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Gerrit van Honthorst (Utrecht 1590-1656). ***The Dentist*** (1622) Signed on the right in the middle: *G. v. Hont Horst, fe. 1622*. Oil on Canvas, 147 x 219cm.

For centuries craftsmen and laborers were the study of great masters in their depictions of scenes from everyday life. The itinerant dentist was the subject of the Dutch painter, **Gerrit von Honthorst** who painted *The Dentist*, a nocturnal scene from 1622. He was born in Utrecht in 1590 and, as a young man, studied in Italy and was strongly influenced by the work of Caravaggio who developed the revolutionary technique of tenebrism, or dramatic, selective illumination of form out of deep shadow, which became the hallmark of Baroque painting. He also painted under the byname of Gherardo della Notte.

During his stay in Italy he is noted for painting other nocturnal scenes such as *The Beheading of St John the Baptist*, *Christ before the High Priest*, and the *Supper Party*. From 1637-1652 he worked as a court painter in The Hague and was considered the greatest master of the Utrecht Caravaggists group. The original work shown is now in the Gemäldegalerie museum, Dresden, Germany.

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When I was admitted to dental school, I never imagined that one of the experiences that I would have could involve getting close and personal with a reindeer at the Arctic Circle in Finland's Lapland. Nonetheless, this and a variety of other highly memorable opportunities were made possible this summer as I was chosen to represent the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry as the college's first International College of Dentists Exchange Student.

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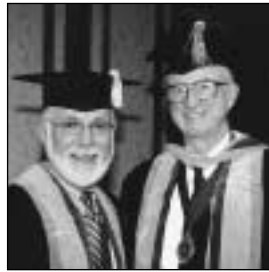
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"The ICD Family is marvelous."

As the USA Section president, I had the privilege to visit and be a speaker at eight different state ICD meetings during 2003. My wife, Marge and I were met with the warmest hospitality in the world. I mean really, above and beyond, nice.



an astounding, quite polite, 100,000 motorcyclists group convened there. The Sun Valley, Idaho summer meeting was really pleasant. While the USA Section met in Seattle, Washington for their summer CEC meeting I got a chance to address them preceding the post-meeting cruise to Alaska.



(Top) Carl Lundgren Addresses the audience at the Gala Dinner Dance in the Imperial Ballroom (From Left to Right) 1. USA Section President Carl Lundgren with ICD world-at-large President Minoru Horiuchi 2. Incoming President Bob Bartheld (R) presents a plaque to Carl Lundgren recognizing his year of service as president of the ICD-USA Section 3. With Harold C. Slavkin-convocation keynote speaker and Dean of University of Southern California School of Dentistry 4. Presiding at the Board of Regents Meeting in Seattle, Washington. 5. Dick Shaffer helps President Lundgren in the Robing Room at the San Francisco Meeting

I was able to bring a message about what the ICD has been doing lately and I also presented some contrarian views on leadership as espoused in a book by Dr. Stephen Sample, president of the University of Southern California.

Our first visit was Hawaii, which of course is heaven. The Southwest Dental Conference's ICD meeting in Dallas had a large attendance Texas style. We failed in our attempt to get to Louisville, Kentucky. Thunderstorms stranded us in the Chicago O'Hare Airport waiting room overnight and we had to escape back to Los Angeles the next morning. I was later awarded a membership plaque designating me as a Kentucky Colonel. That was fun.

In Anaheim, CA, a black tie event allowed us to attend our home meeting by car. This was followed by a cross-country visit to the North Carolina group, which met in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. At the same time,

The last visit was to Nebraska where we were treated to a tour of the city and a look at some virgin prairie, a tour of the dental school and finally we were given tickets to the Nebraska-Utah football game. You have never seen so much enthusiastic RED as here.

The Board of Regents and the Past Presidents are marvelous groups of friendly, active leaders and the Central Office was a pillar of strength and helpfulness. The year has really been a highlight of my life and I am grateful for the opportunity.

Carl Lundgren
Carl Lundgren

OUR NEW PRESIDENT

Bob Bartheld ascended to the presidency of the ICD-USA Section on January 1, 2004 on the same day he retired from the private practice of dentistry and three days before his seventy-first birthday. On the first Monday of the new year, he rose early, walked a mile or more on his treadmill, went out to offer seed to a visiting assemblage of Oklahoma birds, struggled with the airline for a reasonable ticket to the Yankee Dental Conference and prepared for his afternoon meeting of the Scottish Rite Charitable and Educational Foundation. They had to work on the distribution of 82 scholarships to students from the local community. You see, Bob also serves as president of that group. It is unlikely that he will find retirement dull.

He follows the advice of his father and father-in-law. Always give back. A person should become involved in their town or community and learn to accept change. Bob's goals for the coming year with the ICD are to encourage more involvement from the districts and states in creating and conducting projects at their own levels and stimulating the sponsorship of young Fellows.

Bob's father was orphaned in Iowa at seven years of age when his father was killed in a railroad accident, his mother having previously died in childbirth. An aunt who lived near McAlester, Oklahoma was able to take in all three children and so they moved to Oklahoma. In time he was accepted to medical school at Northwestern and worked his way through with a job at the railroad. While in medical school he met Bob's mother who was a nurse from Indiana. When, after graduation, they moved back to McAlester his young wife thought they had moved to the end of the earth. War broke out and he joined the army and served as a Lieutenant Colonel



Robert L. Bartheld

PRESIDENT

in the 3rd Army 19 Corp under General George Patton. He landed on the Continent a few days after D-Day but was injured in the trenches of Germany and flown out for treatment.

Bob Bartheld was born and raised in McAlester. He went to College at the New Mexico Military Institute for two years and then transferred to the University of Oklahoma. He attended dental school at what was then called the University of Missouri at Kansas City in "the old school. They've built a new one since then." He

graduated in 1958 with a top-notch education and a love for the Kansas City area. "It was a hands-on experience in those days," Bob said. "You had to do so many partials and so many full dentures, different types of crown and bridge and so on."

Bob's wife of 48 years, Pat hails from Oklahoma City. She moved to McAlester as a child when her father opened a Chevrolet dealership in the town. They met in high school and married between sophomore and junior years in dental school.

After serving in the military for two years Bob opened a practice in McAlester, but he only lasted eight months. No, he didn't go out of business. He got reactivated in the Berlin call up and had to do another year of active duty. They put him back in the same clinic where he had previously worked. "I was surprised," he said. "I didn't think the bank would let me go, I owed them so much money." He did better the second time, remaining in practice for over forty years.

Right after opening up for the second time, a local dentist who practiced not far from McAlester took him to Oklahoma City on the weekends for the dental meetings. He joined the local and worked his way up through the chairs of the local, district and state organizations

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eventually becoming president of the Oklahoma State Dental Association. He served on the ADA's Federal Dental Services Council. Later, he became a Vice President of the American Dental Association, and then, in 1997 became the Regent of District 12 of the ICD-USA Section. District 12 includes Oklahoma, Kansas, Louisiana and Arkansas. He is also a member of the American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He's a member of the Anglican Church and somewhere found time to be the past president of the Lion's Club and the Chamber of Commerce, 33° Scottish Rite Mason, Shriner and Jester.

Bob's sponsor in the ICD was John Carmichael who at one time was the Regent of District 12, served on the Foundation Board and was an International Councilman. He had a practice in the town of Woodward in western Oklahoma and has now retired and lives in Yukon, Oklahoma.

Bob and Pat's daughter, Elizabeth Bartheld is the Chief-of-Staff of U. S. Representative John Sullivan and is in charge of his office in Washington, D.C.

Tom, their oldest son is an Associate District Judge for Pittsburgh County in Oklahoma. He has been re-elected and has now served the community as a jurist for eight years. He and his wife, Jerri have two children, a boy and a girl.

The Bartheld's son, Bill is a Lieutenant Colonel and the Commander of a Heavy Combat Engineering Battalion consisting of 600 men and women, making it the largest National Guard Unit in Oklahoma. At this writing Bill and his Unit were preparing to depart for a tour of duty in Iraq. He and his men are well prepared as Bill also served in Desert Storm. His wife, Susan and he have a boy and three girls.

Their youngest son, Joe works for a construction company and is based in Dallas, TX. He gets to travel far and wide on different projects. He and his wife, Kay have two boys.

If you were keeping count, Bob and Pat Bartheld have eight grandchildren.

Bob brings new meaning to the term "retirement". We wish him well for a successful year.

CONVOCATION THIS YEAR IN ORLANDO

The Annual Meeting and Convocation of the USA Section of the ICD will be held this year in Orlando, Florida. The destination conjures up visions of sunshine, palm trees, sparkling swimming pools, magnificent golf courses, major theme parks, world-class fishing, arts and culture, spas and many other recreational activities.

Disney World is probably the first vacation destination which comes to mind when thinking of the Orlando area. A few of the other things to see and do might include smelling

the roses at the Harry P. Leu Gardens, air-boating through the natural grasslands, whale watching at Port Canaveral, swimming with the dolphins at Discovery Cove, learning to water ski, holding a gator or snake at Gatorland, flying in a World War II plane at Flying Tigers Warbird Museum, recording your own music video at Downtown Disney's Pleasure Island, riding a bull in a rodeo at :08, learning to sky dive or renting a Harley-Davidson. You get the idea. There's a website at www.orlandoinfo.com that links to a page

called "204 Things To Do in Orlando in 2004."

The meeting and convocation will be in the Peabody Hotel. The Fellowship Orientation Program will be on September 30, with the Convocation and Dinner Dance falling on October 1. Come and enjoy this year's meeting. Make new friends. Renew old acquaintances. Help welcome our new members into Fellowship in the International College of Dentists.

AS I SEE IT

This issue of the "Key" is the first in our new time format. The Board of Regents realized that it was important to have the information be on a calendar year basis and not as we have done it in the past. Since this is the first "Key" for our Editor, Dr. Richard Galeone, it seemed the appropriate time to make the change. Dr. R. L. Smith, Jr., our previous Editor for fourteen years, had done a magnificent job with the "Key" and personally brought it to where it is today. Well done, R. L.

2003 was an important year for the USA Section. Our website, www.usa-icd.org made great strides under the tutelage of Master Fellow Don Johnson. The CIF is there and you can type on it and print. There is a member section protected by username and password which will allow us to expand the information available to all Fellows. As each year goes by, the website will become more important to us for what it contains and because more and more of us will become computer literate.

Our CEC in Seattle last July was an experience everyone enjoyed. The city was easy to get around by walking, the temperature was perfect and the speakers were three of the best we have ever had. Our post trip was fantastic. We left on Saturday afternoon with 62 of us cruising to Alaska. At every stop, the weather was perfect and we could experience the beauty of that state. We came close enough to a glacier that I thought I could reach out and touch it. It will take quite a bit to surpass that experience.

The Humanitarian Outreach Project under the guidance of its developers, Drs. Jim Felix and Dave Sampe, continues to be a success. In 2003 Fellows of the USA Section contributed over \$20,000 and again will be invited to participate in 2004. Hopefully you will be as generous and make it a successful year again.

The USA Section has been a source of pride for all of us for a long time. It is not just one person or group that makes that happen but all of you. Each of you has been a leader in some capacity in organized dentistry. Our strength comes from that and the fact that so many of you are willing to participate in our local, state, district and national programs. Enthusiasm is the bedrock of our organization and you have it. Keep it up!

Our 2003 President Carl Lundgren and his wife, Marge, traveled everywhere you asked them to go. They represented the USA Section every step of the way and were a positive influence on how well the Section is perceived. Carl always had the time to talk to everyone who wanted information or guidance.

Mary Jo, Monica, and I are off and running as we go into 2004. It looks like it will be as busy as last year and probably just as much fun. The new candidate class is forming and Orlando will be the right place to be. I have signed a new contract and will be here through 2006 which I know will go by so very quickly.

As always I look forward to seeing you in my travels.

Robert E. Brady

Robert E. Brady, D.M.D.

Registrar



VANGEL ZISSI NEW PRESIDENT ELECT

Vangel R. Zissi of Massachusetts was elected President Elect of the USA Section at the annual meeting in San Francisco, California. Born in Manchester, NH, he is the son of Albanian immigrants. He is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and Tufts Dental School and served in the US Navy Dental Corps including a tour of duty in Vietnam.

In 1970, Van became a Diplomate of the American Board of Endodontics. He has been a Fellow in the ICD since 1971, serving as Deputy Regent from 1984-1990. He has also served as Vice Regent (1991-1997); Regent (1997-2002); Vice President (2002-2003); and President Elect (2003-2004). In 1990, he received the Spark Plug Award from the USA Section.

Van has served in a variety of offices and chaired numerous councils and committees of dental organizations and has been especially involved at Tufts. He has lectured extensively in the US and France and has been part of a multiple group practice of Endodontists in the Boston area since 1966. He has been married to his wife Barbara for 29 years and has two sons, Jonathan and Christopher.

At 67, he has no plans to retire or slow down!



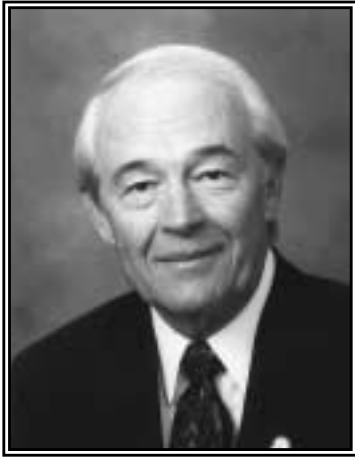
LEON ARONSON ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT

Leon Aronson was elected Vice President of the USA Section of the ICD in San Francisco. The election took place during the ICD Annual Meeting held during the ADA Annual Session.

Previously, Dr. Aronson served as ICD Deputy Regent for Georgia from 1994-98, and then as Regent representing District 5 (Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi) on the ICD Board of Regents from 1999-2003.

Leon, a native of Adel, GA, received his DDS degree from Emory University in 1963. After serving in the U.S. Air Force for two years, and earning the rank of Captain, he obtained his Master of Science degree in Orthodontics from St. Louis University in 1967. He practiced orthodontics in Savannah for 33 years before retiring in January 2000. Although retired, he continues to teach at St. Louis University and the Medical College of Georgia.

In addition to the ICD he is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He served as Georgia Dental Association President in 1992, and is the GDA Honorable Fellow and Award of Merit honoree. He also served as President of the Orthodontic Education and Research Foundation. He was honored as a Saint Louis University Outstanding Alumni in 1987, and received an Orthodontic Education and Research Foundation Silver Medallion Service Award in 1989 and an Emory University Dental Mirror Award in 1992.



REED SANFORD ELECTED TREASURER OF ICD

Reed E. Sanford of North Dakota and California was elected Treasurer of the USA Section of the ICD at the annual meeting in San Francisco this past October. He has previously served as Deputy Regent for North Dakota from 1986-1991, as the 10th District Vice Regent from 1991-1997 and as Regent of the 10th District from 1998-2003.

Dr. Sanford received his B.S., D.D.S. and Certificate in Orthodontics from the University of Minnesota. After graduation he was in the private practice of Orthodontics in Fargo, North Dakota for 37 years retiring in 1997.

Among many other honors and achievements he was the 8th recipient of the North Dakota Dental Association Outstanding Achievement Award. He is also a past president of the Southeast District Dental Association, the North Dakota Dental Association, the North Dakota Society of Orthodontists and the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists. The term of the new officers commenced on January 1, 2004.



RICHARD GALEONE ELECTED *KEY* EDITOR

Richard Galeone of Lansdale, Pennsylvania was elected Editor of the *KEY*, the annual publication of the USA Section of the ICD. He succeeds R.L. Smith of Little Rock, Arkansas who retired after serving for fourteen years.

Rich is a 1968 graduate of Temple University School of Dentistry and received his Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry from Children's Hospital of D.C. in 1970. After serving in the U. S. Air Force, he started a practice of pediatric dentistry in Lansdale, PA in 1972 and remains in practice.

He has been involved in organized dentistry since 1972 and has served as president of his local dental society and several other dental organizations. He became involved in dental editing in 1992 serving as the Associate Editor of the Pennsylvania Dental Journal until 2000, and then as Editor from 2000 until the present. In 1999, he started the College Call which is the newsletter of the Pennsylvania ICD and continues as its editor.

In 1998 he was awarded an Honorable Mention Certificate from the William J. Gies Foundation for his article "The Bottom Line" which appeared in the Valley Forge Dental Journal. In 2002 he won the William J. Gies Award for the best dental editorial "Everyday Ethics" which appeared in the Pennsylvania Dental Journal. He served as president of the American Association of Dental Editors in 2001 and remains active on several AADE committees.

R. L. SMITH, JR. RETIRES AS *KEY* EDITOR

After serving as Editor of this publication for fourteen years, R. L. Smith, Jr. of Little Rock, Arkansas has announced his retirement. Born on March 22, 1923 he's led a fascinating life. Little is known of his father's family other than all five boys left home very young. But his mother's family is a different story.

RL's great grandmother, Josephine Christmas Casharago, and family left their silk worm farm near Milan, Italy and immigrated to America with three girls and a boy dressed as a girl. The Italian government prohibited males from leaving the country. Arriving in New Orleans they traveled up the Mississippi and Arkansas rivers. A team of oxen and a wagon was purchased in Little Rock and 45 miles further north 120 acres were purchased. The town of Cash still exists.

His grandfather, Dr. James Walter DeJavnatt, was the son of a French immigrant. His grandmother was from the Donnell family of Scotch ancestry. The Smiths moved from the cotton country of Marion, AR to the "Little Switzerland" of the Ozark Mountains, Eureka Springs, AR where his father was the superintendent of schools and his mother was a homemaker.

Growing up in that small town, he lived three minutes from dense woods which provided hiking, building a clubhouse, making and shooting buckberry pea shooters, playing Indians (*sans* most clothing), tennis, picking huckleberries for his mother's pies and chinquapins. He thrived in that setting eventually becoming



RL's favorite hobby is "Motor Scootering" with his buddies at the Lake Mobil Home

an Eagle Scout, making the high school basketball team, winning leading roles in the junior and senior plays, and being named Valedictorian of his 1941 graduating class.

At the age of twelve his local dentist befriended him allowing him to observe as he worked on patients and letting him watch him work in his laboratory. This gave him the desire to become a dentist.

R.L. won a scholarship to the University of Arkansas and entered as a pre-dental student. He wrote for the student newspaper and became a fraternity man. When Pearl Harbor was attacked, he left the University. Failing the physical exams for the Army Air Corp and the Navy Air Corp, he volunteered for Army service. On the basis of his ROTC signal corps experience he was assigned to the Army Signal Corps. However, when the Army found out that he had already been accepted to dental school, he was assigned to the Army Specialized Training Program at St. Louis University School of Dentistry.

By the end of his freshman year, the armed forces discontinued the program. He lost the subsistence stipend of \$125 a month and had to find employment. He and four classmates convinced the United Rexall Drug Company to start a night shift and employ them as chemists in the analytical chemical laboratory.

R.L. enjoyed the challenge of dental school and he was elected to membership in Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit Schools National Honors Society and to Omicron Kappa Upsilon, National dental honors society. He was also one of four national senior student essay winners sponsored by the American Dental Association. In his senior year he was elected president of the Conclave, the St. Louis University student governing body.

In the Army he was stationed at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio followed by Yung Dung Po in Korea and finally at Ft. Riley, Kansas where he was discharged as a Captain.

Shortly after opening a practice in Little Rock, he developed an interest in organized dentistry. He served on many district dental society committees and was president of the county dental society and Arkansas

chapter of the American Society of Dentistry for Children. In 1975 he was elected editor of the Arkansas State Dental Association. In his Gies Award winning editorial "The Name of the Game" he reminded us all that "We fought to become a respected profession with high standards of achievement and conduct, committed to study, and having as its prime purpose the rendering of a public service" and, if we weren't careful we would soon once again be thought of as a trade.

He attended a weeklong journalism seminar at Michigan State University and courses sponsored by the ADA and the American Association of Dental Editors. He won several awards for his writing and served as president of the American Association of Dental Editors.

RL met his wife, Jean Caudle, during his first year of practice. They had four children, Stephen Lee, Cynthia Ann, Douglas Robert and David Curtis who live in Florida, Houston and Arkansas. He has six grandchildren. Three boys and three girls.

Jean Smith became a great leader in the women's auxiliary serving as president of both the Arkansas Women's Auxiliary and the Women's Auxiliary of the American Dental Association. They both became active in the Scouts, the PTA, Arkansas Cancer Society, Arkansas Heart Association and Arkansas



With wife Jean upon receiving his first William J. Geis editorial award for "pursuit of perfection"

Children's Hospital.

Both were dedicated members and tireless workers in the Presbyterian Church. Jean's expertise was in the pre-school area. She became a resource consultant in the church pre-schools and traveled widely in a three state area as a PCUS teacher instructing teachers on how to teach children.

RL and Jean were both Elders of the Church. He chaired the Presbytery's Committee on Education, chaired three Synod

Adult Conferences, was moderator of their Presbytery and commissioner to the PCUS General Assembly in 1968 and 1982 and president of the PCUS Assembly Men's Council in 1967-1968. In 1965 he was selected to be one of twelve lay persons to attend a two week long school of theology in the Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA.

His interest in education was also manifest in his philosophy of the dental profession. In 1980, he won the William J. Gies Editorial Award for an article titled "Pursuit of Perfection". In it he declared that "we need to evaluate the programs offered by clinicians on the 'circuit' and those promoted by paid advertising and brochures. We also need to take a close look at our priorities . . . Let us return to the 'old school' and support only those programs sponsored by recognized dental organizations and institutions, those programs designed to improve the quality of dental care and service...."

After the death of his wife, Jean, in 1989 he lost interest in continuing his dental practice primarily because of the intrusion of OSHA requirements and the insurance industry trying to tell us how to practice dentistry. He sold his practice and retired but he still misses doing dentistry and seeing patients.

After retirement he began to work with a veterinarian friend. He is very fond of dogs and enjoys being around and helping them. He also continues to devote a lot of time serving his church in the area of worship and the choir. At the age of 80 RL decided that it was time to retire, again.



(Right) ASDA President Grammer presents district society award and editor Emeritus Award (Left) In 1988 Trudy Fiegum presented R L Smith with the "Distinguished Service Award" from the American Association of Dental Editors

DICK SHAFFER RECEIVES MASTER FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Richard G. (Dick) Shaffer was presented with a Master Fellowship Award from the International College of Dentists in San Francisco for his outstanding leadership and contribution to the success of the College.

As a native of Lakewood, Ohio he obtained his undergraduate degree from Ohio Wesleyan University and his dental degree from Western Reserve University School of Dentistry and later acquired a Masters Degree in Higher Education from the George Washington University.

Immediately upon completion of dental school he was accepted as an intern in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps. After serving in many duty stations, afloat and ashore, and a residency in General Dentistry, he completed a 30-year career in the Navy. During his career he served as Dean (Director) of the Navy Dental School in Bethesda, MD. He commanded two major dental commands: Great Lakes and Norfolk.



Chief of the Naval Dental Corps rear Admiral Richard G. Shaffer

He was the Atlantic Fleet Dental Officer, and became the first Dental Officer to command a major medical command, the Naval Medical Command in Washington, D.C., with responsibilities for the President's Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland, and healthcare for Navy in five states. In 1982 he was selected for Flag rank as a Commodore. In 1983, Dr. Shaffer became the first Vice Commander of the Naval Medical Command responsible for Navy Medicine worldwide. And in 1984, Rear Admiral Shaffer was appointed Chief of the Navy Dental Corps until he

retired in 1989.

His awards at retirement included: The Distinguished Service Medal, Three Legions of Merit, The Meritorious Service Medal, The Navy Commendation Medal and two Commendations from the President of the United States. He had been awarded Fellowships in the International College of Dentists, the American College



The Shaffer Clan on the Deck Thanksgiving Day 2003



Dick Shaffer at his desk at ICD headquarters in Rockville, MD



President Carl Lundgren presents the Master Fellowship plaque to Dick Shaffer in San Francisco



Bob and Janet Brady with Barbara and Dick Shaffer in front of the castle at the CEC in Toronto

of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and, the Academy of General Dentistry He is a member of numerous dental organizations and has served as a delegate to the American Dental Association for six years. He was selected "The 1988 Alumnus of the Year" at Case Western Reserve School of Dentistry.

Upon retirement, he assumed the duties of Secretary General of the International College of Dentists and Registrar of the USA Section, a position he held for ten years. He remained as treasurer for one year and now is serving as chairman of the Outstanding Leaders in Dentistry Audiovisual Project and a member of the Convocation Committee as well as the Fellowship Orientation Program. He also received the College's highest award, The Ottofy-Okumura Award in 1998. In addition, he was the Gold Medal Recipient in 2000 from the Pierre Fauchard Academy and has been named a Cabellero for the Bernardo O'Higgins Award from the President of the Republic of Chile.

