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Advertising cards were first used by tradesmen in the late 1700s to promote their businesses. But their use really began to flourish in the Victorian era, during the reign of Queen Victoria, which extended from 1837 until 1901. It was then, with the development of color lithography in the 1870s, that there was a real proliferation of this advertising method. It was especially associated with the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia.

No laws restricted the claims of advertisers until 1906 in the United States. Opium, ethyl alcohol and cocaine were found in many products claiming fantastic healing properties. Laudanum was a wildly popular drug of the Victorian era, a tincture of opium in ethyl alcohol. Coca-Cola once contained 9 milligrams of cocaine per glass. “Dentifrices, tooth powders, and tooth soaps were touted to preserve the teeth, make them ivory white, purify the breath, harden the gums, prevent tooth decay, remove tartar, and it also ‘destroys the parasitical animalcule which neglect may have permitted to collect, and prevents their further accumulation.’”

The use of trade cards and posters waned early in the twentieth century with the advent of mass circulation magazines and the potential for targeting a larger audience at a lower cost. Interest in trade cards as collector’s items has brought about a renewed interest in this art form.

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INTRODUCING
THE NEW MEMBERS
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Dexter Barnes of Seattle, Washington, is the new Regent of District 11. He is immediate Past President of the Washington State Dental Association, a member of the Board of the Washington Oral Health Foundation, and Chair of the annual Ernest M. Jones Memorial Lectureship since 1978. He has been a Fellow since 1993, has four children, seven grand children and has been married to Mary Ann for 41 years.

Wayne Del Carlo of San Francisco, California, is the new Regent of District 13. Wayne has served on the Board of the San Francisco Dental Society since 1974. He is on the California Dental Association Board, is a CDA Delegate and has been an ADA Delegate for 16 years. He has also been on the Examining Committee of the California Dental Board since 1982 and served 2 terms on the State Committee Board for Dental Auxiliaries. He is presently on the CDA Judicial Council and has been on the CDA Peer Review Council for 7 years, 2 as chair. He is a past chair of the Northern California section of the American College and is finishing his last two years on the Board of Directors of Delta Dental of California.

John R. Jordan of West Palm Beach, Florida, is the new Regent of District 17. John was a Delegate to the American Dental Association from 1986 to 2003, and served as the Delegation Chair in 2002 – 03. He also served as a member of the ADA Council on Annual Sessions from 2003 – 07. In addition, he was a member of the Florida Dental Association Board of Trustees from 2002 to 2008 and currently serves as an Alternate Delegate to the ADA.

Robert T. Kramer of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is the new Regent from District 3. Bobby served as Vice President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association and was the President of the Pennsylvania’s Fifth District Dental Society. He currently serves as director of the Pennsylvania Dental Association Insurance Services Corporation and serves on the boards of the HACC Foundation and the HACC Dental Hygiene Program. He is also a fellow of the American College of Dentists and was recently named one of Harrisburg Magazine’s Top 40 Under 40.

Jeanne M. Nicolette of New Albany, Ohio, is the new Regent of District 7. A general dentist practicing in Columbus, Ohio, she recently completed a four-year term as District 7 Trustee to the ADA and is a past president of the Ohio Dental Association. Jeanne is the recipient of the Distinguished Dentist Award from both the Ohio Dental Association and from the Ohio Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy.
Bob and Jan went to rival Catholic High Schools in Connecticut. Bob was a senior at Notre Dame in West Haven when Jan was a junior at St. Mary’s in New Haven. He saw her at a basketball game. “He called me on the evening before my ‘Sweet Sixteen’ Birthday,” said Jan, “so he tells everyone that he’s known me since I was 15! Our first date was on April 7, 1956, and it was indeed love at first sight.” They went steady from that day on and never looked back.

Going steady in college was difficult because Jan attended the College of New Rochelle in New York, while Bob was at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts where he earned his B.S. degree in Biology in 1960. They wrote to each other every day for four years. Bob pinned Jan on her very first college weekend and they were married five weeks after she graduated in 1961.

It was then off to Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston. They were poor and Bob worked many part-time jobs. Bob worked as a ham sniffer, an automotive warehouse stocker, a blood bank test tube washer, a janitor and a dental hygienist. Jan was an editorial assistant for a medical journal, the Review of Allergy and Applied Immunology, and she was a Special Ed teacher. Their social life revolved around walks thru Boston and playing board games with other married student couples. Their first two children, Pamela and Suzanne were born in Boston, Suzanne arriving a short time after Bob’s graduation. Nine days after Suzanne’s birth, they moved, Bob left for Texas and his Army Basic Course. Jan and the girls moved back with her parents in New Haven.

When Bob’s application for a U.S. Army Commission was accepted his intention was to serve his two-year obligation and return to civilian life. But Bob and Jan found that they both enjoyed the structure of the Army, moving around, and the opportunity to receive specialty training. After returning from a tour in Vietnam in 1969 with the 82nd Airborne Division he decided the Army was for him.

Following his residency in Removable Prosthodontics he was certified by the American Board of Prosthodontics. He attended the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, the Center for Creative Leadership, and the J.F.K. School of Government at Harvard University.

Their third daughter, Carole, was born at Ft. Rucker, Alabama, a year before Bob went to Vietnam. Michael was adopted when he was five days old while they were stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. Although he loved the military Bob also enjoyed being involved in the communities in which they lived. He served on the PTA board in San Antonio and was the President of the PTA board in Tacoma, Washington. He was also on the St. John’s Church Council in Tacoma, volunteering on their Sunday Breakfast Club team and helping with Parish duties.

Because of Bob’s military career Bob and Jan have lived in Boston, MA; Ft. Rucker, AL; San Antonio, TX (twice); Tacoma, WA; Ft. Leavenworth, KS; Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C. (twice); Ft. Bragg, NC; Bad Kreuznach, Germany; and Heidelberg, Germany. Including sons- and daughters-in-law and 11 grandchildren there are now twenty-one of them. In 2006, the Brady Bunch were finally together for the first time in over 20 years. The occasion was Bob and Jan’s 45th wedding anniversary; it was time for a complete family portrait!

But being in the military also afforded some pretty special times: their children climbed the Eiffel Tower, saw the Tower of London, sailed the English Channel, skied the Alps, and climbed the dome steps of St. Peter’s Basilica in Vatican City to the very top!

It is hard to imagine the emotional impact they experienced on the day Bob was selected as a General Officer. They had started out together, as teenagers.
The Selection Board made the decision on December 12, 1988, the tenth anniversary of Bob’s father’s passing. Their lives changed forever: much of the time they were stationed in Heidelberg, Germany; they had the privilege of meeting and consorting with political and military VIPs; they were now role models who had to be always aware of their actions. And Bob’s responsibilities required he be away from home several months out of the year. But they wouldn’t change a thing. It was the most exciting time of their married life. The time flew.

The next great sea change in their lives came on January 1, 1999, when Bob accepted the position of Secretary General of the International College of Dentists and Registrar of the USA Section. Through the ICD Bob and Jan experienced a more intimate look at many of the same countries they had seen in the military, but now they saw them thru the eyes of each nation’s citizens in a way in which the average tourist would never be privy. Here, in the U.S., they were the hosts of many dinners at their charming home for their new ICD friends, and at meetings, Jan would always enhance the hospitality suite with photos of ICD colleagues and their families.

A very special evening was had by Bob Brady at the Chicago Convocation in 2000. He is surrounded by his General Dentistry Residents from Ft. Bragg, NC who were inducted that day. Also there was his own sponsor, Major General Bill Lefler with his wife Carolyn, and COL Bill Krantz who supported Bob’s nomination with his wife Alice. Jan Brady is seated at the lower left.

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The ICD family took a gondola ride to 11,000 feet after CEC XXII in Salt Lake City in 2004.

The Secretary General of the College and the USA Section’s Registrar, is retiring. These positions have always been held by the same individual since 1927. The physical locations of the “Central Office” under Dr. Elmer Best, Dr. Westy Westerdall, and Dr. Franklin Kenward were located in their homes and dental offices. Under Dr. Richard Shaffer the office moved from Dr. Kenward’s dental office in Florida to an office building located in Rockville, Maryland, outside of Washington DC. This new location offered a more professional office with work space. Rockville is easily reached by taxi, shuttle and metro from Washington National Airport in Washington D.C. and Baltimore Washington International Airport in Maryland. This provided easier access for College Officers and Councils from all the Sections. Dr. Brady has since expanded the office size to accommodate a larger staff of four as the size of the College has increased. Dr. Brady, after eleven years of serving in both these positions is retiring effective January 1, 2010.

I have been reflecting on the state of the Sections and College under the five Secretary Generals/ Registrars that I have had the privilege of working with as Editor of USA Section Newsletter and KEY, The Globe of the College and President of the USA Section. I find that College and Sections have been well served by each of them. Fulfilling the direction of the Boards of each of the respective organizations is not an easy task and each has respected and worked to implement the requests from the leadership of the Officers and Councils of the ICD, offering constructive advice when requested. Each has had differing methods of management and all have responded, providing the changes as directed and as world wide communications have improved. They each displayed dependable leadership in the day to day management of both the College and Sections.

Retiring Registrar/Secretary-General, Dr. Brady, brought a military background of conservative management qualities that have benefited the membership in many ways. Providing management within the financial limits of the dues provided by the College and Sections he preserved the organizations by continuing the sharing of the physical office space, as in the past, with the USA Section and the College Councils. I am sure that when changes are needed in the management of the College and Sections the new College Secretary General and the Section’s Registrar will continue the same working relationships as in the past. Alfred North Whitehead wrote “The art of progress is to preserve order amid chance and to preserve chance amid order” a challenge to all leaders.

All our past leaders have displayed exceptional qualities in the management of the College and Sections and will and have been missed each in their own way.

In Fellowship,
William E. Hawkins, D.D.S., MFICD, College Editor Emeritus, Past President of the USA Section
REPORT FROM THE REGISTRAR

ROBERT E. BRADY, DMD

AS I SEE IT

The year 2008 was a very good year for the USA Section. Our Active Fellows continued to grow in number which allows the Section to accomplish more things on your behalf.

The year 2008 went by so fast it made my head spin. Our Section accomplished a lot and again we grew a little larger which is always a good thing.

The most important thing that happened was the Search Committee, chaired by Immediate Past President Jim Felix, found my successor - Dr. Carol I. Turner. She is a retired Rear Admiral of the Navy and former Chief of the Navy Dental Corps. She will start on 1 September, 2009 and become the Registrar on 1 January, 2010.

The College continues in its quest to separate from the Section. Although it appears to be more difficult to do than originally thought, they are proceeding on the search for a Secretary General and appropriate office space. We will see what the future holds for this separation and, in fact, if it can occur on schedule.

We had a great time in Phoenix in March/April thanks to Charley and Gayle Siroky. They knew what to plan for us in town and on the post trip and it was a success. This was also the first time we had our meeting in the Spring. We had always done it in the Summer but that was proving to be difficult and then it was only weeks until our annual meeting. Now the meetings are almost six months apart and it makes each meeting more meaningful for the Board of Regents.

San Antonio proved to be a fantastic city to have our Convocation and Dinner Dance. We inducted 266 Fellows - one of our larger classes - enjoyed the River Walk, which is unique, and ate wonderful food. Janet and I especially enjoyed it because we had lived there for six years on two different assignments.

Our projects and programs continue to be cornerstones of our Section. Fifty-five Dental Schools participated in the Outstanding Student Leadership Awards; there were fourteen Journalism Awards; many Student Exchanges were done; the Humanitarian Outreach Program continues through your generosity; and the Peace Corps Initiative continues.

Newell Warr was our President immediately after the Dinner Dance in San Francisco until our Dinner Dance in San Antonio. He provided us with wisdom, humility and great guidance throughout the year. He wanted the Regents to be very involved in visitations within their District and, in fact, that has happened. They are more visible to their Fellows.

Leighton Wier took over as our President on 18 October, 2008, and hit the ground running. It is amazing to think that as I write this, he has been in office over two months.

We will keep you updated on all the changes when they take place through our KeyMails - only if you have provided us your e-mail address. Meanwhile, Mary Jo, Kathleen, Jennifer and I hope you have a wonderful 2009, and we thank you for all you do for the USA Section and the ICD.

In Fellowship,

Robert E. Brady, DMD
Registrar
31 December 2008

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What was the most rewarding part of their relationship to the ICD? It was the life-time friends they made here and in other countries including Canada, Chile, Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Monaco, Switzerland, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Sweden, Spain, Portugal and other parts of the world.

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What more could a person ask of life? “They are,” said Bob, “good, genuine, gracious friends who we were fortunate to have met. They are the jewels in the crown of ICD fellowship. We are blessed to have been associated with such an august group.”

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The Honor of Fellowship

BY DR. RICHARD J. GALEONE

There was a knock at the door the other day as I sat before my computer working on this issue of the KEY. My office at home is in the basement and my wife was at the food store. When, a half minute later, the door bell rang I pulled myself out of the chair and quick-waddled up the steps.

Two young men of about eighteen were standing on the stoop under the eave. One of them held a spiral notebook. From one of the “Green” groups, they introduced themselves and the one with the notebook gave his spiel. While climbing the steps I had already decided that I wasn’t donating to anything. So, when he came to the part where he asked if I would support them, I said no. I was perhaps too abrupt, but I was busy. The other boy was quite offended and quickly asked me what I had against clean air and water. A little too defensively I explained that I indeed favored the purest of air and water but I already had a long list of charities which I supported and could not afford to foster all of the good causes that came knocking at my door. Unconvinced, I saw him light a cigarette as they waked away.

It is a great honor to be invited to Fellowship in the International College of Dentists. So sometimes, like the lad above, I am offended when a dentist, a worthy candidate, declines that invitation to fellowship. The reasons vary but one must assume that most who do decline do so out of a lack of information. Beyond the honor, why is Fellowship in the ICD worth our talent, time and treasure?

All of us would like to say that our lives have meaning, that, because of us, mankind has inched along the path of progress. As dentists we can accomplish this by helping individuals improve their own health and wellbeing. Through participation in church and community efforts we can have an impact upon our neighborhoods and towns. And by our Fellowship in the International College of Dentists we can have a global influence on the oral, and thus general, health of mankind.

Some of the programs sponsored by your College include the International Student Exchange Program, the Dental Journalism Awards, the Humanitarian Outreach Program, the Kikuyu Dental Clinic, the Continuing Education Conference and the new Great Expectations: Mentoring Professionalism. Just these few programs illustrate how you, through your membership in the ICD, help mankind around the world as well as here in North America. There are literally many thousands of patients who enjoy improved oral health because of your support of and membership in the ICD. There is a list of ICD projects and programs in this Journal which gives one a further idea of the scope and breadth of ICD involvement.

All of us, of course, cannot pack up and go off to a foreign land to participate in a dental outreach program. But we should all take pride in the knowledge that, as a Fellow of the ICD, we are instrumental in helping to improve the oral health of people around the world, expose our students to a global view of the dental profession, and improve the quality of dental journalism.

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Expectations: Mentoring Professionalism.

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CORE VALUES AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES REGARDING RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL

The USA Section of the International College of Dentists (“ICD-USA”) believes in treating all individuals with dignity and respect, regardless of race, color, gender, age, marital status, genetic information, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or any other classification protected by law that is applicable to the ICD-USA. Diversity in backgrounds, experiences and perspectives enriches our lives and enhances the quality of our Fellowship.

In keeping with our philosophy that “Together we can accomplish more than we could as individuals,” our commitment is to foster a culture among our Fellows that is not only free of harassment and discrimination – as outlined in the organization’s Employment Policy & Procedure Handbook applicable to the ICD-USA’s employment practices – but also supports and encourages inclusiveness, so that all of our Fellows recognize that they are respected and valued.

We expect all of our Fellows – including those who serve in leadership positions, such as the Board of Regents or Vice Regents, Executive Committee, and College Committees – to strictly adhere to these core values and guiding principles at all times, including when:

- Nominating and selecting new Fellows;
- Making employment-related decisions for the ICD-USA;
- Communicating with other ICD Fellows, whether verbally, in writing, or electronically;
- Communicating as an ICD-USA representative with parties outside ICD-USA; and
- Otherwise acting as a representative of ICD-USA.

