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Section Leadership Committee Unveils Great Expectations Program

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Junior and Senior Baylor Students mentor freshman.
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Great Expectations is a mentoring program developed at the Baylor College of Dentistry, Texas A & M Health Science Center. This mentoring professionalism program is designed to guide the beginning dental student toward a more professional attitude and behavior through peer influence. Initially this peer influence is through selected upper classmates who have been chosen by the faculty and practicing ICD volunteers to host small groups of under classmates in various activities that can range anywhere from a simple social get-together to subjects of mutual interest such as practicing high speed tooth preparation on a dentiform. Participation is completely voluntary but the groups tend to develop a cohesive camaraderie early on in the process. Many practicing Fellows host visits to their offices to give

students a feeling for practice after dental school. Of course discussions about professional behavior are encouraged and are taught more by example than in didactic form. Slowly the peer-to-peer student influence is transferred from practicing dentists and faculty mentors so that by graduation the student will have acquired a more professional understanding and demeanor, and view his or her fellow practitioners as peers.

Your state ICD Leadership Coordinator has additional information and resources available to help initiate this award winning program in your Alma Mater or a school near you. An informational brochure is available at www.usa-icd.org/information/PDFs/Great_Expectations_mentoring.pdf. If there is a place in your heart to help mentor students, treat them with respect, and give them a helping hand toward viewing themselves as a professional practitioner, you should contact your Leadership Coordinator to see how you might help.

This is truly one of those once-in-a-lifetime opportunities that deserve careful consideration because participation can really change the future of dentistry. Be a part of the action and make a difference while having more fun than you have had for quite a while!

Peter P. Korch III, Pennsylvania Seventh District Trustee, serves on the Great Expectations subcommittee with Dr. Smith. For more information about this program he may be contacted at pda.seventh.district.trustee@gmail.com.

THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS MISSION STATEMENT:

THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS IS A LEADING HONORARY DENTAL ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE AND THE CONTINUED PROGRESS OF THE PROFESSION OF DENTISTRY FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL HUMANKIND.

Regent's Report

by Regent Robert T. Kramer



Robert Kramer

Transition seems to be a recurring theme that we can't evade these days. From new leadership at the helm of our great country to the changing of the guard at our own ICD Headquarters, transition seems

to be occurring everywhere. The sudden halt to our once powerful economy has affected the lives of everyone, forcing each of us to look closely at the roadmap we have planned for our lives. Flexibility and resilience are paramount these days.

The times are forcing many of us to reconfigure the road map that once seemed etched in stone. One lesson life has taught me is that you need to anticipate and accept change, as it is inevitable and sometimes completely out of your control. By accepting and engaging new situations you become a more powerful force in the creation of your future. Many of our

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New Registrar Will Be Rear Admiral Carol I. Turner



Carol I. Turner

Retired Rear Admiral Carol I. Turner of Vienna, VA has agreed to serve as the ICD USA Section's new Registrar upon the retirement of Registrar and Secretary General Robert E. Brady. Dr. Brady will retire on December 31, 2009. Dr.

Turner's employment with the ICD will begin on September 1, 2009 and she will officially assume the position of Registrar on January 1, 2010.

Rear Admiral Turner graduated, with distinction, from both Purdue University and Indiana School of Dentistry. In September of 1977 she

was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Navy Dental Corps.

Her many duty assignments included, among others, Camp Lejeune, the Navy Dental Center in Norfolk, the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in Bethesda, the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and the Naval War College. In July 2001 she assumed command of the National Naval Dental Center in Bethesda, MD. From November 2003 until August of 2007 she served as Chief of the Navy Dental Corps. She is the recipient of many personal awards.

We all join in welcoming Rear Admiral Turner and wish her great success with her new position.

College at Large in Tokyo, Japan

At the recent meeting of the College at Large in Tokyo, Japan in May the following resource documents were approved:

Who are we?

The International College of Dentists is a world-wide honorary dental organization established in 1927 with over 11,000 active members who are designated as Fellows. Fellowship in the College is by invitation only and is granted in recognition of an individual dentist's "outstanding professional achievement, meritorious service and dedication to the continued progress of dentistry for the benefit of humankind."

Prior to being recognized as a Fellow of the ICD, the candidate's qualifications and achievements are evaluated by a series of credential committees in order to insure that he or she is deserving of this honor and will live up to the ICD motto of "Recognizing Service and the Opportunity to Serve." Once inducted, a Fellow in good standing is authorized to use the post-nominals "FICD" after his or her name.

What do we do?

A summary of ICD Core Objectives:

To build fraternity – by encouraging professional friendship and collegiality among member dentists worldwide, and by inviting into fellowship other dentists who demonstrate excellence in their profession.