Presently he is active in the McLean Bible Church as a Trustee, Historian and teacher. He serves on the Board of Visitors of the National Museum of Dentistry in Baltimore, Maryland. He is a consultant at the Navy

Dental School and is a Red Cross volunteer at the Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland.

His wife, Barbara and he have three sons: Richard, a Ph.D. is a Research Epidemiologist and Professor;



(Left) At the CEC in Buffalo, Chef Shaffer astounds galley hands with his surgical technique on the Niagara Falls Cruise (Right) Dick is named Honorary ICD President by Bill Hawkins in 1998

Russell, who is a lawyer and Captain in the Judge Advocates Corps, USN; and Robert, a Professional Engineer and Branch Vice-President with a prestigious Civil Engineering Consulting firm in Richmond, VA. The greatest pride and joy of Barb and Dick are their nine grandchildren.

COMMENTARY

When Editor R.L.Smith called from Little Rock, Arkansas a couple of years ago to ask if I might be interested in becoming the next editor of the KEY, surprisingly I jumped at the chance. "You will?" he said. "Sure," I think I said, with a little tremor in my voice. I didn't have the foggiest idea of the commitment I was making. But here was a chance, I thought, to cast some of my ideas onto a wider stream. Of course most those ideas would still be rejected, but now they'd be rejected by bigger fish. Presidents. Deans. Regents. There was, however, another reason, I think the real reason, that has grown out of thirty-some years of being active in organized dentistry. The people.

A few days before his phone call I was sitting in my car waiting to make a left hand turn off of the highway and on to the road that winds through our community. I had pulled over to the left as far as I could. Just as I started into my turn a pickup truck blew past me on the right with its horn blaring and its driver flipping me the international hand signal for disfavor, and yelling something unpleasant in an offensive tone. I accorded this injustice my usual measured response. I damned him and his descendents to the everlasting fires of hell. I felt a little better by the time I reached the first stop sign. But my heart was still beating in the orange alert zone. Wouldn't life be grand if it wasn't for other people?

I think most of us would agree that we rarely confront this kind of behavior in the polite society of our profession. In general, dentists are courteous. We do not like to offend. We spend our days trying to please our patients. But we are not the only ones who might be so described. As a group, volunteers are also nice people. Just think about it. How many miserable people do you know who volunteer their time and talent in service to others? Most ICD Fellows have been involved with several charitable causes both in and out of dentistry, and most of the individuals in those volunteer organizations have been a pleasure to know. Many were dentists *and* they were volunteers. Which brings us back to the real reason I wanted to edit the KEY.

Members of the ICD are some of the champions of the dental profession. They were identified and asked to Fellowship because of their conspicuous efforts for organized dentistry, their communities, religious institutions, and the arts and sciences. They are a society of extraordinary men and women. Which group of people could possibly be more agreeable than dentists who have given so much back that their profession has officially recognized their efforts? How interesting I thought it would be to meet the members of this group, to see how they accomplish tasks and projects, to brainstorm and problem solve with them. And what a pleasure it would be to learn about the places they live, and travel with them to meetings all over this beautiful country.

Thus far, it has been great fun serving as editor of the KEY. I hope you like the new look and the changes that we have made. If you have ideas on how we might improve it in the future please let us know. Thanks for the privilege and the opportunity.

Rich Galeone

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SEATTLE



Photograph by Rich Galeone

In Seattle, The glacier-fed Skohomish River finds its way from its source in the Cascade Mountains to the Pacific

Nestled between Puget Sound on the west and the Cascade Range to the east Seattle was the perfect place for the summer, 2003 Board of Regents meeting and CEC XXI. The weather of the Northwest in July was dry and cool. The sky was cerulean blue and every day the temperature climbed to the high seventies. Between meetings and courses some of us explored the city of Seattle, took a sightseeing cruise on Puget Sound or rented a car and drove up into the hills to enjoy the scenic beauty of the Cascades. In the evenings the snow-capped prominence of Mount Rainier turned from white to rose as we enjoyed the artistry of some of the country's most celebrated chefs.

The Board of Regents meeting started at 8 A.M. sharp on Wednesday, July 23. Then President of the USA Section, Carl Lundgren of Rolling Hills Estates, California presided over the meeting which began with those in attendance taking a moment or two to relate some of their non-dental interests and activities. Their avocations ranged from deep-sea photography to international travel. This was followed by the reports of the Officers and the

Regents from each of the seventeen ICD-USA Section Districts.

Minoru Horiuchi of Newton Center, Massachusetts, President of the International College of Dentists world-at-large, was present at the meeting and addressed the Regents. He told them of his recent travel on behalf of the College to Brazil, South Korea and Ireland, and of his upcoming trip to Australia. He spoke also of his pride in being an American citizen.

James R. Allen of Kentucky, Vice Regent of the 6th District, sitting in for Regent Lawrence G. Gaston presented President Lundgren with a surprise Commission from the Governor of Kentucky naming him a member of the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.

Johnny N. Johnson, Regent of the 11th District, which includes the Seattle area, mentioned that they were having their annual District meeting the following Friday and presenting a plaque to Mel Bleakney who was born in 1902. Mel wasn't actually going to be at the meeting, however, as he was fishing up in Alaska.

Donald E. Johnson of Atlanta gave a comprehensive report regarding the improvements to our ICD-USA Section WebPage, which he and Richard Smith, also of Atlanta, have spent much time and effort developing over the last year.

And Thomas E. Emmering, of Winfield, IL, the outgoing President of the Foundation reported on the meeting of the Foundation which was held on the previous day.

CEC XXI was held on July 24 and 25, 2003 and featured Drs. Werner Geurtsen, Roy C. Page and Vincent G. Kokich who discussed Biocompatibility of Resins, Measurement and the Use of Risk in Dental Practice, and Orthodontic-Restorative Interaction respectively. There were eighty-four attendees. Several of those present, together with friends and family, took advantage of the post-meeting cruise to Alaska where the excellent weather continued for another week. Two days of continuing education are offered to members tuition-free each year. This year's CEC XXII will be held in Salt Lake City.

DEAN ARTHUR A. DUGONI HONORED

Arthur A. Dugoni, dean of the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry in San Francisco, has been elected president of the American Dental Association Foundation. He was inducted into this position during the ADA Foundation Induction Ceremony for Legacy Society Members at the Four Seasons Hotel in San Francisco on October 26, 2003. The ADAF enhances health by securing contributions and providing grants for sustainable programs in dental research, dental education, student scholarships, access to care and assistance for dentists and their families in need.



Arthur A. Dugoni, DDS, MSD
Dean, UOP School of Dentistry

A short two weeks later he was again honored as the recipient of the Dale F. Redig Distinguished Service Award. The award was bestowed on November 8, 2003 during the California House of Delegates meeting in Sacramento, CA. The award follows the collective heart of the CDA and symbolizes extraordinary vision, passion and leadership.

A week after that it was announced that, upon the recommendation of the Pacific Dental Education Foundation, the School of Dentistry be named in honor of Arthur A. Dugoni, who will be celebrating his silver anniversary as dean. The naming ceremony will take place during the special occasion weekend of August 27-28, 2004. He also has the distinction of having served as president of the American Dental Association, American Association of Dental Schools, American Board of Orthodontists and the California Dental Association.



Vangel Zissi of Massachusetts and Anthony Di Mango of New York in the Robing Room.



The Continental Ballroom was a magnificent room for dancing to the sounds of the Walt Tolleason Orchestra.

ICD Recognizes Excellence in Journalism

The following awards were announced at the annual meeting of the American Association of Dental Editors in San Francisco in October of 2003. The Awards are for publications of the year 2002.

PLATINUM PUBLICATION OF THE YEAR

*The Journal of the California
Dental Association*

Editor – Jack F. Conley, DDS

Business Manager – Jeanne Marie Tokunaga

The Journal of the California Dental Association represents a consistently outstanding publication that could easily win awards in every category. Each issue presents timely subjects in dentistry and uses superb graphics, photos and illustrations with the use of color.

PLATINUM SCROLL – DIVISION 2

*The Gutta Percha Clarion – The Newsletter of the
Kalamazoo Valley District Dental Society*

Editors – Keith Konvalinka, Ken Beadling

The 2002 Gutta Percha Clarion presented a marked improvement over the previous year. The entire quality of the publication including paper, printing and use of color gives this newsletter an outstanding effort in improvement, especially when considering that the editors have no staff support.

PLATINUM PEN – DIVISION 1

Texas Dental Journal

Editor – Christopher F. Anderson, DDS, MSD

Business Manager – Edwina J. Shires

"Differential Diagnosis of
Common Oral Lesions"

Authors:

Rary C. Coleman, DDS, MS;

Catherine M. Flaitz, DDS, MS;

Steven D. Vincent, DDS, MS.

The article presented a very comprehensive approach in establishing a differential diagnosis in oral lesions. The use of outstanding graphics in categorizing the various lesions made the objectives of the article a superb outline that can be used as a reference for the dental practitioner.

PLATINUM PEN – DIVISION 2

*The Journal of the Indiana Dental Association –
Vol. 81, No. 3 Fall 2002*

Editor – Michael Gradeless, DDS

Business Manager – Jennifer Hawke

"The Changing World of Dental Implants"

The entire issue presented an outstanding update on the subject of dental implants. There are seven articles written on the subject of implants including the effective use of photos, illustrations and graphics.

PLATINUM PEN - HONORABLE MENTION

*The Journal of the Massachusetts Dental Society –
Vol. 51, No. 3 Fall 2002*

Editor – Dr. Norman Becker

Manager – Jodi L. McGowan

"The Application of Disabilities Law
to HIV Positive Professionals in the
Dental Practice Setting"

Authors: Brian E. Lewis, JD;

Lawrence W. Vernaglia, JD, MPH

"Comparison of Anxiety Response Levels in
Patients Who are HIV Positive and Patients
Who Are Not"

Authors: Arthur A. Wiener, DMD, FAGD,

FADI; Candice Zemnick, BA, DMD, MPH;

Kanchan Ganda, MD.

This issue contained two outstanding articles dealing with healthcare providers and their relationships, both emotionally and legally, with infected colleagues and patients and an article dealing with the relationship of behaviors and attitudes of the dental health staff and their cause of increased levels of fear and anxiety in patients. Both represent an informative conversation about an interesting subject in today's dental practice.

PLATINUM PENCIL – DIVISION 1

*Journal of the Academy of General Dentistry –
Vol. 50, No. 1*

Editor – Roger D. Winland, DDS, MS, MAGD

Managing Editor – Ellen Odehnal

This issue, dealing with Forensic Dentistry, makes use of exceptional graphics and illustrations that catch the eye of its readers. The cover is laid out with clever use of graphics and design.

PLATINUM PENCIL – DIVISION 2

*Montgomery-Bucks Dental Society Bulletin
Vol. 49, No. 2*

Editor – Bruce Terry, DMD

Executive Secretary – Dr. Norman W. Riemer

This special 75th Anniversary issue contains an outstanding use of graphics in an article using a timeline of the society's history. Of particular interest is the color inclusion of Pennsylvania Victorian Era Advertising Trade Cards.

PLATINUM PENCIL – HONORABLE MENTION

The Baylor Dental Journal – Vol. 46 2002

Editor – Carolyn Cox, Executive Director,

Communications and Development –

Susan Mitchell Jackson

This publication used outstanding graphics, illustrations and color in presenting the articles "Safe at last" and "Reality Check".

SPECIAL CITATION

*The Mouth – Publication of the American
Student Dental Association*

Editor – Michael Joseph – Tufts '03

Publications Manager – Julia O'Donnell

The Mouth represents an outstanding publication that contains current issues of interest to the dental student of 2002. The use of color and graphics makes this publication easy to read and valuable to any member of its association.

“HOPE AND CERTAINTY BURN BRIGHT”

THE FOLLOWING IS A TRANSCRIPT OF DR. HAROLD SLAVKIN'S ADDRESS TO THE NEW ICD FELLOWS AT THE CONVOCATION CEREMONY IN SAN FRANCISCO ON OCTOBER 24, 2003

Harold C. Slavkin, BA, DDS, PhD (Honoris), FICD, FACD and Dean and G. Donald and Marian James Montgomery Professor of Dentistry

“**H**ope and certainty burn bright” were the sentiments of President Theodore Roosevelt as he welcomed the new century. I echo his conclusion “Hope and certainty burn bright.” His sentiments were based upon enormous hope, enthusiasm and certainty for profound improvements in the human conditions.



Dean Harold C. Slavkin Addresses the Convocation at the Induction Ceremony in San Francisco

January 1, 1900 heralded an emboldened new century. In America, Roosevelt spoke for the nation: Peace, Prosperity and Progress. These beliefs reflected the culmination of a set of outstanding achievements that were made in the last decade of the 19th century - -Newton's physics; Maxwell's theory of light; Max Planck's quantum theory; Thomas Edison's electricity and telecommunications; Pasteur's theory of infection, pathogens and vaccination; Roentgen's discovery of x-radiation and then x-rays; G.V. Black's principles and materials science for operative and preventive dentistry; the Wright Brothers' flight; Bertrand Russell's philosophy; Sigmund Freud's psychoanalytical thinking; Henry Ford's manufacture and assembly of the automobile; Marconi's telegraph; Cezanne's and Picasso's engagement with the visual arts. Science, technology, health, the arts and letters soared in public perception. It seemed that anything was possible. There was a sense of certainty.

Imagine, in 1900 flash photography was discovered, eventually leading to motion pictures, and human speech was transmitted across the Atlantic Ocean. The

Curies discovered radium and Thompson discovered electrons. Aspirin was invented. Tesla's discovery led to the lighting of the city of Buffalo using electrical power generated from Niagara Falls. The Paris metro opened and established the precedent for mass transportation. Albert Einstein graduated from the Zurich Polytechnic Academy and was poised

for his remarkable career in physics and humanitarian issues. The Zeppelin airship flew.

In 1900, Thomas Morgan and his biology colleagues in “The Fly Room” at Columbia University in New York re-discovered the work of Gregor Mendel and modern genetics was born later to be celebrated with the completion of The Human Genome in April 2003. In 1900, H.G. Wells wrote and published “War of the Worlds” that in fiction anticipated major war and destruction. By 1902, transmission of data by telephone and telegraph were established. And in 1896 Herman Hollerith started the Tabulating Machine Company to speed up the processing of punched cards. By 1911 this company changed its name to IBM and eventually advanced information technology.

And, many political, social and economic advances suggested that the seeds were planted that would provide for social improvements for all people through progress in housing, transportation, working conditions, and air and water quality. In May 1899, 26 nations met at The Hague for the world's first discussion of “world peace.” The International Court was created to

arbitrate disputes between nations. This conference outlawed poison gases, dum dum bullets, and bombs from balloons. War and international conflicts would become a thing of the past. The world was moving forward toward a golden age in which science and technology would serve all of humanity.

As the 20th Century began with certainty, it ended with uncertainty, doubt and even pessimism! When we reflect upon the human condition at a distance, we realize that modern *Homo sapiens* began our journey almost 1 million years ago. From Africa we migrated to Asia, Europe and beyond. Human life expectancy was 35 to 45 years of age for 99.9% of human history until the mid-20th century, in which the human life span has essentially doubled. Yet, the last 100 years is but a "moment" in the genesis of the human existence.

And from these broad-brush strokes of recent human history, the profession of modern dentistry and the International College of Dentists has also rapidly progressed. Our profession has focused on "making a difference" in the lives of men and women over a lifetime around the world. The Flexner Report of 1920 transformed academic medicine and eventually the practice of medicine in America. The Gies Report of 1926 did the same for academic oral health care professional education. The establishment of the National Institute of Dental Research within the National Institutes of Health in 1948 positioned dental science and research training within the larger canvas of biomedical research. The scientific quest for understanding molecules and communities was accelerated. And the 20th Century has witnessed enormous progress towards improving the oral health of all people through dental education, patient care, service to the community, and the science and technology of dentistry and medicine. Our profession has championed health promotion, risk assessment, disease prevention, improved diagnostics and exquisite progress in procedures, technique, materials and outcomes. Enormous progress has been made towards understanding craniofacial birth defects, oral infections and immunity, dental caries, oral and pharyngeal cancers, periodontal diseases, the "mouth-body connections" and the significance of oral and systemic diseases, temporomandibular joint disorders, chronic facial pain, saliva as a diagnostic fluid and

the condition of xerostomia, as well as the enormous progress in imaging techniques, dental implants and related prosthodontics procedures, techniques and dental materials. We have a great deal to be proud of.

And each of us in the International College of Dentists has a significant leadership opportunity as we consider the future. One issue is access to care. We must remove or reduce the obstacles and advance our social contract with society. Access to care is understood as the ability of individuals and families to utilize professional health services to achieve optimal health results. Access to oral health involves complex economic, social/cultural, political, and educational issues. Access involves the "oral health delivery system" and the distribution of professionals, behavior of professionals and levels of reimbursement for care. Arguably, from my perspective the major barriers to access to comprehensive oral health care for underserved populations involve the geographical distribution of oral health professionals, our shared core values and attitudes about being a health professional. Is oral health a commodity to be sold in the marketplace, or is oral health an essential component of well-being and quality of life for all people? Can we tolerate, for example, that 1/3 of Americans or 110 million people are without access to oral health care as recently documented in the Surgeon General's report "Oral Health in America" published in May 2000?

Today, each of us has the opportunity to revisit our social contract, and to enthusiastically provide access to oral health care for all people.

Today, in the early years of the 21st Century, we are wiser and more cautious. We view with caution the sweeping proposals of "experts" and politicians. We savour unbounded optimism with a generous pinch of salt. We want a better world for our children, our grandchildren, and ourselves. We want to live longer and we want to live better. We have learned through these remarkable 100 years that we are a collective, we share this precious resource called planet Earth, that we must nurture ourselves and our environments, cherish and advance learning of all kinds, and that we must be mindful of and remain true to our core values. It is our individual and unified responsibility to keep hope and certainty burning bright.

WORKING WITH THE WORLD TRADE CENTER DENTAL IDENTIFICATION UNIT

by Steven DeCrescenzo, DDS, Dorline H. Bosboom, DDS, Herman L. Bosboom, DDS

On September 11th, 2001, we three had flown into Rochester, New York, visiting Herman's sister for her birthday celebration on the 10th. Like so many of us, we awoke in our hotel to the image of the North Tower of the World Trade Center spewing smoke and flames...and then the second plane hit. At this point, Dorline realized that we would not likely be able to leave by air as scheduled, and then the towers collapsed, one after the other. She called the rental car company to advise them that they would not be getting their car back on time, nor would it be returned to its point of origin, but if they went looking for it, they would find it near our home in New York City. The city was subject to unpredictable lockdowns, so we delayed our departure from Rochester until the weekend, when it appeared that the bridges and tunnels would remain open long enough for our return. The drive was mostly without incident, except that since we chose to use a state road rather than an interstate, we found out that

the speed limit was not what we expected, thanks to a pair of State Troopers who followed us into a gas station about halfway home. In a conversation with Dorline, they found out we were forensic dentists trying to get back to identify the victims of the disaster. It turned out that they were planning to volunteer on the weekend themselves, and they wished us a safe trip and strongly advised us of the need to keep to the lower speed limit of Route 7. It was the only time we ever beat a speeding ticket, but at quite a price.

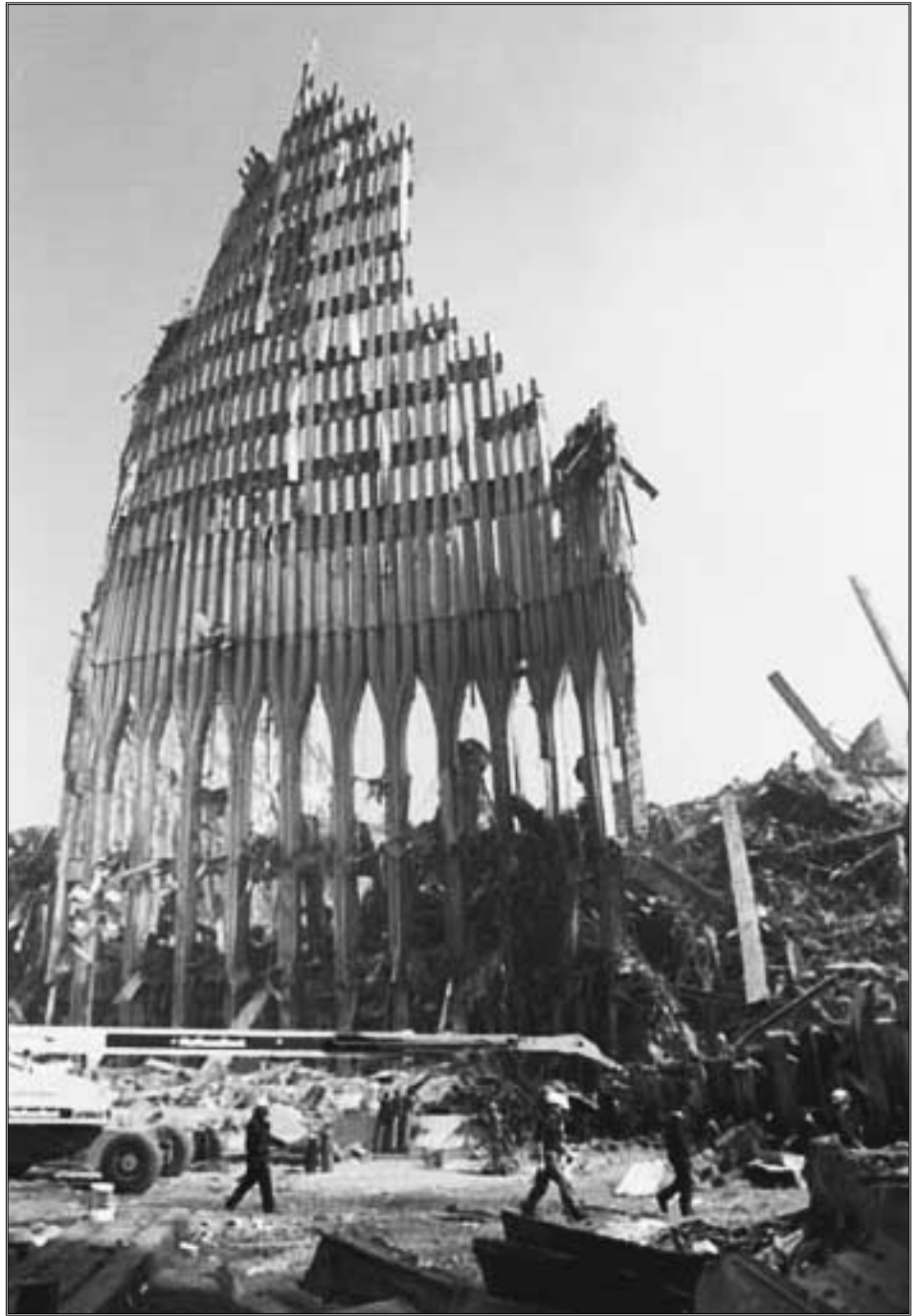
When we returned, it was time to put our practice in order. One of our patients is a "retired" Navy Seal, in quotes because when the Navy needs him, his unit is reactivated and he is called up to head for the hot zone, wherever it may be. He had been putting off finishing four crowns for 2 years, and now was the last chance to finish. After taking the impression, I called my lab technician and asked him how quickly he could return the case for an activated Navy Seal. His response: "How soon do you need it, doctor?" This is patriotism at the grass roots level; the case was cemented in two days. We were now available to volunteer at the World Trade Center Dental Identification Unit (WTC-DIU) at the New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME).

Our first tour of duty was the graveyard shift on a Wednesday overnight. We were assigned to assist a D-MORT member in the chart room. D-MORT is an acronym for Disaster-Mortuary Operations Response Team, an agency organized under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The first question asked of us was whether we knew how to put things into "absolute alphabetical order." Bewildered, we asked what exactly is



Two thirds of the Father, Daughter, Son-in-Law Team: Dorline and Steve.