Failure to adhere to these principles may be grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Article XVI of the Bylaws.
As President I want to thank the Executive Committee, Board of Regents, Dr. Robert E. Brady, Mary Jo, Kathleen, and Jennifer for their incredible support. Jim Felix, Past-President has been a devoted officer and it has been a privilege to work with him and to walk in his footsteps. The Section is in good hands with Leighton Wier, Ted Roberson and Jack Clinton as we enter into uncharted waters, but with their leadership the present and future are bright. Many issues that the USA Section Leadership has been working on over the past five years have finally found closure. I am grateful for everyone’s support and I feel we have had a very successful year.

There were many members of our leadership team that stepped up to make a difference. Our Executive Team and Regents volunteered to help raise the bar consistently across all our districts and committees. Many of the Executive Committee accepted the responsibility to work individually with some of these groups. We see their efforts have resulted in a measurable success to our overall organization.

Congratulations are once again due to our Editor, Richard J. Galeone, for the 2008 publication of the KEY – in full color. We thank you Rich for your professional capabilities resulting in a superb publication of which the USA Section is so proud.

This has been a year distinguished by considerable change. The College announced that, in an effort to better serve the worldwide membership, they intended to move to an independent office, apart from the office of the USA Section. The Section accepted the decision of the College and offered our assistance and support in the transition. This was quite a change since we’ve long had one business office to support the two organizations. The support for the separation was not without effort and cost on the part of the Section. Jim Felix, Past President, Chaired the Transition Committee and led the analysis of the administrative and legal issues associated with the transition. It was necessary to engage legal counsel to review the corporate documents and contracts. Jim’s Committee successfully recommended a path for a smooth transition effective December 2009.

Legal Counsel proposed a document entitled, “Core Values and Guiding Principles”. This was approved by the Board of Regents and made a part of the Standing Rules. It will be reviewed by Section Leadership on an annual basis. It describes our inclusiveness as an organization and our high regard for individual differences, unacceptable nature of certain communications, including e-mail, or other actions that would potentially be offensive to others. This document notes that the Executive Committee, Regents and Vice Regents are held to a higher standard. It is our hope that putting our values in writing will clarify in a proactive manner our standards of membership.

Jim Felix also chaired the Search Committee to seek out a replacement for Registrar Robert E. Brady whose retirement is beginning December 31, 2009. The committee recommended the credentials of Carol Turner, DDS. The Board of Regents approved the recommendation and successfully extended a contract to her effective September 1, 2009. She will officially become the new Registrar on January 1, 2010. Admiral Turner recently retired from the Navy Dental Corp and promises to bring to our organization the same strong leadership we have enjoyed from Dr. Brady over his many years of dedicated service.

This past year we reviewed the relationships between the USA Section and the Foundation. A joint committee was formed and met in Dallas in a spirit of cooperation, collegiality, and friendship. Members of the Joint Committee were: William R. Clitheroe, Foundation Treasurer and Thomas E. Emmering, Past Foundation President; Leighton A. Wier, President-elect USA Section and Richard M. Smith, USA Section Treasurer. This Committee drafted a proposed business plan along with recommendations for new joint committees aimed at allowing the two organizations to work together more closely and efficiently. Their recommendations were approved by both the Section and the Foundation with a vote of thanks for an assignment well done.

With so much activity within the Section we thought it appropriate to ask all committees to review their by-laws, make proposed revisions and prepare a brochure describing the scope of their work and current goals. The magnitude of this effort was truly impressive. Richard J. Galeone, Editor, volunteered to receive and organize the material. This work was subsequently referred to L. Neil Loveridge, Chairman of the By-laws Committee, for study and approval. Neil and Richard spent many hours preparing the documents and their combined proposals currently are under review by the Board of Regents.

Some of the other outstanding 2008 accomplishments that warrant our appreciation are as follows:

The Convocation Committee, Chaired by Richard G. Shaffer, received many favorable compliments. As a Section we appreciate the Committee’s timely and efficient service. The Section was honored by the presence of the Worldwide ICD President, Norinaga Moriyama and his wife, Reiko. At the dinner dance, Dr. Moriyama and I were pleased to receive official cowboy hats and awarded the status of “Honorary Texans”.

Gerrit C. Hagman continues to support and expand the White Coat Ceremonies in a number of our nation’s dental schools. His efforts in the presentation of leadership, professionalism and ethics have been well received. Thanks in large part to Gerrit’s efforts this pro-
The Leadership Committee Chair, Curtis R. Johnson and members report another year of increased activities. Every state has Fellows participating in the Peace Corp Initiative and all Districts have Leadership Coordinators. Participation in subcommittee activities is high. Congratulations for true leadership in action.

The International Student Exchange Committee, chaired by W. Michael Kenney, prepared an outstanding manual entitled “Organizing an Implementation Program for the International Student Exchange”. The Committee printed a first class brochure for the Regents to use in contacting the deans of dental schools to determine their interests in the exchange program. Students who participate in the program are honored as “Richard C. Rice Scholars”. Dr. Rice is the founder of the program which was started in 1990. To date 78 students have participated at a total cost of $88,000. The current goal of the Committee is to get outside funding for 30 to 32 students over the next two to three years.

James R. Allen, Chairman of the Projects Committee, would like all donations for The Projects Committee to be made out to the Foundation in order to take advantage of the tax deductibility of members’ contributions. Please designate on the bottom of your check if you wish to have your contribution applied specifically to one of our many Section Humanitarian Projects. The Projects Committee has sent $20,000 to the Southeast Asian Public Health Dentistry Masters Degree Program. The Program is under the direction of Martin Hobdell. The Program has now moved its emphasis from Viet Nam to Cambodia and Laos. The Tanzania Project has two more operatories in place and will be a teaching facility for the natives who will man these clinics when visiting dentists are not there. $15,000 was given to the Kikuyu Clinic which provided them with another operatory and our gift was matched by another operatory from Reed Sanford and his wife, Perrie. This results in five operatories for the clinic. The Projects Committee welcomes your financial support and asks that ICD Fellows be as generous as possible. The money will be well spent.

At the close of 2008 the USA Section can rejoice in the united efforts of a strong Executive Committee and Board of Regents. As a team we accepted the challenges and turned them into opportunities to strengthen our organization. I congratulate each Fellow for your vital role. It is amazing what can be accomplished if we accept our responsibilities, work together with enthusiasm, dedication, focus on the present and future with a goal of “what is best for ICD”. It is great to be a member of a winning team. As Helen Keller said, “Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much”.

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Ted has compelling feelings about ICD Fellowship. “The ICD,” he says, “is an organization of accomplished men and women. They are recognized for their roles in society and the profession. Once the novelty of an awarded Fellowship wanes, the ICD must inspire the member to be not only proud but also become strong proponents of the organization. For this to occur, the ICD must be credible and meaningful. It must stand for professional values or goals that everyone supports. It must also be visionary, projecting activities that instill in its Fellows pride, ownership, and inspiration. The ICD must be viable and provide worth to the member and the profession.”

He also has concerns about the future of the ICD and feels that “we must have a more energetic leadership which continually reassess why and what we are doing and then make the necessary changes. We must become rapidly communicative with our membership and develop and promote an ICD Brand purpose and project. In this way we will engage and harness the energy of new leaders to make the ICD more relevant and beneficial.”

Dr. Roberson is a 1968 graduate of the UNC School of Dentistry and three of his four children, Tiffany, Tara, and Deuce, and one son-in-law, Scott Vines, are also graduates of the dental school. His other daughter, Kim, has a Masters degree in a non-dental topic. He and his wife Brenda spend a lot of time enjoying their nine grandchildren.
Jack Clinton of Oregon was elected Vice President of the USA Section of the ICD at the annual meeting in San Antonio this past October. He has been active in the ICD for several years and was the Regent from District 11. We recently had a conversation with him.

What did you learn as a child that helped prepare you for roles of leadership?

Most important is the guidance I received from my simple, low income but highly-principled parents. I was firmly corrected when needed, I was praised for not only personal accomplishment, but also being active in wholesome worthy group endeavors such as church, team sports, community service, etc. I was always encouraged to join and participate.

One of these endeavors was to accept a paper delivery route in the small community where we lived (and where I was born). The paper route turned out to be a five-plus-year laboratory on life preparation.

I frequently reflect upon how well I was prepared to take advantage of opportunities and feel blessed that what my parents and the small community where we lived prepared me for was picked up by Mary, my wife, who has kept me focused while coaching, encouraging and applauding.

What is your greatest strength as a human being?

I am sure I am the recipient of many, many God-given gifts. I would like to think any strength would be associated with visioning at numerous levels and then challenging others to develop strategies to bring the vision to reality. The reward occurs when accomplishments exceed what was planned. The tools of coaching, encouragement and applause are very powerful.

What is dentistry's greatest strength? Weakness?

To me the dental profession enjoys a great reputation based upon trust, integrity, compassion, skill and knowledge. Our challenge, which is not new, is to use our reputation to craft strategies to get oral health care to ALL populations.

Interestingly our strength is also our weakness. Things are good for the dental profession – Why mess with a good thing? Countering complacency may be where some energy should be expended.

What words of wisdom for a Fellow who would strive to attain a (ICD) College leadership role?

Quite simply – Do for the college what you have done for dentistry, your community, and your non-dental affiliations. Share your talent and your time, then others will select you to guide.

What would you say to a Fellow who is hesitant to step forward?

Encourage and remind the hesitant Fellow that whatever they are willing to give will return many, many times over. The Fellow already has the skills and the accomplishment record to lead; otherwise they would have never been elected to Fellowship.

What is the state of the USA Section?

The Section is positioned at the gateway of renewal. With the separation of the USA Section and College administrative support into two entities, the maturing of the relationship between the USA Section Board of Regents and the Foundation Board of Trustees, and the transition of the central office leadership, the Section necessarily has the opportunity to reassess. Simply reviewing and affirming can be energizing.

How has being active in ICD added to your life?

ICD Fellowship has allowed Mary and me to associate with many truly amazing people on a regular basis. We have enjoyed visiting very interesting locales throughout the United States with this unique cross section of highly accomplished folks. We are vicariously involved with some extremely worthwhile Section projects in locations throughout the world.

Why did you decide to become actively involved in ICD?

Involvement was not and has not been based upon a conscious decision. From the time of being welcomed at the induction and convocation ceremony, we have been genuinely welcomed and included in all the social and governance activities. And getting encouragement from some of the most accomplished and distinguished members of the dental profession; involvement has been a pretty natural process.

What is the one thing you want members to know about your vision for the ICD?

Being elected to Fellowship is an incredible honor bestowed by our peers. If the wisdom and power represented by the Fellowship roster could somehow be accessed and directed toward continuing and growing the lifelong leadership skills of recent inductees, our wonderful profession of dentistry will continue to enjoy the reputation of being caring, compassionate, giving and honest citizens and health care providers.
Dentistry at the Crossroad

BY DR. KENNETH L. KALKWARF

Congratulations to all the new Fellows of the International College of Dentists. I feel that recognition by one’s peers is the highest accolade a professional can receive. You’re receiving that recognition. When I was asked to . . .

Dr. Kenneth L. Kalkwarf
Dean, UTHSCSA Dental School

discuss leadership with you for a few moments this afternoon, my first thought was to present a primer on the principles of leadership – integrity, vision, communication – and the rest of the components. Then it dawned on me – you are leaders, you already practice those principles. That’s what got you here. So I want to take a different track and remind you that your induction today is not just a celebration of the culmination of your leadership activities, but, more importantly, a charge to continue to use your leadership skills to improve the oral health of society. I want to discuss with you in the next 10-12 minutes why I believe your leadership is going to be very important.

I’d like to start this discussion with the creation of a story – one that takes on the general characteristics of a docudrama. That is, many of the facts are known and documented, but some of the details are missing and the timeframe needs to be shortened to fit the available schedule. This allows me, as the author, to creatively fill in the voids and condense the materials using a good-faith effort.

This docudrama is set a century ago – it’s October 17, 1908. You’re in a boardroom in Ithaca, New York. The room is filled with the CEOs of the country’s leading railroad lines. The original purpose of their gathering was to meet with the Order of Railroad Conductors of America regarding work environment issues. However, the CEOs decided to stay a day longer to expand the results of those discussions into longer-term projections – what today we would call a “Strategic Planning Session”. The title of their session is “The Future of Railroads”. The Chief Operating Officer of the Southern Pacific Railroad gives a keynote address. He outlines the growth of railroads in the U.S., and cites the support for their continued expansion shown by the continued growth of federal subsidies, and the decisions by individual states to deed land for the development of new rail lines. He notes that each person in the room came to Ithaca on a train, and that realistically the railroads had a monopoly on the transport of people, mail and other goods that need to move long distances across the country. He closed by defining the era as the “golden age” of railroads. Someone from the audience interrupted and commented that it should be called the “platinum age”.

Since the group easily identified the “strengths” of the Railroads, discussion was initiated to assess any threats for the future. Someone mentioned the flight of a heavier than air machine by the Wright Brothers a few years previously at Kitty Hawk. Laughter arose from the group as they noted that the “Wright Flyer” had reached an altitude of only 10 feet and flew for less than 100 yards – into a 27 mph wind. Someone noted that the Wrights had made a flight within the last month of an hour’s duration, but others countered that an army lieutenant had been recently killed when Orville Wright crashed the plane they were testing together.

The final conclusion was that if these air machines ever do get off the ground in a predictable fashion, they wouldn’t be able to carry people or goods – and besides, there were no places available to support takeoffs and landings, or to load and unload them. They also decided that not many people would be foolish enough to actually fly in one of those things.

The CEO of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad mentioned that Henry Ford had offered his Model T horseless carriage for sale in Detroit earlier in the month and asked if anyone thought it could be a threat to the railroad. Individuals began yelling out: “those things get stuck in the mud when it rains”, “there are no roads on which to drive them”, “they can only carry one or two people at a time – and there’s no room for luggage or goods”, “they’re dangerous and they scare the horses – no politician in his right mind is going to create laws that would allow their routine use”.

Someone shouted – “there are no threats – this IS the platinum age of railroads”!

The meeting ended – and the CEOs decided to stay in the “Railroad Business”. The CEOs were interested in railroads – but as we all know now, society was becoming interested in “transportation”. Society wanted better transportation, more cost-efficient transportation, and more access to transportation. As we also now realize, society, by the things they did, the things they bought and the people they elected, ultimately decided the future.

The Railroad CEOs were shortsighted and, by talking only with each other, had developed a biased perspective. Individually they probably retired soon enough to come out of the situation unscathed. However, their decision to be in the Railroad Business instead of the Transportation Business destroyed the future of those who followed them.

The railroad industry had reached a crossroad and the decisions made by those involved – decisions made primarily out of complacency and a desire to protect the status quo – ultimately led to the railroads
Many are starting to say that dentistry is reaching a similar crossroad. I’d like each of you to take a moment and form a mental projection of what you feel the practice of dentistry will be like in the year 2038 (thirty years from now). I can almost guarantee that each of you has created that projection without great difficulty. You have the background, you understand the profession, and you have probably spent some time previously thinking about the question and its relationship to your practice. Now I want to go to the next step – Are you willing to bet your life savings that your projection will be correct? Why not?

The reality is that we can project only one thing about the practice of dentistry in 2038 – it will be different. The science that drives decision making will have discovered new, and different, information. The technologies that provide the methods with which we deliver care will be different. The health care delivery system for our country may be different. The list of variables goes on and on – and some of them will have changed dramatically from what exists today.

We’re already feeling those changes. Over the past two decades the environment surrounding us has morphed before our eyes. We’ve seen an increased awareness by employers that health care benefits subtract significant amounts of money from their bottom line, and consumerism has moved to a dramatic new level. Science is providing us with new information about the interrelations of oral disease and systemic disease. Saliva is proving to be a significant diagnostic marker. Technology is providing materials that better meet the providers’, and the patients’, expectations. Imaging approaches are vastly improving our diagnostic ability.

Yet, despite these changes around us, the practice of dentistry primarily remains the repair and/or replacement of teeth and gums, or procedures to make them more esthetically pleasing. Granted, the technical care we provide is looked at as the benchmark by the rest of the world and we’re addressing the desire of many patients to have a better smile – and we know that a smile is extremely important to self-esteem and quality of life. But, when we step back and carefully analyze, are we really addressing the health of the craniofacial complex and the oral health needs of our society?

