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District IV Regional Conference

District IV held its second regional conference on Friday, December 14, 2007 at the Donaldson Brown Center in Port Deposit, Maryland. This is a beautiful Georgian mansion that was donated to the University of Maryland by the Donaldson Brown family. The meeting presented an excellent opportunity to discuss the needs, interests, and goals of our very diverse District. The Vice Regent and all of the Deputy Regents, Counselors, Editors, and Leadership Coordinators were invited.



Back Row:

Capt. Robert Taft, DC, USN - Editor USN - attended as rep. for Navy Deputy Regent, Adm. Vinci
 Dr. Edwin Morris, Deputy Regent, Maryland
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 Dr. Pitkin Johnson, Editor, District IV and Maryland newsletters
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Front Row:

Col. Priscilla Hamilton, DC, USA, Deputy Regent, Army
 Dr. Margo Culotta-Norton, Deputy Regent, DC
 Dr. W. Michael Kenney, Regent, District IV

One of the major accomplishments of the Conference will be the initiation of an annual District Continuing Educational Program. There will be no charge for the CE courses for our ICD Fellows or Dental Students in District IV. The conference will be chaired by Capt. Robert Taft, DC, USN, who is the Dean of the Naval Postgraduate Dental School. He will be supported in this effort by Col. Priscilla Hamilton, DC, USA, our Deputy Regent for the Army. The seminar will be held on the grounds of the Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland. Students from the Dental Schools in District IV will be invited. This includes New Jersey, Maryland, and Howard Dental Schools. Information on the Conference will be available in 2009.

The feedback on the meeting was excellent. There was a high level of interaction and collegiality among all the participants, and the Conference was both stimulating and productive. There was a strong consensus that the conference should be held at least every two years due especially to the diversity of our District. The meeting serves as a true unifying and motivating force. It is a true honor to have the military included in our District. Their dedication and commitment to our District and the USA Section is most noteworthy. District IV is most appreciative of the support we receive from the BOR and the USA Section.

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U.S. AIR FORCE, William “Bill” Dunn, Deputy Regent

The Air Force hopes to have a banner year in candidates this year. In addition, since the meeting is in San Antonio this year, and because there is a strong presence there, the Air Force is planning to show ADA leadership what we can do when we deploy. More to come...Other Air Force ICD Pearls: **Grant Hartup** is the Director of the Dental Corps, **Gar Graham** is the Dental Corps Chief, and **Gerry Caron** has stepped up to be the Deputy Surgeon General for Air Education and Training Command. **Rob Langsten** is an ADA Delegate, and **Roosevelt Allen** recently graduated from the National War College with the highest average of any candidate. All of the ICD Fellows are making a huge difference in the Air Force Dental Corps. I have been appointed as the Military Consultant to the Surgeon General for Medical Ethics. Again, many of us are asked/appointed to positions outside of dentistry. The reason we are selected? They have identified us as LEADERS! And that's what the ICD is all about! Thanks, and I'll see you in October in San Antonio.

MARYLAND, Edwin Morris, Deputy Regent

International Student Exchange

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The ICD's International Student Exchange Committee, chaired by Regent W. Michael Kenney has just completed a new Manual for Program Organization and Implementation, designed to encourage and facilitate expanded Exchange participation among US dental schools and their foreign counterparts. The

ICD's USA Section has printed the Manual and distributed it to all Regents, Vice and Deputy Regents, and the Executive Committee.

Dental Schools that will be "World Class" in the global community of the 21st Century must respond to more than traditional academic challenges of past years. They also must endow students with an appreciation for issues of global health and prepare them for professional leadership and contribution to oral health in the world-at-large. The ICD's International Student Exchange is one important step on the path to the future of dentistry in the community of nations.

For many years, students at University of Maryland's Dental School and their foreign partner institutions have benefited from the professional and cultural enrichment this reciprocal Exchange program adds to their education. Additionally, Maryland's Global Outreach Program annually arranges 2-week reciprocal Foreign Dental Externships for Senior Dental Students who select exchange opportunities from among 15 schools in 12 countries. Approximately 25 percent of the Senior Class participated in the current academic year, visiting dental schools in Ireland, Mexico, Peru, Korea, and Vietnam. Interest in global dentistry is high among all students. Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors often volunteer to participate in humanitarian overseas dental missions during their vacation periods.

ANNOUNCEMENTS that impact District IV:

A) Recognition Pins

The BOR voted to approve 15 and 25 year recognition pins for Fellows that have been active in the ICD for those time periods. These pins can be attached to the ICD lapel pin; the cost is estimated to range between ten and fifteen dollars each. **Deputy Regents** of District IV can verify eligibility of their Fellows and subsequently place orders by contacting Mary Jo at the Headquarters Office. It is suggested that individual constituents absorb the cost of purchasing the pins, and that they be awarded either by Regent Michael Kenney or the Deputy Regent at an ICD event or the annual business meeting.

B) CEC Conference XXVI in BALTIMORE in 2009

As of this writing, hotels are not confirmed; however, tentative dates are as follows:

Arrival Saturday, April 18th with CE on Sunday and Monday, April 19 & 20

Post Trip to DC area would follow on April 21, 22, and 23

If you have never attended one of these conferences, here's your chance.

Mark your calendars now to hold the dates.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This second issue of *The Key To District 4* is an effort to connect our very diverse District electronically – those Fellows who are not computerized do not receive this newsletter nor the USA Section's **KEY-mail** nor the new and wonderful International Newsletter called *The College Today*. Your ability to receive these timely publications allows you to be current with the activities of the ICD. **Pitkin Johnson, Editor**

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