“absolute” about alphabetizing. It was explained to us that we needed to order things from A to Z based on last name, first name, middle name. We responded that this was the only alphabetization scheme we knew, and inquired as to what other forms alphabetization could take. He told us that on the shift before us, a dentist who will remain nameless had grouped the Irish-sounding names under the letter “I,” Japanese-sounding names under “J,” and so on. We recognized that we had already experienced a version of this, thanks to an office assistant who reorganized our chart filing system so that nearly everyone fell under the letter “M,” subgrouped as Mr., Mrs., Miss, and Ms., except for the occasional Doctors And Reverends. After a good laugh about it, we got down to work, and by the middle of the night, we had become known as “The Kids in the Hall” if anyone came looking for us. Due to a severe case of iritis, Herman had not yet joined us in active participation on the team, but the ages of Dorline and Steve added up to more than 94 years at the time...“kids” indeed! There was more than just shifting charts from drawer to drawer. We had to copy the first two pages of the seven-page Victim Information Profile (VIP form) and put them into the separate dental chart that we were making up for our Dental Identification Unit’s use. Page one was standard biographical information such as Name, Height, Weight, SS#, Date of Birth, Last Known Location, etc., and the two boxes at the top of the second



The Last Wall. The largest intact part of the collapsed World Trade Center's structure.

page were for contact information of the victim’s dentists #1 and #2, followed by a box for the victim’s physician, then any identifying marks, scars, or tattoos, jewelry, and so on for the remaining five pages. We were surprised at the prominent position into which dentistry was placed on the form, but as the weeks unfolded into months, it became apparent that dental identifi-

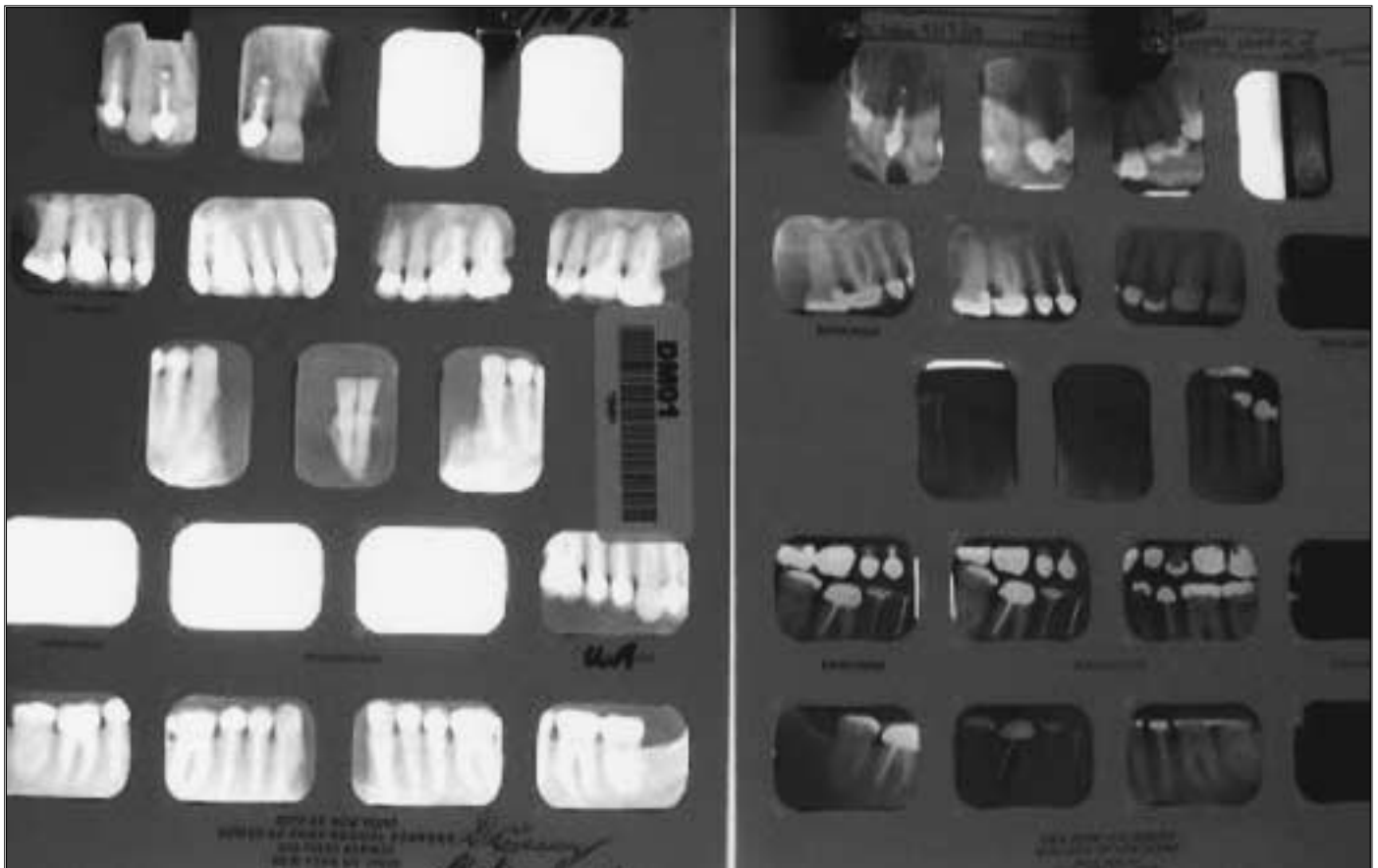
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cations have a relatively high utility and rapid confirmation, if complete antemortem records are available.

After his case of iritis cleared up, Herman joined us on the team for full tours of duty. At 81 years of age, Herman was the oldest dentist to volunteer for the job. He had helped identify the remains of some of the 132 people who died in 1960 when two commercial airliners collided over Brooklyn during the Christmas season. He remains active in our private practice on a part-time basis, but we no longer make him do any “heavy lift-

explanation, the Dental Identification Unit is divided into four teams: The Go Team, Antemortem, Postmortem, and Comparison Teams. In the event of a Mass Disaster, the Go Team, led by the Chief Dental Consultant, is dispatched to the scene. They assess the dental evidence, and anticipate the equipment and staffing needs for the incident.

After the New York World Trade Center disaster, Family Resource Centers were set up, first in various Armories, then ultimately at the Chelsea Pier on the



A Match! Postmortem series on the left, antemortem on the right.

ing.” We had passed from being known as “The Kids in the Hall” to “The Husband and Wife Team” to “That Husband, Wife, & Father-in-Law team,” but Steve was always quick to point out that “I was married to Dorline but that I had kept my maiden name.”

At this time, an overview of the organization and methods of mass disaster identifications will be useful in understanding why we did what we did. For sake of

Hudson River. Next of kin and friends of a presumed victim were to report to the Family Resource Center in order to provide identifying information, which was collected either in person or by phone, and the chart was given a number indicating the means by which the information was gathered, whether by phone, or by face-to-face personal interview. At the time of the initial data collection, there was no way to tell if a report was

being made on an individual who had already been entered into the system, since the victim's parent, spouse, and close friend might all be separately providing information. While this created redundancy in the totals, the information provided by the various concerned individuals was often non-overlapping. For example, the spouse might not know of the victim's childhood orthodontist, but the mother might provide the name and phone number for that dentist. The name and phone numbers of all the dentists involved with the victim in the past was very important to us.

Initially, the New York City Police Department Missing Persons Squad was responsible for contacting the dentists listed on the VIP form. Later in the event, the dentists of the Dental Identification Unit were given permission to contact the victims' dentists directly. The Antemortem team was responsible for these contacts. We had a script to read, so that the proper information would be requested, and to ensure that it would be reliably transmitted to the Medical Examiner's office. We asked that good copies of all radiographs be made and retained by the treating dentist, and all original X-rays be sent to us. In addition, while we would accept copies of the patient's chart, we specifically wanted a single-page summary of the victim's last known restorative status of their teeth. These materials were to be sent to us only by an overnight carrier that has a tracking system in place. The policy was in place that the request for records would be made of a dentist by a dentist, for reasons that were not fully obvious to us newcomers to the process...but we learned soon enough. Dorline's first tour with Antemortem required her to make several phone calls outside of our local area. Seeing an area code for Boston, Massachusetts, she sensed that this might not be the usual request, and she was right. The Boston dentist came to the phone almost immediately, and asked for the name of the victim, which she then released. She began to tell him about the mailing address and protocol, when he interrupted her to say that he already was familiar with the protocol, since this was the fourth victim out of his practice. Dorline also drew the emotional short straw on another case in which, after getting the doctor on the phone and releasing the name of the presumed victim, he could be heard breaking down into tears with the response: "I'm sorry,

but this was not just a patient of mine, he was my best friend." Again, Dorline unwittingly handled the difficult call when she reached a female dentist, gave the name, and received stunned silence for a moment until the doctor informed her that the victim was her brother-in-law. We quickly learned to be more sensitive than we ordinarily might need to be in our everyday practices. Pathos was one side of the coin; the other side was provided by the "reluctant" dentists. Risk-management courses have drilled into most all of us that we are to retain our original X-rays in nearly all situations, and several of our colleagues missed the implication of the term "nearly." Original records can and have been subpoenaed in litigations and criminal investigations, and we were involved in a record-setting criminal investigation. Occasionally, we would contact an unresponsive dentist who would tell us that he would "rather not" release his patient's X-rays, since it was "not his best work." We had to explain on too many occasions that his patient was now a presumed victim, and a malpractice suit would be highly unlikely, while keeping the tendency toward sarcasm out of our voice. When reluctance turned to recalcitrance, we had a plethora of peace officers who would gladly assist us in recovering the records.

Procedurally, when records were received, they were logged in, and the Antemortem team would set up a chart, and transfer the information to a standardized paper form. As a rule, nobody works alone. In all cases, when entering data into the victim's record, we were to work in pairs for redundancy, error detection and correction. One team member would read the X-rays, and the partner would write the information on the paper form, then we would switch and the partner would read the X-rays, while the other dentist would verify that the recorded information was correct. (While radiographs were by far the most ubiquitous and useful identifiers, we alternatively might work from diagnostic casts for charting; and in one case we used a removable partial denture that had been left at the dentist's office for repair to make an identification based on the fit to the remaining lower jaw.) Dr. Burkes recalls an incident in which a dentist from Louisiana claimed he didn't keep records, and he wouldn't send X-rays, but he sent a single study cast of the lower arch. Charting

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was done from the model, and a positive ID was made. Afterward, the dentist called to say that he wanted his study cast back, to which replied that he could not have it back, only the next of kin could request it. Two to three weeks later, a letter arrived from that dentist demanding that the cast be returned to the wife of the identified victim. Dr. Burkes consulted with the head of Medico-Legal Investigations, who backed up his position that the cast is considered evidence in an ongoing criminal investigation, and would not be released. Jeff called the wife to tell her that she got her husband back, and would not need the study cast.

Once the information was recorded on our paper forms, it needed to be entered into a computer program used for comparison. While at the outset there were two different and incompatible programs in use, WinID, written by James McGivney, DMD, became our program of choice. This was due to its sophisticated comparison algorithms and ability to link and display graphics (usually X-rays) to the odontograms, which are strictly symbolic representations of the restorative status of the dentition. Dr. McGivney wrote the program and copyrighted it, but has offered it as freeware to anyone who cares to download it and install it on their computers, as the good and altruistic thing to do. While he was with us on-site, he was available to troubleshoot and debug and improve the user-friendliness of the application on-the-fly. After he returned home, he would log in remotely and upgrade the program for us as soon as he improved it.

Again, we paired up to enter and check the data, with one person reading off the information on the paper sheets and the other entering it into WinID. And again, we would switch roles to check our entries. When we were sure we had entered everything accurately, we could move on to the next record. The record, including X-rays would then be passed to the Scanning Team, a subset of all of us who were more computer-literate in the field of graphics. This group used a flatbed scanner with a full-bed transparency illuminator to get the images from the radiographs organized and optimized into picture files that could be saved as JPEG files. These JPEGs would be linked to the victim's

record in the WinID database.

Simultaneous with the efforts of the Antemortem Team, the Postmortem Team handled the data collection and entry for the as yet unidentified remains arriving at the morgue from Ground Zero. Postmortem was responsible for directly dealing with the human remains, including retrieving the oral structures from the victim, taking radiographs, charting the oral condition, and entering the data into the WinID database. During my first tour in which there were fresh remains for Postmortem examination, Dr. Burkes was present, so I asked him something to the effect of: "Before we do the charting, do we take our own X-rays after the OCME technicians retrieve the dental remains, or do they do that as well?" He just gave me that look of "Oh, you poor uninformed fellow," and laughingly directed me to put on the barrier gear, retrieve those remains myself, take the necessary X-rays, and get the case charted. Then do it again, since that is what we do. The rest of the room had a good guffaw over this since they were already seasoned vets (to repeat, we arrived relatively late to the team).

Procedurally, the duties of the Postmortem team were handled in a similar manner as the Antemortem team used, emphasizing redundancy. As the body bags arrived, the OCME staff removed and logged personal effects, photographers captured and recorded visible identifying marks, characteristics, and tattoos, OCME radiologists took full-body radiographs of whatever was in the bag, the fingerprint department lifted whatever prints they could manage, and then the gurneys would arrive in our area of the white porcelain-tiled morgue. All of this, including our work, was carried out under the watchful eyes of the police since this was a criminal investigation, and every victim had an individual police escort from its uncovering at the site until it was secured in the refrigerated trailers in Memorial Park. As indicated in the above anecdote, we Postmortem dentists were responsible for recovering, cleaning, radiographing, and charting the dentition and related oral structures of the victims that had oral structures. Not all victims did, and those which we found covered the full spectrum of decomposition. However,



New York City, 30th Street and First Avenue, with the office of Chief Medical Examiner at left corner, Bellevue Hospital on the right corner. The Dental Trailer is more than half way down the block, obscured by trees.

oral structures are remarkably durable, especially relative to the energies involved in the collapse and the fires that persisted for months. Usually, we would remove whatever jaw parts we could find, wherever we would find them, and this is where the full-body X-ray scans would become invaluable, since things were often not where one would expect them. Ectopic teeth and jaw parts were often found in the chest cavity and abdomen, and points below. One of the radiology technicians became quite adept at recognizing teeth out of context, and would frequently give us a “heads-up” as to where to look for missing parts, which would effectively expedite our part of the job. Next, we would clean up the jaws (sodium hypochlorite works wonders!) since embedded gravel, glass, and metal fragments may obscure identifying structures. Then we would expose, develop, and mount our radiographs. Throughout this process, we would work in multiples, at least in pairs, and continue with the same method of charting on paper, then data entry into WinID (upstairs, back at our Dental trailer) including any unique identifying characteristics from the clinical examination. Again the scanners would link a file of an image of the postmortem X-rays to the record for the unidentified remains, and a match could be attempted, which brings us to the Comparison Team, whose job it was to make matches and verify identifications.

The Comparison Team had access to all of the dental records produced by the Ante-and Postmortem

Teams. We would usually begin the process by selecting a postmortem record that had just come in to see if it might match any victim already in the WinID database, since the antemortem entries arrived more quickly than the postmortem remains. Postmortem remains had to be excavated layer by layer from the pile of debris, and this process took months, while a substantial bulk of antemortem records were entered in the first several months. However, this was not without exception, of course, since antemortem records continued to arrive at our trailer almost right up to the time of the closing of the site at Ground Zero. The most direct method of making a match using WinID would be to direct the program to produce a ranked list using the “Best Match” command, and using algorithms that allow for reality-based progressions of restorative options, would provide a ranked list of possible matches. “Reality-based” in this case means that while a Class I restoration on an antemortem radiograph could belong to the same person exhibiting a Class II restoration postmortem, the reverse could not be true, nor could a missing antemortem tooth reappear in postmortem remains. On occasion, “Best Match” worked out well, but all too often, incomplete antemortem records or fragmented and missing postmortem remains left too little data for a full-arch oriented match. On these occasions, the use of a filter could be successful. Like a word search in a word processor, which will look for and return a result based on a string of characters, filtering on a single char-

CONTINUED, WORKING WITH THE WORLD TRADE CENTER DENTAL IDENTIFICATION UNIT

acteristic or small group of characteristics might result in a match. Interestingly, substandard dentistry could on occasion be an aid in identification, since there are relatively few ways to do operative and prosthetic dentistry correctly, but a myriad of unique variations appear in inadequate dentistry.

Once a promising match is returned by the WinID program, it must be checked against the actual hard-copy records in the file cabinets, and ante-and post-mortem records are compared to each other. If enough characteristics are consistent, two Tour Commanders must agree and sign off on the match before it is considered a verified identification. Once the ID has been verified and submitted to the Medico-legal Investigators, the next of kin is notified and the remains can be released to the family's Funeral Director, who will arrive at Memorial Park to remove the remains. If the ID was done by Dental, one more final, redundant examination of the remains against the records was performed by at least two dentists, one of whom had to be a Tour Commander. If everything was in order, the remains were released, and one more family could achieve closure regarding the loss of their loved one.

More than 300 forensic dentists and auxiliaries from across the country volunteered to work under Dr. Jeffrey Burkes, who has been the Chief Dental Consultant to our city's Chief Medical Examiner since 1979. Jeff was not seen so often in the Dental areas since as Chief, he had to establish protocols and find us space to work; interface with the alphabet soup of agencies and their acronyms, such as the FBI, D-MORT, NTSB, Fire and Police Departments (NYPD and NYFD), Port Authority Police Department (PAPD), FEMA, Corrections, the Mayor's office, and other OCME divisions such as Anthropology, DNA, Fingerprints, Serology, Pathology, and many others; get the equipment we needed to perform our work such as computers, printers, cell phones and the long-awaited document shredder; deal with New York University College of Dentistry, who generously provided us with half of their clinics' X-ray processors; deal with personnel issues such as scheduling problems and the inevitable personality conflicts. However, he would always be called in to be the final

arbiter of the "difficult" identifications--the ID's that put one's reputation on the line. In Forensic Odontology, you are allowed no mistakes, since if you mis-identify someone, all future identifications done by you can be called into question. He also had to do the troubleshooting for our team, as in cases where one of our members spoke to the press, potentially compromising the security of our mission. All forensic dentists on the team were required to sign a non-disclosure document before we were allowed to participate in the effort, in which we agreed not to discuss what we were doing with any outsiders. From time to time, Dr. Burkes would receive a news article from the local newspaper in a distant locale, profiling a doctor who was "called in" to the Dental Identification Unit for his incredible expertise. Dr. Burkes would call the doctor and inform him that he was off the team. Invariably, the doctor would say that he was misquoted, or thought he could describe what he saw in general terms. Neither excuse would wash, since he simply should not have talked to any reporters.

This has been just a summary of some of the tasks that the forensic dentists and auxiliaries performed for the New York World Trade Center Dental Identification Unit in the months following the September 11th tragedy. One thing unique to the three of us and a few other couples on the team was that we had each other as a support group. We each knew and understood what each other was going through, which helped us cope. However, free counseling services were made available to all participants on the dental team as well as all other units in the recovery and identification effort. Many of our family, friends, and patients have asked us why we have become involved in such a gruesome undertaking. Our consistent response has been, "Not everyone can perform this kind of service, therefore we ought to, and so we do."

Respectfully submitted by
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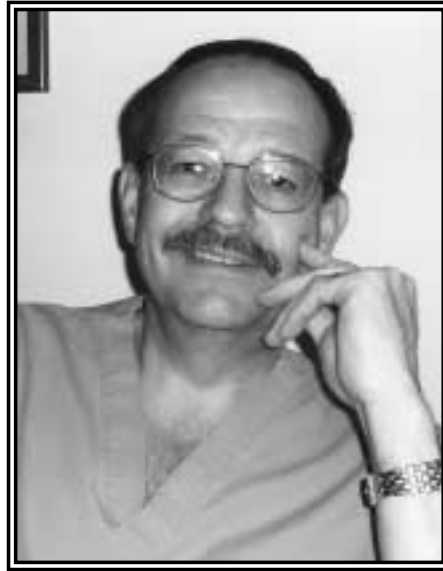
CURTIS JOHNSON DISTINGUISHED DEPUTY REGENT

Curtis Johnson of Scotland, South Dakota was the 2003 recipient of the USA Section Distinguished Deputy Regent Award. The award was announced at the Deputy Regent's Breakfast in San Francisco in October.

Curtis received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry from Augustana College in Sioux Falls in 1968, and his Dental Degree from Northwestern University Dental School in Chicago in 1972. He has been a member of the ICD since 1994 and was sponsored by Howard (Tom) Peterson who is serving as the Deputy Regent for South Dakota this year.

Among many other honors and positions, he has served as President of the Southern District Dental Society in 1982 and as President of the South Dakota Dental Association in 1992. He was the recipient of two SDDA Presidential Citations for meritorious service in 1994 and 1995, and the recipient of the SDDA Distinguished Service Award for continuous exceptional service to the dental profession in 1998.

He has been a delegate to the American Dental Association House of Delegates for the last seven years, and a member of the ADA Council on Government



Curtis R. Johnson, DDS
DISTINGUISHED DEPUTY REGENT

Affairs since 1991. In addition, he is a member of the National Advisory Committee for the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry, of the Siouland Dental Study Club and of the South Dakota Dental Foundation. He is also a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Federation Dentaire Internationale.

Other service to his community includes membership on U.S. Senator Larry Pressler's Health Advisory Committee, South Dakota Governor Mickelson's Rural Health Care Advisory Committee and South Dakota

Governor William Janklow's Task Force on Managed Care. He is also on the Scotland Chamber of Commerce and the Scot-Del Development Corporation.

He credits the hard work of the young members of the South Dakota Chapter of the ICD and the support of his friend and mentor, Reed Sanford, for the recognition he has received from the ICD.

His future vision for the ICD would be to have more members live up to the ideals of the ICD and for more young members to be involved. His philosophy of life: "Don't take yourself too seriously, but what you do, do seriously."

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

THE DEADLINE FOR THE 2005 KEY IS JANUARY 15, 2005

If possible, submissions of the text of articles for the 2005 edition of the KEY should be single spaced, done in Word Format and emailed to the editor at rjgdds59@comcast.net. Photography to be used with articles may also be sent electronically.

If this is not possible, then mail the text, together with the photographs, to: Richard J. Galeone, DDS, Editor
122 Holly Drive, Lansdale, PA 19446.

Captions: Please do not write on the back of photographs. Write the caption on a label and stick it to the back of the photo, or tape it to the bottom/back as in the past.

Also, remember that it is greatly appreciated if material can be sent prior to the deadline date.

THOMAS EMMERING COMPLETES SECOND TERM

Thomas E. Emmering of Winfield and Bloomingdale, Illinois has completed his second term as president of the USA Section Foundation. He has a long and distinguished career of service to the profession and community.

To mention just a few of his professional achievements, he has been a delegate to the American Dental Association, president of the Wheaton Dental Society, a delegate to the American Association of Dental Schools, and a Fellow of the ICD, the ACD, PFA and the FDI.

He has also been a board member of the American Cancer Society, Health Systems Agency, Exchange Club of America, the American Legion, Artist Series Board and United Cerebral Palsy.

In addition to private practice, he has had an active academic career both at the University of Illinois College of Dentistry and later at the Loyola University School of Dentistry where he was responsible for designing and implementing a complete, coordinated didactic curriculum in dental radiology for all dental students and dental auxiliary students.

And finally, he has been the recipient of many awards, has published many scientific articles, given numerous lectures and symposia, conducted clinics, presented innumerable continuing education courses, and directed various research projects.

Future ICD Meetings

CANADA	August, 2005	Montreal
EUROPE	June, 2004	Monte Carlo
	June, 2005	Sweden
	June, 2006	Italy
	June, 2007	Portugal (tentative)
USA	Sept., 2004	Orlando
	October, 2005	Philadelphia
	October, 2006	Las Vegas
	October, 2007	San Francisco
	October, 2008	San Antonio
	October, 2009	Honolulu

USA SUMMER MEETINGS

July 14-18, 2004	Salt Lake City
July 13-17, 2005	Minneapolis
July 12-16, 2006	Halifax, Nova Scotia
July 18-22, 2007	Atlanta (tentative)

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

2004	Orlando
2005	Taipei, Taiwan "R.O.C."(fall)
2006	Las Vegas (October)
2007	Mexico (tentative)
2008	San Antonio (October)
2009	Japan (tentative)

SUMMER CONFERENCE IN SALT LAKE CITY



City and County Building



Photograph by Jason Mathis
Zion National Park, Narrows



Photograph by Jason Mathis
Butte near Goblin Valley

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I'm sure you have noticed that the ADA holds its annual meeting in the same ten or so cities. This is because there are only a small number of venues with hotel capacities large enough to accommodate so many attendees. It is for this reason that the ICD schedules its summer continuing education seminars in smaller cities. Travel is an enrichment of life, but a variety of travel is a celebration of that richness.

The 2004 Continuing Education Conference, CEC XXII, sponsored by the USA Section Foundation will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah July 14-17. There is no tuition for CEC XXII. It is free. Recent conferences have been completely filled and this one most certainly will be. This year's presenters are going to be Gordon and Rella Christensen of Provo, Utah.

The meeting will be held at The Grand America Hotel which has over 700 rooms in

its 24-story tower. It is known as the "million dollar a room hotel" because it was built at a cost of about one million dollars per room. The ICD has secured a rate of \$174 for a single/double and \$199 for an Executive Suite. These are extremely good rates for this hotel.