Oral health is important in enhancing quality of life and self-esteem, but it is also important for other reasons. Oral health maximizes education – national data estimate that school children ages 5 to 17 miss nearly 2 million school days per year due to dental health problems. Oral health is necessary to allow individuals to enter our service-oriented workforce or be part of our armed forces. It was also shockingly demonstrated this past year that failure to address oral health may result in fatal consequences.

We’re beginning to hear rumbling from our society. Native American tribes want increased access to care. Legislators in several states are hearing from their constituents, and discussing alternatives to the traditional systems of delivering oral health care.

Dr. Zajkowski, a practitioner in Maine, recently brought this issue to the forefront when he asked – “Are we victims of our own success”? He observed that dental practices are thriving and providing quality comprehensive dental care for patients that value that care, make it a priority, and can afford it. He noted that practitioners are enjoying a nice quality of life, with abundant personal and family time. But, he also observed that society, especially individuals outside dentistry and the health professions, have been reported as viewing us as elitist, turf protecting and isolationists. He wondered, with all of our success in creating our practices, whether we have become complacent in addressing the oral health needs of society.

I wonder the same thing. Are we already at the crossroad and continuing to view our “business” as dentistry – not oral health? Is this occurring at the same time society is beginning to focus on oral health and searching for ways to attain it more efficiently and consistently?

As our profession evaluates the choices available at this crossroad, we need your input – you’re the leaders of our profession. You’re the ones that others in the profession look up to.

Our choices are complex, and the politics surrounding the discussions sometimes feel overwhelming. But, ultimately, I feel the choice is much like the one faced by the Railroad CEOs – do we continue to focus on dentistry as the repair/replace and/or enhancement of teeth and gums, decide we’re doing a great job and try to protect what we have? Or, do we decide that focusing on the craniofacial complex and society’s oral health is a better long-term direction?

The first direction will be more comfortable, create the least short-term change in our practices, and probably have little effect on our lifestyle over the next decade. However, just like the railroads found, that direction may bring substantial long-term risk. Dentists could end up sharing what’s left of restorative and replacement procedures with other groups presenting evidence that they can obtain the similar outcomes in a more cost-effective manner. This approach also runs the risk of society eventually deciding that dentistry is not like the rest of health care – or maybe deciding that it’s not health care at all. Maybe a smile is a commodity to be bought and sold like a fine watch – with artisans creating the product and the marketplace deciding the value. While this may sound intriguing to some, I warn you, accreditation and licensing go away in this scenario, with the Better Business Bureau and Federal Trade Commission becoming the regulators.

The latter direction – focusing on the health of the craniofacial complex and the oral health of society – could be uncomfortable. It would mean significant changes in many of the educational programs that create oral health care providers, and may require retraining of many practitioners - potentially causing lifestyle disruption. It would require frank discussions of compensation and its relationship to the value of oral health, and could lead to a major repositioning of our profession within the U.S. healthcare system.

The choice of initial direction for the profession is ours. We must have the debate. However, just as the railroad CEOs found, we must understand that society, by the things they do, the things they buy and the people they elect, will ultimately create the future.

The International Student Exchange Program

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

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

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

The Student Exchange Committee has also developed a colorful brochure, which offers a good synopsis of the program. The brochure is easy to navigate and is an excellent way to promote the program to Fellows, students, and dental schools. Both the manual and the brochure can be downloaded from the ICD web site at www.usa-icd.org. They are listed under projects in the Information heading on the home page. Hard copies can be requested from the Central Office at (301) 251-8861.

In 2008 the program supported a total of 24 students with full or partial stipends. This was an increase of seven students from the previous year. The maximum stipend per student is $1500 with up to $1200 for air travel and $300 for expenses. Dental students from Georgia, Maryland, Minnesota, North Carolina, New Jersey, and Oklahoma participated in the program. The students visited dental schools in Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Moldova, Nice, and Peru, and the foreign schools had reciprocal exchanges. North Carolina initiated an energetic program in 2008 with Moldova. And Alabama plans to initiate an exchange with Wales this year. All of the exchange students are required to provide the ICD with a report of their visits and some of these reports will be published in future issues of the KEY. Interest has been expressed in the program by several other schools for this year and it is hoped that an additional two schools will establish programs in the near future.

The current list of participating dental schools with their faculty advisors include: Dr. James Broome, Associate Dean, University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Dentistry; Dr. Stuart Sears, Associate Professor, Case Western Reserve University, School of Dental Medicine; Dr. Carole Hanes, Associate Dean, Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry; Dr. Michael Belenky, Associate Professor, University of Maryland Dental School; Dr. Peter Berthold, Professor, University of Minnesota School of Dentistry; Dr. Kenneth Coy, Associate Dean, University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry; Dr. Carmine Lomonaco, Professor, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; and Dr. Rick Mumford, Director, DISC Program, at UNC at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry. Contact information for all of the faculty advisors is available at the Central Office.

It is hoped that the ICD will be able to sponsor International Student Clubs at participating dental schools to promote a better understanding of cultural and professional issues on a global level. This is in the development stage but may become a reality in the near future. It is hopeful that additional U.S. dental schools will initiate new programs to participate in the Student Exchange and that outside funding will be available to help support the program. Dr. Michael Kenney is the current Chairman and can be contacted at MIKE8176@aol.com.

Leaders in Dentistry

The Leaders in Dentistry Audio-Visual Series, a project of the ICD-USA Section, is now available for purchase on DVD or videotape. To keep up with current technology all sixty-three Leaders interviewed over the last 13 years have been converted to DVD. The list of leaders and a copy of each of the interviews is available for purchase through the USA Section Website, www.usa-icd.org or by calling the ICD Central Office at (301) 251-8861.
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Leadership: The Prerequisite to Prosperity

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The responsibility of creating dental offices able to quickly adapt to the fast pace of change lies solely with those in leadership roles. More often than not this is the doctor. However, in highly developed, team-centered offices, it will also be the team members. Their success depends upon their ability to empower their people and to have them take responsibility, or ownership, of the practice’s objectives.

According to John Naisbitt, author of Megatrends 2000, leadership in the coming years will move toward decentralization, with more decisions being made at the lowest possible level. Consequently, the classical command and control type of management style will be thrown out.

Traditional dentists tend to focus more on “hard” issues such as quality, service, profitability, cost control, and productivity. These issues most often take the form of declining profits, productivity declines or plateaus, unacceptable patient service, and personnel problems. In reality, these issues are only symptoms of the real underlying issues. Dentists tend to focus on hard issues because they are easy to see, recognize, measure, and, in some ways, they seem easy to address.

In most cases, the underlying causes of hard issues are the soft, or the human, issues. These are less tangible, and include attitudes, opinions, mindsets, self image, self esteem, values, beliefs, and feelings about how the world is organized and people’s place in it.

A team member’s performance is directly related to his or her state of mind — a soft issue. Performance, which can be measured, is a hard issue. The traditional dentist refers to the former as “touchy-feely”, and tends to think hard issues are more important than soft issues; i.e., if you ignore the soft issues, they will go away.

According to John F. Welch, Jr., Chair and CEO of General Electric, “America has spent the majority of its time working on fixing the hardware of American business. The Japanese, on the other hand, have the software; the culture which ties productivity to the human spirit, which has practically no limits.”

The software of our dental offices — i.e., the culture that drives them — is where private dentistry will flourish; this versus the managed care, PPO organizations, which will constantly focus on the hard issues because their profit margin doesn’t allow anything else.

The challenge facing the leaders of private dental organizations in the 21st century will be how to get back to the roots of ultimate personal care with a spirit and fire that transforms team members into leaders, or stakeholders, who have a personal stake in the outcome of the business enterprise.

Lee Iacocca, former Chair of Chrysler Corporation, wrote, “Every day in America, 242 million people wake up, and if everyone would say when he or she gets up that he or she is going to do some classy, quality thing today that he or she didn’t do yesterday, we would be world beaters. Unfortunately, most people swing out of bed, yawn, and figure, ‘Oh hell, I’ve got to make it through another day of drudgery.’ Their attitude is that they are going to do what they are told and not one thing more.” The former automaker added, “Quality, after all, is affected by something as basic as a person’s sense of values... if a person is going to do a good job, he or she has to like coming to work, he or she has to say, ‘I’m going to help produce something great today.’”

In a private dental office, each team member must be engaged in making something great happen every day. The dentist, as the titular office leader, has a vested interest in empowering this to happen.

What Does Attitude Have to Do With It?

Dental office leaders need to understand the 80/20 rule, which tells us that with any new idea — i.e., the intraoral camera, or not accepting insurance assignment — people’s reaction will follow Pareto’s Principle: Approximately 20% will be open to it and see value in it; the other 80% will resist the change no matter how much sense it makes. The difference between these two groups is attitude, a soft issue. In an 18-year study of outstanding performance organizations, people’s attitudes were validated as the dominant factor separating high

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performance creative thinkers from reactive no-change thinkers.

**Characteristics of Reactive Thinkers**
The 80% we have been discussing share the following behaviors, and the dental office leader can begin to plan positive change with a basic recognition of them. Reactive thinkers:
1. Are resistant to change.
2. See reasons they cannot do things.
3. Focus on finding problems to fix.
4. Avoid blame or responsibility.
5. Tend to be poor listeners.
6. Are devastated by failure.
7. Have low self esteem.
8. Do things right.

**Characteristics of Creative Thinkers**
Creative thinkers, the “20%”, share the following characteristics. They:
1. Are open to change.
2. Are “can-do” oriented.
3. Take responsibility for their actions.
4. Are good listeners.
5. Learn and grow from their mistakes.
6. Have high self esteem.
7. Do the right things.

The new dental leader’s job is to bring out the best in people. Since attitude is so critical for the practice’s success, it is essential for dentists to understand what keeps their team members from choosing an attitude which is best for the practice. Most all the evidence now focuses on the individual’s self image or self esteem as the key factor in forming attitudes. How we perceive ourselves, and how we believe others perceive us, defines our self image.

**What Can the New Dental Leader Do?**
The new dental leader must first realize that 80% of the team has been raised to focus on what is wrong with them and only 20% of them were praised for what they did right. The 80% generally have negative self images and invest large sums of energy trying to keep others from seeing the weaknesses they perceive in themselves. Help these people to see small success in their days and praise them. Nothing builds self esteem faster than being successful.

New dental leaders and team members will acknowledge that the practice’s success in the current environment of rapid change depends more on mutually developing each other’s self esteem than on developing their clinical skills.

Secondly, the new leader must become conversant with the components of personal and organizational effectiveness. This is much more than knowing that the schedule is filled, that recall is being worked, and financial arrangements are being made. These components include personal empowerment, quality consciousness, clear purpose of the office, inspiring vision, and alignment of the team.

In other words, the successful new dental leader must face the real issue of managing the collective mindset or attitude of the team, which radically affects the practice’s profitability. Improvements in practice productivity, increased levels of case acceptance, enhanced levels of personal service, increased profitability — hard issues — are the result of how well the new leader manages soft people issues.

It is helpful to know that people with low self esteem focus on what is not working, while those with high self esteem focus on what is right and how to improve it. This is called “shifting focus”. Dental practices soar when a majority of the team shifts from a problem focus to a solution focus.

A large metropolitan practice had experienced a long list of frustrating turn-downs on their treatment recommendations from a major state dental insurance company. The team felt put on the defensive by the insurance company’s negative communications to their patients about those recommendations. The doctor slowly realized that if something did not change, patient care would suffer, and that profitability ultimately would be determined by the insurance company despite all his good clinical skills. The doctor canceled days of patient-scheduled time and invested heavily in communicating what he thought a private office should feel like to his team. They role-played the conversations with patients that they felt would help them see value instead of focus on cost only, which was the insurance company’s orientation.

The training gave the team more confidence and their focus changed from being worried about saving their jobs if the practice declined insurance assignment to creating a solution for the patients so they could choose the dentistry they needed without the insurance company’s interference. This led to a high level of team commitment, passion for the cause of private dentistry, and ultimately to retaining more patients than they ever imagined possible. Not one team member lost his or her job.

The doctor and team focused on where they wanted to go instead of the problems associated with where they were when they began. This doctor discovered what happens when most of the team shifted focus to a “can-do” attitude from a “can’t get there from here” attitude. Consider the power of a 100-watt light bulb. It can illuminate a hallway...
or light up a backyard. If the same amount of energy is focused into a laser beam, it can cut through steel. Likewise, focusing the team’s energy in the direction that you want to go gives it power.

**Whose Perspective Counts?**
The traditional old-style dentist responds to resistance from the staff by trying to convince them of the importance of achieving his objective. Many doctors cannot understand why their people are at all resistant. This is mostly due to the fact that most people in leadership roles don’t see the world in the way most reactive thinkers do (the 90%ers). Leaders tend to think like the creative leader, or the 20%ers. Remember that 80% of people are conditioned to focus on what is wrong and how a change may hurt them instead of the opportunity it might provide.

**Asking Versus Telling**
By asking their team members questions instead of telling them what to do, the team members discover for themselves what is important for them in doing what is necessary for the practice. This discovery process improves their self-esteem, self-confidence, and empowers them. Asking questions sends a subtle message that says, “I care about what you think. Your opinion counts.”

In working with dental teams and asking them to clarify what they want more of from leadership so they can do a better job, money is seldom mentioned. In those instances where money is the issue, it takes some probing to discover what is meant. Usually the issue is “I need more money to put up with this B.S.” This translates into being unappreciated and excluded, which is the result of not being asked. The real experts on the dental office, those who can solve most all its problems, are its own team.

Kahlil Gibran, (1883-1931), Lebanese poet and painter, had it right when he said, “The teacher, if indeed wise, does not bid you to enter the house of their wisdom, but leads you to the threshold of your own mind.”

The new leader knows that asking good questions is the key to focusing his or her people on the subject at hand. Good questions should create the following responses as the team develops its positive modus operandi:

1. Get people to think.
2. Empower people by allowing them to discover their own answers and take ownership of the results.
3. Develop people who feel fulfilled, satisfied, and valued.
4. Build positive attitudes and self-esteem in team members.

Have you ever used questions that create the effect opposite from empowering the team? Have you, for example, ever heard yourself say (or think) any of the following:

1. Why are you behind schedule?
2. What’s the problem with the recall system?
3. What’s your problem?
4. Why did you do that?
5. Who made that decision?
6. Don’t you know better than that?

Questions like these destroy self-esteem, make people feel small and unimportant, and reduce energy levels. They breed a cynical attitude.

In their place, questions such as the following begins to develop the desired positive mindset in the entire team, starting with and continuing to include the dental office leader or leaders:

1. How do you feel the recall system is performing?

2. What have you accomplished so far on your chart review that you are most pleased with?
3. What is there about that accomplishment that you most appreciate?
4. What else?
5. What are your specific objectives in extending credit to our patients?
6. Which of these objectives do you think will be the easiest to attain? The most difficult?

These questions tend to focus on what is already working, which is energizing and supportive. They also focus on benefits, which is why the benefit is important.

**What Does a Good Question Look Like?**
In continuing to develop your own office-specific set of questions, consider the following.

1. A good question is open-ended. Closed-ended questions are answered with “yes” or “no,” and tend to discourage people from thinking. They encourage them to give only limited information.
2. Good questions will start with “what” or “how”, not “why”. “Why” questions generate instant defensiveness because they carry a judgment. “What” or “how” encourage openness and lower defensiveness.
3. New-type leaders will ask questions not only so they can hear the answers but also so the person answering can hear his or her own answers, thereby gaining clarity.
4. Good questions will be “you” focused. They focus on the person answering. They ask, “What do you think we should do? What is your opinion? How do you feel about doing it this way? What was significant about that to you?” Notice
that there are no wrong answers to these questions because the answers are true for whoever answers them.

5. Timing is critical. The best time to ask good questions is when things are going well. Ask questions like:
   a. What are you doing with the doctor’s schedule that has allowed our productivity to increase so much?
   b. What are you doing differently to cause that to happen?
   c. What are you most pleased with personally about what you have been able to accomplish with the accounts receivable project?
   d. What have you done to contribute to the team’s success that most pleased you?

How to Structure Great Questions
Finding the right questions is key to discovering answers that will move the practice in the direction you desire. Among them you might consider:
1. What is already working?
2. What makes it work?
3. What is the objective?
4. What are the benefits of achieving this objective?
5. What can you do to move closer to the objective?

