



# The COLLEGE Call

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## ICD-USA Regent's Report

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District III was very active this past year hosting a reception in March 2019 at the Greater Philadelphia Valley Forge Dental Conferred in conjunction with the Philadelphia Delaware Valley Section of the American College

of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. ICD Student Leadership and Humanitarian Awards were presented at each of the three Pennsylvania dental schools. These six individuals are truly outstanding members of our profession, as you can tell by reading the bio sketches of four of the recipients located elsewhere in this issue of *The College Call*.

Continuing its emphasis on Humanitarian efforts, many District III Fellows participated in the 2019 MOM-n-PA event held in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Volunteers provided \$1,196,306 of dental care and over 1,900 patient visits. District III has supported MOM-n-PA since its inception in 2013. To date, over seven missions, MOM-n-PA has completed 42,428 procedures on 10,790 patients. The total value of dental care provided by 7,412 volunteers is \$6,402,506. This year's event will be held at the Liacouras Center, 1776 North Broad Street Philadelphia on June 5th and 6th, 2020.

The 2019 Convocation was held in San Francisco, CA. Dr. Peter P. Korch, III as President, ICD USA Section, presided over the Convocation. Peter, of Woodland, PA, a second-generation dentist followed his father in practice. He has a passion for music, especially when played on vinyl, as well as an inordinate fondness for British motorcars. He and his wife, Elizabeth Morgan, VMD, live on a farm where tending gardens and caring for their animals is a labor of love.

District III of the ICD USA Section welcomed 17 new Fellows at this convocation. Please keep



ICD-USA President Peter Korch volunteering for the Pennsylvania Mission of Mercy (MOM-n-PA) event, along with Fellow Gary Davis (Project Director for PA). Contact Dr. Gary Davis at [doctord@epix.net](mailto:doctord@epix.net) to volunteer or for more information.

an eye out for deserving colleagues and share the honor of ICD Fellowship by submitting his or her name to Dr. Ron Heier for nomination. Every time you volunteer your time or resources you are doing something for ICD. The Fellows of the International College of Dentists were chosen because of what they did and what they are doing daily: *Integrity Leadership Service*. Doing something for ICD does not get any more complicated than that.

When Drs. Louis Ottofy and Tsurukichi Okumura first came up with the idea to create the International College of Dentists in 1920, likely they never imagined that the inaugural number of 250 fellows would swell to more than 12,000 fellows in 122 countries.

The ICD will celebrate those numbers in 2020 during 100th anniversary celebrations throughout the world and throughout the year, culminating at the 2020 meeting of the International Council in Nagoya, Japan, in November with an international induction ceremony, gala banquet and other commemorative events.

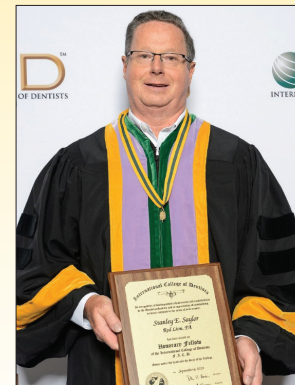
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### THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS MISSION STATEMENT:

*The U.S.A. Section of the International College of Dentists, as part of the preeminent honorary dental organization in the world...*

- Recognizes and promotes excellence in leadership with an emphasis on service
- Provides support to our Fellows and respect for our peers,
- Addresses oral health needs and education throughout the world, and
- Fosters an atmosphere of collaboration with those who share our values.

## HONORABLE STANLEY E. SAYLOR GRANTED HONORARY FELLOWSHIP IN THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE



Representative Saylor (R-94 York), working with the Pennsylvania Dental Association, has facilitated the enactment of laws which positively affect the daily lives of Pennsylvanians. Examples include being the prime sponsor of general

anesthesia coverage for pediatric and special needs patients in dental settings; and in his role as Chair of the Appropriations Committee, making sure that Donated Dental Services is fully funded. Representative Saylor resides in Windsor Township, York County.

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The idea for the International College of Dentists was conceived in Japan in 1920 at a farewell party for Dr. Ottofy, a Hungarian dentist living and having been educated in the U.S., said Dr. S. Dov Sydney, ICD international editor and director of global communications as well as general chair of the worldwide centennial committee.

Dr. Ottofy left the United States to practice dentistry in the Philippines and Japan for 23 years. When he was returning to the U.S., his Japanese colleague, Dr. Okumura, urged Dr. Ottofy to form an international organization of outstanding dentists to create and maintain professional collegiality and friendships, monitor and evaluate the progress of dentistry internationally and disseminate such information to dental colleagues in all countries of the world, Dr. Sydney said.

While U.S. fellows might not be able to travel to Nagoya to participate in the centennial celebration,

they can join in the fun during the ADA FDC Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, October 13th – 16th. The U.S.A. section will hold their annual meeting at the Waldorf Astoria Orlando Hotel in the Bonnet Creek area. The 2020 Convocation will be on October 16th. Plans are underway for the centennial celebration dinner in one of the Disney World theme parks on Oct. 16, and there will also be a centennial golf tournament at the Lake Buena Vista Golf Course on Oct. 17.