Most of us think of Salt Lake City as a great place for winter sports. But there is much more than Alta, Snowbird, Solitude and Brighton. In the summer it's a completely different experience. It's a good time of year to explore a mountain meadow, go bird watching, mountain biking, hiking or golfing. Listen to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, enjoy gourmet dining or tour a museum. You may also meander through the heart of the downtown area.

The City Center is the heart of Salt Lake's shopping experience. Two downtown malls feature the Olympic Spirit Store, Masseys Jewelers, Souvenir shop at Temple Square, and Bentley Square, a handmade gift empori-

um. Sam Weller's Zion Bookstore is one of America's largest specializing in used and rare tomes. The personable Oxford Shop provides top-drawer shoes for men, next door to Utah Artist Hands specializing in local art. Bennion Jewelers, Utah's oldest jeweler, is around the corner from O.C. Tanner, the legendary goldsmith and maker of Olympic medals. Other shopping areas include the Avenues neighborhood, Fifteenth and Fifteenth neighborhood, Sugarhouse District, Warehouse District, and the new Gateway marketplace.

To order a tourist guide and research the area go online to the Salt Lake Convention and Visitor's Bureau at:
<http://www.visitsaltlake.com/home.shtml>

DR. YEE HONORED

Being asked to be the keynote speaker at the Bank of America's 2003 Achievement Awards Program in Sacramento at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dr. Herbert K. Yee of Sacramento, CA was recently honored. The audience consisted of the high school seniors, their parents, high school faculty, local educators, community business leaders and media representatives. His talk was inspiring and motivating to the high school seniors.

Dr. Yee also gave the 2002 Commencement Address to the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry. His topic was the "Positive Power of an Ideal." In his talk he illustrated how some of the great men of the University accomplished their dreams of improving the school. At the end of his talk he challenged the graduates to remember their school after they leave. "You are here today because you believe in the future of dentistry, and dentistry believes in your future, and our university believes in your future. Confucius says, 'When drinking water, remember its source.'"

In addition to his speaking engagements, he has remained very active in the community. He is serving his fifth term as president of the Chinese Benevolent Association and has for thirty-one years been on the Board of the University of the Pacific, and of the California State Railroad Museum for twenty-two years.



Herbert Yee gives keynote address at Bank of America Awards

ICD STRIKES DEAL WITH MBNA

The USA Section has struck a deal with MBNA America to sponsor a credit card for its members. The Section is hoping that this will grow as a source of non-dues income. Some of the highlights of the agreement between the two groups are as follows:

- There is no annual fee.
- A credit line of up to \$100,000.
- For every new account, the Section gets one dollar.
- For every renewal account, the Section gets five dollars.
- The Section also gets .2% of all purchases.
- A flexible Awards program.
- Transfer balances from other cards to this one.

Close to \$2,000 was raised during the past year, but this has the potential for becoming a much greater source of non-dues income. To apply for a USA Section MBNA America Card, go to usa-icd.org, then click on "Links", and then on "MBNA America NetAccess Online Banking."

LATHROP ELECTED FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

John B. Lathrop of West Chester, Pennsylvania has been elected president of the USA Section Foundation. He succeeds Thomas E. Emmering of Winfield, Illinois who had served two separate terms as president.

Dr. Lathrop has a long and distinguished record of service to organized dentistry and the community. He has been active since his graduation from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine in 1961. Following graduation he served as a Lieutenant in the U. S. Navy Dental Corps and then started his private practice of general dentistry. He has served as president of the Dental Society of Chester and Delaware Counties, as president of the Second District Dental Association and as president of the



John B. Lathrop

FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

in 1977 and vice president of the USA Section in 1994. John served as president of the USA Section in 1996 and has served as treasurer of the USA Section for the last three years.

Pennsylvania Dental Association. He also served for fifteen years as a delegate and alternate delegate to the ADA. Among many other honors he was the 1996 Pierre Fauchard Academy Pennsylvania Dentist of the Year, received the 2001 Annual Award from the Pennsylvania Dental Association, and he also received the 1997 Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

He has been a Fellow of the ICD since 1972. He became the deputy regent for Pennsylvania

USING THE ONLINE ROSTER

Check out the new USA-ICD web site at <http://www.usa-icd.org>. You will notice the addition of a new online ICD newsletter called ICDoings, a link to instructions for the ICD Fellowship Process, and a USA Section Roster.

First time use of the Roster can be tricky. When you receive your dues statement this year, you will be given an identification number. This is used in accessing the Roster. When logging in, you will be asked to enter your User Name and Password. For the user name, you are to enter your identification number. For the password, you enter your last name capitalizing the first letter only. For example:

User Name	7619
Password	Smith

The USA Section has its own web site.
The web site for the ICD, world at large, is <http://www.icd.org>.

THE HAMMONDS' LOVE OF SERVICE



The Hammond Dental Clinic Guatemala

ICD Fellow Roy Hammond and his wife, Frances have made 42 trips to Third World countries to provide dental services. They've gotten to where they go about four times a year. On one of their recent trips, they led their team to Irapuato, Mexico. From there they traveled to remote villages and treated over 1,150 patients under sometimes challenging conditions. In addition to providing dental care, they trained two women as village dental nurses. The small dental clinic the two women manage now provides some care for the villagers.

Their interest in Third World dental care began in 1989 when they took their first humanitarian trip. It was to Truk Island and New Guinea in Micronesia at the request of Senator John McCain. A year before he had been on a scuba diving expedition when one of his party was injured. It was then that they realized there was no real medical or dental care available in the area.

In Mexico, Nepal, Guatemala and Vietnam they have started Dental Health Care Worker training programs – women and/or men who wish can be trained to give preventive care and some basic dentistry in

rural villages far from any dental office. This is working very well. Four men in Nepal receive supplies several times a year from the Hammonds and they care for seven villages high on the Himalayan slopes. Mexico has three schoolteachers who also offer preventive care instruction and cleanings. Vietnam has four nuns working in orphanages.

The Hammonds envision dental schools in the various countries coordinating senior dental students through a "bush dentistry" outreach program, which would be funded through private donations. This would help the students recognize the needs in their own countries as well as enhance their learning from the visiting dentists who would assist with the outreach program.

The Crown Council, an alliance of dental teams in the US and Canada, presented their annual Humanitarian Award to Dr. Roy and Frances Hammond and their son, Dr. Chris Hammond, all of Provo; as well as daughters Amy and Angel Hammond, with their team of dental assistants. Greg Anderson, director of the Crown Council, said, "They are a terrific example of what everyone ought to be doing." Who could add anything more?

IN MEMORIAM

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*Dorothy Cassatly was an Honorary Fellow and Administrative Assistant to Past Registrar (1974-1988) Franklin M. Kenward.

Marcia Hoover Kenward passed away peacefully on July 26, 2003 at the age of 77 after a long and valiant battle with ovarian cancer. She attended Indiana University where she majored in journalism and was elected to many honorary societies. She was also the associate editor of the campus newspaper and vice president of her senior class.

In 1948 she married Franklin Monroe Kenward who survives. They lived in Gary while he finished dental school at Loyola University in Chicago. Frank served as ICD Secretary General and Registrar from 1974 until 1988.

The Kenwards moved to Miami in 1952. Their older son, Dr. Scott F. Kenward, is a dentist. The younger, Christopher F. Kenward is an attorney and businessman in Redwood City, CA.

Marcia was an elder in the Pinecrest Presbyterian Church. She was also a member of the Guild of the Museum of Science, of Women in Communications, the Chi Omega Alumni Association and the Miami Dental Auxiliary.

She edited *The Frater*, the national magazine of Psi Omega Dental Fraternity for 15 years, and she accompanied Frank on his professional trips throughout the world writing many accounts of them. Most of all she enjoyed being a wife, mother and grandmother and the special times she spent with her family.

WHITE COAT CEREMONY – RITE OF PASSAGE

After a competitive process that begins many times in elementary school, continues with an academic track in high school, a rigorous college curriculum and two years of intense basic and dental science courses in dental school, students are permitted to begin the patient treatment portion of their education. In addition to clinical skills, the profession hopes that its students approach this responsibility with the highest regard for their patients' welfare and dignity. The White Coat Ceremonies acknowledge this hallmark in the education of dental students as a rite of passage.

Dr. Gerrit Hagman addressing the students at the University of Alabama congratulated them on the achievements and accomplishments which earned them admission to dental school. He told them that professionalism implies having the highest of character, standards and integrity. And that professionals may become leaders. Leadership is conduct or behavior that causes others to follow some course of action or line of thought, or to direct the performance of activities. Great leaders learn to listen to the individuals they direct.

"I charge you," Dr. Hagman said "to keep a code of professionalism and leadership as your guiding light both as a student and throughout your career. Maintain and continue to expand your knowledge and skills



Newly White Coated Sophomore Dental Students, School of Dentistry, Medical College of Georgia. June, 2003

through the lifetime of your career through continuing education. Share your professional skills with your colleagues, be a mentor to someone, and give back to your community through volunteerism and personal involvement, as well as financially.

The University of Georgia established its own White Coat Ceremony this past year with the help of Dr. Kevin B. Frazier, associate professor of oral rehabilitation, who coordinated the ceremony. "The coat is a keeper," Dr. Frazier told the students. "Take care not to soil it physically or conceptually. It is our formal uniform – our dress whites if you will. Beyond that, it is what you make of it."

The School of Dentistry Dean Connie Drisko said the ceremony was "an opportunity to publicly acknowledge the students' responsibilities as health care professionals. As you complete this ceremony today you will transition from our students to our colleagues to our friends.

Also present at the ceremony was Dr. Gerrit Hagman who told the students that "Dentistry is a sacred trust. We represent our profession at all times. You don't turn the light out." Several other speakers including Dr. Isaac Holton, the school's 2003 Distinguished Alumnus, challenged the students to commit themselves to integrity, ethics, altruism and excellence for the remainder of their professional lives.



Gerrit Hagman, Richard Weems (Chairman Dept. of Radiology & Director of Students and Alumni Affairs), and John C. Barnes (President of Alabama Dental Alumni Association)

2003 Student Achievement Awards

32ND YEAR OF PRESENTATION

This award recognizes a senior dental student from each school who has shown outstanding achievement and academic and professional improvement during their years as a student of dentistry.

They are chosen by their faculty.

University of Alabama
Jennifer L. Hose

Baylor College of Dentistry
Samuel Gene Preece II

Boston University
Shola Abatti

University of California, Los Angeles
Christopher Craig Cruz

University of California, San Francisco
Jahnavi Rao

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Jennifer R. Park-Cruz

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Lisa Browning

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Columbia University
Ayelet C. Yoles

University of Connecticut
Srdan Sanovic

Creighton University
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University of Detroit, Mercy
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University of Florida
Stephanie Lynn Reeder

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Harvard School of Dental Medicine
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Christopher Russell Overcash

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Brian K. Leach

University of Texas at Houston
Raymond R. Noble, II

University of Texas
Schoeni Wolfe

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THE SAN FRANCISCO MEETING

The Annual Meeting and Convocation of the International College of Dentists was held in San Francisco in October 2003. The meeting was held at the Hilton San Francisco and Towers which is on O'Farrell Street close to the Moscone Convention Center, Union Square and Chinatown.

Two hundred and forty-six new Fellows and one International Fellow were accepted into membership on the afternoon of October 24 in the Continental Ballroom before an audience of friends, relatives and dignitaries. After the National Anthem which was rendered by the Southern California Filipino Dental Society and the invocation by Vice President Vangel R. Zissi, the audience was treated to an inspiring address by Dean Harold C. Slavkin of the University of Southern California School of Dentistry.

The Induction Ceremony was conducted by President Carl G. Lundgren and International President Minoru Horiuchi.

Later that day there was a reception honoring all of the new Fellows of the College followed by a gala dinner dance honoring Dr. Carl G. Lundgren, the President of the ICD-USA Section. Following the delicious dinner and before the dancing, presentations were made to



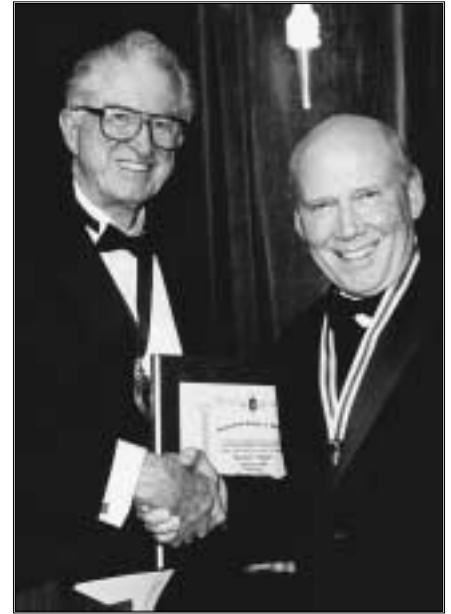
President Carl Lundgren presents Martha A. Reinbold with an Honorary Fellowship in San Francisco

three Honorary Fellows and one Master Fellow.

Rella P. Christensen, Ph. D. was made an Honorary Fellow at the meeting. Dr. Christensen co-founded and directed Clinical Research Associates for over 25 years. CRA is the only non-profit dental products testing laboratory in the world. Its 40 on-site basic scientists and support staff and 400 clinicians located in 20 countries test all types of dental products in lab and clinical



The Southern California Filipino Dental Society renders the National Anthem at the Convocation, accompanied by Bob Runzo of Pennsylvania on the far right.



(From Left to Right) 1. The new International President of the College-At-Large, Ramon Castillo of Lima, Peru addresses the audience at the Dinner Dance. 2. Rella Christensen was made an Honorary Fellow of the ICD. 3. Karlind T. Moller (R) became an Honorary Fellow at the 2003 ICD Meeting.

settings to confirm efficacy and clinical usefulness. Findings are published monthly in 10 languages with subscribers in 87 countries.

Among her many lifetime accomplishments, she is the founder of the bachelor degree dental hygiene program at the University of Colorado and served as its first director, she earned a Ph. D. in physiology, with an emphasis on microbiology, from Brigham Young University in 1986, after which she completed a post-graduate course in anaerobic microbiology at Virginia Polytechnic State University. In 2001 she was selected as the distinguished alumnus of Brigham Young University's School of Agriculture and Biology.

Karlind T. Moller, Ph. D. was awarded an Honorary Fellowship in the College. He is director and coordinator of the Cleft Lip and Palate and Craniofacial Anomalies Clinic at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. He is also Professor in the Department of Preventive Sciences and the Department of Communication Disorders. His many achievements include serving as President of the Minnesota Speech-Language-Hearing Association, as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Cleft Palate

Foundation and chairing its publication committee.

Dr. Moller has been on the faculty of the University of Minnesota, School of Dentistry since 1970 and has published over 80 articles, abstracts and book chapters, and authored two books pertaining to interdisciplinary cleft lip and palate management. His career passions include teaching dental students and dental specialty residents about interdisciplinary care of patients.

Martha A. Reinbold, a graduate of Oregon State University with a Bachelor of Science degree and an Elementary/Special Education Certificate from the University of Alaska was awarded an Honorary Fellowship in the College. She was the Executive Director of the Alaska Dental Society from 1976 until 2002. She has been active in many professional organizations throughout her career. Recognizing her significance to Dentistry she has been awarded an Honorary Lifetime Membership in the American Dental Association and the Alaska Dental Society.

In addition to the three Honorary Fellowships, a Master Fellowship was bestowed upon Richard G. Shaffer. An article about Dr. Shaffer's life and achievements is included in this publication.

USA SECTION FOUNDATION

In 1986, the USA Section appointed a Committee to establish a Foundation which could give ICD Fellows an avenue for making tax deductible contributions. The individuals appointed to the Committee were all past presidents of the USA Section and knew well the task to which they had been assigned. Tom Emmering, a Chicago area dentist, was elected the first president of the new Foundation; and served in that position for ten years. Tom has just retired for the second time, after two additional years, serving out an unexpired term of another president. We are indebted to Tom and his wife Vernie for their service to the International College of Dentists for a major part of their lives.

The founders of the Foundation dedicated the resources, to be accumulated, toward Leadership, Communication, and Education. Those were, and are, fitting choices; because the founders of the College, Drs. Ottofy and Okumura, foresaw a need for the leaders in dentistry to support communication of ideas and information among the members of the dental profession, if quality dental care was to be provided the world over.



Dental Relief

Every Fellow of the USA Section is automatically a member of the Foundation. Most of the active Fellows support the Foundation through voluntary contributions on the dues statement. Many others make contributions to honor loved ones, deceased colleagues, and to honor mentors. All funds received go to support dental efforts. The web site, www.usa-icd.org/foundation lists the projects supported by the Foundation. The list is impressive and all the projects are worthwhile. Some major projects such as P.A.N.D.A. had their beginning with support from the USA Section Foundation. The Board of Trustees meets twice yearly to review the grants submitted by the Grant Committee. The funds are not available to support all qualified requests, therefore the Board carefully selects those with the greatest need. Your support would be appreciated.

Take a look at the picture above, which is reprinted by permission from Dental Relief, a provider of dental mission supplies. The picture depicts what is typical around the world where the demand for dental services exceeds the supply. These people have waited throughout the night just for an opportunity to be seen by a dentist. It was the vision of the Foundation founders to help relieve these demands. If that vision is to be fulfilled, it is our responsibility to do so. The Trustees of the Foundation solicit your assistance.

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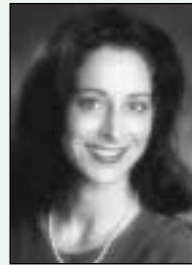
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Editors Jim Fratzke, R. L. Smith and Bill Hawkins take a break from committee work last May in Rockville, MD



Christopher Ogunsalu of Jamaica was inducted into the ICD with the USA Section in San Francisco



Project Committee Chairman Leon Aronson addresses the Board of Regents



New Fellow, Bill Stein is the editor of *Northwest Dentistry*, the Journal of the Minnesota Dental Association



Manny Michaels of Virginia focusing in at the Friday evening reception



Editor of the KEY, R.L. Smith, with associate editor, Richard Galeone



Friends and family await the processional of new inductees at the Convocation Ceremony

District Reports



ADA President Eugene Sekiguchi, USA Section President Elect Van Zissi, Registrar Bob Brady, USA Section President Bob Bartheld, Honoree Ed Mehlman, Regent Steve Tonelli and Past President Min Horiuchi

DISTRICT 1

New England

EDITOR: *Francis A. Connor, Jr.*

The 29th Yankee Dental Congress in Boston was the background for the annual luncheon honoring the distinguished Fellow of the Year. This year's honoree was Ed Mehlman, who recently concluded his term as ADA District 1 Trustee. Ed was honored for his many contributions to dentistry on a state, regional and national level. Many of his friends and family joined Ed at the luncheon.

ADA President Eugene Sekiguchi addressed the attendees and gave a brief update on ADA activities. Immediate Past President Min Horiuchi received a gift from the New England Fellowship for his 30 years of service to the College.

District 1 Regent Steve Tonelli and USA Section President Robert Bartheld also addressed the gathering and gave a brief overview of College affairs.

Secretary General Robert Brady joined President Bartheld inducting new Fellow Roger Kay from Maine.

Connecticut

EDITOR: *Howard Bailit*

Jeanne Altieri is the newly elected Trustee of the First District of the American Dental

Association. Jeanne is an outstanding leader who has served as the President of the CSDA in 1998 and as Chairman of the ADA Council on Dental Practice in 2001. She is also a community dental leader who has tirelessly worked to bring dental care to low income and disabled patients.

We were saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Jim Rubin, a widely admired clinician and community leader. Jim's upbeat manner and common sense will be greatly missed.

Howard Mark was elected Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Although retired from his oral surgery practice, Howard is busier than ever, heading a statewide committee to bring care to the underserved, teaching several days a week at the UConn Dental School and generally showing the ICD spirit.

Former Dean of the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine Harald Loe received the Pierre Fauchard Gold Medal in San Francisco. Harold, the former Director of the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research, now winters in Florida and spends the other seasons in his native Norway.

Maine

EDITOR: *Robert Haney*

Jim Schmidt has announced that he will step down after 22 years as the Secretary of the Maine Dental Association. Jim will be missed by all at the MDA, but he will continue his

active practice as the Director of the Dental Clinic at the Togus VA Hospital. Jim is working toward the establishment of a new dental residency program in Maine. Jim Faulkner and Jerry Cohen are the President and Vice President of the Maine Board of Dental Examiners. Lew Estabrooks was honored with Fellowship in the National Academy of Dentistry. Joe Kenneally was elected Caucus Coordinator of the First Trustee District of the American Dental Association. Andrew (Sandy) Allen is chairing a Maine Dental Association committee that is working to increase the dental workforce in Maine. Lisa Howard was named to the ADA Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations.

ICD Fellows continue to represent the Maine Dental Association in fine order. They include Lisa Howard, Vice President; Ansley Sawyer, Treasurer, and; Karl Woods, Secretary.

Massachusetts

EDITOR: *Anthony Giamberardino*



ICD-USA Section President Elect Van Zissi with ADA President Eugene Sekiguchi

ICD Fellows are once again well represented among the officers of the Massachusetts Dental Society. These include Rene Bousquet, President; Alan DerKazerian, President-Elect; Robert Faiella, Vice President; James Thiel, Treasurer; and Shep Goldstein, Immediate Past President. In addition, Bob Faiella will serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the First Trustee District of the ADA. This year's Yankee Dental Congress core committee is



Regent Steve Tonelli, President Elect Van Zissi, Deputy Regent Tony Giamberardino and Vice Regent Christine Benoit

composed of many Fellows who have donated a great deal of their free time. These include General Chair June Lee, as well as committee members Robert Amato, Robert Kittredge, James Cinamon, Milt Glicksman, David Bardwell, Tofigh Raayai, Raina Trilokekar, Roy Rinkle, and Joseph Ciampa. Congratulations and best wishes to Jerome Murray of Winchester on his retirement from active practice. Michael Swartz was honored with the Etherington Award at the 2004 Yankee Dental Congress.

New Hampshire

EDITOR: *Robert Haney*

Roland Bryan, Deputy Regent, has initiated three programs that are well underway. Rolly is personally working with the Project Head Start and developing an oral hygiene program for children ages three and older. Don Johnson and Bob Haney collaborated with the University of New Hampshire and started a mentoring program for students interested in dentistry. A scholarship also will be awarded to a promising dental student. Dave Frost and Ernie Marino are coordinating a program with Reverend Don Whitten of Visionary International Missions to collect dental supplies, equipment and materials for distribution to dentists in indigent areas, nationally and internationally.

Don Johnson traveled to Honduras with his wife, Lois, as a missionary dentist. Richard Berryman, Neil Hiltunen and Peter Thomas are working with various charities. Elliot Goldberg has taught at Tufts one day a week since 1979 and is Associate Clinical Professor in Graduate Endodontics. Eliot Paisner has been a member of the NH Board of Dental Examiners for four years. He also provides treatment at and is past

president of The Greater Nashua Dental Connection, a non-profit dental facility for people who have difficulty accessing care. Bob Fremeau is Chairman of the Board of Delta Dental of NH and Northeast Dental. He has also been a dental consultant to the VA hospital in Manchester for 18 years. Hugh Phillis is president of the Northeast Component of the AAO, president of the NHAO, and has co-chaired many charity golf events with the Nashua Rotary Club. Lou Vandis is the immediate past president of the NH Dental Society and has been active in state dental activities for many years.

Tony Storace is a past president of the NH Dental Society and has also been involved in many dental and charitable activities. Ernie Marino, past president of the NH Periodontal Society, co-chaired a fundraiser in conjunction with the Wheelchair Foundation with his wife, Lyn, and will be going to Jamaica to represent the Nashua Rotary Club and distribute 280 wheelchairs to mobility-impaired adults and children.

Rhode Island

EDITOR: *Francis A. Connor, Jr.*

Martin Nager is the new President of the Rhode Island Dental Association. Marty recently received the Community Hero Award from Blue Cross for his volunteer efforts on behalf of the Travelers Aid Society. ICD Vice Regent Christine Benoit completed a very successful term as RIDA President. Nick Barone is currently serving as President and Jim Brennan as a member of the Executive Committee of the Northeastern Society of Orthodontists. Jim also received the Distinguished Service Award from the RI Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy in May. Andrew Molak was recently appointed

to the RI Board of Dental Examiners by Governor Carcieri. Valerie Donnelly recently concluded her term as President of the American Society of Constituent Dental Executives.

New Fellow Shirley Spater and Denise Shapiro organized a very successful "Give Kids a Smile Day" at the Samuels Dental Center of the Rhode Island Hospital and at St. Joseph Hospital, which was staffed by many volunteers who provided much needed care to the underserved children of Rhode Island. Ray George, Sr. serves as senior trustee for the American Association of Orthodontists. John Underhill is currently the President Elect of the Rhode Island Dental Association.