The Ultimate Test of the New Dentist Leader
Performance reviews usually are the most stress-producing exercises for both the doctor and team member. Why not change that by training the team to expect more from their job description than just what is on their list of duties? Get them to think, and give them credit for thinking by asking them to come to their next review with answers to some of the following questions.
1. Please prepare a one-page review of how you feel you have done in comparison to your annual plan. What do you consider the most important achievement in your area?
2. Please prepare a one-page or shorter statement of your personal management philosophy. Describe your personal plans for continuing education and development for the coming year.
3. Please think of ways for us to approach our accountability for the future of the practice and our joint accountability for your future in the practice. What kind of changes will be required by the growth picture we are plotting?
4. Prepare to discuss your thoughts on our competition, where we need to respond to it, and what our response should be. Please think about the following:
   a. Who is gaining ground on us?
   b. How do various competitors surpass us in service, marketing capability, and pricing?
5. Would you be willing to share your philosophy of management with our team?
6. What are a few of the things you expect most, and need most, from the doctor?
7. Who are you? How do you see yourself personally, professionally, and organizationally?
8. If you were in the doctor’s shoes, what key area or matter would you focus on?
9. What significant areas are there in the practice where you feel you can make a contribution but feel that you cannot get a hearing?
10. Do you have any feelings of failure in any particular area?
11. What two things should we work on toward becoming a great practice?
12. What will you do in the coming year to develop our three highest potential people, and who are they?

Critical Factors to Becoming a New Leader
New leaders are knowledgeable about the following:
1. The most important factor in a private practice’s success is its people.
2. The leader’s behavior highly impacts the team. Talking doesn’t count.
3. People resist being told what to do, but they readily commit to making their own ideas work.
4. To the extent people feel cared for, they will go to extremes to help those who help them.

In the future, when there is even more polarization between private dentistry and the PPO, insurance-driven practices, those practices with the new leader mindset will prosper beyond their expectations.

John Naisbitt, in his book Megatrends 2000, sums it up best. “During the last few years,” he writes, “We have witnessed the beginning of the transformation of the U.S. corporation. The shift is from managers who traditionally were supposed to have all the answers and tell everyone what to do, to managers whose role it is to create a nourishing environment for personal growth. Increasingly, we will think of managers as teachers, mentors, and developers of human potential. The challenge will be to re-train managers, not workers, for the reinvented, information-age corporation.”

The new dental leader will increasingly be tested not by his or her dental skills, but by how he or she views and values the soft, or human, issues of the practice. In a full employment economy, where every team member is virtually a volunteer, the challenge is how to keep them volunteering to show up.
DISTINGUISHED DEPUTY REGENT
JAMES J. CONRARDY

Jim Conrardy accepting the USA Deputy Regent of the Year Award for 2008 from Michael Luberto, President of the ICD USA Section Foundation

James J. Conrardy, a pediatric dentist from Green Bay, Wisconsin was the 2008 recipient of the Distinguished Deputy Regent Award in recognition of his devoted service to the International College of Dentists. The decision was announced at the Deputy Regents Brunch in San Antonio.

Dr. Conrardy is the oldest of nine boys. His dad had to work two and sometimes three jobs to pay the mortgage and feed his family. But both of his parents made sure that all of the boys attended college. Sadly, his father died of cancer when he was only 53.

What excites Jim most about involvement is seeing improvement in someone he’s helped, whether it’s a patient, a family friend or a future dental leader.

Jim has become more active in the ICD over the years and believes that the more you know about an organization that serves others, the more you like to participate. His advice to a new Deputy Regent is to try not to do everything yourself. Part of leadership is having the ability to delegate. Go to as many meetings as possible and pick the brains of the other Deputy Regents and Regents. Try some of the things they’ve tried in their states. Form a Leadership Team and get more Fellows involved. And use humor both for its preventive and healing qualities.

Jim and his wife, Susan have been married for thirty years. She helps him balance his life. He would not have been able to serve in his leadership role without her. She has multiple sclerosis and in Jim’s eyes is “the strongest, most wonderful, and beautiful person in the world.”

PHOENIX

A couple of years ago the Board of Regents decided that it would make good sense to change the time of the summer meeting to the spring. The Annual Meeting and Convocation are always in October in conjunction with the ADA Meeting. Having six months between meetings helps committees balance efforts and better realize their goals. The meeting in Phoenix was the first that implemented this change.

Following an Executive Committee meeting on Thursday, March 27 and various committee meetings on March 28, the Board of Regents met at the Wyndham Phoenix Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona on March 29, 2008. Each officer, committee chairperson and Regent gave a written or oral report. There was much discussion and there were various motions made regarding topics including Information Technology, the Student Exchange Program, our Budget, and the Section’s relationship with the ICD USA Section Foundation. Fellows may access a copy of the minutes in the Members’ only area of the USA Section Web Page at www.usa-icd.org.

The Continuing Education Conference was held on March 30 and 31. The two days of lectures featured, on the first day, Robert S. Roda who spoke on “Keeping the Tooth: Endodontic Possibilities vs. Probabilities” and Jack Dillenberg who presented a lecture entitled “Innovations in Dental Education.” On the second day Michael Glick talked on “The Role of the Oral Health Care Professional in Health and Well-Being”. His presentation was followed by Maureen Romer who presented on the “Practical Approaches to Special Care Dentistry.”

For those who had the time there was a three-day post convention trip which visited the Old Copper mining town of Jerome, Sedona, Flagstaff and the south rim of the Grand Canyon. All who attended had a grand experience.

Wings

BY C. DAVID HAY

Oh, to catch the winds of flight
And soar where eagles go,
To leave the woes of troubled souls
Behind me far below.

I’d listen to the song of birds
And sail in endless flight,
Then chase the sun through cloudy paths
And play with stars at night.

The boundless heavens for my home,
The breeze to lift me high,
To rise above my mortal bonds
And never have to die.

Knowing I had found the way
To trails where angels trod,
And when my wings could fly no more –
I’d take the hand of GOD!
Mrs. Mary Jo Webster has served as assistant to ICD Secretary General and Registrar Robert E. Brady since February, 2000 when she was hired to fill the vacancy of her retiring predecessor, Florence Fallavollita. From the start it was obvious that the position was custom made for her. She quickly developed a command of the work, assumed responsibility and became acquainted with our many dental leaders from around the world. Her warm persona and keen sense of humor have smoothed over rough patches and healed wounded feelings. It is hard to measure the worth of such a person to our College.

Mary Jo entered the working world at the age of fifteen. Her father fell victim to a rare disease and was unable to work. She worked three part-time jobs paying her own tuition for a private Catholic School as long as she could. Eventually the pace became too much and she had to leave that school and graduated from public school. As a senior she volunteered to work in a local, after-school program for mentally retarded children. Tragically, her father died from his illness just prior to her high school graduation.

Her love of special children prompted her to major in Elementary and Special Education at the University of Maryland. She worked part time in the campus dining hall. In the summer and during the Christmas and Easter holidays, she worked full time for the Treasury Department in Washington, DC. She was able to pay her own tuition, her own room and board. She bought her own books. All this she did without loans or family assistance. And, of course, she graduated Cum Laude.

After a short teaching career, Mary Jo decided that her talents were better suited to office work and bookkeeping. She eventually quit the work force for twelve years to raise her first five children. She volunteered in the elementary school library and as the Home and School Treasurer. She sang in the church choir and was a small group Community Bible Study leader.

Mary Jo and Paul were married in 2001. They are the parents of seven adult and two young children. Kelly, Katie, Luke, Sarah and Bill Whalen; Courtney and Riley Webster; and Tori (6) and Melanie (4), who they raised as foster children for the last three years and recently adopted.
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Honorable Mention
“Why are so few willing to Step Forward and Lead?”, James Allen, DMD, author, Kentucky Dental Journal, Vol 59, No. 6, p. 5, Karl Lange, DMD, Editor
DAVID WHISTON NAMED 2008 OUTSTANDING DENTAL LEADER

Dr. David Whiston graduated with honors from the West Virginia University School of Dentistry and completed graduate studies at the University of Texas and the University of Pennsylvania. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and currently practices oral and maxillofacial surgery in Falls Church and Arlington, Virginia. He is Past Chief of Dentistry, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Inova Fairfax and Northern Virginia Doctors Hospitals.

Dr. Whiston is a Past President of the ADA. He has served as the Association’s spokesperson for legislative and regulatory issues before House and Senate committees, OSHA, EPA and other regulatory bodies.

He is also a Past President of the Virginia Dental Association, the Virginia Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, the Greater Washington Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, and the Middle Atlantic Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

He has received the Distinguished Service Award from the American Dental Association, the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, the Academy of General Dentistry, the Virginia Dental Association, the Virginia Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the West Virginia University School of Dentistry. Additionally, he was inducted into the Academy of Distinguished Alumni of West Virginia University.

Dr. Whiston is currently Vice Chair and Board Member of The Joint Commission, the World’s preeminent healthcare accreditation organization. In addition to serving on the board of the National Museum of Dentistry and several other boards, he is ADA liaison to the American Medical Association.

Dave and his wife, Julia, Executive Director of the White House Correspondents’ Association, live in Arlington, Virginia.

HONORARY FELLOW PETER F. TAYLOR

Peter Taylor is a graduate of the University of Maine with a B. S. degree in Business Administration. He has over thirty-five years experience in health and human services. In June 1978, he began his tenure with the Vermont State Dental Society as their Executive Director. Through his leadership, the Vermont State Dental Society is consistently one of the highest-ranked ADA Constituent Dental Societies in percent of practicing dentist members and membership retention.

During his tenure, the Vermont State Dental Society implemented several innovative and successful award-winning projects which have been acknowledged with two ADA Golden Apple Awards and Vermont Governor’s Award for Environmental Excellence in Pollution Prevention. He was instrumental in many recent initiatives to improve oral health workforce including supporting increases in Dental Loan Repayment and the establishment of a Vermont Dental Hygiene school in Williston, Vermont. He has assisted many communities in the development and maintenance of dental clinics to provide access to dental services for those in need.

He serves as a registered lobbyist in the State of Vermont on behalf of the dental profession and is knowledgeable and influential in the legislative process. His outstanding service to the mission of the Vermont State Dental Society, the dental profession, and the oral health of the public was recently acknowledged with honorary membership in the American Dental Association. He is a member and Past President of both the Vermont Society of Association Executives and the American Society of Constituent Dental Executives. Additionally, he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the New England Organ Bank and the Vermont Kidney Association.

Mr. Taylor and his wife, Marta, are avid outdoor enthusiasts and often hike the peaks of the Adirondack and Green Mountains.
As a Fellow in the USA Section of ICD you are a vital part of a divergent and needed dental outreach program. At present, due to cost constraints brought on by the separation of the Section and College offices, we have reduced the budget for the outreach program. There are also changes in our relationship with the Foundation which will help us to be more efficient. You can therefore hold your head high and be proud of what is being done, and what has been done, by this Committee and the Humanitarian Outreach Program Committee, in your name.

At the October 2000 board meeting, then USA Section President-Elect Richard Shick appointed an ad-hoc committee of two, Jim Felix and the late Dave Sampe, to investigate a special project which could involve all USA Section Fellows to help make Fellowship more meaningful. Subsequently, in July 2001 the USA Section Board of Regents approved the Vietnam Program, run by the Humanitarian Outreach Program Committee with its own Chair and members, separate from the USA Section Projects Committee. Since that time, each year the USA Section mails a letter to our Fellows soliciting support for our Humanitarian Outreach Program. Donations, which are payable to our USA Section Foundation, are received and processed at the USA Section Central Office, then deposited directly in the Foundation account for distribution to the outreach programs.

With a small part of your annual dues and with the generosity you have shown through the direct solicitation, you have also helped our projects in Kenya and Tanzania. Our program in Southeast Asia is still going strong and needs your continued support. This program, originally administered by Health Volunteers Overseas (HVO) and now administered through the ADA by Dr. Martin H. Hobdell, is providing a Masters Degree in Public Health Dentistry for local people. We are concentrating on this project and continue to make progress. The program, which began in Vietnam, has expanded to Laos and Cambodia. Thailand, Japan, Indonesia and others are now joining the USA Section’s efforts. We’ve also received help from Colgate and Schein with funding of some of our workshops in Vietnam. The ICD is making a difference and the results are recognized around the globe. Yes, we are being noticed and noticed in a big way, so take pride in your ICD.

For several years, the USA Section Humanitarian Outreach Program Committee, the USA Section Projects Committee and the USA Section Foundation have been working independently on outreach projects and programs. It is the feeling of this Chair that it would be beneficial for all of our efforts in the future to be merged into one endeavor funded by the Foundation. Part of my goal as Regent is for this division and duplication of efforts to eventually come to an end.

This USA Section Projects Committee Chair and the Chair of Humanitarian Outreach Program have joined with the Foundation to form a “Think Tank” Committee with members from all three. This Committee conceived the concept of a joint USA Section – Foundation meeting which was held last August. The meeting included two members of the Foundation’s Leadership, Billy Ray Clitheroe and Tom Emmering; and two members of the Section’s Leadership, Leighton Wier and Richard Smith. The Foundation and the Section are separate Corporations and have different tax rules that each must follow. These mandated IRS differences were addressed and should no longer be viewed as an obstacle for us. The group drafted a document of agreement and of common mission from which we can work. As you read this, the agreement has been in place for over six months. As a result, the two Section Committees (Projects and Humanitarian Outreach) have joined together to run one common program. The Foundation may join this effort in the future.

What does this mean for you as a Fellow of the College? Eventually it may mean you will be asked to give to only one outreach fund of the USA Section. Hopefully, we will become more efficient so we can more effectively help those dental projects which need help. Gifts payable to the USA Section Foundation allow you to claim a tax deduction.

We are making progress and have learned that, as leaders of leaders, consensus is difficult when people have strong ideas and ideals. You are a member of a remarkable group of leaders and individuals who are eager to serve and understand that our differences are our strength. God Bless each one of you for your opinion, for your willingness to express your ideas, and for helping the causes that are the legacy of this great College.

As you work in your home or State Component of the ICD, please remember while leading, you are mentoring, and if you never let the other guy into the discussion, you may lose a member, and you may lose his or her idea forever. It may have been the idea that would have helped the ICD flourish. Find a way to involve those individuals. As leaders you know this principle and I only say it here as a reminder. It is hard to have someone trump your idea when you have spent a long time developing it. It has happened to me. Boy, does that kill an ego! Now, ego is a good thing, but do not let it stand in the way of the success of this organization. Our mission is too big. It is too necessary. Our mission must continue to grow and mature. New ideas, new involvement, new honors, new opportunities come every day. Let us be prepared to consider them, embrace them if worthy and then incorporate them into our goals.

The Joint Projects and Humanitarian Outreach Committee has suggested ideas for consideration by the selection committee. We want an outreach program to benefit people in the United States, and once developed, duplicate it elsewhere in the world.

One idea is to have a Section-wide toothbrush and oral hygiene information...
and distribution program which eventually would be incorporated into the main project - a program of Dentistry for Special Needs Patients. The Program would eventually involve a series of clinics where individuals with Special Needs would receive their dental health needs in one location and where the practicing dentist could get CE credit. We would teach them some Pharmacology, managing patients’ infirmities, about special equipment, what premedications are appropriate and when hospitalization is required, and how operatories need to be equipped for General Anesthesia and the Anesthesiologist.

Yes, we have raised the bar and yes, we are looking to very high ground. Each great accomplishment is started by one step forward on the journey. Can you see the vision of the future? Can you see what a difference an ICD Program of this type can make for our Special Needs Citizens / Patients? Is this your ICD?

You bet it is, and you bet you can make a difference, for you are the key ingredient. You were honored when you were asked to become a Fellow by one of your peers. You were not chosen because you were a “Wall Flower.” You were chosen because you are a leader and you are someone who is accustomed to making a difference. So step forward with your USA Section and help all of us serve our fellow man, most especially the least and most challenged among us. You cannot do less but you could certainly do more! Right!!!

According to Gerrit C. Hagman, who for many years was Chairman of the White Coat subcommittee, there are now 22 dental schools which have White Coat Ceremonies with involvement of the USA Section. The White Coat Ceremony in many schools is symbolic of the transition of the student from academia to clinical care. Messages of leadership, excellence, ethics, and professionalism make up the theme of the day. The ceremonies can have a profound impact on the students and their families.