To advance the art and science of dentistry – by sharing the outcome of ground-breaking research: by discussing and/or demonstrating new techniques at professional meetings; by providing lectures to dental schools and other Sections; and by supporting teacher and student exchange programs. For instance, the ICD is exploring online dental education in cooperation with King's College, London, which has recently established the International Virtual Dental School (IVIDENT).

To promote and facilitate humanitarian projects throughout the world – ICD Fellows have come to the aid of victims in areas of natural disasters, from hurricane Katrina in New Orleans to the Nargis cyclone in Myanmar. Likewise, they have offered desperately needed dental care in South Africa and Eastern Europe, as well as set up free dental clinics in Nepal and Portugal. One can view a full listing of ICD humanitarian endeavors at www.icd.org.

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colleagues will continue practicing dentistry longer than they had planned in order to rebuild their nest egg. Our patients have to make tough choices these days as well. Some are forced to pay the electric bill and mortgage rather than investing in proper medical or dental care. The negative effect this economy has on the bottom line in our lives is really an opportunity for each of us to reexamine our personal and business endeavors. People are forced to make frugal decisions and refocus on long term savings. It appears that Americans are doing just that, according to a recent *Wall Street Journal* article.

As the future of healthcare, among many other things, lies on the negotiating table in Washington we watch vigilantly that our personal and professional autonomy is not threatened. The doctor patient relationship must maintain its core values: trust, well being and do no harm. These times are an opportunity for us to reach out to those in need and forge closer bonds with our patients. Take the time to listen to them. Provide care when it is necessary and not necessarily affordable. These are the actions that keep the doctor/patient relationship strong. This is where dentistry has kept its place among the most highly trusted professions. We can all do a good deed that doesn't get recognized but is appreciated by the recipient. This is what sets you apart as a leader.

Dentistry enjoys a wonderful position in the world of healthcare delivery. Our dental schools are experiencing an unprecedented number of applicants with outstanding academic records. These students are the future of our profession and the future of our ICD. The new ICD Leadership initiative being offered to dental students next year will help steer them in the right course and help strengthen the dental profession as our future unfolds. We cannot predict how new government regulations and advances in science and technology will change our personal and professional lives, but we can become engaged individuals. Let your voice be heard in the halls of government, mentor a student, help your community. These actions empower you and set you apart from others, while setting a good example for them. That is why you are a Fellow!

Congratulations!

Alvin H. Arzt was 82 years old in June and is a volunteer dentist examining children's teeth and supervising their fluoride and sealant treatments at the Children's Dental facilities in Coatesville. He says being 82 and working with children makes you feel 28.

James Boyle III of Wrightsville has been very busy. Jim served as President of the Fifth District for the 2008 – 2009 year and also as Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

I. Stephen Brown recently became a Diplomate of the International Congress of Oral Implantologists. In February he was a featured speaker for Phillips-Sonicare and gave a presentation on Managing the Referral Process

Ronald D. Bushick of Glen Mills was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Easter Dentists Insurance Company (EDIC) at their annual meeting on June 5-7, 2009 in Manchester, Vermont. His term will be three years, 2009-2012.

Matthew Freedman of Lancaster has been elected to the office of Vice President of the Pennsylvania Academy of General Dentistry.

Richard J. Galeone of Lansdale became Editor Emeritus of the Pennsylvania Dental Journal at the Annual Meeting in Hershey after having served as Associate Editor and Editor of the Journal for a total of seventeen years.

Jay Goldberg has been elected to the office of President Elect of the Philadelphia County Dental Society.

Laurene A. Grabill of West Chester was recently elected Secretary of the Second District Valley Forge Dental Association.

Andrew J. Kwasny of Erie assumed the mantle of President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association at the annual meeting in Hershey in April.

John B. Nase of Harleysville recently published an article on practicing environmentally-friendly dentistry. It was entitled How Green Are Your teeth? and it appeared in the PAGD's Keystone Explorer. He also presented a lecture, "Basic Implantology", in St. Mary's for the PDA Speaker's Bureau on May 8.

Dennis N. Ranalli of Pittsburgh was the recipient of the 2009 Distinguished Member Award presented by the Academy for Sports Dentistry at the organization's annual symposium held in Chicago in May. The award was "in recognition of a lifetime dedication to sports dentistry and for significant service to mankind."

Martin L. Schroeder received the Lifelong Learning and Service Recognition Award from the Academy of General Dentistry at their national meeting in Baltimore in July.

Michael S. Shuman of Blandon was installed as the Fourth District Trustee of the Pennsylvania Dental Association at the Annual Session in April.

William T. Spruill was elected to the office of President Elect of the Pennsylvania Dental Association at the annual meeting of the organization this past April in Hershey.