Vermont

EDITOR: *David Averill*

The Vermont Chapter has been energized with seven new fellows since the fall of 2002. There will be an annual dinner meeting in conjunction with the Vermont State Dental Society's Meeting this fall on Thursday September 17, 2004.

Charles Bowen is currently the chair of the Vermont Board of Dental Examiners. He is also the co-chair of the Harvard Dental School Capital Campaign. Chuck feels that dental education is a critical issue today and works tirelessly to support dental education and his alma mater. Stuart Corso is the District Deputy GrandMaster for the Masons. His lodge sponsors a college scholarship for a high school senior student each year. Stuart also coordinates the health professions fair for the area high school and is on the Vermont State Dental Society's dental hygiene program transition team to move the program from the University of Vermont to the Vermont State College. Paul Averill is also a member of the dental hygiene transition team. Paul's previous service as president of the Vermont State Dental Society offers continuity for the committee concerning the changes that have occurred in the wake of the hygiene academic sponsorship issue.

Janet Thomason has recently been named a Teaching Assistant at the Pankey Institute. She recently returned from her first week of teaching a C1 course. David Neumeister has been appointed to the American Dental Association Strategic Planning Committee. There are Vermont ICD Fellows who are also members of the North East Regional Board. The testing of dental students for their licensure exams is a

year round process. The Vermont ICD members are David Averill, Charles Bowen, Lee Ann Podruch, Kathy Silloway and Janet Thomason.

DISTRICT 2

New York

EDITOR: *Steven DeCrescenzo*

The New York Section of the ICD held its annual luncheon meeting on Sunday, November 30th, 2003 at the Jacob Javits Convention Center in conjunction with the Greater New York Dental Meeting. Our Secretary/Treasurer, Anthony DiMango, as many times before, arranged this function with dispatch and aplomb.

Our President, Steven DeCrescenzo, opened the meeting and invited Henry Amen to deliver the invocation, and Alfred Keck to lead the group in a rousing a cappella rendition of "God Bless America."

As lunch was served, President DeCrescenzo conducted the business portion of the meeting. He introduced the VIPs present among us: Eugene Sekiguchi, President

of the American Dental Association; Mark Feldman, Treasurer of the American Dental Association, and Past President of the New York State Dental Association; G. Kirk Gleason, our own Second District Trustee of the American Dental Association; Joseph Cappuccio, Past-President of the American Dental Association; William Calnon, President of the New York State Dental Association; Jay Glat, Past President of the New York State Dental Association; Michael "Mickey" Fallon, Past President of the New York State Dental Association; Minoru Horiuchi, President of the the International College of Dentists; Robert "Bob" Brady, Secretary General/Registrar of the the International College of Dentists; Thomas Clary, our Regent for the Second District of the International College of Dentists; James Spencer, our Vice Regent for the Second Trustee District of the International College of Dentists; Howard Lieb, General Chair of the Greater New York Dental Meeting; Robert Edwab, Executive Director of the Greater New York Dental Meeting; Anthony DiMango, Morton Divak, Robert Seminara, David Shelby, Past General Chairs of the Greater New York Dental Meeting; and Howard Menell, Past Executive Director of

the Greater New York Dental Meeting.

Next, President DeCrescenzo asked President Sekiguchi to give us his remarks about the current state of the American Dental Association. He told us that dentistry is doing well, and dentistry has a fantastic future, which we have to be concerned about shaping appropriately. The bottom line is patient care, and if we don't forget that, then the new fields that are emerging and developing, genomic-, information-, and nano-technologies, can be incorporated into our practices successfully. He stated that he admires New York State for pioneering the PGY-1 (one year of postgraduate study) as an option for licensure. He said that the ADA has a Task Force that has as its mission to study and improve the relationship between the schools, accrediting bodies, and licensing boards, and expects it to come up with an action plan that the ADA will implement. He reminded us that we have a crisis in student debt, and the ADA Foundation proposes to start an Endowment Fund to help with offsetting that debt. He also reminded us that if we don't pay attention to the issue of access to our services, the regulators in government will force us to pay attention. He pointed to the Alaska model for access to



Our ICD officers share a laugh with our ADA President. Jim Spencer, Tom Clary, Steve DeCrescenzo, Eugene Sekiguchi, Min Horiuchi, Bob Brady, Tony DiMango



Our USA Section President and Registrar swap stories with our Regent and Secretary/Treasurer. Tom Clary, Min Horiuchi, Bob Brady, Tony DiMango



Comparing notes of where to find the best freebies on the Convention Floor? Bill Calnon, Kirk Gleason, Steve DeCrescenzo, Dorline Bosboom

patient care, and predicted that after any start in Alaska or any of the fifty states, it's going to come to the lower forty-eight, and his personal feeling is that if any model is to be used, it ought to be our model, and not someone else's model. He believes that it is our role to try to make sure that the needs of our patients are served with a single standard of care, and in order to do that, we have to be "at the table" to design the system based upon what we know is best for the patients.

Regent Tom Clary then introduced the president of the International College of Dentists, Minoru Horiuchi, who was the USA Section president in 1997. He had visited five countries to that date, and visiting the USA was his last duty of office. He is bothered by the fact that although we are inducting new fellows every year, very few become active in the programs of the ICD. He feels that each section needs to do its part to grow the dormant fellows and rejuvenate them into active participants. The welfare of the College is not the responsibility of the some, but it is the responsibility of the all, Min told us. He asked each of us to reach out to our fellow practicing dentists who have demonstrated conspicuous and meritorious service to the profession, and invite them into fellowship in the College so that we can grow. He would like to get this message out not so much to those in attendance at this luncheon, but to those who did not come to this meeting. They should remember that they were honored with fellowship in the College for their outstanding professional achievement and meritorious service, recognize those qualities in their as yet unrecognized fellow dentists, and propose them for membership. He thanked us all for helping him to have a great presidential year.

Tom Clary next introduced the Secretary General/Registrar of the College, Bob Brady, who would give us a few remarks about the health of the College. He started out by telling us that as a 30-year veteran of the army, and currently having a son in Iraq, our invocation and rendition of "God Bless America" warmed his heart and raised the hair on the back of his head. He reported that the College at large is fine, and the USA Section is fine, having almost 6,000 fellows at the present time, counting the 246 fellows that were inducted this year. He alerted us to next year's upcoming Continuing Education Convocation in Salt Lake City, featuring Gordon and Rella Christensen as speakers, and the third post-CEC trip to Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, and the North

Rim of the Grand Canyon. He also reminded us of the Annual Convocation, this year in Orlando, Florida, at which we hope to induct 260 people.

Next, Vice Regent Jim Spencer presented the report of the nominating Committee to the membership and the Roster of Officers for 2004 was accepted unanimously. Tony DiMango was directed as Secretary to cast one vote in favor of the slate.

Officers of the New York Section for 2004:

Thomas A. Clary - Regent

James E. Spencer - Vice Regent

Edward M. Feinberg - President

Walter J. Dudas - President-Elect

Ira R. Titunik - Vice President

Anthony L. DiMango - Secretary/Treasurer

Steven DeCrescenzo - Editor

President DeCrescenzo then introduced our featured speaker, Mr. Kenneth Force, who took us on a "walking tour" of historic New York City via a digital slideshow. Mr. Force is affiliated with the Museum of the City of New York as well as being the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Director of Music for the past 33 years. He began by giving us a short summary of his background, so we might have some context in which to place his presentation. This included running away from home at age 16 to join the Ringling Brothers Circus, joining the Army at 18, deciding that he would join the band of the 96th Royal Marines, learning to play trumpet to do so, auditioning for admission to the Manhattan School of Music, and receiving the degrees of Bachelors and Masters of Music, and a 6th year Professional Diploma. Someday, he plans to get his High School Equivalency certificate. He realized he was a miserable student in everything except city history, after his third grade teacher placed an article he wrote about New York in the school publication. This set his heart on New York, and he has endeavored to share his knowledge and enthusiasm by showing us some unusual and interesting things that we may have never seen before. The original reason for this show was to give the cadets at the Merchant Marine Academy, who come from all over the country, an idea of the city's attractions to visit and not just go out finding bars. So, interspersed with the landmarks and sites to visit, Mr. Force has included destinations for the best places for students to go to eat that are relatively inexpensive. Early on, he promised to tell us where to find the best hamburger in New York.

He first showed us examples of the great grant in the history of the City of New York:

the donation of public libraries by Andrew Carnegie, of which there are 24 left. All of them were built according to the same design, as exemplified by one up in Harlem. Also in Harlem, for great soul food, he showed us Sylvia's, world-renowned for its fare. As a teaser, he asked us "where were the first shots of the Revolutionary War fired after we declared ourselves a nation in the Declaration of Independence?" (The answer will appear later.) Next, he showed us a home on 145th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, now a funeral home, that was owned by James A. Bailey, of Barnum & Bailey fame. The house was built to be close to the railroad yards in Harlem, since Bailey was a master at sending circuses all over the country by train, and wanted to be close to his trains. When P.T. Barnum got older, he merged with Bailey in part because of this expertise, and in 1919, they merged with Ringling Brothers. He showed us a beautiful group of workers' cottages, dating back to 1845, right next to the Jumel Mansion. Built in 1765, Morris-Jumel Mansion is the oldest house in Manhattan and is a museum highlighting 232 years of New York history, culture, and arts. Purchased by the City in 1903, today it features nine restored period rooms. And yes, it is haunted, according to Mr. Force. The last sighting of Mrs. Jumel was three years ago by a group of school kids, who saw a woman standing on the balcony dressed in colonial period dress. The house itself served as George Washington's headquarters during the Battle of Harlem Heights, built on the highest point in Manhattan, from which he could see all the way to Staten Island. He showed us shots of Trinity Cemetery and Mausoleum, which is the only active cemetery left in uptown New York, holding the remains of many famous people in history, like the Astors. The cemetery grounds themselves were part of the Battle of Harlem Heights, and there are appropriate markers throughout the grounds, identifying significant sites during the battle. Other gravesites were shown, such as that of Clement Clarke Moore, who wrote "The Night Before Christmas."

He showed us a Catholic church on 142nd Street, which does not contain a single original stone. Rather, it was built from the masonry of three older buildings of New York: A. P. Stewart's mansion at 34th Street and Fifth Avenue, The American Academy of Design at 34th Street and First Avenue, and the present St. Patrick's Cathedral at 51st Street on Fifth Avenue (part of which was removed to build a chapel behind the altar). Next, sitting by

Grant's Tomb, we saw a statue of General Butterfield, the writer of "Taps," who led the funeral procession for Ulysses S. Grant. The statue itself was done by Gutzon Borglum as his first commission, some time before he sculpted Mount Rushmore. Next, Riverside Church, with the largest carillon in America--74 bells, built by John D. Rockefeller. The pipe organ, designed by Virgil Fox, has the largest console ever built, but not the largest set of pipes (the vestry wouldn't fund that). Next was a shot of Columbia University, with crowns adorning the top of the iron fence, hearkening back to the days when it was originally King's College, and a shot of the library designed by McKinley and (Sanford) White. He showed several views of the unfinished Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the largest cathedral in the world (two St. Patrick's cathedrals could fit inside it). It will probably remain unfinished indefinitely; even using local volunteer help, the cost will still be prohibitive, with repair of smoke damage to the Aeolian Skinner organ alone estimated at \$5 million.

Next, on 113th Street, the home of Harry Houdini, which was falling down, and is now being restored by the owners. He interspersed shots of the American Museum of Natural History at 81st Street, which contains Harry Houdini's parrot, an African Grey. The great magician had trained the bird to say upon his return to the house: "Hip, Hip, Hooray, Houdini's Home!" The museum also has Jumbo the Elephant's bones, which are never on display, but if you write to the museum, they can take you downstairs to view them. Mr. Force told us that after Jumbo was hit by a railroad train in Canada, P.T. Barnum had the skin stuffed, and the bones mounted, so he had two traveling exhibits. At the end of his career, the bones went to the Museum of Natural History, and the stuffed Jumbo ended up at Tufts University, whose logo has a little elephant at the bottom of the seal--that's Jumbo. Next, on 77th Street, The New York Historical Society has "wonderful things" found nowhere else, like parts of the statue of George III that was pulled down by the Sons of Liberty at Bowling Green. Further down the block at 72nd Street, we saw the entrance to the Dakota, John Lennon's last residence. Across to Broadway we came to Gray's Papaya, for hot dogs. His students like the sign: "A great way to sober up...with a drink and two dogs for \$2.45." St. Paul's Church is right next to Lincoln Center and Fordham

University. The stone of that church came from the Reservoir at 42nd Street, before they built the Public Library. Mr. Force posed the trivia question: "What city are you traveling on when you ride on the FDR Drive?" Answer: London, England. When the Liberty Ships returned from England during WWII, they used the rubble from the blitz of London as ballast in the otherwise empty ships. This was offloaded in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, and then used as the base for the pavement of the FDR Drive. Restaurant Note: For a great place to eat Southern food, the Delta Grill is at 48th Street & 9th Ave. He showed us a building on 24th Street between Park & 6th Avenues, which was the original location of FAO Schwartz. It was also the true historical location of the movie "The Girl on the Red Velvet Swing," in the private apartment of Mr. Sanford White, the great architect. He showed us a shot of the General Post Office, which was designed by White, as was the original Madison Square Garden, the famous arch in Washington Square Park, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the ornate Renaissance-style Players, Metropolitan and Colony clubs and the vanished Fifth Avenue palaces of various Vanderbilts, Astors and Whitneys. White's career ended when he was shot to death on the roof of his Madison Square Garden by Pittsburgh railroad tycoon William Kendall Thaw, as detailed in the movie. He took us across the street to the Flatiron building at Broadway and 23rd Street, the site of the origin of the term "23 skidoo." There were always winds in front of the building, girls would walk by, the winds would blow their skirts up around their heads, and the police would say: "Twenty-third--skidoo!" North, across 23rd Street, sits a statue of William F. Seward; the head, anyway. Noting that the head is much larger than it should be relative to the body, Mr. Force explained that the body is that of Abraham Lincoln. Since the sculptor was commissioned to do so many works on which nobody paid him, he combined pieces that had gone unpaid, so you can now see William F. Seward reading the Emancipation Proclamation.

Downtown to 14th Street & 6th Avenue, he showed us the entrance to the original Macy's department store, and up until a few years ago, you could see a faint white 5-pointed star painted on the wall, now blocked from view by a new building. R. H. Macy had been a whaling captain, and had a red star tattooed on his hand. This became the symbol of the

store, and can be seen every year on the barges for the Fourth of July fireworks displays sponsored by Macy's. Restaurant Note: For the best hamburger in New York, go to the Corner Bistro, at West 4th Street & 8th Avenue. Prior to our having our mayors living in Gracie Mansion, their residences had two lanterns out front, symbols that the mayor lived there; Mr. Force showed us two such residences that housed Mayor James J. "Jimmy" Walker, and Mayor Harper (of Harper and Row). Next, the narrowest house in New York, in Greenwich Village, 11_ feet wide, was the home of Edna St. Vincent Millay, owned by Douglas Fairbanks Jr. after she passed away. At Minetta Lane was a winery, evidenced by the bronze grapes out front. The winemakers would float the casks of wine down the Minetta Brook (now built over) to the Hudson River for distribution. We saw a shot of the oldest house in the Village (dating back to about 1780-90), with the carpenter's shed behind it that was used in the Underground Railroad. He showed us Grove Court, where O' Henry wrote "The Last Leaf." Restaurant Note: For the best pizza, Ray's Pizza at 11th Street & 6th Avenue--"arguably the best, definitely the thickest."

Next, over to Washington Square Park, which has a problem. Occasionally the ground surface collapses, because previously it was a Potters Field graveyard with vaults, containing the remains of about 45,000 people. Before that it was the place during colonial times that the British would send criminals uptown to be hung, and he showed us the original "hanging tree" which still stands in the northwest corner of the park. Next, over to Grace Church at the corner of Broadway & East 10th Street, where P.T. Barnum held the marriage of General Tom Thumb. At 21 years old, this was the first commission as an architect for James Renwick, Jr. in 1843, followed by the design of the Smithsonian Institution Building, and then the Archdiocese of New York selected him to design St. Patrick's Cathedral. Next, we went downtown to the City Hall area and saw the Municipal Building (also designed by Sanford White), the Tweed Courthouse, and the Woolworth Building (built for \$13 million in 1913, all cash, no mortgage), at one time the tallest building in the country. City Hall, built in 1912 has a facade of marble on three sides, but the back was bricks for 150 years (nobody ever thought anyone would move north of it, so why waste the limestone?). Right next to Ground Zero, we saw St. Paul's chapel, still

standing, protected by a sycamore tree or a miracle from the collapse of the World Trade Center. It had previously survived the Great Fire of 1776, the only building to do so because the colonists were able to stabilize themselves on the roof and keep it wet during the fire with buckets of water. There are original Waterford chandeliers hanging in the chapel since 1788; not one fell, or even was broken during the collapse of the Twin Towers. Next he showed a shot of the J.P. Morgan Building on Wall Street, where on September 13th, 1920, a horse-drawn wagon loaded with explosives went off at noon, killing 400 people. The New York Stock Exchange across the street has been repaired, but the pock-marks from the shrapnel still dot the side of the J.P. Morgan building, whose management refused to take down the facade. To this day, we don't know who was behind this bombing. Next he showed us the oldest thing left in New York City: the fence that goes around Bowling Green. He pointed out that the top of the fence is uneven because when the Sons of Liberty pulled down the statue of George III, they snapped off the crowns that capped the fence sections. How did the fence survive? Thanks to our Parks Department, the fence was taken down around 1830, and put into storage while the park was being renovated, and forgotten. In 1950, it was rediscovered in piles at a storage facility of the Parks Department, and today it has an age of about 250 years. We quickly saw the Customs House, the Merchant Mariners' Monument and Castle Clinton.

At the South Street Seaport, we saw the Titanic Memorial. Later, the Morgan Library, Mr. Force's favorite building, "the most perfectly built building in America", designed by Charles McKim of the architectural firm McKim, Mead & (Sanford) White. Aside from its unique contents, like the original "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, or eight of the original scores by Gilbert & Sullivan, the structure itself is unique: built like the Pyramids, the masonry stones interlock and are held together without mortar, the only building in America to be constructed in this manner. "Secret" Restaurant Note: For the best Italian food, Guido's Supreme Macaroni Company, 511 Ninth Avenue, reservations only, cash only.

Mr. Force took us across the Brooklyn Bridge, which Roebling built with twin Gothic arches, like cathedral windows, to symbolize the connection of the two "cathedrals" of Brooklyn and Manhattan. He showed us the Statue of Liberty. Why is she facing the direction she is facing? The first battle of the

American Revolution (after the signing of the Declaration of Independence) took place in Brooklyn on August 27th, 1776, when some people sitting in a tavern next to a watermelon patch looked out the door, and sneaking through the watermelon patch were two guys in red coats. The tavern patrons fired on the British Redcoats, on the site of what is now Green-Wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, and thus began the Battle of Brooklyn (also called the Battle of Long Island), which resulted in 2,000 American casualties, 1,000 prisoners, and Washington's withdrawal from Brooklyn, and eventually New York, to fight another day. The highest point in Green-Wood Cemetery is the highest point in Brooklyn and at that crest stands a statue of Minerva, 7 feet tall in armor and sandals. She looks out over the harbor, her left hand raised in salute to the distant Statue of Liberty, with her torch raised in her right hand, facing the site of that first battle.

Robert H. Hill II, Averill Park, was named Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy New York.

Leslie W. Seldin, New York, has been elected General Chairman of the Greater New York Dental Meeting.

Mark J. Feldman, East Hills, has been selected to be the recipient of the Nassau County Dental Society's prestigious Herbert L. Taub Distinguished Service Award.

Howard B. Fine, Rochester, was this year's recipient of the Pierre Fauchard Academy Honor Award.

Richard L. Rausch, New York, has been appointed to the Organizational Committee of the Greater New York Dental Meeting.

Brian T. Kennedy, Troy, has become President of the New York State Dental Association.

Malcolm S. Graham, White Plains, was presented with the D. Austin Sniffen Medal of Honor, the most prestigious award made by the Ninth District Dental Society.

Lidia Mamurek Epel, Rockville Centre, has become Chair of the 2004 Greater Long Island Dental Meeting.

Frederick J. Halik, Rochester, was selected to become the Executive Director of the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

Dorline H. Bosboom, New York, has become an Associate Fellow of the New York Academy of Dentistry.

Steven DeCrescenzo, New York, has become an Associate Fellow of the New York Academy of Dentistry.



Photograph by Mike Rosella

(Top) JoAnne Runzo helps Regent Raymond Lancione prepare for the induction of the new Fellows in San Francisco (Bottom) Regent Raymond Lancione presents the ICD-USA Section Student Award to LaVictoria Green of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine

DISTRICT 3

Pennsylvania

EDITOR: Michael Rosella

Alvin Arzt of West Brandywine was reelected Secretary/Treasurer of the American Endodontic Society at their annual meeting in San Francisco this past October.

Lathe L. Bowen of Pittsburgh is the recipient of the 2003 Daniel M. Laskin Award for an



In San Francisco: (From Left) Don Johnson, Chairman of the Information Technology Committee; John Lathrop, President of the USA Section Foundation, and; Leon Aronson, Vice President ICD-USA Section



Bob Runzo of Pittsburgh limbers up before playing the organ at the induction ceremony in San Francisco

outstanding pre-doctoral educator in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Lathe is Associate Professor at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

Jack Brent and his wife, Anne spent two weeks this past summer at the Rotaplast mission in Tacna, Peru. Sponsored by the Rotary Club the mission provides free plastic surgery for cleft lip and cleft palate patients. Jack was the only dentist from the United States.

Ronald D. Bushick was installed as Second Vice President of the American Dental Association at the recent meeting in San Francisco. He was also recently inducted into the American College of Dentists. Additionally, he remains involved as a member of a forensic response team under the National Disaster Medical System of the Department of Homeland Security.

Joel A. Casar of Pittsburgh has completed his term as Trustee to the Pennsylvania Dental Association representing the tenth district. He has also been appointed associate editor of the Pennsylvania Dental Journal

Michael D. Cerveris has completed his term on the ADA Council of Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations.

Dennis J. Charlton has been appointed to the ADA Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs.

Margaret A. Elliott of Wexford had been appointed Chairperson of the Western Pennsylvania Section of the American College of Dentists.

Richard Galeone was elected editor of the *KEY* at the annual meeting of the ICD-USA Section in San Francisco.

Thomas W. Gamba has completed his three years on the Council on ADA Sessions. Tom was finishing the four-year term of the late Gus Lavalla.

Ronald Gross will be given the Founder's Day Award of Temple University School of Dentistry in April. The Award is the highest honor bestowed upon an alumnus during any given year.

Linda Himmelberger was elected to a second term as Secretary of the PDA. She has also been appointed to the ADA Council on Dental Education and Licensure (CDEL) and to the ADA/ADEA Oversight Committee on Minority Recruitment and Retention

Robert Kramer was selected as one of the Central Penn Business Journal's "Forty Under 40."

Raymond R. Lancione was installed as President of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine Alumni Association on September 6, 2003. He also has completed a four-year appointment on the ADA Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs.

John Lathrop represented the USA as a Councilman at the international meeting of the ICD in Sydney, Australia. He also finished a four-year term as Treasurer of the USA Section and was recently elected President of the USA Section Foundation for a three-year term.

William R. Lewis of Pittsburgh has been installed as President of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Mark Piacine of Pottstown was reelected President of the American Endodontic Society at their annual meeting in San Francisco this past October.

Robert S. Runzo of Pittsburgh has been elected Secretary of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Cynthia L. Schuler of Washington received the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania's Dr. Albert R. Pechan Award of Excellence on January 21, 2004.

Philip T. Siegel has been appointed to the ADA Council on Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations.

Deborah Studen-Pavlovich of Pittsburgh recently received the University of Pittsburgh Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award. Deborah is Professor of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

Bruce R. Terry and the Montgomery-Bucks Dental Society Bulletin were awarded the Division 2 Platinum Pencil Award in Journalism by the International College of Dentists. The award was presented in October 2003 at the annual meeting of the American Association of Dental Editors in San Francisco. The Platinum Pencil award is given to a dental journal for a special issue. The Montgomery-Bucks Dental Society celebrated its 75th anniversary in 2003 with a spectacular anniversary issue of the Bulletin. The award committee commented on the wonderful graphics and layout of this very special issue.

Charles R. Weber was appointed to the Council on ADA Sessions.

Jay R. Wells of Bethel Park was elected President-Elect of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania.