One of the White Coat Ceremonies this year was the one at Marquette University where Dean William Lobb was the Master of Ceremonies. This was the second year of the annual event at the University. Wisconsin’s ICD Leadership Chairperson, Mark Huberty introduced the guest speaker, Kathleen Roth. Her message to the students was one of leadership, ethics and professionalism.

James J. Conrardy, Wisconsin Deputy Regent, ended the event with the White Coat Oath which was verbalized by all of the students in the freshman class. It goes as follows:

**WHITE COAT OATH**

As I begin my clinical education for the profession of Dentistry I pledge the following:

To uphold the highest standards of professionalism by demonstrating compassion, empathy and sound judgment in the treatment of my patients and in my interactions with colleagues. I will remember that I am working with human beings first and foremost.

To demonstrate excellent leadership through my interactions with my patients, my fellow students and my community. I will gracefully accept leadership opportunities presented to me.

To uphold the highest of professional ethics by doing what is right and just in my interactions with patients, classmates and the community at large. I will remember that dental education and the practice of dentistry is a privilege and not an entitlement.

My dedication to this education and career will be exemplified in my commitment to learning all that I can, treating my patients with kindness and always maintaining honor and integrity.

I promise to maintain the dignity of this profession by promoting the principles of patient autonomy, nonmaleficence, beneficence, justice and veracity.

All this I pledge with pride as I pursue the education that will lead to the honor of entering into the profession of dentistry.

The White Coat Ceremony is intended to complement, and be as significant at the beginning of a student’s education, as is the hooding ceremony which occurs at graduation. It stresses and supports the key elements of what it means to be a dental professional.
Leadership Activities in the Section continue to grow in numbers and elevate the College. Since the Leadership Initiative officially began in 2004, Leadership Coordinators work “behind the scenes” to promote Leadership activities in their region. Many ICD Leadership programs are collaboratively based with dental societies, dental schools, and other organizations. The College also applauds those fellows who individually are leading and the example they set. You are all the College’s super stars!

The Annual Survey of ICD Leadership Coordinators revealed 273 activities in the USA Section, an increase of 21 activities compared to the 2007 survey.

A new project called Great Expectations: Mentoring Professionalism will debut in 2009. Based upon the concept begun at the Baylor College of Dentistry, this program introduces first year students to exemplary professional attitudes early on. It is a professional mentoring program that calls upon peer influences to help guide a student toward more professional conduct. At its core, the new student is assigned an upper classmate who demonstrates ethical and professional character. The new student is also assigned a faculty mentor and a practicing dentist from the local community who will have a growing role in the student’s development as the student progresses toward graduation.

The program is to be informal, enjoyable, and without pressure. The intent is to create a collegial atmosphere for the maturing professional by teaching professionalism by example rather than by exam. This is a program that can be customized by faculty for their particular school. It is faculty driven, however, it is a true partnership with upper class students, the local dental society, and ICD Fellows.

The College welcomes the participation of organizations that believe in the tenets of the program. Stay tuned!

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USA Section Treasurer, Richard Smith, of Amarillo Texas was named 2008 Texas Dentist of the Year by the Texas Academy of General Dentistry. The award is considered one of the most prestigious honors a Texas dentist can earn. He was one of nineteen nominees. To earn a nomination a dentist must show dedication to the profession, service to the community, commitment to the principles of continuing education, and other activities that indicate character and excellence. Dr. Smith was nominated by the Panhandle Dental Society.

Besides being very active in several dental organizations he has stepped beyond the normal duties of the profession by serving as Chairman of the Texas Smiles Foundation, Texas Mission of Mercy and serving on the Board of Directors for the Texas Dentists for Healthy Smiles Foundation.

He is also the recipient of many other honors and awards including TDA’s Gold Medal of Distinguished Service, President’s Award and Service Recognition Award. He has also received UT Dental Branch’s Outstanding Alumnus Award and was the commencement speaker for the graduating class of 2000.

Retired Rear Admiral Carol I. Turner of Vienna, VA has agreed to serve as the ICD USA Section’s new Registrar upon the retirement of Registrar and Secretary General Robert E. Brady. Dr. Brady will retire on December 31, 2009. Dr. Turner’s employment with the ICD will begin on September 1, 2009 and she will officially assume the position of Registrar on January 1, 2010.

Rear Admiral Turner graduated, with distinction, from both Purdue University and Indiana School of Dentistry. In September of 1977 she was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Navy Dental Corps.

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

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

A small group of ICD editors met in San Antonio, Texas to discuss ways in which they could cooperate to improve the quality of ICD publications, facilitate communication between Sections, provide support for ICD Editors, and establish a sense of community. In attendance at this inaugural meeting were Drs. Jack Hinterman of Flint, Michigan who is the Editor of the ICD; Dov Sydney of Raanana, Israel, Editor of the European Section; and Richard Galeone of Lansdale, PA, Editor of the USA Section. Also present was Kathleen Bula, Administrative Assistant from the Central Office.

The following concepts were proposed to start the process of achieving the above-mentioned goals:

A. Every Section Editor should receive a copy of the publications of the other Sections.
B. There should be an annual ICD Editors meeting to discuss new developments in publishing concepts, writing, layout and design, ethics, advertising, software, and other topics.
C. There should be a designated Editor or Director of Communications in each Section.
D. Possible “Editor of the Year” Award.
E. Identify translation services capable of translating newsletters from one language to another.
F. Determine the needs of ICD Editors.
G. Develop a buddy list of editors for proof reading, etc.

The next meeting of the group will be at the meeting in Japan in May of 2009.
It is with great sadness that we must report the passing of Dr. Robert L. “R.L.” Smith, Jr., who was the Editor Emeritus of the USA Section of the ICD. R.L. was also a Master Fellow of the International College of Dentists.

R.L. was born and reared in a small town in Arkansas. He lived only minutes away from dense woods and so developed a liking for hiking, making and shooting buckberry pea shooters, playing Indians, picking huckleberries for his mother’s pies and eating chinquapins.

He was Valedictorian of his high school class and attended the University of Arkansas, from which he had won a scholarship and entered as a pre-dental student, and the University of Alabama. Pearl Harbor and World War II interrupted his schooling as he volunteered for the Army and was assigned to the Signal Corps. Since he had already been accepted to the St. Louis University School of Dentistry, he was reassigned to the Army Specialized Training Program and enrolled in dental school receiving his D.D.S. degree in 1946. His academics earned him membership in Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit National Honors Society and Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the National Dental Honors Society. In dental school R. L. was one of four winners of the ADA’s National Essay Contest for Junior year dental students.

After his military service he began his dental practice in Little Rock. Quickly he became involved in organized dentistry, immediately serving on many district dental society committees and became president of the County Dental Society and the Arkansas chapter of the American Society of Dentistry for Children. In 1975 he was elected Editor of the Arkansas State Dental Association. Later he became President of the American Association of Dental Editors. Additionally he won two William J. Gies Editorial Awards and in 1990 he was elected to be Editor of the KEY, the Journal of the USA Section, ICD and held that position until he retired at the end of 2003. In addition R.L. was one of four winners of the ADA’s National Essay Contest for Junior year dental students.

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R. L. is predeceased by his wife Jean and survived by children; Stephen L. Smith and wife Sheryl, of Houston, Texas; Cynthia Smith Nicoll and husband Steve of Guntersville, Alabama; Douglas R. Smith and wife Diana of Springdale, Arkansas; David C. Smith and wife Nancy of Heber Springs, Arkansas, and six grandchildren.

— W I L L I A M E . H A W K I N S  
Editor Emeritus ICD

It is with great sadness that we must report the passing of Reed Sanford who lost a long battle with cancer on April 9, 2009. He had recently served as Treasurer of the USA Section.

Reed was born May 23, 1934 in Princeton, MN to Ellis and Wilma (Peterson) Sanford.

Prior to serving as our Treasurer, Dr. Sanford had been the Deputy Regent from North Dakota from 1986 – 1991, the 10th District Vice Regent from 1991 – 1997 and 10th District Regent from 1998 – 2003.

Reed 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 was 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.

Reed is survived by his loving wife Perrie (Patterson) Sanford of Palm Desert, CA; three children from his marriage to Glenda (Carlson) Sanford: Kenneth (Darla) Sanford and Paul Sanford of Fargo, Sheryl (Mike) Van Scoy of Duluth, MN; step-children Bryce Patterson of Anza, CA and Channing Patterson of Costa Mesa, CA; grandchildren Rob, Sean, and Stephen Sanford, Hugh, Elise and William Van Scoy; and his brother Dr. David Sanford of Minneapolis.

Reed Sanford was a kind and gentle man. He will be deeply missed by all his family and many friends.
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Past President Dr. Rollin E. Mallernee, Sr. died on Monday, April 13, 2009 at the age of 95. Dr. Mallernee received many honors in dentistry because of his outstanding leadership abilities.

Dr. Mallernee was born in Battle Creek, Michigan in 1914, the eldest of six children. He graduated from Atlanta-Southern Dental College, later known as Emory University School of Dentistry, in 1943 as a member of the Class of 1944, whose graduation was accelerated due to World War II.

He was very intelligent, independent and passionate about the things he loved including his family, the dental profession, his many hobbies, and Dawson County, Georgia where he and Betty moved in 1957. In Dawson County he served on the Boards of the Planning Commission, the Water and Sewer Authority, the Georgia Mountain Regional Development Center, the Appalachian Educational and Historical Society and several others.

In addition to serving as President of the USA Section of the International College of Dentists, he was President of the Georgia Dental Association, President of the Fifth District (Hinman) Dental Society of Georgia, Editor of the Journal of the Georgia Dental Association and President of the American Association of Dental Editors. He was named 1985 “Man of the Year in Dentistry” by the Northern District Dental Society.

Rest in Peace
rich in history and tradition, proved to be the
perfect host for last year’s ICD USA Section
Convocation and meetings. Whether visiting
the Alamo, meandering along the footpaths of
the River Walk, dining in one of the incredible
restaurants, or shopping for your first ten-
gallon Stetson, a visit to San Antonio was a
terrific experience to be long remembered.

All of the Section, Foundation and ICD
President Newell Warr prepares to transfer the Presidential
Symbol of Office across the shoulders of incoming President,
Leighton Wier of Texas.

San Antonio,
functions were held at the beautiful new Grand Hyatt Hotel located right on the River Walk and next to the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center where the ADA meeting was located. President Warr called for an Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 14 followed by a Board of Regents reception and dinner.

Section Committee meetings were held on Wednesday. The President’s reception in honor of Dr. Warr was well attended that evening.

The full-day Board of Regents meeting commenced at 8:00 AM on Thursday. This was then followed by the Fellowship Orientation Program (FOP) late in the afternoon. The FOP informs the College candidates about the history, the culture, the goals, the honor and the meaning of Fellowship in the ICD.

A rehearsal for the Convocation Ceremony was held early Friday morning followed by the brunch held in honor of the Distinguished Deputy Regent of the Year who was James J. Conrardy, a pediatric dentist from Green Bay, Wisconsin. The Robing Room for all the new Fellows was open at noon and the Convocation began at 1:00 PM. Dr. Kenneth L. Kalkwarf, Dean, University of Texas HSC at San Antonio gave the Convocation address entitled Dentistry at the Crossroad. A reception and gala dinner dance in honor of our new Fellows ended the meeting that evening.

Retiring Regents: Neil Loveridge, Teri-Ross Icyda, Jack Clinton, President Newell Warr, C. David Hay and George Kirchner

President Elect and Mrs. Leighton Wier arrive at the gala dinner dance.

The Grand Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio
The Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry, a recipient of International College of Dentists support, has been honored with the 2008 Shils Award for being an outstanding transformational leader and demonstrating a commitment to promoting public oral health awareness by developing innovative and entertaining educational programs for children. The Dr. Edward B. Shils Entrepreneurial Education Fund presented the award on June 17, 2008.

The Museum was commended for its dedication to connecting the ideas of good oral health and a healthy life through its national and local programs and web site, ensuring that people take an active interest in their personal oral healthcare.

“We are extremely honored to be recognized for innovative programming that is affecting the oral health of children across the country.” At its historic location in Baltimore, smile-inspiring hands-on exhibitions encourage good oral health habits and celebrate the heritage and future of dentistry. The Museum is renowned for its collection of treasured objects from the dental profession, including its most famous artifact, George Washington’s lower denture. In-house educational exhibits include a learning laboratory that provides elementary-age children an opportunity to “visit” a dentist’s office and features a child-size dental chair, lab coats, pretend X-rays and hands-on models that explore how to brush and floss, steer clear of the dangers of tobacco, eat healthy, and explore careers in dentistry.

“The National Museum of Dentistry makes a national impact educating the public about the importance of good oral health to a healthy life. We are extremely honored to be recognized for innovative programming that is affecting the oral health of children across the country.”

—ROSEMARY FETTER, NMD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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WHY THE ICD USA SECTION FOUNDATION?

On January 22, 1986, The International College of Dentists USA Section Foundation was incorporated as a 501 C3 in the State of Florida. It gives our ICD Fellows an opportunity for making contributions to worthwhile dental projects and also receive a tax deduction.

The original committee that was appointed by the USA Section to investigate and do all the paper work for the incorporation consisted mainly of Past Presidents of the USA Section. Their goals and intentions were that the resources that would be accumulated are dedicated to leadership, communication, education, and the delivery of dental care to the under-served throughout the world. All funds received go to support dental efforts through grant requests.

Every Fellow of the USA Section is automatically a member of the Foundation. The main source of income to the Foundation is the voluntary contributions on the annual dues statement. Additional funds are received when Fellows make contributions to honor loved ones and mentors, or to express sympathy in the loss of colleagues, loved ones and friends. The Donald E. Johnson Endowment Fund was established to receive donations of $1000 or more and be recognized on our web site and publications. For a donation of $5000 or more, donors are listed under a separate category on our web site.

One of the longest ongoing projects funded by the Foundation is the Continuing Education Conference held each spring and attended by many of you, our Fellows. It is normally eight hours of CEC credit and given by very qualified people in the field of dentistry. They receive only a donation in their name to the charity of their choice. Our Fellows do not pay a registration fee.

A few of the projects that have received our support throughout the years include:

- Career Options in Dentistry
- The Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry
- William Chase Dental Clinic at the mouth of the Amazon
- The Thousand Smiles Foundation
- ICD USA Section International Student Exchange Program
- The University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston, Texas

The Fellowship Orientation Program was developed and presented by the Foundation for years and this year it will be an activity of the USA Section. It is presented for new members in the fall prior to our Convocation. All Fellows are invited to attend.

During the 2009 CEC in Baltimore the Foundation presented a check for $5,000 to the Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry.

I would be remiss if I did not thank all of the Past Presidents who took us to where we are today. Past Presidents of the Foundation are: Dr. Thomas Emmering, Dr. Baxter Sapp, Dr. William Hawkins and the late Dr. John Lathrop. We have also had the wonderful support of hard working Boards of Trustees and committees throughout the years that deserve our gratitude and appreciation! Also, we have a very GREAT APPRECIATION TO YOU WHO HAVE SUPPORTED THE FOUNDATION financially throughout the years and will continue to help us support those in need in the future!

I would encourage you to visit our website, www.USA-ICD.ORG/Foundation and its various hyperlinks to keep you posted on all the activities of the Foundation. I hope that this has given you some insight as to WHY the Foundation.

In 2010, CEC XXVII will be a 10 day Panama Canal cruise. It will depart from Fort Lauderdale on March 3rd and return to Fort Lauderdale on March 13th, 2010.

In Fellowship,

Michael A. Luberto, Foundation President, presents a check for $5000 to Ms Eliza Dunning, Director of Operations at the Museum, while Leighton Wier, President of the USA Section, looks on.

I would be remiss if I did not thank all of the Past Presidents who took us to where we are today. Past Presidents of the Foundation are: Dr. Thomas Emmering, Dr. Baxter Sapp, Dr. William Hawkins and the late Dr. John Lathrop. We have also had the wonderful support of hard working Boards of Trustees and committees throughout the years that deserve our gratitude and appreciation! Also, we have a very GREAT APPRECIATION TO YOU WHO HAVE SUPPORTED THE FOUNDATION financially throughout the years and will continue to help us support those in need in the future!

I would encourage you to visit our website, www.USA-ICD.ORG/Foundation and its various hyperlinks to keep you posted on all the activities of the Foundation. I hope that this has given you some insight as to WHY the Foundation.

