaway from the practice.

Our newest sponsor provides sugar-free chocolates and shakes.

The World's first all Chocolate...Complete, Wellness & Weight Loss Program.

All Natural, Sugar Free, Diabetic Friendly, Sweetened with Xylitol or Stevia, Physician Formulated.

For Guilt Free...Healthy Indulgence

Great for Teeth & Gums, Pain & Stress Relief, Weight Loss, Natural Energy, Meal Replacements, Immune Boosting & Overall Enhanced Health Benefits.

For more Information contact the National Representative: John Petek at 262-827-9380 or Email: John@HwaTwa.com or visit the website www.MyHealthyDeliciousChocolate.com

Xlear Spry

Try replacing some of patients usual candy with [SparX Xylitol candy treats from Spry](#). It's a great opportunity to educate families on the healthy preventative benefits of xylitol. *Remember, Xylitol is not safe for dogs.*

Tess Oral Health:

They have awesome Holiday themed brushes as well. You can imprint with your office logo and info. Order them now and you

can give them out to the children in your practice in the months to come! Use this link: [Order Tess Toothbrushes](#).

Attention HCBB SuperStars: Please Tell Us Your Story!

- What was the most meaningful thing you experienced from holding this event?
- How many pounds of candy did you collect?
- How many letters were written/collected for our Troops? Examples?
- How many boxes did you prepare for shipping?
- How many dollars were paid or prizes earned during your BuyBack?
- How many toothbrushes did you donate to the troops?
- How many kids were reached in your community by your office?
- How was your media coverage?
- What worked? What didn't?
- How will you do things next year?
- What can we do to improve?

Thank you to all the Halloween Candy BuyBack participating offices.

Thank you to everyone for working with us this year as we underwent a few (behind the scenes) changes.

SHIPPING NOTICE:

Please ship your product and letter donations **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 20th, 2013** to:

Operation Gratitude/California Army National Guard

17330 Victory Boulevard

Van Nuys, CA 91406

ATTN: Rich Hernandez

Ph: 262-OPGRAT-1 (262-674-7281)

Please include this [Donation Form](#) in every package. Non-candy items accepted until December 5th, 2013.

WHO WERE YOUR CELEBRITY GUESTS?

Please email any pictures or videos so that we may post them to the [Halloween Candy BuyBack](#) website.

Professional Development -The Oral Systemic

Connection: Three years ago I started an organization to promote the oral systemic connection. The American Academy for Oral Systemic Health (www.aaosh.org) is really growing and on the move. Our most recent scientific session in Las Vegas sold out! I will be out on the road in the months to come to promote to our profession, the rock solid connections, and the life saving dentistry we can be offering our patients. If you like the Halloween Candy Buyback program; I double your money back guarantee that you will be supercharged by the ideas I present in my [Gums of Steel: Hygiene Transformation-Oral Systemic program](#). As a Halloween Candy Buyback office you are eligible for special rates for the US dates. For more details contact me at drchriskammer@yahoo.com

US Lecture Invite

I will host a **full day seminar** in Chicago on November 22nd and Los Angeles, CA on December 6th (the day before **Operation Gratitude's Millionth Package Celebration**).

Each day will run from 9a-4pm and will cover oral-systemic health, transforming your hygiene department, medical testing in the dental office and marketing and PR during this challenged economy.

Click **here** to register.
Click **here** for course info.

Don't forget to ship off your goodies no later than 11/20/13!

Then, they can arrive at Operation Gratitude in time for packing.

Don't forget to email hcbb13@gmail.com with your pictures and updates!

Don't forget to Thank every Supporter, Sponsor, Friend, Family, Parent, Patient, Team Member and local business that helped make your BuyBack great!



**Thank you for your support and let's get ready for next year,
Chris**

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