DISTRICT 4

Delaware

EDITOR: Andrew S. Malinowski



Bernie McDermott (4th district ADA Trustee),
Tom Soliday (ADA Speaker of the House),
Andy Malinowski (Delaware ADA Delegate)

Tom Soliday was congratulated on his election as the American Dental Association Speaker of the House of Delegates by 4th District ADA Trustee Bernie McDermott and Delaware ADA Delegate Andy Malinowski. Tom successfully presided over the 2003 ADA House of Delegates meeting in San Francisco in October, 2003. He was re-elected ADA House Speaker for the 2003-2004 year at the California meeting.

Maryland

EDITOR: M. Pitkin Johnson, Jr.

The annual business meeting of the Maryland Chapter met on November 19, 2003 at the Baltimore Country Club. Highlighting the agenda were two presentations by Margaret Wilson, Associate Dean of the University of Maryland Dental School.

The George B. Clendenin Award was established by the Maryland Constituent of the International College of Dentists. Dr. George B. Clendenin was a former President of the United States Section of the ICD and former President of the Maryland State Dental Association. The award recognizes the student(s) who earned the highest grade point average during the first year of study at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. Three students received the award for the 2002-2003 academic year: Erik Higginbottom, Wade Dressler, and Matt McKissick.

The International Student Exchange Program provides an opportunity for a dental student to study abroad. The University of Maryland first began its participation in the ICD exchange program in 1993. In the summer of 2003, Mr. Colin O'Hehir, a student from

Trinity College Dublin Dental School, visited the University of Maryland Dental School. During his visit to Baltimore, Mr. O'Hehir's host was Ms. Deborah Miller, a fourth year dental student at the University of Maryland. In March 2004, Ms. Miller will be traveling to Dublin, Ireland for the second part of the exchange. Mr. O'Hehir will be her host at Trinity College Dublin.

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The following letter was received from Mr. Colin O'Hehir who was an ICD exchange student from Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.

Dear Dr. Brady:

I am writing to you to express my greatest appreciation of my visit to the Baltimore Dental School and Hospital of the University of Maryland. I wish to thank you and all of the members of the ICD who made this fantastic opportunity of traveling to Baltimore possible.

I apologize for the delay in writing to you, but as soon as I arrived home from Baltimore, I was straight into Final Year and the hard work began in earnest!

My visit to Baltimore was a great experience. As you know, I spent two weeks with my exchange student – Deb Miller, and had a very compact schedule. Both Deb, and Dr. Wilson planned my stay there very well, and ensured that my time was optimized.

Most of my time was spent observing the final year students in the Dental School. This was very interesting – especially comparing the attitudes, concerns and skills-level of Irish students versus our American counterparts.

I was surprised that there is such a striking similarity between the students in Dublin and Baltimore – similar attitudes, concerns and thoughts towards our training and Dentistry. However, I believe that the American dental students have a clearer idea of their future career paths in Dentistry than do Irish students perhaps this is due to their average age being greater than ourselves.

I gained valuable experience exchanging opinions and knowledge with the students I met. I think the opportunity of doing some clinical work, if it had been possible, would be very exciting.

I also visited general practices, which was interesting, as it explored the possibility of working abroad in the USA and the broad needs of the patients. The expanding area of Cosmetic Dentistry in the U.S. was surprising – the emphasis and demand for Cosmetic Dentistry is greater than I expected.

I also attended some excellent lectures at the ADA New Dentist Conference in Baltimore. The rest of my time was spent attending Oral Medicine and Surgery clinics. I enjoyed the experience or observing oral cancer surgery in the General Hospital.

My visit to Baltimore was a truly memorable time, and enjoyable due to the warm welcome and friendliness shown by all the US dental students and staff. I would particularly like to thank Dr. Wilson. I would recommend the experience to every dental student and I hope Deborah has an enjoyable



time when she comes to Trinity College in January.

*Thanking you again,
Yours faithfully,
Colin O'Hehir*

New Jersey

EDITOR: Jack L. Roemer

Noah Chivian of Livingston, NJ was the 2003 recipient of the American Association of Endodontist's Edgar D. Coolidge Award. The award is given to an individual who has displayed exemplary dedication to dentistry and to endodontics, and who has been active in the AAE throughout his professional lifetime. Among his many significant achievements, Dr. Chivian is a Diplomate of the American Board of Endodontics, a Fellow of the AAE, a Fellow of both the American and International Colleges of Dentists, a renowned author and international speaker, an activist who has led numerous challenges to the endodontic specialty, a consensus builder and inventor, mentor and more.

Washington, D.C.

EDITOR: Sally Cram

The Washington, D.C. Section welcomes our new fellows; John Drumm, Michael Weber, and Rahele Rezai to fellowship in the ICD. They were inducted at the Convocation in San Francisco in October, 2003. John Drum has recently been appointed as the Chairman of the Dentist Well-Being Subcommittee of the ADA's Council on Dental Practice.

Bernie McDermott, ADA 4th District Trustee, has announced his plan to run for president-elect of the ADA. Bernie has been appointed as the Board of Trustees liaison to the ADA Council on Communications and to



ICD Members and their spouses enjoy some sightseeing after the Convocation in San Francisco



Bernie McDermott (4th district ADA trustee) and Shannon Franco, RDH, show a video and demonstrate oral hygiene at Bruce Monroe Elementary School in Washington, DC

February. Volunteers from the D.C. Dental Society and Howard Dental School will team up to provide free treatment for these underserved children.

DISTRICT 5

Alabama

EDITOR: *John Barnes*

Mary Lynne Capilouto, Dean of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry is retiring.

Michael Mahan is the new deputy regent for Alabama.

Huw Thomas, a pediatric dentist from San Antonio, TX will assume the position of Dean at the University of Alabama School of Dentistry on January 1, 2004.

Georgia

EDITOR: *Marie*

Schweinebraten

PAST-EDITOR:

Lindsay D. Holliday

Leon Aronson was elected Vice President of the USA Section of the ICD at the annual meeting in San Francisco.

He has a great interest in the ICD philanthropic projects where he has chaired the USA Section Projects Committee.

John Barnes has been elected President of the Alumni Association of the University of Alabama Dental School. He has also agreed to serve as Editor of District 5 of the ICD.

Henry Diversi was elected Vice Regent of District 5.

Gerrit Hagman was elected Regent of District 5.

Jim Hall, former Georgia Dental Association President, has been nominated as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Georgia Dental Association. He is also serving as a member of the ADA Business Enterprise Board.

Lee Hawkins has been installed as the President of the Georgia Dental Association.

Steve Holcomb was elected as the 2003-2004 Chairman of The Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations. The JCNDE oversees the administration, research, development and security of all national dental and dental hygiene written board examinations. He serves on several national committees for the American Association of Dental Examiners including the Innovative Testing and Education Methodologies Committee and Co-Chair of the Cut Scores Sub-Committee. Steve is serving as a Scoring Area Coordinator for the Southern Regional Testing Agency and as a consultant examiner for the Northeast Regional Board.

Paul Isler has been elected Deputy Regent of the Georgia Constituent of District 5.

Ty Ivey has been appointed by 2004 ADA

head up the Task Force on Dental Technicians on Alaskan Indian Reservations.

Sally Cram has been elected President of the District of Columbia Dental Society for the 2003-04 term. She has also been appointed to the ADA's Council on Communications. Sally has a private practice of Periodontics in Washington, D.C.

Bob Smyth has been elected as the new Deputy Regent for the 4th District of the ICD. Bob is an endodontist in Washington, D.C. and serves on the D.C. Dental Society Board of Directors.

Margaret Culotta-Norton will serve as Chairperson for the Washington, D.C. Give Kids a Smile Day on February 6, 2004. Margaret and a team of volunteers from the D.C. Dental Society screened over 200 children at Bruce Monroe Elementary School on December 10th in preparation for the event in



New Georgia ICD Fellows



2003 President of the ADA, T. Howard Jones at the ADA House of Delegates, "It has truly been a privilege to serve as ADA President during such a positive time. And it is just as exciting to return to my patients and the opportunity to practice dentistry."



Jan Johnson, Barbara Aronson, Richard Smith, Leslie Smith, Leon Aronson and Don Johnson at Ayers Rock in Australia, September 2003



2003 ADA President, Howard Jones, looks on as Ty Ivey acknowledges the special presentation award from the GDA given to him in thanks for successfully managing Howard's campaign run for ADA President



Three ICD Fellows after lunch at 2003 Hinman: From left: T. Howard Jones, President of ADA; Cleve Jones, Chairman Board of Trustees, Hinman Dental Society, and; Gerrit Hagman, Regent District 5

President Gene Sekiguchi to serve on the ADA Task Force to study the Alaskan Dental Health Therapist.

Don Johnson, USA Councilman, and Richard A. Smith, College Editor, are both members of the World Council of the ICD and they attended the annual meeting of the Council in Sydney, Australia last September. Leon Aronson joined them in their travels. Don is secretary-treasurer of the USA Foundation and serves on the International Communications

Committee. He is the driving force behind upgrading our website at ICD.org where now anyone can access current, accurate and comprehensive information about our ICD. He chairs the Information Technology Committee for both the USA Section and for the College-at-Large.

Pat Paterson is serving a 2nd term on the board of the American Academy of Periodontics Foundation.

Kent Percy was elected President of the Northwest District Dental Society.

Marie Schweinebraten was named Dentist of the Year from the Northern District Dental Society. She will also serve as Editor of the Georgia Section of the ICD.

Richard Smith serves on the Executive Committee, the Communications Committee, the Information Technology Committee, and he chairs the History Committee. He envisions the immediacy of electronic media as helping to shrink distances within the ICD.

Johnson, Smith and Aronson also helped to represent us at the European Section meeting in Ireland last June.

DISTRICT 6

Kentucky

VICE REGENT: *James Allen*

KENTUCKY COLONEL LUNDGREN

President Carl Lundgren was honored last July by being presented a Commission into the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. Vice Regent James Allen of Kentucky made the presentation. The Commissions are presented to individuals for their contributions to the community, state or nation, and for special achievements of all kinds which benefit the citizens of Kentucky, our country and the world. A list of Kentucky Colonels is a list of outstanding men and women from around the world. They include such Presidents as Johnson and Truman, and Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Others are famous entertainers like Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Ann Margaret, Paul Hornig and Tiger Wood.

The Commission began in the late 1700s when Kentucky's first Governor, Isaac Shelby (a distant relative of Vice Regent James Allen) needed a bodyguard, secretary and confidante who could help and protect him. In 1932 Governor Ruby Laffoon had the Order incorporated as a charitable organization with the Governor serving as Commander in Chief.

Once a year Colonels from all over the world gather for a celebration on the Sunday after the Kentucky Derby. They enjoy each other's fellowship and celebrate the true spirit of Kentucky hospitality at a picnic on the grounds of MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME, in

Bardstown, Kentucky where Stephen Foster wrote the State Song of the same name. At the picnic all the Colonels and their spouses and children enjoy a fitting Kentucky Cuisine of Burgoo, corn, cornbread, mint juleps and the like.

So the Commission of Kentucky Colonel Carl Lundgren was done in accordance with Kentucky law. The Commission is signed by the Governor of Kentucky and by the Kentucky Secretary of State, and the Seal of the Great Commonwealth of Kentucky is affixed to it. It is real and it is official.

DISTRICT 7

Ohio

EDITOR: *Ernest Mastroianni*

DISTRICT 7 EVENTS FOR 2003

Ohio participated in four major calendar events in 2003. The first was the annual brunch at the Country Club in Cleveland on June 1, 2003. It was a festive occasion of 60 fellows and their spouses. As always, our host and toastmaster was Dr. Bob McGonagle. Case Western Reserve was recognized for its continuing participation with the Student Exchange Program, and Drs. Stuart Sears and Richard Rice received special recognition for their leadership with this program.

Our speaker at the annual spring brunch was Jason Hammer, a third year student at CWRU School of Dentistry, and the 2002 ICD National Exchange Student. Jason visited Ponta Grossa, Brazil in May, where he partici-

pated in both didactic and clinical courses. He is fluent in the Portuguese language having served in Brazil on his Mormon Mission. Earlier that year, Jason hosted an exchange student in his home as part of the exchange program. His talk and enthusiasm of dentistry was well received by all.

The second event was the annual July golf tournament held at Longaberger Golf Course. There were 48 fellows and guests in attendance. We welcome any ICD fellow/guest teams from anywhere that want to participate in 2004.

The third event was the annual dinner in Columbus on Thursday September 11th at the Capital Club. Our special thanks to Dr. Nancy Reynolds for being a gracious host. Dr. Bob Gardner continued his record of providing great dinners and entertainment. Although USA ICD President Carl Lundgren could not attend the OH District 7 Annual Dinner Meeting, we were honored with the presence of President Jacquelyn R. Lance of the Alliance of the ADA of Richmond, VA. Regent Jim Felix introduced Jacquelyn as well as past president and Master of the College, Dick Rice. Also, among our many guests in Columbus was Jean Williams, past president of the Indiana Dental Society and now Vice Regent for District 7.

It was at this meeting that Regent Jim Felix recognized and commended Ohio for outstanding achievement in 2003. Ohio was first in fellowship recruitment with 29 Fellows nominated for the September meeting in San Francisco. Ohio tied with WI for first place in per capita donations to the Dental Humanitarian Outreach Program, with \$2,330 collected by



Dental Clinic in Cuba



Timothy Hall with colleague outside Dental Clinic in Cuba



James Felix and Robert Gardener

each. Bob Gardner received special thanks and was honored with a Buckeye Award for his continued leadership.

The fourth event was the good times, the fellowship, the friendships, and the fun we had in San Francisco. With 29 new fellows, it was indeed a big day for Ohio. We had a District Luncheon with our spouses, and used the time to share congenial handshakes with our fellows from Indiana.

OHIO DENTIST STRIVES TO UPDATE CLINICS IN CUBA

Tim Hall's tremendous efforts to improve a Dental Clinic in Havana, Cuba have brought about needed change in that area.

Hall, of Columbus, traveled on a mission trip to Cuba last year, and helped establish the groundwork by collecting dental materials and equipment for the Cuban government to take a local clinic from a deplorable status to what he said is now a state-of-the-art dental facility. The problem in that country is not a shortage of dental professionals, he said, but in non-functioning and obsolete equipment, and lack of materials needed for dental care.

"There are so many dentists that have the ability, but don't have the supplies and have not for some time," he said.

Hall traveled to Cuba twice, and has set up and improved two clinics, and was instrumental in getting these run-down clinics operational again. To help Dr. Hall with these efforts, he has created the Caring Dentist Foundation through which all donations can be made. Donations are tax deductible, and should be sent to Dr. Tim Hall, 3600 Olentangy River Rd., Suite 500A, Columbus, OH 43214.

It is interesting to note that soon after Dr. Hall refurbished two clinics and got them in operational order, the Cuban government got wind of his efforts, and refurbished two clinics. Dr. Hall is now operating on his third clinic, and any donations would be appreciated.

FORMER ODA PRESIDENT EARNS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Robert C. Hinkle, a retired dentist from Columbus, and a former president of the Ohio Dental Association, was recently honored by the American Equilibration Society during its 2003 Annual Meeting.

Hinkle was recognized by the association for his long tenure of service to the society as board director and treasurer. Prior to serving as ODA president in 1998, he was treasurer for 11 years. His wife, Peg Hinkle has also been active

in ODA affairs, and was a long-time guest columnist with ODA Today.



Billie Sue Kyger

KYGER'S TERM AS ODA PRESIDENT ENDS

Billie Sue Kyger's term as President of the ODA came to a close in mid-September and Ron Lemmo assumed the role as the new President. During Billie's term as President, she was responsible for the adoption of Tort Reform, restoring the budget for Adult Dental Medicaid and Senate Bill 51. This ODA-backed legislation is aimed at increasing access to care for the state's most vulnerable populations, and improving the regulation of dental professionals. Billie's personal goal is to help strengthen and unify the ODA. She looks forward to continuing to practice full time and hopes to advance her expertise in cosmetic dentistry. She would also like to serve as mentor for young professionals. Billie and Ron are both ICD members.

Brazil Exchange Experience

By Jason Hammer



Jason Hammer of Case Western Reserve University, and Rodrigo Braga of Ponta Grossa State University in Brazil

First, I would like to start by expressing my appreciation for the privilege it has been to participate in this exchange program. My experiences have strengthened my commitment to high standards both professionally and personally.

Rodrigo Braga, the exchange student, whom we hosted, arrived in January and was immediately introduced to snow and freezing temperatures, since he arrived during the coldest part of the winter. His first stop was the Case Western Reserve Dental School.

In the course of his stay here, Rodrigo shadowed students in the clinic and attended didactic courses such as Accounting, which was about as foreign to him as it was to me. He also spent time in a variety of specialty clinics both in and out of the school. He was exposed to the areas of Periodontics, Pedodontics, Orthodontics and Hospital Dentistry.

While in Cleveland, Rodrigo was able to get a little taste of the culture, as well. He was able to visit, among other places, my 3-year-old daughter's choice of Disney on Ice at the Gund Arena, the Cleveland Art Museum, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Tower City, the Hard Rock Café, the Great Lakes Science Center, the Brown's Stadium, and the inevitable Delt House. However, he decided it was too cold to visit Jacob's Field.

After his visit, Rodrigo said that this was the greatest experience of his life. We appreciated the opportunity to get to know him and have him in our home.

Four months later, I arrived in Brazil. I was expecting a wonderfully tropical environment, but was surprised to discover that I was visiting one of the coldest states in all of Brazil.

I was very well received and felt very comfortable while in Ponta Grossa. The Brazilian people are known to be very gracious and hospitable and this visit was no exception.

While there, I was able to shadow the students in their didactic as well as clinical courses at the State University of Ponta Grossa. I was also able to attend some specialty courses in Periodontics, Pedodontics and Prosthodontics at a nearby specialty academy. In Brazil, the specialty programs are not associated with Universities and students attend courses only a few days per month over a period of two years. The Universities do, however, offer a Master's Degree, which allows professionals to be instructors rather than practice full-time.

During my stay in Ponta Grossa, we visited the Gnatus, which is the largest dental equipment manufacturer in Latin America. I was also able to visit national and local parks

and eat a lot of beans, rice, and delicious Brazilian grilled meat!

Aside from learning more about another culture, I came away with the appreciation of how blessed we are to live in the United States and how important my family, education and profession are to me.

The greatest lesson I learned through this experience in Ponta Grossa is the knowledge that no matter where you are in the world or what language you speak the #1 goal of dentistry is the same: serving others.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the International College of Dentists for funding the student exchange and especially Dr. Richard Rice and Dr. Stuart Sears for their efforts in coordinating the exchange.

ICD Student Exchange Program

My name is Rodrigo Resende da Silva Braga. I'm a 24-year-old dental student from Brazil. I study in Ponta Grossa at UEPG (Ponta Grossa State University or, in Portuguese, Universidade Estadual de Ponta Grossa). Ponta Grossa is a big city near Curitiba in Parana, a state situated in the south of my country. It is a city with a nice climate and quality of life. It has a lot of natural beauty and a very interesting history because it was colonized by different kinds of immigrants. I live in Ponta Grossa to study but my family lives in Marialva, a small city 300 km from this city. Marialva is a small but lovely city and is near Maringa, a city with the same size as Ponta Grossa and where you can find one of the higher monuments in the world (10^o place): The Our Lady of Glory Cathedral.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

We have three years of high school and after a selection test called "vestibular" we go straight to the University. Before high school we have ten years of an elementary school that we call "ensino fundamental."

DENTAL SCHOOL

The regulation of professional dental practice in Brazil started on May 14, 1856 with the decree n°1764. Before this, professionals worked inside an artisanal practice model without laws to follow and just with an informal apprenticeship. The formal apprenticeship began with the decree n°7247 on April 19, 1879 and established the course of Dental

Surgery in the Medical School. But in 1933, dental courses became self sufficient and disconnected from the Medical School. Today, we have in Brazil 152 dental schools.

COSTS

Our dental school, here in Ponta Grossa, has no cost. All is paid by the state government because it is maintained by the state governor. But we have private schools of dentistry too. They may cost something between 1500 to 2500 reais (about \$500 to \$900) per month. In Ponta Grossa we have a private school also. It's a school with a great structure.

DURATION

Our dental program frequently takes five years but may change. We have some institutions where you can get your degree in four years. (It happens often in private schools). A few years ago you could get your degree in three and a half years but the government stopped it because these schools were graduating unprepared students. Nowadays, dental programs take at least four years.

STUDENTS

The number of students vary from place to place. Some institutions have forty students, others, like Ponta Grossa have sixty. Still others have 100, or even 180. Regarding men and women dental students, we have a little prevalence of women. In my class, for example, we have 28 men and 30 women, which happens frequently.

SPECIALTY

Our postgraduate program training for specialties is very different from the U.S.A. Here, after the degree program you can apply to a post graduate school. If you are approved, you start a course that may take 18 to 24 months. But you don't have to do an exclusive dedication because the program takes place once or twice a month during this period. These programs cost from 1000 to 2400 reais a month. Free specialty programs are rare and it's difficult to take part in one of them.

DENTAL INSURANCE

Patients don't have dental insurance in Brazil because the government does not offer it to the people. Some of them may have it, but this is common only in the higher social classes. This is because you have to pay for dental insurance. In this case the majority don't have dental assistance and this is the reason for

Brazilians' poor dental health.

COMMENT

This program is very important and works very well. It is a very good way to change culture not just in dentistry but in life, the culture of another country. It's important to see differences between our and your methods of dental procedures, dental teaching, everything in a dental degree program. Receiving a dental student in Brazil is also a good thing because he can see and live our reality, giving, then, value to his education and showing the importance of this exchange program.

DISTRICT 8

Illinois

EDITOR: *Hannelore Loevy*

The Illinois District of the International College of Dentists held its Annual Meeting on February 21, 2004 in conjunction with the Chicago Dental Society's Midwinter Meeting. This is the second time our District held the luncheon together with the American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. We had a very successful meeting last year, and felt that it would be good to join again this year because of the many activities, meetings and scientific sessions we wanted to attend. Our speaker at the luncheon was the President of the ADA, Eugene Sekiguchi. ICD President, Robert Bartheld and Registrar Robert Brady were also present. Bob Brady gave the invocation and he and President Bartheld presented a review of current ICD activities.

Our new Vice Regent, Keith Suchy is also



Tom Emmering presenting the Weclaw Award to William Kort at the Midwinter Meeting, February 21, 2004

the President of the Chicago Dental Society. Therefore, he greeted the luncheon attendees both as District 8 Vice Regent and President of the Chicago Dental Society, the sponsor of the Midwinter Meeting. Keith and his wife, Dawn Arnasus live in Winchester, Illinois and are graduates of Loyola Dental School. After five years of hard work as Regent of the 8th District, Bill Kort finished his term and our District welcomed a new Deputy Regent, Peter Paulson. Peter is a Past President of the Illinois State Dental Society. He and his wife, Julie live in Decatur, Illinois. Both are graduates of the Southern Illinois University, College of Dentistry.



Julie and Peter Paulson

Our new Regent is Hannelore T. Loevy of Chicago. She is a pediatric dentist, a faculty member of the University of Illinois College of Dentistry and the Editor of the Journal of the History of Dentistry. Bill Kort will continue on the Board of District 8 as Treasurer, a position he held several years ago before becoming Regent. Bill has also accepted the position of Treasurer of the Pierre Fauchard Academy Foundation. Among the Fellows of ICD, who were honored recently are: Irwin Robinson who was awarded the Lou Liay Spirit Award of the University of Illinois Alumni Association for demonstrating extraordinary loyalty, commitment, dedication and service to the Alumni Association for the betterment of the University of Illinois.



Irwin Robinson

Dave Kumamoto presented a lecture entitled "Global Trends in sports related orofacial trauma at the third International Symposium

on Sports Dentistry and Dental Trauma," July 26th in Kyoto, Japan.

Several Fellows of District 8 have been elected to new leadership positions in dentistry: Bradford Johnson was elected President of the American Association of Endodontists. George Lingen was elected as Speaker of the House of the Illinois State Dental Society and he also continues to serve as an examiner for the North East Regional Board; John Williams of Moline, Illinois is the new President of the Illinois State Dental Society and Keith Dickey has been elected treasurer of the Illinois State Dental Society.

DISTRICT 9

Wisconsin

EDITOR: *Paul R. Mahn*

On May 2, 2003 the Wisconsin Dental Association held its Annual Business Meeting and Awards Banquet in Green Bay.

ICD Fellows assembled in Packerland enjoyed dinner and an intriguing presentation by Civil War re-enactors Peter Jacobsohn and Robert Karczewski. Their lecture, "A Civil War Experience," focused on how dentists changed the course of the Civil War. Included were table museum displays of Civil War artifacts of interest to dentists and spouse/guests.



Smiling because they don't have to shoot each other, Union Army Medical Officers Peter Jacobsohn (left) and Robert Karczewski (right) inform and entertain the Wisconsin Section.