In 2010, CEC XXVII will be a 10 day Panama Canal cruise. It will depart from Fort Lauderdale on March 3rd and return to Fort Lauderdale on March 13th, 2010.

In Fellowship,

Michael A. Luberto, President, ICD USA Section Foundation
Dr. Charles “Chuck” Simons’ enthusiasm for life and those around him has been obvious from the days when he was born and reared on the family’s Hoosier Heritage farm in Kentland, Indiana. His initiative was noted early on when he was elected president and valedictorian of his high school class. In college, at DePauw, he earned recognition as a Rector Scholar, was accepted to dental school and then into his orthodontic program.

Chuck became a dentist not only due to the influence of his professors but because of his admiration for his father’s cousin who was a dentist, because of his respect for his family dentist, and because of the impression made upon him by reading the book, *The Burma Surgeon*. In the practice of orthodontics he enjoys helping others to achieve their dreams by improving their smiles, and the privilege and pleasure of interacting with patients and staff.

He is thankful to the dental profession for giving him and his family the opportunity to realize the rewards of meeting people, traveling, experiencing other cultures, and contemplating and determining family objectives. It has also exposed him to the L. D. Pankey philosophy of achieving a balance of love, work, play and worship in one’s personal life.

Through the rigors of building a successful orthodontic practice and engaging in the battles of organized dentistry Chuck has always found time to help his community. He has served on the Development Drive of the Kokomo Rescue Mission and on the United Way Budget Committee. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite. He has served as a Trustee of his church, the Kokomo Arts Commission, Creative Arts Council, Community Concerts, and the Civic Theatre. He was President of the Rotary Club of Kokomo and on the Rotary District Foundation committee as well as District Governor for Rotary International District 6560.

Chuck is a driving force in the Kokomo arts community having served the Kokomo Symphony as a charter member and as president, the symphony choir, the Kokomo Community Foundation and on the Kokomo Children’s Choir Board of Directors. He has a fine singing voice and has not only sung in his church choir but has sung the lead roles in opera and musical theatre including *Cosi Fan Tutte*, *The Magic Flute*, *My Fair Lady*, *Sound of Music*, and several others. Dr. Simons was chosen to sing the National Anthems of Great Britain and America at the opening of the Indianapolis Concours officiated by HRH Prince Michael of Kent, England. He was appointed an Indiana Arts Commissioner by both Governors Orr and Bayh and held the position for ten years.

It is not possible to list all of the honors bestowed on Dr. Simons. He is a Distinguished Alumnus from Indiana University Dental School. He has been named Sagamore of the Wabash, the highest honor awarded by the Governor of Indiana – twice! He received a personal letter of commendation from George W. Bush. Chuck is a past president of the Indiana Dental Association, of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists and has chaired and served on numerous committees of the IDA and the ADA.

Chuck thinks of the ICD as an organization of respect and recognition for others, for the profession, for humanity, and for the services of those recognized. It has inspired him to expand and enhance his commitment to any endeavor. He sees the ICD as “a guiding light for those who choose the opportunity to serve.”

He says that the one quality he admires in a dental leader is integrity. Commitment, honesty, sincerity, loyalty, and many other qualities of good character are essential to friendship and leadership. But integrity draws those together to develop a well integrated and oriented leader of “good intention.”

He’s been a Fellow of the ICD for 27 years and was President of the ICD USA Section in 2002. His was a year of contemplation, investigation and attention to good governance and organizational structure with improved communication and rapport between the Board of Regents, the Foundation, the Officers and International Council. Much attention was given to what the “Mission” of the Section actually was and to the image...
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the Section should be projecting. Chuck’s mantra was “Leadership.” It became such for the USA Section. He traveled to many of the Districts promoting Leadership. Chuck is currently serving on the International Council of the College at Large. He has chaired various committees and is Chairman of the USA delegation and continues to serve the USA Section as Chair of the Awards Committee.

He met his lovely and devoted wife, Alice, through a friend in dental school. It is not surprising that she is also committed to the service of mankind. Alice has been president of the PEO, PTO, Symposium, Delphian, Cheer Guild and Auxiliary of the Indiana Dental Association.

Their son, Chad, as president of “Model United Nations” traveled to Harvard and to The Hague in the Netherlands and graduated Cum Laude from Park Tudor. He was awarded a Rector Scholarship and a fellowship in the Economics Department at DePauw.

Chad is married to Claire Cornell Smith Simons. They have three sons: Maddox, Conrad, and Chase.

Heather Renee, Alice and Chuck’s daughter, graduated Cum Laude from Park Tudor and Denison University where she participated in the Biology Honors program, was active in the arts and achieved her broadcasting license. She has worked for various brokerage firms and married Carl Hansen in 2000. Heather and Carl have three children: Charles, Grace Ann and Camren.

Chuck’s mother and father were kind, gentle and generous people. He remembers his childhood home as one full of love and compassion. Chuck’s father always held the dental profession in high esteem and his appreciation grew as Chuck became a dentist and later an ICD Fellow. His interest in the ICD grew when Frank Kenward, a past Secretary General and USA Section Registrar, married a neighbor’s daughter. He and Dr. Kenward became friends. As Chuck progressed in leadership roles with the ICD, his father continued to follow College happenings.

Dr. Simons and his family wanted to honor his parents for their appreciation of mankind and the dental profession. They felt that part of a celebration of their lives would be to emulate his parents’ generosity and concern for others and to inspire and encourage others to do the same.

In Phoenix last year Chuck and Alice made a significant contribution to the ICD USA Foundation in memory of Chuck’s late father. They hope that in honoring his father and mother they are continuing their legacy of respect and support for mankind. This was in addition to the contribution made some years ago in naming his father in the Foundation’s “Mentor Program.”

Chuck Simons is a Renaissance Man with an ICD Spirit. He is a Fellow committed to the service of mankind and to the ideals of our College.

This Year’s Convocation Will Be in Hawaii

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

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

While on the island of Oahu you may want to attend a Luau, visit the Polynesian Visitors Center, go snorkeling at Hanauma Bay, see Pearl Harbor, swim along the north shore, tour the Dole Plantation to see where your pineapples grew up, take pictures of Chinaman’s Hat Island. There is not enough time to do all the things you’d like to do on Oahu. And just in case you’re one of the lucky ones who has the time, there are the other islands: The Big Island (Hawaii), Maui, Lanai, Kauai, Molokai, Niihau and Kahoolawe. There are deserted beaches, volcanoes, rain forests, ranches,‘ambling rivers, mountain valleys, rocky cliffs, giant ferns and wonders beyond your imagination. There is also a history.

Get a copy of Hawaii by James Michener and read it before you go. Start your web search at the Official Hawaii Tourism Site: http://www.gohawaii.com/about_hawaii/learn/history_culture Life is short. Don’t let this one pass you by.
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The identification and nomination of worthy candidates for fellowship in the International College of Dentists give vitality and strength to this organization. As new Fellows are the life blood of the ICD, their sponsors are its heart. Thank you to the many sponsors who took the time and interest to propose someone for this distinction.
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Kelly A. Faddis
David H. Geddes
Raymond K. Hendrickson

R. Blake Nielsen
Gregory G. Oman
Byron T. Petersen
Steven Gordon Reitan
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Holladay, UT
Sponsored by Charles E. Foster

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Kemmerer, WY
Sponsored by David K. Okano

Keith N. Warr
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DISTRICT 15
Texas

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Arlington, TX
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Liberty, TX
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NEW ICD FELLOWS

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Sponsored by Billy D. Coulson

Lance Vandohrn Sanders
Austin, TX
Sponsored by Paul E. Stubbs

Glenda Fisher Smith
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Douglas A. Terry
Houston, TX
Sponsored by John D. Chandler

Robert Emory Wiggins Jr.
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Sponsored by A. David May, Jr.

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Dallas, TX
Sponsored by Richard G. Alexander

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North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia

Carl O. Atkins, Jr.
Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Arthur P. Mourino

Randy Gerrel Fussell
Greenville, NC
Sponsored by John S. Olmsted

Charles E. Gaskins III
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Sponsored by Emanuel W. Michaels

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John Douglas Hartness
Rocky Mount, NC
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Colonial Heights, VA
Sponsored by Richard D. Barnes, Sr.

G. Bennett Smith
Mount Airy, NC
Sponsored by Nona I. Breeland

Lynette Laylon Smith
Mount Airy, NC
Sponsored by Nona I. Breeland

William Edward Williams
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Sponsored by John S. Olmsted

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Roanoke, VA
Sponsored by Emanuel W. Michaels

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NEW ICD FELLOWS

Florida

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Gainesville, FL
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Eva F. Ackley
Spring Hill, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

Nolan W. Allen
Largo, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

John A. Anderson
Jacksonville Beach, FL
Sponsored by James D. Crandall

John R. Beattie
Orlando, FL
Sponsored by Jack R. Beattie

Kimberly D. Daxon
Saint Petersburg, FL
Sponsored by James G. Vandenberghe

Mervyn J. Dixon
Fort Lauderdale, FL
Sponsored by Howell A. Goldberg

Betty N. Hughes
Saint Petersburg, FL
Sponsored by Hugh T. Wunderlich

M. Reza Iranmanesh
Tampa, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

Ronald C. Kobernick
Largo, FL
Sponsored by James G. Vandenberghe

Richard M. Levine
Tampa, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

Charles Degelius Llano
Lakeland, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

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Robert W. Payne
Marianna, FL
Sponsored by Jolene O. Paramore

Cesar R. Sabates
Coral Gables, FL
Sponsored by Michael D. Eggnatz

C. Jeff Scott
Saint Petersburg, FL
Sponsored by James G. Vandenberghe

Joseph J. Thomas
Vero Beach, FL
Sponsored by William F. Robinson

Aldo J. Correa E.
Panamá City, Republic of Panama
Sponsored by Armando Berguido G.

SECTION 20
Region 21
Vice Regent Joseph Kenneally introduced the new Fellows in attendance. He and Steve Tonelli are Councilors for the College at Large.

ICD President Leighton Wier gave greetings from the ICD and the State of Texas, and he was presented with some special New England headgear for his stay in Boston.

ADA President-Elect Ron Tankersley and First District Trustee Robert Faiella gave greetings from the American Dental Association. Dr. Tankersley reviewed several important issues that will be facing dentistry in the near future. Secretary General Bob Brady made his 11th straight appearance at Yankee and was warmly received.

CONNECTICUT

Deputy Regent: Robert Carnevale

At this year’s Yankee Dental Congress, nearly 125 Fellows and guests gathered to honor Van Zissi with the Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Zissi has done so much for dentistry, both on the academic and the educational front. He was one of the first to complete the post-graduate program in endodontics at Tufts and has been a member of the Tufts faculty for 40 years, rising to the rank of Clinical Professor. A member of the ICD since 1971, he became president of the USA Section in 2005 and is now the Deputy Registrar of the USA Section and Deputy Secretary General and Councilor of the College at Large. The tributes were many and effusive to Van and the sheer number of attendees showed the affection and appreciation for this wonderful man, husband, father and mentor.

Dr. Perry Opin received the highest award given by the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO), the 2008 James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award. The award is given in recognition of significant contributions and service to the specialty of orthodontics and the AAO. Dr. Brian Duchan recently completed his term as President of the Connecticut State Dental Association (CSDA). As part of the ICD Leadership Initiative CSDA incoming President, Dr. Jonathon Knapp was presented with a leadership book. The ICD’s pre-natal oral health kits were distributed this winter to theSoutheastern CT Women’s Shelter in New London. The Connecticut ICD held their annual luncheon in conjunction with the Pierre Fauchard Academy during the Connecticut State Dental Association Meeting at the Mohegan Sun Resort Casino on May 8th.

MAINE

Editor: Lisa Howard

Dr. Jim Schmidt is the current President of the MDA…newly retired from the VA at Togus, wondering how he ever had time to work….dealing with the Maine Legislature is more than a full-time job and trying to be a constructive voice in the “Access to Care” discussion/debate in Maine. He is talking with and teaching MD residents from Dartmouth how to extract teeth in order to help them understand more about dentistry than they are taught in Medical School…. don’t believe everything you read in the NY Times, they really don’t want to do this.

Dr. Jeff Doss serves on the Delta Dental Foundation Board, working to help create a dental school in Maine at the University of New England, on whose Board he also serves.

Dr. Denise Theriault is the current President of the Maine Board of Dental Examiners.

Dr. Jeff Fister just completed his service on the Maine Board of Dental Examiners.

Drs. David Moyer and Jerrold Cohen are current members of the Maine Board of Dental Examiners.

The Maine Dental Association had major ICD representation as the following are members of the Executive Board:

Dr. Karl Woods (Secretary)
Dr. Joseph Kenneally (Treasurer)
Dr. Jonathan Shenkin (President-Elect)

Board members representing various Districts are Tony Bates, Mark Zajkowski, Jeff Dow and Lisa Howard.

Dr. James Mulvihill received the 2008 American Dental Education Association’s Distinguished Service Award on March 30 in Dallas, TX. “Given from time to time by the ADEA Board of Directors, this award recognizes significant contributions to dental education and research”...a most deserving award for a most modest and wonderful man.
MASSACHUSETTS  
*Editor: Anthony N. Giamberardino*

ICD Fellows are very well represented among the Massachusetts Dental Society leadership. Currently serving as President is Milton Glicksman along with Andrea Richman as Immediate Past-President. Also on the Executive Board of the MDS are Thomas Torrisi as Speaker of the MDS House, Charles Gagne as Treasurer, David Schmid as Assistant Treasurer and Anthony Giamberardino as Assistant Secretary. Also serving on the MDS Board of Trustees are Lisa Vouras, James Cinamon, Janis Moriarty, June Lee and Anthony (Tom) Borgia who has recently announced his candidacy for the office of Vice President of the MDS. In addition, Arthur Eddy serves as the Chair of the MDS PAC and Paula Friedman is the Chair of the MDS Council on Public Affairs.

Kevin Toomey served as General Chair for the recently concluded Yankee Dental Congress 34. Finally, Robert Faiella is in the second year of his term as ADA District One Trustee.

NEW HAMPSHIRE  
*Editor: Eliot Paisner*

September 2008 brought New Hampshire Fellows and guests together for an evening of camaraderie, dining and education. We were joined by Regent Christine Benoit, Vice Regent Joe Kenneally, Deputy Registrar Van Zissi, Councilor Steve Tonelli and Massachusetts Deputy Regent Tony Giamberardino. A presentation titled “Current Topics in Dentistry” was presented by Dr. Paul Vankevich of Tufts School of Dental Medicine and enthusiastically received. A student scholarship was awarded to Lauren McDonough of the University of New Hampshire. The highlight of the evening was presentations made to former Deputy Regent Roland Bryan by Bob Haney and Christine Benoit. Roland was accompanied by his wife Marlene, son Randy Bryan and daughter-in-law Evelyn Bryan. Both Randy and Evelyn are Fellows as Evelyn was inducted this year in San Antonio. In May Roland Bryan was also the recipient of the New Hampshire Dental Society Charles Lambroukus Award for excellence in teaching at Tufts. A pilot program hosted by NH ICD Fellows to provide basic dental needs for clients of “Anne Marie’s House”, a transitional living facility for families in crisis, is being instituted. New Fellows inducted in San Antonio include Pamela Baldassarre, Evelyn Bryan, Nick Kanelos, Bill Mehan, Doug Moll and Rick Vachon.

RHODE ISLAND  
*Editor: Francis A. Connor, Jr.*

Raymond George, Jr. completed his term as President of the American Association of Orthodontists. Jim Brennan was the recipient of the Dr. A. James Kershaw Award for outstanding contributions to dentistry. Christine Benoit, our First District Regent, serves as Chair of the ICD Leadership Initiative Committee. She also served on the Search Committee for the Registrar for the USA Section. Roger Turkel is the new Section Chair for the Pierre Fauchard Academy, and Rick Walsh is serving his final year as Trustee for District Two of the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Marty Nager is the Chair of the Donated Dental Services program in Rhode Island. Joseph Samartano chairs the Health Professional Advisory Council of the Rhode Island Department of Health. ICD Fellows are well represented in the leadership of the Rhode Island Dental Association. Jeff Dodge serves as President, Frank Connor as President-Elect and Barbara Cavicchio as Treasurer. New Fellow Steven Brown will chair the Committee on Scientific Sessions and former ADA Trustee Ed Mehlman is the new long-term delegate.