I would extend a heartfelt thanks to Dr. James M. Boyle III of York, PA who is serving as your



Vice-Regent and Dr. Ron Heier of Malvern, PA who is serving as your Deputy Regent, for their assistance this past year.

Dr. Heier was chosen as the recipient of the 2020 Pennsylvania Dental Association's Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his leadership and service to the dental profession at the local, state and national level.

The award was to be presented on April 24th during the Pennsylvania Dental Association Meeting which has been cancelled because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve District III as your Regent.

## Meet the 2019 ICD District III New Fellows



**Dr. John L. Alonge** is a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and practices Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery in Erie, PA. Dr. Alonge served in the Air Force; and received his OMFS training at Wilford Hall. Dr. Alonge holds a part-time appointment at the LECOM School of Dental Medicine; and is very active in his community.

**Dr. Mary C. Bennardi** is graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine and practices in Muncy, PA. In 2011 Dr. Bennardi and her husband started the Sullivan County

Dental Clinic, a non-profit dental clinic, serving the non-served and underserved residents of Sullivan County, PA.

**Dr. Jason M. Bresler** is a graduate of Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry and practices Pediatric Dentistry in Philadelphia, PA. He is a recipient of the Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry Humanitarian Award in recognition of his numerous mission trips.

**Dr. Joshua A. Bresler** is a graduate of the Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry and

practices Pediatric Dentistry in Philadelphia, PA. Dr. Bresler holds appointments at Temple University KSD and the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.

**Dr. Tracey H. Bresler** is a graduate of Nova Southeastern University and practices Pediatric Dentistry in Philadelphia, PA. She holds an appointment at the Temple University KSD, serving as Community Outreach Coordinator. She is active in Give Kids a Smile programs; and has participated in numerous mission trips.

**Dr. Belinda Brown-Joseph** is a graduate of Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry and practices Periodontics in Philadelphia. She holds the position of Associate Professor of Periodontology and Oral Implantology at Temple University; and is a Triathlon and 5K participant.

**Dr. Bernard J. Costello** is a graduate of the University Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine. He completed his Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery training at the University of Pennsylvania. Since 2018 Dr. Costello has served as Dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

**Dr. Charles J. Dombrowski** is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and practices in Altoona, PA. Dr. Dombrowski is active in the Seventh District of the PDA, currently serving as Chair of the PDA Membership Committee.

## Meet the 2019 ICD District III New Fellows, Continued

**Dr. Renee H. Fennell** is a graduate of Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry, and practices in Philadelphia. She served as Philadelphia County Dental Society President from 2016-2018 and is a founding board member of the MOM-n-PA project. Dr. Fennell holds an Adjunct Faculty position at Temple Dental where she serves as a Diversity Officer.

**Dr. Scott A. Gradwell** is a graduate of Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry; and practices Periodontics in Allentown, PA. Dr. Gradwell serves a Vice Chairman of the Department of Periodontics at Lehigh Valley Hospital. He operates a 10-acre organic sheep farm; and manages an extensive vegetable garden.

**Dr. Ronald W. Helminski** is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine, and practices general dentistry in Erie, PA. Dr. Helminski is active with the ADA, serving on the National Dental Board Part 1 Anatomic Sciences Test Construction Committee, and as a test constructor for the Integrated National Board Dental Examination. He is also a site visitor for the commission on Dental Accreditation.

**Dr. Jennifer R. Hill** received a dental degree and a certificate in Pediatric Dentistry from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry and completed a Residency in Orthodontics at the University of Ulm, Germany. Presently she is a staff dentist at the West Virginia University Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown, WV.

**Dr. Mark A. Koup** is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, where he serves as a Clinical Associate Professor and Clinic Director of the Preventive and Restorative Sciences area.

**Dr. Joseph P. Mulligan** is a graduate of the Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry; and practices Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in Philadelphia, PA. Dr. Mulligan serves as Temple University Hospital's Dental Department Chair. He is an Eagle Scout; and participates in international outreach programs.

**Dr. David S. Teufel** is a graduate of The Ohio State University. He has held numerous positions in the Erie County (PA) and the PA Ninth District Dental Society. Dr. Teufel was a volunteer for the MOM-n-PA project in Erie; and is a volunteer dentist for the St. Paul's neighborhood dental clinic.

**Dr. L. William Veihdeffer** is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine, and practices in Erie, PA. Dr. Veihdeffer serves on the faculty of the LECOM School of Dental Medicine. His community service activities include treating Veterans at the Soldiers and Sailors Home in Erie, volunteering at the St. Paul's neighborhood free dental clinic.

**Dr. Seth A. Walbridge** is a graduate of the Temple University, Kornberg School of Dentistry; practices in Allentown, PA. Dr. Walbridge is active in the Pennsylvania Dental Association, serving as New Dentist Chair, Regional Development Task Force; and a member of the Steering Committee for the PDA's Annual Meeting.