Laurence H. Stone of Doylestown has been named a research associate member of the Practitioners Engaged in Applied Research and Learning (PEARL) sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.

2009 SECTIONS OF THE COLLEGE

Section I: United States of America 1934

Section II: Canada 1948

Section III: Mexico 1950

Section IV: South America 1981

Section V: Europe, Israel 1955

Section VI: India, Sri Lanka 1964

Section VII: Japan 1958

Section VIII: Australasian, New Zealand, Fiji Islands 1964

Section IX: Philippine Islands 1966

Section X: Middle East – Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen 1967

Section XI: Korea 1985

Section XII: Chinese Taipei 1994

Section XIII: China 2009

Section XIV: Myanmar 2009

Section XX: International Section – Thirteen Regions. This International Section of the College has no geographical boundaries and provides a Section for Fellows living outside an autonomous Section.

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International Student Exchange Program

The International Student Exchange Program offers U.S. and foreign dental students funded reciprocal travel opportunities for professional and cultural enrichment. Dr. Richard Rice, a past president of the USA Section, initiated the program in 1990. The first exchange involved students from Case Western Reserve's School of Dentistry and Guy's Hospital Dental School in London. In the true spirit of the mission of the ICD, these exchanges have formed bonds between ICD Fellows around the world, U.S. and foreign dental schools, and future dental colleagues. The feedback on the program has been excellent and all have felt greatly rewarded by their involvement.

The positive outcomes of past International Student Exchanges have prompted an initiative to enhance the program and expand participation among US dental schools. The International Student Exchange Committee developed a new manual to serve as a primer for the student, faculty member, or ICD Fellow. It is intended to provide guidelines for the organization

and implementation of international student exchanges, in joint ventures with dental schools and the USA Section of the International College of Dentists.

In addition to an overview of the program the manual explains how a dental school might implement a student exchange program, and offers suggestions for the faculty coordinator and selection committee. It proposes possible activities and addresses student and mentor/host responsibilities and financial issues. There are five appendices that include: Implementation Schedule, a Letter of Intent of US Dental Schools, and one for Foreign Dental Schools, a US Student Letter of Application, and a US Section Archival Library Record.

The Student Exchange Committee has also developed a colorful brochure, which offers a good synopsis of the program. The brochure is easy to navigate and is an excellent way to promote the program to Fellows, students, and dental schools. Both the manual and the

brochure can be downloaded from the ICD web site at www.usa-icd.org. They are listed under projects in the Information heading on the home page. Hard copies can be requested from the Central Office at (301) 251-8861.

It is hoped that the ICD will be able to sponsor International Student Clubs at participating dental schools to promote a better understanding of cultural and professional issues on a global level. This is in the development stage but may become a reality in the near future. It is hopeful that additional U.S. dental schools will initiate new programs to participate in the Student Exchange and that outside funding will be available to help support the program. Dr. Michael Kenney is the current Chairman and can be contacted at mike8176@aol.com.

This Year's Convocation will be in Hawaii

The USA Section of the College will hold its Annual Convocation in Honolulu, Hawaii at 1:00 pm on October 2, 2009. The ceremony will be at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel at 2005 Kalia Road. There will be a gala dinner dance at 6:30 that evening in honor of our new inductees.

What a wonderful location for the ICD family to gather and celebrate with our new inductees. And what a venue for a well-deserved vacation or office trip. The music, romance, gentle breezes, swaying palms and charming people guarantee a trip to the South Seas that you will always remember.

While on the island of Oahu you may want to attend a Luau, visit the Polynesian Visitors Center or go snorkeling at Hanauma Bay. There is not enough

time to do all the things you'd like to do on Oahu.

And just in case you're one of the lucky ones who have the time, there are the other islands: The Big Island (Hawaii), Maui, Lanai, Kauai, Molokai, Niihau and Kahoolawe. There are deserted beaches, volcanoes, rain forests, ranches, ambling rivers, mountain valleys, rocky cliffs, giant ferns and wonders beyond your imagination.

Get a copy of Hawaii by James Michener and read it before you go. Start your web search at the Official Hawaii Tourism Site: www.gohawaii.com/about_hawaii/learn/history_culture. Life is short. Don't let this one pass you by.

For more information about ICD activities in Hawaii go to the USA Section web site at usa.icd.org or call the central office at (301) 251-8861. **Aloha!**



Photos (L) Captain Cook, Hawaii (R) Hula Dancing at Sunset, Hawaii courtesy of Hawaii Tourism Authority

Necrology

They are like trees planted
by streams of water,
Bearing fruit in due season,
With leaves that do not wither;
Everything they've done shall prosper.

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