VERMONT  
*Editor: David Averill*

It was a great honor to have Peter Taylor inducted into the College as an Honorary Fellow at the ICD Convocation in San Antonio, Texas this past September. Peter has been the Executive Director of the Vermont State Dental Society for over thirty years. He has been a strong advocate for Dentistry to serve the public health of all Vermonters. Peter has been invited to the ADA headquarters to speak on the access problem this coming March.

Drs. Paul Danielson and Jeffrey Crandall were also inducted into the College in San Antonio. Paul has recently served as President of the Medical Staff at the Fletcher Allen Healthcare. He is also Past President of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Paul practices in South Burlington, Vermont.

Jeffrey Crandall limits his practice to the diagnosis and management of orofacial pain in South Burlington. He currently serves on the executive board as Treasurer of the American Academy of Orofacial Pain.

The Vermont Chapter of the ICD is participating in the Peace Corp Project. ICD Fellows may assist Peace Corps applicants by providing a clinical examination and radiographs for no charge. Please contact Paul or David Averill if you would like to participate in this project.

The Vermont Chapter is also a participant in a District I project that gives oral health care kits to pregnant teens. The past recipient has been the Lund Family Center in Burlington.

Dr. Jeffrey Berkowitz is organizing a Fellowship dinner to be held in April with a speaker to be announced. The dental residents from the Fletcher Allen Healthcare will be invited as guests.

DISTRICT II  

NEW YORK  
*Editor: Jeffrey Galler*

Robert Seminara, President of the New York District of the International College of Dentists, reports that, as usual, its Annual Luncheon Meeting was extremely well attended and very successful.

Held during the 84th session of The Greater New York Dental Meeting on November 30, 2008, at the Jacob Javits Convention Center, the luncheon began with a very meaningful and spiritual invocation by Gerry McGuirk.

District 2 Regent, James Spencer, discussed the District’s success in nominating ever-increasing numbers of excellent candidates for Fellowship in the International College of Dentists. He introduced the district’s twelve new Fellows, and recognized the new officers for 2009: Vice Regent Cheryl Kieffer, President John Young, Secretary/
Cheryl Kieffer, Deputy Regent of District 2 of the International College of Dentists, USA Section, welcomed the newest members, Scott Stein and Robert Calcagno and their spouses. She described the current membership process, stressed the need to identify new members for the ICD, and asked current members who might wish to propose new nominees to contact her. Dr. Kieffer would then initiate the application process. She also discussed various recent leadership conferences and the Annual International College of Dentists Induction and Dinner-Dance at the 2008 ADA meeting.

Also addressing the group was James Spencer, District 2 Regent, who introduced his wife, Joyce, discussed recent activities of the International College of Dentists, and addressed the importance of attracting new members to the organization.

Following dinner, Dr. Yunker introduced the evening’s guest speaker, Dr. Georgios Romanos and his wife, Dr. Enisa Begic. Dr. Romanos, who is a Professor of Clinical Dentistry at the Eastman Dental Center of the University of Rochester, has advanced training in Periodontics, Oral Surgery, Prosthodontics, Implantology, and the use of Lasers in Dentistry. He has performed extensive research in these areas, and has published many articles on these subjects.

Dr. Romanos discussed the scientific basis for the use of lasers in dentistry, and the application of the laser in esthetic procedures, tooth preparation, periodontal procedures, implants, and oral surgery. An interesting question and answer session followed his presentation.

Because Drs. Romanos and Begic are newcomers to the upstate area, the group presented them with an illustrated guide to the Finger Lakes area.

Dr. Robert J. Doherty of White Plains was recently elected President Elect of the New York Dental Association. Dr. Doherty also received the NYSDA Distinguished Service Award in 2007 for his contributions to the profession of dentistry in New York.

District III members were very active this past year and we are proud of the achievements of the following individuals:

David Anderson, Steve Kukunas and Peter Guevara attended the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania Three Rivers Dental Conference in Pittsburgh.

Joshua A. Bahoff was elected Vice President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association at their annual meeting in Hershey this past April.

Dr. Elaine Berkowitz, Lt. Colonel DC USAR, delivered a presentation called “A Female Dentist’s Experience in Iraq.” Her talk was given at the Annual ICD/ACD Award Night at the University of
Ellsworth T. Bowser was recognized and inducted into the University of Pittsburgh Legacy Laureate Society with five other most distinguished alumni – all from different fields. In addition to the dinner and formal presentation by Chancellor Mark Nordenberg, the inductees were asked to participate in a discussion with undergraduate students concerning how to be successful professionally and personally.

Melissa Brown of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine was the recipient of the 2008 ICD Student Leadership Award. Presenting the award is Dean Thomas Braun at the ICD/ACD Annual Award Night.

I. Stephen Brown was recently elected to Fellowship in the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. Founded in 1787, The College of Physicians is the oldest professional medical organization in the country. It is an extraordinary accomplishment for a dentist to be honored by election to Fellowship in this prestigious society. Dr. Brown was also recently awarded The Distinguished Alumni Award of Merit, by the Alumni Association of the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine, for his more than thirty years of dedication to teaching in the Department of Graduate Periodontics.

Chester Chorazy, the President-Elect of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania, presented the Presidents Plaque to Herbert Ray, Jr., the President of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Lisa Deem was nominated to the Pennsylvania State Board of Dentistry by Governor Edward G. Rendell, and the Senate confirmed the nomination in January. The appointment is a six-year term.

Matthew Freedman is currently serving on the board of the Pennsylvania Academy of General Dentistry.

Richard J. Galeone has completed sixteen years of association with the Pennsylvania Dental Journal. He served eight years as Associate Editor and then eight years as Editor. He will serve one additional year as Associate Editor while a search is conducted for a new Associate Editor.

Thomas W. Gamba, President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association and Gerrit Hagman of Atlanta, Georgia were the keynote speakers at the White Coat Ceremony at the University of Pittsburgh.

Linda Himmelberger chaired the Reference Committee on Dental Education and Related Matters at the ADA HOD meeting in San Antonio.

Marjorie K. Jeffcoat, Dean of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, was this year’s recipient of the PDA Recognition Award. Dr. Jeffcoat’s career has led her from MIT to Harvard, the Alabama School of Dentistry and the University of Pennsylvania. Along the way she found time to serve as Editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association.

Jon J. Johnston is the Immediate Past President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association having completed a very successful term as President.

Lewis A. Kay, Clinical Program Director and Interim Program Director for the Episcopal Residency at Temple University Hospital, was the recipient of the 2008 Manuel M. Album Award presented by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. The award is given to the individual who has made the greatest contribution to the oral health of children with special needs.

George A. Kirchner was the recipient of the prestigious 2008 PDA Distinguished Service Award. His contributions, philosophy and ethics have paved the way for the next generation of dental leaders and have laid the foundation for strong recognition by his peers. George also completed his term as Regent of District III this year with a BIG THANK YOU from all of his Pennsylvania Fellows.

Robert T. Kramer of Harrisburg has assumed the mantle of Regent for District III of the International College of Dentists.

Steve Kukunas is the Clinical Director of The Implant Center and Interim Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. The Multidisciplinary Implant Dental Center was dedicated on October 25, 2008.

John Nase has been quite busy. He recently represented DMORT, region III at the National Disaster Management System National Summit in Nashville, TN. He was elected 2008-2010 Republican Committeeeman, District 5, Lower Salford Township, Montgomery County, PA during the April primary. He also co-wrote an article with M. Meraner entitled Magnification in Dental Practice and Education: Experience and Attitudes of a Dental School Faculty. J Dent Educ. 2008; 72:698-707. John also recently gave a presentation on Basic Restorative Implant Dentistry for the PDA Speakers Bureau in Wellsboro.

Associate Dean Dennis Ranalli and Dean Thomas Braun presented the students with their white coats at this year’s White Coat Ceremony at the University of Pittsburgh. Dennis also was awarded an Honorable Mention by the ICD-USA Section in the Golden Pen Award for Journalism for his article entitled Ergogenic Substance Abuse by Adolescent Athletes - Perspectives for Dental Practitioners, published in Northwest Dentistry, the journal of the Minnesota Dental Association.

Herbert Ray, Jr., President of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania received a Presidential Citation from PDA President Elect, Andrew Kwasny.

Michael Rosella, your editor, had his photograph titled “Clayton -
Henry Clay Frick Residence” selected for inclusion in the books, *Along These Rivers --- Poetry and Photography From Pittsburgh* and the *Fe – In the Making*. Both publications celebrated the 250th birthday of the City of Pittsburgh. In addition, his image of “Fort Necessity Battlefield” in Uniotown, PA was juried for exhibition at the Holy Family Institute of Fine Arts and the Southwestern Alleghenies Museum of Art in Ligonier. Mike highly recommends a family visit to the Fort Necessity Museum for an excellent, interesting and educational presentation of the French and Indian War.

**Donald Stoner** was all smiles as he received a plaque for his services as outgoing chair of the Western Pennsylvania Section of the American College of Dentists from **Norbert Gannon** at the annual spouse and guest reception at the Oakmont Country Club.

**Martin F. Tansy**, Dean of Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry, was the 2008 recipient of the PDA Public Service Award. He has contributed four decades of devotion, commitment and leadership to science, the dental profession and the oral health of Pennsylvanians. “His career speaks of outstanding service and significant contributions to our profession and to the betterment of care to our citizens,” said nominating members of the Third District.

He also recently retired as the Dean of Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry after 22 years. The ADA had just issued an “Order to Show Cause” why the School of Dentistry should remain open, when Dr. Tansy became dean. He rescued the school, achieved full accreditation and turned it into a model of dental education. And, as he is proud to point out, he did it “within budget” year after year. Twenty-four hundred men and women graduated from the school during his tenure. Congratulations and best wishes from all of us!

**Bruce Terry**, after serving several years as Associate Editor of the Pennsylvania Dental Journal, has become its new Editor.

**James Tauberg** was the recipient of the Pechan Award which was presented to him by **Saul Greenwald** at the annual Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania Awards Banquet.

**Jay Wells III** is just finishing a term as Lions Club International District Governor for District 14-B. This includes the 42 Lions Clubs in Allegheny County. July starts his one-year term as Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs Chairman. The Council’s 18 district governors will meet quarterly during the 2008-2009 term.

Pennsylvania was saddened by the loss of Fellows Arthur R. Krause and Emanuel Ploumis during the past year.

**DISTRICT IV**

**MARYLAND**  
**Editor: M. Pitkin Johnson, Jr., DDS**

Each year the Maryland Chapter of the ICD comes alive in the Fall following the **ADA Convention**. While a Planning Session takes place early in the year to work out the details of joint meetings with the ACD and another with both the PFA and the ACD, the highlights of activities for our Chapter culminate in November.

Undoubtedly the most significant event, which took place on Tuesday, November 11, 2008, was the annual Forum with the Junior Dental School Class at the University of Maryland. This worthwhile day is presented in conjunction with the Dental School’s course in Ethics and Professionalism. Program chair, **James W. Taneyhill**, chose the theme “Leadership”, and its purpose was to encourage the students to become active and involved in both their Community and in their Profession. This year’s keynote address was given by **Tom Soliday**. Small table discussions each hosted by one of 15 Maryland Fellows encouraged students to achieve their full professional potential by understanding the importance of leadership. The following Fellows participated as table hosts:


Two days after the Junior Class Forum, on Thursday, November 13th, Deputy Regent, **Edwin Morris** scheduled the General Membership Meeting that was held in Columbia, Maryland. Beginning with a social hour and hors d’oeuvres, then a bountiful meal, the evening’s meeting with a full agenda was highlighted by recognizing three important groups:

1) Introduction of two of the three new Fellows inducted at the Convocation in San Antonio:

2) Deputy Regent Ed Morris presented 15 year membership pins to Mel Kushner and John Patterson.
3) The annual presentation of the Dr. George B. Clendenin Award, named for the former President of the USA Section and given each year to the University of Maryland dental student who achieved the highest academic standing in the previous year’s freshman class. This year’s winner was Alisha Motl.

Finally, despite the membership’s receiving *The Key* after the 2009 Continuing Education Conference, Maryland is looking forward to hosting the 2009 event in April and hopes to be able to report next year that our own 100 Fellows supported and participated in this special opportunity.

**UNITED STATES NAVY**
*Deputy Regent: RDML Richard Vinci*

During the first week of February RDML Richard Vinci, Chief, Navy Dental Corps traveled to Southern California for a recruiting trip. As part of an evening lecture series, over 200 Pre-Dental College underclassmen from University of California San Diego and San Diego State University listened to RDML Vinci discuss the many rewarding benefits the dental profession has to offer. During the presentation photos were shown of the Navy’s most recent Fellows inducted into the College. This later stimulated discussion on how practicing dentists give back to the profession. These bright young men and women will be future Ambassadors of Dentistry and no doubt future members of the International College of Dentists; rest assured our future is in good hands.

In December 2008 after serving the Navy Dental Corps for 39 years Ms Linda Coleman retired as the Navy Postgraduate Dental School Dean’s Secretary. She supported the dentists in numerous ways and being the point of contact for the International College of Dentists (ICD) was one of them. As of January 2009, Laura Cain has joined the team as the new addition and as the new point of contact for the Navy’s ICD membership. “Farewell and Following Seas” to Linda and “Welcome aboard” to Laura. Laura’s contact information is as follows:

- Phone: 301-295-0385
- E-Mail: laura.cain@med.navy.mil
- Address: Naval Postgraduate Dental School, National Naval Medical Center, 8901 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda MD 20889

**NEW JERSEY**
*Vice Regent: John F. Ricciani*

Ira D. Cheifetz, of Princeton Junction, was elected president-elect of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons during the Association’s 90th Annual Meeting. He has been an active member of the AAOMS for many years and has just completed a one-year term as the association’s vice president. Dr. Cheifetz is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and an AAOMS fellow.

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**
*Editor: John Drumm*

The Washington D.C. chapter is very proud of the involvement of our members in organized dentistry. Michael Blicher has been an outstanding leader as president of the District of Columbia Dental Society; Alan Singer, Sally Cram, James Richeson and Michael Griffiths have been a very active delegation to the ADA annual meeting; and Ali Fassihi, as General Chairman, directed a very successful Nation’s Capital Dental Meeting in April.

Our chapter also had the honor of congratulating two of our new fellows, Andrew Cobb and Gael Delany, upon receiving the 2008 Small Business Humanitarian of the Year Award. They were recognized for their work with Somos Amigos Medical Missions—a nonprofit, public charity corporation that provides medical and dental care to people living in a rural area of the Dominican Republic. By volunteering their time and money, they, along with physician Michael Keegan and other volunteers have created a clinic that provides medical and dental care to thousands of people who otherwise would have no access to health care.

Not only do the three donate time, but they have been able to assemble a team of dentists and physicians who also provide free dental and medical care. We are very proud and humbled by their contributions.

Our Deputy Regent, Margot Culotta-Norton, has continued to provide excellent leadership during the year.

In November, our annual combined dinner meeting of our District of Columbia chapter and the Metropolitan District of Columbia section of the American College of Dentists was held. Fred Barbash, senior editor for *Politico*, presented a vivid, candid and knowledgeable analysis of the presidential election results.

Our Section was delighted to welcome our new fellows in San Antonio: Andrew Cobb, Gael Delany, Arnie Feldman, Johanna Huijssoon,
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We look forward to their contributions to our College.

DISTRICT V

ALABAMA
Deputy Regent: James C. Broome, Jr.

Spring is a busy time in Alabama. At the Scholars’ Symposium on March 4, ICD awarded $250.00 prizes to three well deserving students. We are also looking forward to the Honors Convocation at UAB on June 4, where the ICD Leadership Award will be given to a graduating senior.

The joint ICD/ACD breakfast will be held at the Alabama Dental Association’s state meeting in June. Our ICD business meeting will follow the breakfast.

UAB is working on a new Student Exchange Program with the University of Cardiff, Wales. Dean Thomas F. Huw has an association with the University of Cardiff and is helping coordinate the exchange. We are hopeful it can be arranged in time for the summer.

Alabama is proud to welcome our new Fellows: John D. Barnes and Timothy S. Trulove.

GEORGIA
Regent: Henry L. Diversi, Jr.

The year is off to a great start. On January 25, Vice Regent Paul Isler, Deputy Regent Bruce Ashendorf, and I met to set goals for 2009. We are very excited about all the activities we have planned for Georgia and for District 5.