## ICD STUDENT AWARDS IN PENNSYLVANIA

We offer our congratulations to the following dental students who were picked by their respective schools to receive ICD Awards:

### Humanitarian Awards



University of Pittsburgh — **Andrea Montoya (Drea)** was born in Atlanta, GA but grew up in Tampa, Florida. In 2015 she graduated from the University of Florida with a B.S. in Zoology. Throughout her time at Pitt Dental she was a Dental Ambassador; Pedo Club Co-President; ASDA Pre-Dental Chair; DSD

Fraternity member; Tutor; and GKAS Coordinator. She was awarded the Langkamp-Allison Award and had the wonderful opportunity to volunteer in the Dominican Republic. Upon graduation, she will be moving to Dallas, Texas where she will start as an associate dentist at Ideal Dental.

Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry Temple University — **Veronica E. Brandley**

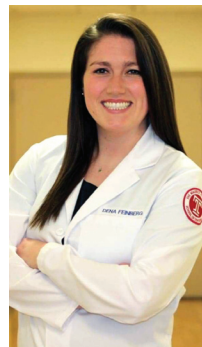
University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine — **Augusta N.A.M Acquaah**

### Student Leadership Awards



University of Pittsburgh — **Rodrigo Sarmiento** was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil but moved to the USA when he was young. He attended the University of Florida, where he received a B.S. in Microbiology and Cell Science in 2015. During his four years at Pitt Dental, he served as the Class

President; a Dental Ambassador; DSD Fraternity Member; and Co-founder and Vice President of The Tooth Bank, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping dental students navigate through school and beyond. Upon graduation, he will be moving with his fiancé to Dallas, Texas, where he will start an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery residency program at Parkland Memorial Hospital/UT Southwestern Medical center.



Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry Temple University — **Dena Feinberg** grew up in Broomall, PA and completed her undergraduate education at Penn State University. She attended the Temple University, Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry and graduated in May 2019.

While in dental school she was involved in Temple's Honors Oral Surgery Team; Xi Phi Psi Dental Fraternity; Alpha Omega Professional Fraternity; and ASDA. One of her favorite memories from dental school was going on a mission trip to Jamaica with Great Shapes! Inc.'s 1000 Smiles Project to provide free dental care and education where dental treatment is not readily available. Upon graduation she was inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society. Currently she is completing a general practice residency at the Lebanon VA Hospital and is looking to join a practice in the Philadelphia area.

University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine — **Bret Stein Lesavoy**

## HONORARY FELLOW, CAMILLE KOSTELAC-CHERRY, RETIRED FROM THE PDA



Camille Kostelac-Cherry retired as Chief Executive Officer of the Pennsylvania Dental Association on June 15, 2019 after 25 years of service to the PDA. Camille was awarded Honorary Fellowship in the International College in 2015.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 2019–December 31, 2019

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USA SECTION | PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER, INC.

**STARTING BALANCE**.....\$9,046.02

### INCOME

Dues..... 5,135.00

**Total Income**.....\$5,135.00

### EXPENSES

Newsletter/printing..... 1,235.00

Student leadership awards..... 2,500.00

Joint ACE/ICD reception at

GPVFDC (March, 2019).....842.32

Reimburse inserts for plaques..... 46.00

Reimburse PDA.....652.97

Reimburse banner case..... 69.61

KEY congratulatory ad.....180.00

ICD centennial ad..... 1,000.00

New checks..... 51.54

MOM-n-PA donation.....500.00

**Total Expenses**.....\$7,077.44

**ENDING BALANCE**.....\$7,103.58

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**Dr. Bernie Dischler** being presented the PDA's 2019 Recognition Award by PDA President James Dr. Boyle. In his presentation remarks Dr. Boyle noted: "The Annual Awards Committee selected Bernie for his selfless dedication and 30 years of advocacy for patients to improve oral health care through legislation to benefit the citizens of Pennsylvania as well as charitable efforts to fulfill his vision of expanded access to care." Dr. Dischler is a founding director of MOM-n-PA.



**Dr. Raymond Lancione** being presented the PDA's Distinguished Service Award by PDA President Dr. James Boyle. In presenting the award, Dr. Boyle noted Dr. Lancione's 58 years of extraordinary leadership and service to his small southwestern Pennsylvania community of McDonald; and the dental profession at all levels. Dr. Lancione served as Regent of District III from 2000-2004.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Dr. Samuel J. Aristide, Jr**  
Bethlehem, PA  
1928 – 10/8/2019

**Dr. H. Russell Bernd**  
Clearwater, FL  
1927 – 5/1/2019

**Dr. Arthur C. Clouse**  
Pittsburgh, PA  
1934 – 12/20/2018



**Dr. George A. Kirchner**  
Allentown, PA  
1943 – 4/20/2019  
*Dr. Kirchner served as District III Regent 2005-2008*

**Edmund J. McGurk**  
Berwyn, PA  
1931 -3/18/2018

**Andrew E. Michanowicz**  
Hollidaysburg, PA  
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