Dave Sampe presents Michelle Wade with the "Most Improved Dental Student" Award. It looks like there's a tug-of-war going on with that check envelope . . .

Following the installment of new officers, Secretary/Treasurer and illustrious Gadabout, David Sampe, presented the "Most Improved Dental Student Award & Scholarship" to Michelle Wade. Ms. Wade is a junior dental student at Marquette University's scintillating new campus jewel. She is the second female dental student to receive this award and second recipient in nine years whose parent is a dentist. In addition to a plaque, the award included a scholarship check for \$2,191.00.

On November 7, 2003 the Wisconsin Dental Association presented its "Lifetime Achievement Award" to our own Dave Sampe. This highest of honors, consisting of polite applause, side-long glances and absolutely no money, was presented at the House of Delegates banquet in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Dave, along with District 7 Regent, Jim Felix, established the ICD Humanitarian Outreach Program in Vietnam and Cambodia. Since public dental health continues to be a global issue, endeavors of this type further underscore the ICD's key role in our dental community.

DISTRICT 10

Minnesota

EDITOR: *Douglas K. Keim*



Left to Right: Karlind Moller, Sue Moller, and Gordy Christensen

Karlind Moller was accorded Honorary Fellowship at the 2003 Convocation in San Francisco.

Dr. Karlind Moller was made an Honorary Fellow of the College at the 2003 Convocation. For over 25 years Dr. Moller has directed the Cleft Lip and Palate and Craniofacial Anomalies Clinic at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. He has been a member and held leadership positions in several professional organizations and has received a number of awards including the Outstanding Clinical Achievement Award from the Minnesota Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Dr. Moller is the author of two

books on interdisciplinary cleft lip and palate management and has published over 80 articles, abstracts and book chapters.

DR. ROBERT GORLIN IS ONE OF ICD'S OUTSTANDING LEADERS IN DENTISTRY

Dr. Robert Gorlin is one of several chosen by the College as Outstanding Leaders in Dentistry. Professor Emeritus of Oral Pathology and Genetics at the University of Minnesota, he is known internationally for his work in craniofacial and deafness syndromes. Dr. Gorlin has received many honorary awards for his work in Oral Pathology and Clinical Genetics. As a founder of the American Board of Medical, Clinical Genetics, he has served that community extensively throughout his long and illustrious career.

The Outstanding Leaders in Dentistry - An Audio-Visual History Series - is a project of the College that presents videotapes of the careers of dental leaders. Tapes are available at the College Website or can be viewed at the ICD "Visiting Scholars Room" at The Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry in Baltimore, Maryland.

REED SANFORD, 10TH DISTRICT REGENT IS NEW TREASURER OF USA SECTION

Congratulations to current District 10 Regent Reed Sanford who has been elected Treasurer of the USA Section. He assumed office on January 1, 2004. Reed has served as 10th District Regent since 1998. He practiced orthodontics in Fargo, North Dakota until his retirement in 1997 and currently lives in Palm Desert, California and summers in Nevis, Minnesota. The new 10th District Regent is Harley Batie of Lincoln, Nebraska.

NEW INDUCTEES FOR 2003

The following were inducted into the College at the 2003 ICD Convocation in San Francisco: Fred Carlson, James Indrehus, Timothy Langguth, Joseph Lapinski, William Stein, and R. Bruce Templeton.

MINNESOTA ICD SUPPORTS UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

As in the past, the Minnesota chapter has provided financial support to two students for their educational experience in other countries. This year students attended dental schools in Denmark and Spain. The Dental

School hosted three students from both of these countries.

Nebraska

EDITOR: *Henry A. St. Germain, Jr.*



The Nebraska Chapter was well represented with five new Fellows of the International College of the Annual Meeting on October 24, 2003 in San Francisco. The proud Fellows include (left to right) Randy Toothaker, Scott Trapp, Jessica Meeske, Gary Westerman, and Bob Zaiman

The Nebraska Chapter held its annual fall meeting on September 6, 2003 at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln, Nebraska. President Joan Sivers organized our breakfast meeting with help from Deputy Regent and Secretary/Treasurer, Kim McFarland. We were especially fortunate to be able to host Carl G. Lundgren (USA Section President) and his wife Marge for our annual meeting. We were delighted that Carl presented an excellent overview of ICD activities at the national level and gave us some thoughtful "contrarian" insights on leadership. President Sivers also announced the nominations for new officers which were unanimously approved. Our new officers for 2004 include Cathy Alley as President, Bob Roesch as President-Elect, Paula Harre as the new Secretary/Treasurer, and Henry St. Germain as Editor.

The Nebraska Chapter approved \$1,000, in part, to be used for student-related activities at Creighton University and the University of Nebraska in research and community-based dental service projects. We heartily thank former President Joan Sivers on her leadership and dedication for the past two years. We would also like to recognize the support and encouragement we received from Reed Sanford as our Regent for District 10. He was critical in arranging visits from

ICD national level representatives including Bob Brady, Don Compaan, and Carl Lundgren as well as attending many of our annual fall meetings himself while he was our Regent. We welcome Kim McFarland in her role as our Deputy Regent and look forward to her leadership. The efforts of our former Deputy Regents, Bob and Sharlene Wilson, are sincerely appreciated and their commitment to the ICD has contributed to a dynamic and active Nebraska Chapter. We have recently learned from Reed Sanford that Harlie Batie (District 10 Vice Regent) has accepted the opportunity to serve as the District 10 Regent. We, in Nebraska, have been very fortunate to have benefited immensely from Harley's experience and enthusiasm. Best wishes are extended to Harley in his new role as Regent. It is truly wonderful to have such talented individuals willing to serve our organization!

The Nebraska ICD Chapter has the responsibility for organizing the annual combined Nebraska ICD/ACD banquet in 2004. President Cathy Alley is already working with other officers to ensure a successful event every April in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Nebraska Dental Association.

North Dakota

EDITOR: *John L. Hicks*

Reed Sanford, who served as Regent from District 10, from 1998 to 2003 was honored by being elected Treasurer of the USA Section of the International College of Dentists at the annual meeting on October 23. He assumes the duties of his new office on January 1, 2004.



New North Dakota Fellows: From left: Dale Dohms of Minot; David Olson of Minot; Lana Schlecht of Ellendale; Dennis Sommers of Minot; and Brian Jespersion of Bismarck

South Dakota

EDITOR: *Curtis R. Johnson*

South Dakota ICD Fellows continue to distinguish themselves serving the South Dakota Dental Association. Mike Houk of Sioux Falls concluded an outstanding year as SDDA President in May 2003. Curt Johnson of Scotland concluded eight years as an ADA Delegate. Randy Sachau from Spearfish was elected SDDA Vice President. Al Akerson of Sioux Falls was elected ADA Delegate, joining Orin Ellwein, also of Sioux Falls, in representing South Dakota in the ADA House of Delegates.

Three South Dakota dentists were inducted into the College last fall in San Francisco. Our newest Fellows are Janell Beck of Lennox, Amber Determan of Mitchell, and Tom Pillar of Sioux Falls. These outstanding individuals will



South Dakota New Fellows Amber Determan, Tom Pillar and Janell Beck



Outgoing District 10 Regent, Reed Sanford with Janell Beck on his right and Amber Determan

only make our chapter stronger!

Curt Johnson was honored and humbled upon being named the USA Section's Distinguished Deputy Regent for 2003. Curt thanks the South Dakota chapter for making him look good and he thanks outgoing District X Regent, Reed Sanford for the nomination and for his tremendous support over the years. Curt now assumes the position of District X Vice Regent. Howard C. "Tom" Peterson, Jr. of

Sioux Falls is the new Deputy Regent for South Dakota, while Rollyn Hohwieler of Sioux Falls succeeds Tom as Counselor.

Dennis Mills of Deadwood and Tom Pillar spent some quality time last fall sailing the British Virgin Islands. The "old salts" and their wives, Debbie and Lynne, chartered a 45-foot bare-boat (i.e., no crew) for about 10 days. They left from St. Thomas, USVI, and sailed through the British Virgin Islands, including Tortola, Cooper and Norman Islands, and Virgin Gorda. There was time for snorkeling, scuba diving and fishing. The sun, however, was at a premium, as by all accounts the area had not received as much rain in a one-week period for about 30 years! This left more time for solving problems in dentistry and the world, as well as becoming acquainted with the local refreshments.

On a sad note, we lost a distinguished Fellow and friend last fall. Darrell Ludeman of Vermillion passed away at his vacation home in Arkansas. Darrell will be remembered for his great leadership as Director of the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of South Dakota for many years. His countenance and his contributions to dentistry will be missed. Rest in peace, friend.

Oregon

EDITOR: *Ronald C. Short*

Oregon ICD was saddened by the loss of long-time member Laurel Brown. Laurel was inducted into the ICD in 1970. All members will miss him.

Jack Clinton is up and running again. Retirement was too uninvolved for him. He has a new job as the Interim Dean of Oregon Health and Sciences University School of Dentistry replacing Dean Sharon Turner. We are all pleased with his appointment. Jack is a hard man to keep up with. I have been trying to catch him for the last 50 years since he played football for Lakeview and I played for Henley. He is still a good runner and hard to tackle. Watch out Jack! I have a new hip!

We are really proud of Lon Carroll, our own Past President of ICD USA and now president Elect of ICD International. I still have inlays placed for me by Lon during our dental school days. Congratulations Lon.

Our annual breakfast meeting at the Oregon Dental Association Scientific Session was attended by 44 members. District 11 Regent Johnny Johnson brought the members

up to date on ICD happenings.

Dominic Wenzell, Class of 2003 OHSU School of Dentistry was the recipient of our annual \$500 Outstanding Student Award. Our best wishes to Dr. Wenzell for a long and happy career in dentistry.

Running-Y Ranch Resort here in Klamath Falls was the location of our Summer Sessions meeting on September 4 - 7. We started the session on Thursday evening with a welcome reception in the "Great Room" at Running-Y Lodge.

Friday and Saturday mornings were devoted to continuing education lectures. Carl Perkins, OHSU faculty member and former USAF jet pilot presented on "Dentistry Considerations for Pilots."

Col. Tom Tucker, DMD, Dispensary Commander, Kingsley Field Oregon Air National Guard Base, Klamath Falls, Oregon presented on "Dental Considerations for Crew Members of High Performance Military Aircraft." Kingsley Field is a large training base for F-15 pilots.

George Muck, general dentist and insurance consultant presented on "Evidence Based Dentistry." Jack Clinton presented on "A Review of Clinical Dentistry as taught at OHSU School of Dentistry."

On Friday afternoon we loaded onto a charter bus for a tour of the "Klamath Project" - one of the earliest federal reclamation projects of the nation. Started in 1905, the Project provides irrigation water from Klamath Lake, Oregon's largest lake, and other sources, for 233,625 acres of prime farmland. The irrigation water is very efficiently used and reused such that only 4% - 5% of available area water assets are used. Five National Wildlife Refuges are also supplied with water from the Project including the first National Wildlife Waterfowl Refuge in the nation. Unfortunately, the entire project is under attack from several environmental groups. We returned to the Running-Y for a superb dinner in the "Great Room."

Saturday afternoon was devoted to sightseeing and golf on the Running-Y's Arnold Palmer designed golf course. A favorite for sightseeing was the "Favell Museum." One of the largest private collections of western art and Indian artifacts in the West. The golfers earned their scores on the horizontally challenged fairways and greens. Yes. We do have hills in Klamath Falls!

Saturday evening we boarded the "Klamath Belle", a paddle wheel excursion boat for an evening meal and tour of Klamath

Lake. The “true grit” of our typical ICD members and guest was exhibited as we all survived a very busy session and our famous Klamath Lake Midges and Mosquitos!

DISTRICT 11

Washington

EDITOR: *Richard Mielke*



USA Section President Carl Lundgren Addresses the Washington Section

Seattle had the privilege of hosting the CEC session for the college this past summer. We had a grand time sharing our area and some typical Northwest highlights with fellows and their families from across the nation. We had wonderful presentations from Dr. Werner Geurtsen of Germany and now a member of the Restorative Dept. faculty at the University of Washington; Dr. Roy Page, Director of the Regional Clinical Dental Research Center at the school; and Dr. Vince Kokich, a practicing orthodontist from Tacoma, Washington. Each presentation was very well received by attendees.

Because the CEC coincided with our ICD section annual breakfast meeting, we were able to have many of our national ICD leaders in attendance to meet the local fellows. USA Section President Carl Lundgren gave a nice presentation about ICD activities to our members. At the meeting, we presented Mel Bleakney with a Distinguished Fellow Award. At 101 years of age, Mel still attends our breakfast meetings.

On February 13 our ICD section joined the American College and Pierre Fauchard Academy fellows to jointly sponsor our Tri-college Continuing Education Day. The proceeds from this annual event are used for scholarships for dental students at the University of Washington.



Carl and Marge Lundgren Enjoy a Cruise in Seattle

In other news, Mark Walker is President of the Washington State Dental Association.

Also, Ardon Overby was named Alumnus of the Year by the Oregon Health and Sciences University Alumni Association for his years of successful fund-raising efforts at the University.

DISTRICT 12

Kansas

EDITOR: *John Carter*

Dr. John W. M. Carter was recently installed as president-elect of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics at their annual meeting in July, 2003 at Asheville, North Carolina. Dr. Carter has an orthodontic practice in Overland Park, Kansas.

Louisiana

EDITOR: *Edmond J. Ganucheau, Jr.*

Robert A. Hesse of Lafayette received The Founders Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Italian Federation of the Southeast at their 12th Biennial Convention in New Orleans in June. The award is presented for excellence in your profession, civic activities



Dr. Robert A. Hesse

and dedication to the Foundation and local society. In the past Dr. Hesse has been the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Louisiana Dental Association and the Mark J. Locantro Award for distinguished service to the profession of dentistry from the Louisiana Academy of General Dentistry. In addition, he was named an Honorary Officer of the American Dental Association at its annual meeting in New Orleans.

Oklahoma

The following article was submitted by Hugh McDougall, an ICD exchange student from the University of Oklahoma to the University of Helsinki Institute of Dentistry –



Hugh feeding a reindeer at the Arctic Circle

When I was admitted to dental school, I never imagined that one of the experiences that I would have could involve getting close and personal with a reindeer at the Arctic Circle in Finland’s Lapland. Nonetheless, this and a variety of other highly memorable opportunities were made possible this summer as I was chosen to represent the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry as the College’s first International College of Dentists Exchange Student. Being invited to spend two and a half weeks during the summer of 2003 at the University of Helsinki Institute of Dentistry, located in Finland’s capitol city, Helsinki, I was afforded the opportunity to compare and contrast dental education and practice in Finland and the United States. As my wife accompanied me, this trip also allowed us the opportunity to visit Russia and to spend more time together than we had enjoyed since I entered dental school.

Given Finland’s relative proximity to Russia and the fact that Saint Petersburg was hosting its three hundred year anniversary,



The Dental School in Helsinki



A trip to St. Petersburg allowed Hugh to see The Church of the Resurrection of Christ

my wife and I seized the chance to visit this city recognized for its cultural and historic significance. The five days we spent in St. Petersburg were marked by a great deal of walking, which afforded us a sense of daily life in this vibrant city. Touring the historic sites located in and around St. Petersburg gave us an appreciation for the many roles this city has played in Russian history. Walking the halls of the Hermitage, Catherine the Great's summer palace, with its amazing amber room, gave us another opportunity to walk where Russia's most powerful families had at one time lived and ruled. We also toured the Peter and Paul fortress, the military stanchion from which the city of St. Petersburg grew and the harsh prison within the fortress in which the Russian author Fyodor Dostoyevsky was imprisoned prior to being sentenced to penal servitude in Siberia.

After very nearly missing our train and violating our official Russian exit date, we arrived back in Helsinki where I began my involvement at the Institute of Dentistry at the University of Helsinki. I found all of the faculty, administration, students, practicing dentists, and staff members associated with the school to be open and welcoming, allowing me the opportunity to observe clinical procedures and answering what I'm sure seemed like an unending series of questions about practices and policies in Finland. I found that Finnish dentistry generally shares a "universal language" with that practiced in the United States. Fundamental tooth names were similar across both countries and orientation nomenclature within the mouth was consistent. Both dental communities recognized also the class of cavity preparations described by Dr. G. V. Black and

both employed Angle's system of classification of occlusion. These similarities in nomenclature helped to facilitate discussions regarding procedures and techniques. The most apparent difference in "dental linguistics" arose in the system used to assign numeric identities to individual teeth. US dentistry has adopted the Universal system of tooth identification, while Finnish dentistry employs the Federation Dentaire Internationale (FDI) or International system. I experienced little difficulty in adapting to this system.

Finnish dentists and dental students share with their US counterparts concerns regarding infection control and cross contamination relative to the health and safety of their patients, their staff, and the assistants/nurses with whom they work. Practitioners on both continents also harbor concerns regarding risks involving their own health and safety. As such, universal precautions are exercised in both countries before, during, and following each patient's treatment. There existed, however, a stark contrast in the regulations that apply in the United States as compared to those in Finland regarding those patients with serious, highly infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS. While the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 dictates that such patients must not be treated differently than other patients within the United States, Finnish law makes no such demands. Indeed, patients suffering HIV/AIDS are commonly referred for care to special hospital units within Finland's socialized health care system in an effort to limit the patient's likelihood of developing infection.

Observing a variety of clinical procedures in Finland, I was impressed by the general uni-

versality of the instruments, materials, and techniques employed, with the majority of these aspects of treatment being similar or identical to those utilized in the United States. In observing clinical procedures, I recognized the instruments and materials employed by Finnish dentists as those used in North America.

While many of the differences noted between Finnish and American dentistry were relatively inconsequential, the choice of restorative materials and procedures bore significance. Through the course of two and a half weeks of observation at the University of Helsinki dental clinics and in a private office, I observed the placement of numerous restorations, each of these employing a composite material. Although patients were generally offered the option of an amalgam restoration, each chose the composite resin material. One Finnish dentist reported that of the approximately four hundred restorations he had placed over a three month period, only three or four had been done using amalgam. I was to learn that concerns regarding the mercury content of amalgam restorations and "reported" health risks associated with this material had been a significant and generalized concern with the Finnish population during the late 1980s and early 1990s. Although much of this fervor has apparently subsided, lingering concerns regarding the safety of amalgam and the aesthetic sensibilities of the Finnish patient population have led to composite resin restoration materials being the overwhelming preference as the material of choice among Finnish dental patients.

DENTAL EDUCATION

In considering the educational systems of the University of Helsinki Institute of Dentistry and the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry, the ultimate professional goals, level of professionalism, concern for patient well-being, and apparent academic and clinical objective appeared fundamentally identical. With a population of approximately 280 million, the United States currently boasts fifty-five dental schools. Finland, with a population of approximately five million, has only two dental schools. While forecasts regarding the number of practicing dentists in the United States predict shortages in the near future, Finland currently is experiencing a severe shortage of licensed dentists. In response to this shortage, the University of Helsinki will increase its admission from approximately twenty eight to accommodate forty students in its upcoming freshman year and a third dental school is scheduled to open in 2004. While these efforts will help address the shortage of dentists in the future, the current situation limits patient access to timely dental care, with the average patient waiting eight to nine months for routine care through a state sponsored dental clinic, the avenue through which the majority of the Finnish population receives dental care.

Admission to US dental programs requires that prospective applicants complete required coursework, typically involving three or four years of college education. In contrast, applicants to Finnish dental schools are selected solely on the basis of their high school grades, with students being admitted to dental school following graduation from high school. Although Finnish dental education involves a five-year college commitment, the total time spent in college prior to graduation from a Finnish dental program is two to three years less than is the case for the American dental student. Licensure to practice dentistry is granted in Finland by the program from which the dentist has graduated, with no independent examination occurring as a requirement for licensure. Nonetheless, I was convinced that those students granted licenses by the University of Helsinki Institute of Dentistry were well prepared and had demonstrated their clinical competence.

The cost incurred by the dental student stands as another source of significant contrast when comparing US and Finnish dental education. The majority of students in the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry

class of 2004 will graduate with student loan debts totaling more than \$100,000 US. In contrast, students attending Finnish dental schools are burdened with no debt on graduation, their tuition, material/text costs, and living expenses being borne by the state.

The overwhelming majority of Finnish dentists opt to practice in a Health Service Center, with the majority of the dentists in Finland serving as salaried employees of the State throughout their professional careers. Only approximately one third of licensed dentists in Finland will practice in the private arena and of these, most will engage in private practice on a part time basis. Of the Finnish dentists who engage in private practice, most rent operatory space/time, instruments and materials, staff, and, in many cases, patients from one of the relatively few privately owned dental practices. Many dentists rent space from a variety of existing practices, practicing in a different location on different days of the week, often in a different office in the morning and afternoon of the same day. Unlike dental practice in the US, Finnish dentistry is generally practiced from a single operatory, the dentist remaining involved in a single case continuously through to the completion of the appointment. This practice is dictated to a degree by the issue of operatory availability, but appeared to be grounded more fundamentally in an underlying attitude toward the development and maintenance of a relationship with the patient. Most Finnish dentists with whom I spoke were surprised to learn that dentistry in the US is commonly practiced out of multiple operatories, with multiple patients being treated simultaneously and this practice appeared anathema to the Finnish dentists.

Dental treatment in Finland is included as a component of the health care system made available to all residents of the country. Most Finnish residents opt to seek dental care through one of the Health Care Centers, where this treatment is rendered at little or no cost. While the majority of dentistry performed in the US is completed on a fee for service or second party payment arrangement, little outright fee for service dentistry is done in Finland. Private practitioners are allowed in Finland to charge for their services above that amount for which reimbursement is pro-

vided by the State, but these clinicians find that the majority of the population is reluctant to pay substantially more than would be the cost borne if treatment were rendered by a dentist at a Health Service Center. As a result, dentists' incomes in Finland are typically considerably lower than those enjoyed by their US counterparts.

CONCLUSIONS

In summary, the differences that were observed in the manner in which dentistry is taught and practiced in Finland as compared to the United States appear to stem largely from cultural and societal differences. Of these differences, the presence or absence of a nationalized health/dental care system appears to have the most significant and far-reaching impact upon dental education and practice, affecting course curriculum for dental students, patient expectations, treatment decisions made by dentists, income potential for those practicing dentistry, the prevalence and nature of private practice, and the availability of dental treatment. My experience as a dental student in the United States and as an exchange student in Finland allowed me to recognize that the dentists and peoples of these nations enjoy both the benefits and limitations associated with their respective systems of care delivery.

DISTRICT 13

California

EDITOR: *Stephen S. Yuen*

Think globally, act locally. That's what conventional wisdom says. But, this is California, where less can be more, the conventional is



"Climb ev'ry mountain, ford ev'ry stream" (actually it's a tributary of the Kali Gandaki River) -- just a few barriers for this dedicated team



Villagers show appreciation with traditional leis of Himalayan marigolds to (left to right) Helaine Smith, Barry Turner, Dave Bell and Ed Weiss

often the exceptional and some folks think globally and act globally.

So, we present the following vignettes of some of our members for you to discern the global involvement in their activities, reflecting the “international” in our organization’s name. The International College of Dentists, and one of its objectives, “the advancement of dentistry for the health and welfare of the public internationally.”

Barry Turner last September led eleven volunteers to the remote hamlet of Tukuche in Nepal to treat villagers. It’s the second time in three years he’s done this; in 2001, his group went to Shertung. This time, when they arrived in Kathmandu and learned that Maoist terrorists had killed several local policemen a few days before, they quickly left by bus and, after trekking by foot for four days, arrived at Tukuche, located on the famed Annapurna route.

The team treated more than 200 patients and trained a Nepali emergency medical technician to perform simple basic dental procedures. Other dentists on the team included Ed Weiss, Auburn, CA, Dave Bell, Hurricane, WV and Helaine Smith, Boston, MA. Barry’s wife, Sharon, RN, their two adult children Brady and Meghan, Nevada County District Attorney Mike Ferguson, Doris Pinhack, an RDH from Boston, and Nevada County friends Pat Dobbs and Megan Corbett rounded out the team.

The volunteers pay 100% of all their own travel expenses. Equipment and supplies are almost completely funded by the Nevada City 49er Rotary Club, with a small grant from ICD District 13. Both amounts are then matched by District 5190 of Rotary International.

Barry says the only negative of the trip is that it takes weeks to lose the yucky smell of

yak butter. He plans for similar “working vacations” to Bhutan in 2004 and East Africa in 2005. If interested, update your passport, get your shots and e-mail him at baturner@nccn.net

Roger Kingston, a San Diego oral surgeon has led a group, the Amigos de Los Californios, every year since 1996 to provide dental care to Californios, the people who live in remote villages among the volcanic mountains of Baja California Sur.

The group was formed after learning from a nature photographer that he, while working in those mountains in 1995, was approached by a goat rancher desperately asking for an aspirin to relieve the pain from his grossly infected jaw.

The first trip was to the village of Santa Marta, where no dentist had ever been and the closest Mexican dentist was a day’s travel away. The team had two general dentists, an oral surgeon and a support staff of five. Equipment was definitely not state-of-the-art, folding beach chairs for patients and a 12-volt tire pump for compressed air. However, when one family thanked them with oranges they had carried on an eight-hour trip, the team knew it was all worth it.

The group has grown to twenty-four people, including two general dentists, a pediatric dentist, an oral surgeon, three lab technicians, two physicians, an optometrist and fourteen support staffers. Roger’s wife, fluent in Spanish, is the receptionist, triage nurse and children’s art teacher.



Look beyond the mask to see the warm satisfaction on Roger Kingston’s face as he administers to about thirty needy patients a day.

In its 2003 trip, the team treated 140 patients from two towns during 250 “visits” and even provided thirty-two new or repaired plastic partial dentures. High-clearance 4WD vehicles brought in all the equipment, supplies and food. A local water supply is the only requirement at the site. Thanks to a grant from the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, the team now has modern mobile equipment.

Taking two weeks from their practices is expensive, but the Amigos de Los Californios volunteers consider the friendships made and the joy of giving more than pay for their efforts.

Ed Hoffman knew “The Russians Are Coming, The Russians Are Coming,” not by submarine as in the old movie, but by modern jets. They were eleven members of the Russian Dental Clinics Delegation visiting the San Francisco Bay Area last fall as a people-to-people program sponsored by the Center For Citizen Initiatives and the Rotary Clubs of San Leandro, Niles Fremont and Castro Valley.

With the help of a cadre of Bay Area dentists, including ICD Fellows Steve Chan, Heidi Hausauer, Dave Nielsen, Mike Ricupito and Steve Yuen and a host of gracious “home hosts,” Ed shepherded the delegation through a three-week whirlwind immersion into the world of American dentistry.

The comprehensive mini-course included visitations to and seminars about private practice offices, a large group clinic, a free clinic serving the poor, a commercial dental laboratory, a practice management firm, a national dental supply company and a bank which routinely finances dental practice start-ups.

The group also learned about the educational, administrative and organizational parts of American dentistry in visits to and presentations from the two dental schools in San Francisco, the University of the Pacific and the University of California, the dental hygiene program at Chabot College and the dental assisting course at the Regional Occupation Program Center, both located in Hayward.

Fortunately, the group’s visit coincided with the ADA Annual Session in San Francisco, so they were given guest privileges and were overwhelmed by the size of the crowds and the magnitude of the exhibits at the national “trade show.”

At this point in the story, let’s digress a bit to say that of all Russian health care services, dentistry has made the biggest advances in the past decade. Under the old Soviet system, dental care was provided in state-run clinics and



Top: Waiting for Arnold - Our Russian dentist friends abide on the Capitol lawn, but newly-elected Gov. Schwarzenegger isn't around
 Bottom: CDA Life Member Ed Hoffman (Left) explains benefits of belonging to the California Dental Association to Russian colleagues during visit to CDA's Sacramento headquarters

dental departments of general medical clinics. Funds for the state dental facilities were (and still are) received from the Mandatory Medical Insurance program.

It was not until the late 1980s that private practices began to appear. These have grown rapidly throughout Russia as demand for better quality care has increased. Now, private practices comprise 40% of all dental facilities and use more modern techniques and deliver preventive care and cosmetic services, reflecting the demands of the transitioning society.

Third-party financing and health insurance companies are growing in importance. However, the federal government of the Russian Federation's tax codes and regulations and Mandatory Medical Insurance still present challenges to a free-market economy.

So, when the delegates visited Delta Dental of California (DDCA) at the Delta Tower skyscraper in San Francisco's financial district, the not-for-profit dental service cor-

poration model for administering benefit programs for large purchasing groups was a new and unique concept for them. They learned that in 2002, DDCA covered 17 million Californians and processed over 22.1 million claims.

This brief discussion into politics and health care financing served nicely as a segue into the group's next venue, Sacramento. It spent a full day touring the spacious headquarters of the California Dental Association, learning of all the benefits and services for its 20,000 members, including how "organized dentistry" can influence legislation in the state capitol, which is literally right across the street. Of course, the group toured the Capitol building to see how the democratic process works in the state assembly and senate chambers. Regrettably, Governor Schwarzenegger was not in the building (nor was Elvis).

The success of this international goodwill program is summed up in the post-trip letter from one of the delegates. She says, "Thank you to the host families for their warm reception. From my time with the families and my time in the training program, I was able to become familiar with the American people and the American lifestyle I learned that people from different countries are not so different; we all love life and enjoy it, and we all care about our work. Thank you."

Eugene Sekiguchi reached another pinnacle in his remarkable career when he was installed as ADA president last fall, the first Asian American elected to that position.



Gene Sekiguchi has an eclectic career: electrical engineer, practicing dentist, state association president and executive director, alumni association president and associate dean at his alma mater and ADA Trustee. Oh, yes, he also restores old Porsches.

Other high level offices Gene has held include those of president and executive director of the California Dental Association, ADA trustee and president of the USC Alumni Association. Currently, he's also the USC associate dean for international, professional and

legislative affairs.

Interestingly, Gene's brother-in-law, Henry Kawamoto, Jr., DDS, MD, a dentist and a cranio-facial surgeon, made headlines in 2002 as he led the team of surgeons who sep-



Photo by Charr Crail: New CDA President Debbie Finney enjoys a congratulatory bear hug from her camera-shy teacher/mentor/executive associate Dean Bob Christofferson of University of Pacific, her alma mater

arated the con-joined 11-month Alvarez twins from Guatemala.

Debra Finney made history when she was installed last fall as the first woman president of the California Dental Association, the largest constituent in the ADA. Moreover, she is the first dental hygienist to be a CDA president.

The Folsom periodontist's theme for her administration is "Uniting Our Community." Regarding the variety of the international backgrounds of her society's over 20,000 members, she says, "We need to pay attention to diversity, but we must focus on how we are alike and what we have in common. That is what brings us together."

She points out that she arrived at her top leadership role in a non-traditional way, not ever having been a component society president, a delegate to the CDA House of Delegates nor a member of the CDA Board of Trustees.

She thanks her supporters for having the courage to make such a change in tradition, because "Change involves risk...but, if you don't risk anything, you risk even more."

Debbie's husband, Koos Prins (she calls him CDA's 1st "First Gentleman"), is a civil engineer from South Africa. They have four children. When asked how she'll cope with the demanding schedule of a CDA president, she kiddingly replied, "I'll stock up on chocolate and red wine and get periodic messages." She well may be for whom the word non-traditional was invented!

Jim Vernetti is one of dentistry's greats

whose lifetime achievements and contributions are recorded in ICD's Outstanding Leaders in Dentistry videotape series. That's just one of many prestigious organizations which have honored him with their "highest" awards.

The list of this nonagenarian's accomplishments is very long, but the one he ranks near the top is for his work with the Thousand Smiles Foundation. In 1985, Jim and six colleagues, including Terry Tanaka and Jeffrey Moses, founded that organization with donations and a matching grant from Rotary International.



In addition to the slew of honors from dental groups, Jim Vernetti has been Rotarian of the Year, given the Key to the City of Coronado twice, been Grand Marshal of the 4th of July Parade, named the Ageless Hero by Blue Cross, and was a 2002 Winter Olympics Torch Bearer.

The foundation provides medical treatment in Mexico and Central America for children with facial deformities. Four times a year, a team of medical and dental volunteers performs cleft lip/palate surgery for hundreds of patients. Jim now serves as the volunteer executive secretary.

Oh, yes, he has another place of honor for his name that very few can ever have. No, it's not on a strip of highway, but on a baseball stadium! The city of Coronado's Little League stadium is named the Vernetti Stadium, in honor of his 60-plus years of volunteer civic service in the city. Try and top that, George Steinbrenner!

Richard Simms received the 2003 California Pierre Fauchard Academy's Honor Award for his many years of professional and community service: as an ADA first vice president, as president and editor of the California Association of Orthodontists, and as a board member of the museums of art of the county of Los Angeles, the city of Long Beach and UCLA.

One of Dick's finest achievements in promoting international goodwill is his pioneer work in the formation of the California Dental Association's Dental Forum, a community of



Dick Simms promotes the common values and goals of multi-cultural components of the dental community.

representatives from the many ethnicity-based dental groups in California, reflecting the diverse demographics of the state's more than 25,000 dentists. The alliance works to resolve its members' common or unique issues, which may not fall within the purview of mainstream, organized dentistry. The spirit of community in the forum needs no translation.



Judson Klooster: educator, administrator, dean, gentlemen's gentleman.

Judson Klooster is the 2004 recipient of the Lifetime Contributions to Dentistry Award at the Annual ICD/ACD Spring Awards Dinner Dance, a black tie gala, during the CDA's Spring Scientific Session in Anaheim. Jud is dean emeritus of Loma Linda University School of Dentistry and a past regent of the ICD.

He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons (now Univ. of the Pacific) School of Dentistry at the tender age of 21, practiced full-time for 18 years in Escondido, served as a dental officer in the Navy during the Korean Conflict, taught part-time, then full-time at LLU, earned a master's degree in biomedical education at Tulane, became associate dean for academic affairs and

finally dean at LLU in 1971, a post he held for 23 years before retiring.

Very active in organized dentistry, Jud received many awards and honorary memberships in national and international organizations. To top it all off, all who have the privilege of knowing him agree that he is the ultimate "gentlemen's gentleman."

Clifton O. Dummett of Los Angeles was selected to receive the prestigious Callahan Memorial Medal of the Ohio Dental Association during its 137th Annual Session last September in Columbus. Dr. Dummett, a major contributor to dental education, is a noted scientist, ethicist, historian and author. His "accomplishments are an everlasting tribute to the profession he loves. As a respected member of both the Afro-American National Dental Association and the American Dental Association, he was largely responsible for leading the movement to change restrictions on race. The Callahan Commission is proud to present its 2003 award to him."

Stephen Yuen is the 2004 recipient of the Award of Excellence in Dentistry, also presented at the Spring Awards Dinner Dance.

DISTRICT 14

Colorado

EDITOR: *Edward Leone, Jr., DMD*

At a short business meeting held in Denver on January 15, 2004, Dr. Newell Warr, 14th District Regent, installed Dr. Ed Leone as Deputy Regent for Colorado. Dr. Leone is the immediate past 14th District Trustee for the American Dental Association and will bring long time experience as a leader in the profession to the position of Deputy Regent.

In addition to Dr. Leone, the ICD leadership in Colorado will consist of Dr. Kevin Sessa as Treasurer and Drs. Gene Bloom, Forrest Brown, David Funderburk, John Hanck, Robert Morrow, and Don Schoemaker as Counselors and Charles Amen as Editor. This blend of experienced and energetic individuals will serve ICD well in Colorado. We will continue our scholarship program for the University of Colorado dental students. ICD Fellows are also preparing to open their offices to CU dental students during the transition to a new dental school building in order to prevent students from having to compete for limited laboratory facilities during this transition.



John Smedley, John Forney, Jerome Green and David Werking - all long time leaders in Colorado dentistry.



14th District Regent Newell Warr, Deputy Regent Ed Leone, retiring Deputy Regent Peter Spence, and retiring treasurer, James Nock. We thank them all for their services.

Utah

EDITOR: *John Chambers*

The Utah ICD members enjoyed another great bonding time last August when, under the direction of Deputy Regent Brian Thornley and Socials Chairman Ned Gregerson, ten members and their wives attended the Utah Shakespearean Festival in Cedar City. Also in attendance were District 14 Regent Newell Warr, and his wife, Jean. Three plays were attended, as well as golfing, sight seeing and other activities during this summer social event. An interesting and informative seminar was also held addressing practice transitions.

A highlight of the year was the steak-fry and Dutch oven dinner graciously hosted by Ned Gregerson and his wife, Dixie at their lodge on Cedar Mountain. This summer social has become a much-anticipated and treasured event in Utah.



The Cooks take a break - Dan Boston, Dixie Gregerson, Ned Gregerson.

At our Utah 2004 annual meeting we were privileged to have the presence of USA Section President, Robert Bartheld, ADA 14th District Trustee Joel Glover and 14th District



A.J. Smith, with wife Leah, receives Utah ICD Distinguished Service Award from Brian Thornley.

Regent Newell Warr. Wally Brown and Jay Aldous were recognized for receiving the Utah Dental Association's Distinguished Service Awards. The Utah ICD Distinguished Service Award was given to A.J. Smith. Recognizing A.J.'s contributions to dentistry, it was noted that he has served as chair of the American Dental Association's Council on Dental Practice, as well as on numerous ADA committees and task forces. He is past president of both the Utah Dental Association and the Academy of LDS Dentists. A.J. currently serves as an associate faculty member of the L.D. Pankey Institute for Advanced Dental Education, and has been on the visiting faculty of the University of Utah for over 20 years. He currently

presents seminars for the ADA to senior and junior dental students on the business aspects of beginning practice. Besides his affiliation in the International College, he is also a

fellow in the American College, the Academy of Dentistry International, and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He has written numerous articles for publication in dental journals and periodicals.

A.J.'s crowning achievement is marrying his wife Leah. They are the parents of two beautiful daughters, Sasha and Sierra. A.J. and his family enjoy skiing, boating, water skiing, backpacking, and camping.

Dr. Warr spoke to us about the USA Section summer seminar, which will be held at the Grand America hotel, with Gordon and Rella Christensen scheduled as speakers. Dr. Bartheld was visiting Utah prior to the July meeting and told the group that the ICD website has been improved, that their audio library now features 59 leaders in dentistry, and he explained the ICD's contributions to the Baltimore Museum of Dentistry.

The last item of business was the installation of a new Deputy Regent, Norman Rounds,



Newell Warr (right) gives Robert Bartheld mementos of Salt Lake City in preparation for ICD summer meeting.

who replaces Brian Thornley. Dr. Rounds is well qualified for this new responsibility.

DISTRICT 15

Texas

EDITOR: *William F. Stutts*

The annual meeting of District 15 (Texas) was held on January 9-10, 2004 at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas, Texas. We were honored to have USA Section President, Bob Bartheld as our guest.

On Friday evening the Section 15 officers hosted a dinner meeting with President Bartheld and his wife, Pat. Many issues and concerns were discussed and everyone came away with a better understanding of national issues.

On Saturday morning the annual breakfast meeting was held. David May, Texas section President, gave the invocation and introduced many VIPs in attendance. Our new Fellows were invited to be special guests at the breakfast, and several of them were able to attend. Our new members inducted in San Francisco are Chris Anderson, Craig Armstrong, Douglas Bogan, Crystal Brady, Warren Branch, Shelly Canada, Ron Collins, Mark Gannaway, Kathy Gibson, Michael Plunk, Timothy Robinson, Stephen Robirds, Bobby Taylor and Steven Wood.

Chris Anderson presented the Texas Section Literary Award to Scott Makins for his work as guest editor of the March, 2003 issue of the Texas Dental Journal, which featured articles on endodontics.

Leighton Wier presented his report as Regent of the Texas Section. Bill Birdwell,



Scott Makins received the District 15 Literary Award from Texas Dental Association Editor Chris Anderson

Section 15 Deputy Regent, went over the nominating process for new Fellows and encouraged our members to consider sponsoring a worthy candidate.

USA Section President Bob Bartheld talked to the group about national issues. He stressed the new web site and the importance of nominating new members. He urged members to attend the summer continuing education course in Salt Lake City. His presentation was well received.

Texas ADA Trustee John Findley gave a report on current ADA items of interest. He talked about the amalgam wastewater issue, the increase in membership, and the improving financial condition of the ADA.

Texas Dental Association President, Patricia Blanton brought us up to date on State matters. She talked about the TDA Future Focus Committee.

The Texas Section presents a \$200 award each year to a senior student in each of the three dental schools in Texas who has shown the most improvement during their four years of study. Each school's faculty chooses the recipient.

The Texas ICD also jointly sponsors a speaker with the Texas ACD during the TDA Annual Session. This year we are sponsoring Past ADA President Bob Anderton, who will be talking on Ethics and Jurisprudence.

We elected and installed the new officers. They are: President - James Condrey; President-Elect - Glenn Walters, and; Secretary/Treasurer - Bill Stutts. James Condrey presented a plaque of appreciation to David May for serving two years as president.

Our next meeting will be a joint breakfast



Texas had 14 new Fellows inducted in San Francisco. Regent Leighton Wier with Warren Branch, Bobby Taylor and Ron Collins get ready for the induction ceremony



New Texas Section Officers: President Elect Glenn Walters, President James Condrey and Past President David May



Section 15 Vice Regent Paul Stubbs, Texas Section Past President David May, Regent Leighton Wier, USA Section President Bob Bartheld, and Texas Section President James Condrey at the breakfast meeting in Dallas

meeting with the Texas Section of the American College of Dentists during the TDA Annual Session in San Antonio in May.

DISTRICT 16

North Carolina

EDITOR: *Macon Sapp*



Dep. Reg. Ted Roberson and NC Pres. Bob Plage hosted our 2002 meeting

Deputy Regent Ted Roberson opened the ICD-ACD luncheon during the annual session of the North Carolina Dental Society on May 18 in beautiful Myrtle Beach, SC. Among the more than 100 attendees were distinguished visitors, ADA president-elect candidates Eugene Sekiguchi from Monterey Park, CA; James Fanno from Canton, OH; Leo Finley from Orland Park, IL – the third candidate, was en route to the meeting. Our own ICD Fellow, Greg Chadwick, ADA President was in Tennessee and en route to UNC to deliver

the commencement address to the graduating class of 2002. The District 16 officers and leaders present were Thomas Cooke, president of the Virginia Dental Association, Doug Rawls, president of the South Carolina Dental Association, and our ICD Fellow, Bob Plage, president of the North Carolina Dental Society. New Fellows – Matt Delbridge and Bob Kriegsman were introduced and welcomed into our College activities.

Associate Dean of UNC School of Dentistry, Ken May was introduced to present the annual report on the school and the status of dental education nationwide. Ken reports that the old dental building at UNC, opened in 1952, will undergo an 18-month renovation. He also reports that electronic charting is developing at UNC and within the next year they expect to have all patient records on electronic files, including digital radiography. Ken discussed the issue of starting a new dental

school at East Carolina University. He has met with the task force but has not seen the report on where we stand regarding this new school. He also reported that the 5% budget cut would result in approximately \$800,000 the school would need to come up with. This will probably result in staff reductions. The class of 2006 has been put in place with 78 students, 66 are NC residents, and 12 are out-of-state with 30 females. He reports the quality of the applicants is the highest they've had in the history of the school. Finally, he reports that they will present certificates and diplomas to 69 dental students, 21 dental assistants, and 30 hygienists.

Regent of the ICD, Tom Kays absence was probably linked to the heavy traffic in Myrtle Beach that weekend. The ICD Student Award was presented to John Jacquot, a Dean's List student and recipient of other awards during his four years at UNC. He will be entering into a periodontal residency program at UNC. Our constituent presents cash awards for student table clinics that are deemed relevant to clinical practice.

The student extramural practice in Mexico during the summer months also receives our support. Ted Roberson entertained a motion to increase the grant to \$500, which was voted on and passed. Gene Sandler thanked the ICD for their support. As a result, the student projects in Mexico are branching out to serve additional needs there.

Virginia

EDITOR: *Daniel Laskin*

The annual meeting of the Virginia Section was held in Richmond, Virginia on September 13, 2003 in conjunction with the annual meet-



Bill Bennett, Student Markus Niepraschk, and Dean Ronald Hunt



(From Left to Right) Richard D. Barnes, Sr., Theodore M. Roberson, William J. Bennett and Emanuel W. Michaels



Virginia's new fellows Jon Piche, Ray Meade, Barry Green, Gary Leff and Bob Levine

ing of the Virginia Dental Association. Among the distinguished guests present at the meeting were Ted Roberson, Regent of the ICD, Alex Parker, President of the North Carolina Dental Society, Bruce DeGinder, President-elect of the Virginia Dental Association, Rod Klima, President of the Virginia Dental Association, Bud Zimmer, Chairman of the Virginia Dental Association Annual Meeting Committee, and Ronald Hunt, Dean of the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry. Featured speakers at the meeting were Regent Ted Roberson and Emanuel "Manny" Michaels, Past President of the USA Section International College of Dentists. Prior to Dr. Michael's presentation, his editorial com-

ments from the August 2000 ICD Keynotes entitled "The Obligation of Fellowship" were read for the audience by Deputy Regent William Bennett.

Dean Hunt gave the Fellowship a brief update about what has occurred at the dental school during the past year. He then introduced Markus Niepraschk, a junior dental student, who received the Virginia Section's Annual Award of \$500 and a certificate of recognition for achieving the highest grade point average during the first two years of dental school.

The Virginia Section approved gifts of \$1,000 to the VCU/MCV Foundation, \$1,000 to Dean Hunt for a special project of his choice for

the dental school, \$1,000 to the Virginia Dental Association for support of a speaker at its annual meeting, and \$500 for the Mission of Mercy (MOM) project.

During the meeting, Roger Flagg, the new Vice Regent of the 16th District was recognized for his five years of service as Deputy Regent and William Bennett was recognized for serving as Deputy Regent for the past year. Richard Barnes of Hampton, Virginia has now assumed the position of Deputy Regent.

Five new Fellows were inducted during the annual ICD meeting in San Francisco. They include Barry Green, Newport News, VA; Gary Leff, Falls Church, VA; Robert Levine, Fairfax, VA; Raymond Meade, Colonial Heights, VA;

and Jon Piche, Yorktown, VA.

DISTRICT 17

Florida

EDITOR: *John Davidson Tabak*

FNCDC MEETING: JUNE 2003

The annual ICD District 17 meeting was held at the Florida National Dental Congress meeting in Orlando last June. The breakfast meeting was in conjunction with the Florida Pierre Fauchard Academy.

The breakfast was chaired by Deputy Regent William Robinson. Greetings were followed by introducing Teresa Dolan, Dean of the UF College of Dentistry, and Robert Uchin, Dean of the NSU College of Dental Medicine. Each in turn gave the attendees an up-date on the state of affairs at their colleges. Interim Dean Dolan was congratulated on her recent promotion from Interim Dean to Dean. Dean Uchin reminded the group that his college was no longer "the new kid on the block" with the advent of the new school in Utah and another set to open in Arizona in a few weeks.

New Fellows inducted at the October

2002 meeting in New Orleans were recognized. They were Ronald Cohen, Clark Galin, Anton Gottlieb, John Joffre, Alan Kaplan, Clifford Marks, David Rosenberg, and John Tabak.

Nominees for induction at the October 2003 meeting (at this writing already held) were Barry Lipton, William Martin, Dean Morton, and Michael Rosenberg.

William Robinson introduced all of the Florida Officers and Councilors who are listed on the masthead. He also presented the annual Outstanding Student Awards: UF Senior Stephanie Reeder and Junior Kevin O'Shaunessy; NSU Senior Brodie Bowman and Junior Anil Idicula.

Regent Howard Lybolt presented a plaque in absentia to retired editor Gerald Francati, praising him for his many years of devoted service to the College. He also introduced Dr. Anthea Drew, a recent Outstanding Award winner, now a Florida practitioner, who gave an interesting prospective of her attendance at the 2002 ADA meeting in New Orleans.

Dr. Lybolt reminded everyone that next year's meeting is in Orlando and he would like to see a strong contingent of Floridians

among those being inducted. Since nominees must be present to be inducted, a meeting here should be more attractive for many than having to travel to a western state. The Sponsorship and Candidate forms are available on line at the ICD web site: www.usa-icd/information/fellowship.htm Your ID is your membership number printed on the dues invoice. However, that area is available without it.

Several FNCDC speakers, ICD Fellows, were guests at the breakfast. Present were Raul G. Coffesse, 15th district, Robert J. Chapman, 1st district, and from the 4th district, Harold L. Crossely, Jeffrey W. Hutter and Gerard Kugel.

Announcement was made about a new midyear meeting at the Miami Winter Meeting and Dental Expo next February with Pierre Fauchard Academy and a new breakfast partner, the Florida Section of the American College of Dentists. Note that only the annual meeting breakfast in June is included in the dues.



ICD Fellow, Eugene Sekiguchi, President of the ADA, addresses the audience on Friday evening in San Francisco



Our Master of Ceremonies, Secretary General Robert E. Brady emceed the dinner dance with grace and eloquence.



World at large president Minoru Horiuchi of the United States receives a plaque from incoming president Ramon Castillo of Peru.

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