During the months of February and March, the ICD will support the Georgia Dental Association by participating in Law Days. During Law Days, Georgia dentists will inform their state legislators of issues and concerns facing Georgia dentists. Leadership Coordinator, Janine Bethea, is gathering ICD Fellows from all over Georgia to come to Atlanta to participate.

The ICD, ACD and Pierre Fauchard joint breakfast will be held on March 21, during the Hinman Dental Meeting. State Senator, Lee Hawkins, an ICD Fellow is the featured speaker. We are also looking forward to the ICD Student-Faculty Award Luncheon at the Medical College of Georgia on June 19.

We will welcome French dental students to Georgia for the fourth consecutive year as part of the ICD Student Exchange Program. The French students will be hosted by the ICD Fellows and student sponsors. Planned activities include clinic tours and observations, visits to private dental offices, a not-for-profit clinic in Atlanta, and a day at the lake.

We will also be sending students from the Medical College of Georgia to the dental school in Nice, France.


MISSISSIPPI
Regent: Henry L. Diversi, Jr.

Neva Eklund has been appointed as the new Deputy Regent for Mississippi. She is working closely with other District 5 officers to start an ICD presence in Mississippi.

DISTRICT VI

KENTUCKY
Editor: James C. Murphy

As you can see from the picture our joint annual award luncheon which is held with the ACD and the PFA was well attended. The students from both schools were honored with plaques and monetary awards for their accomplishments of the last four years. Much is about to change here in Kentucky as our new Deputy Regent, H. Fred Howard, will be taking over as we start to progress to the future.
Wish him well in his new undertaking, and know that he will be moving this program to the next level in short order.

MISSOURI
Editor: John L. Sheets

We just had a visit from our Regent, James R. Allen on March 9, and a wonderful time was had by all. The meeting was held in St. Louis. Neil and George D. “Satch” Selfridge had a good time enjoying the evening with their friends. Dr. Allen brought the message, “Take Pride in Your ICD” which was a talk on the many outreach programs which we as Fellows of ICD are responsible for bringing into existence throughout the world. He pointed out that, as Fellows of the ICD, we are facilitating the realization of all this wonderful work. We should take pride in all that is being done. In general a great time was had by all, and we need to thank our Deputy Regent, Greg Frimel, for doing a wonderful job of planning this meeting. The best part of the whole meeting was that we did not have snow like we had last year which had prevented the meeting from happening.

WEST VIRGINIA
Editor: David G. Edwards

Our group is progressing well and this year we have put forward several more nominations for Fellowship than we have in quite some time. We now have a very active group and it is progressing forward with great speed. We are pleased to have Dr. Chuck Smith as our Vice Regent on a full-time basis now that his tour as 6th District Trustee of the ADA has ended. Dr. Daniel I. Joseph is doing a great job as our Deputy and this component is moving forward once again. Stay tuned for future growth and results.

DISTRICT VII
INDIANA
Editor: Marc S. Smith

The Indiana Section of the ICD celebrated the Indiana Dental Association’s 150th year with its annual ICD Breakfast. Over 70 members and spouses were in attendance.

This was the final year for our own Indiana Poet Laureate, Seventh District Regent, C. David Hay. Our hat is off to David for placing the Indiana ICD on a firm foundation of fiscal responsibility and for recruiting a number of influential leaders into both the ICD and into leadership positions in the Indiana ICD. David was also the recent recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association.

On a similar note we welcome our new Seventh District Regent, Jeanne Nicolette. Jeanne is a well-known and highly-respected leader in Seventh District having just completed her term as ADA Trustee for Indiana and Ohio. Her strong background in organization and strategic planning will serve well to build on the foundation David has built.

The Indiana fellows sadly mourn the passing of a true icon of integrity and leadership in Bruce Raibley, one of our Indiana Counselors. Bruce served as Trustee to the Indiana Dental Association for 10 years. He also served as an ADA Delegate and Alternate and was a member of the ADA Council on Dental Practice. He served on the Governor’s Task Force for Dental Health for Indiana, and was recently honored with the Indiana Dental Association “Distinguished Service Award.”

The Indiana Section is pleased to welcome nine new fellows into the International College. They are: David J. Kristoff sponsored by Michael Smith; Suzanne S. Germain sponsored by Desiree Dimond; Philip L.
Catey and Mara Catey-Williams sponsored by Richard L. Martin; Richard T. Newton II sponsored by Gregory E. Phillips; Bernard J. Asdell sponsored by Steven C Hollar; Mike Rader sponsored by Martin R. Szakaly; Terry G. Schechner; and Cory B. Sellers sponsored by Glenn J. Jividen, Sr.

Long time Vice Regent Bob Gardner of Ohio has passed the Vice Regent torch to Marc Smith, Indiana Editor. Our best regards to Bob for his many years of service to the International College.

Robert E. Brady, retired Army Brigadier General and ICD Registrar since 1999 will be stepping down from his post at the end of 2009 and will be replaced by Rear Admiral Carol Turner who graduated, with distinction, from both Purdue University and Indiana University School of Dentistry (1975). Indiana ICD is very proud of our new registrar’s Hoosier connection and we welcome her to her new position.

Ohio

Editor: Mario Pavicic

Dennis A. Burns of Columbus was the 2008 recipient of the Ohio Dental Association Distinguished Dentist Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Association. He has devoted much of his time and energy to his chosen profession. Throughout his career he has been active at all levels of the tripartite system demonstrating his deep commitment to organized dentistry.

Hudson Heidorf was recently presented with the “Passion for and Dedication to Dentistry Award” by the Dawson Academy at their recent meeting in Chicago. Dr. Heidorf teaches and lectures to graduate dentists and dental students. He has a faculty appointment at Case Western Reserve in the Department of Restorative Dentistry and is a Past President of the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry.

Matthew Lark of Toledo was elected President of the American Academy of Orofacial Pain at the academy’s annual scientific meeting in Los Angeles, CA. His election to office is an honor bestowed on him by his peers in recognition of his dedication to the academy’s mission and his professional excellence in the field of orofacial pain.

District VIII

Illinois

Editor: Peter Paulson

The Eighth District year usually begins with a breakfast meeting in September that is held in conjunction with the Illinois State Dental Society’s Annual Session. The International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists combined their efforts to host this breakfast meeting. This year the keynote speaker was Dr. Ann Boyle, Dean of SIU-School of Dental Medicine and a Fellow of the ICD who spoke at our breakfast meeting in St. Louis, Missouri on the unique challenges of the Millennial Student. Her talk was a humorous and insightful discourse concerning a generation which has been brought up in an atmosphere where “everyone” should be considered a “winner”. More than at any time in the past educators are challenged with some students’ parents who want to play an active role in decisions made and outcomes of their professional students.

Our next gathering is extremely important to the life blood of our organization which is the Annual ICD Convocation. In October San Antonio, TX, was the site of the 2008 International College of Dentists USA Section Convocation. Those among the Eighth District who have achieved much and have contributed greatly to our profession and communities were nominated by Fellows and were honored by being inducted into the ICD. They were Bradley W. Barnes, Normal, IL; Sheri B. Doniger, Lincolnwood, IL; Paula Shannon Jones, Naperville, IL; Robert S. Kozelka, Park Ridge, IL; David E. Miller, Dolton, IL; Darryl D. Pendleton, Chicago, IL; Indru C. Punwani, Chicago, IL; Timothy J. Schwartz, Pekin, IL; and Brian F. Soltys, Rockford, IL. Congratulations to all of you!

A wonderful dinner dance concluded the evening where many other Eighth District ICD Fellows were able to attend including Darryll Beard, Keith Dickey, Betty Haberkamp, Mary Hayes, David Kumamoto, Bill Kort, Maharukh Kravich, Larry Osborne, Pete and Julie Paulson, Keith Suchy, Terri Tiersky, and George Zehak.

After the convocation in November, 2008, the Eighth District holds its annual dinner meeting. This year we met at The Clubhouse, in Oak Brook, IL. The speaker...
was Dr. Kamal Vibhaker who spoke on his experiences climbing Mount Kilimanjaro. This year three of our new Fellows were in attendance: Sheri Doniger, Paula Jones and Brian Soltys.

The last formal meeting of our year is held at a luncheon in February, in conjunction with the Chicago Dental Society’s Midwinter Meeting. At this time we present the highest award the Eighth District offers and that is the Ted Weclew Award. Dr. Ted Weclew was a teacher at UIC College of Dentistry in the Radiology Department. He was a man almost obsessed with the concept of continuing education. He was one of the founders of the Academy of General Dentistry and was instrumental in other organizations having or sponsoring CE courses for their membership long before the Illinois State Dental Society sponsored statewide mandatory CE for continued licensure. He was a humble person, never seeking the limelight even though he deserved it more than most. The Eighth District is very proud to have named this prestigious award after Ted Weclew and it is given to a leader, who in our estimation has shown exemplary leadership within our district. The 2009 Ted Weclew award was presented to our friend and compatriot Dr. Leo Finley. Dr. Finley has been in the practice of dentistry for 46 years. He is a Past-President of the Chicago Dental Society (1989-90) and Past-Trustee of the ADA (1998-2002). Dr. Finley served on the ADA Council on Government Affairs and was Vice-Chairman of that council. He is an honorary Past-President of the Illinois State Dental Society and has served on the Illinois State Dental Society Committee on Governmental Affairs. Dr. Finley is a family man and has five children, twelve grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He resides in Orland Park, IL with his lovely wife Alicia. Congratulations and thank you, Dr. Finley.

When we consider accomplishments we wanted to recognize two ICD Eighth District Fellows who are partners in practice: Keith Suchy, our current Regent of the Eighth District, and his partner in practice Tom Sullivan have been active in organized dentistry for many years. They have practiced general dentistry together in Westchester, IL for 27 years after graduating from Loyola dental school in 1982. Keith is past-president of the Chicago Dental Society and Tom is a past-president of the Illinois State Dental Society.

Last year Keith Suchy served his last year on the ADA Council on Governmental Affairs as Chairman. His responsibilities took him many times to Washington, D.C. Tom Sullivan was elected as Second Vice-President to the ADA in October, 2008. Tom will serve a two-year term along with the other officers and board of trustees of the ADA. He will bring great energy and enthusiasm to the ADA and we wish him the best of success during his term of office.

In other news Regent Keith Suchy, Past-Regent Bill Kort and Vice-Regent Pete Paulson attended the SIU-School of Dental Medicine White Coat Ceremony in Alton, IL. The SIU-SDM White Coat Ceremony was held Oct 11, 2008 at the Lewis & Clark Community College in the Hatheway Hall. Keith Suchy and Pete Paulson also attended the UIC College of Dentistry White Coat Ceremony on January 31, 2009. The ceremony was held in the Student Center West in the Chicago Ballroom. Another event that Pete Paulson attended was the SIU-SDM Senior Honors dinner on May 9, 2008 at the Sunset Hills CC in Godfrey, IL. He presented the ICD Outstanding Student Leadership award to Jacob Schuette, who received a plaque and a monetary award. Dr. Schuette plans to set up practice in Ohio as his wife Christine Wohlford will begin post-graduate training in Pediatric Dentistry.

**DISTRICT IX**

**MICHIGAN**

**Editor: Stephen D. Crocker**

Ronald Paler is our new Michigan Deputy Regent, succeeding Charles Owens who has now become Vice Regent for District IX. John Gobetti is now our treasurer, Connie Verhagen and Gary Asano are counselors and Stephen D. Crocker remains your Michigan editor.

As with all organizations, we need to grow or we stagnate. In that regard, Dr. Paler continues Dr. Owens’ efforts in expanding our membership to include our colleagues who have demonstrated leadership qualities.

“We presently have a membership enrollment of 165. Our goal should be 265. We should be inducting 20-25 new members per year. In order to do this I am issuing a challenge to all 165 members to submit the name of a colleague in your community, study club, alumni association, or dental society, who has exhibited the accomplishments, dedication, and ideals worthy of membership in the International College of Dentists.

It’s safe to say that a good number of candidates are known by each one of us. It’s just a matter of identifying who they are. With that in mind I urge everyone to take a moment to reflect on the merits of your friends and colleagues and submit their names to me at ronjo@comcast.net for review.”

The ICD Fellows of Michigan have for many years taken great pride in supporting worthy causes here in Michigan, nationally and internationally. This past year has been no exception. On a local level, we have provided funding to support the White Coat Ceremonies at the University of Michigan and the University of Detroit/Mercy Dental Schools.

**WHITE COAT UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT/ MERCY**

At the White Coat Ceremony at University of Detroit/Mercy, the program was outstanding. Tom Verryser, an ICD Fellow, gave the keynote address. The dental class of 2012 and the hygiene class of 2010 received their white coats.

As the representative of ICD, a sponsor of the program, District IX Vice Regent Charles Owens was invited to give greetings. (He spoke for just one minute...for which the entire audience was most grateful.) Michigan ICD received special mention at the end of the program.

**WHITE COAT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

Joanne Dawley, ICD Fellow and President of the Michigan Dental Association gave the Keynote Address at the University of Michigan White Coat Ceremony.
SAN ANTONIO 2008 CONVOCATION AND INDUCTION

Nine new Michigan members were inducted in San Antonio this past October. They are: Patricia I. Boyle of Dearborn, MI, Wayne N. Colquitt of Ann Arbor, MI, John W. Greig of Bloomfield Hills, MI, James S. Hayward of Negaunee, MI, Rob R. Lovell of Traverse City, MI, William P. Maher of Troy, MI, Murray Z. Malinoski, Jr. of Three Rivers, MI, Wayne L. Olsen of Traverse City, MI and Gary Sasaki of Ypsilanti, MI.

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WISCONSIN
Editor: Dennis Engel

Marquette University School of Dentistry’s second annual White Coat Ceremony took place Aug. 20 at the Weasler Auditorium. The Wisconsin Section of the International College of Dentists spearheaded this program under the Leadership of Mark Huberty, Bill Lobb, and the Marquette University School of Dentistry faculty. MUSOD Dean William Lobb was the master of ceremonies. Immediate Past-President of the American Dental Association Kathleen Roth gave the keynote address. Her message was one of personal responsibility in leadership, professionalism and ethics. A special thank you to Brian Trecek and Carol Trecek at Marquette University School of Dentistry for their help in making sure the program ran smoothly. The program would not have taken place without the sponsorship of the Wisconsin Sections of the International College of Dentists, American College of Dentists, Pierre Fauchard Society, Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation, Marquette Alumni Association, Brown Door Kewaunee Dental Society, and donations from many of the dentists attending. The ceremony was attended by parents, spouses, family, and significant others. The White Coat Ceremony is a symbolic presentation of clinical white coats given to first-year dental students indicating their transition into the profession of dentistry. The class recited the White Coat Oath to follow the principals of Leadership, Ethics, and Professionalism. A reception followed the ceremony at Marquette School of Dentistry.

Mark Foster was the recipient of the 2008 Dr. David Sampe award for the most improved Wisconsin dental student. The award was presented by Jim Zientek at the ICD annual dinner in May. Mr. Foster accepted the annual award and check for $2516. This award was started by Dr. Sampe in 1995 and has given a total of $30,000 to date.

Pictured here is Dr. Scott Adashek at his graduation ceremony from Marquette University School of Dentistry. Scott is the recipient of the International College of Dentists Leadership Award. The Wisconsin Section gave $500 to Dr. Adashek.

Michael Luberto, President of the
INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS

ICD USA Section Foundation presented Jim Conrardy with the USA Deputy Regent of the Year for 2008 Award.

The Wisconsin dentists pictured below were welcomed into the International College of Dentists by 9th District Regent of the USA Section Dan Roth of West Bend at the convocation at the 2008 American Dental Association annual session. Top row: Dan Roth; Conrad Nenn is a 1978 graduate of MUSOD, general dentist in Milwaukee and faculty member at Marquette University School of Dentistry; H. Michael Kaske, WDA President is a 1977 graduate of MUSOD practicing general dentistry in Twin Lakes, and; Mike Melugin is a 1988 graduate of University of Washington Oral/Maxillofacial Surgery and Orthodontics practicing in New Berlin. Middle row: Fred Jaeger, past WDA President is a 1980 graduate of MUSOD practicing general dentistry in Madison, and; Tom Kraklow is a 1988 graduate of MUSOD practicing general dentistry in Waukesha. Bottom row: Tim Creamer is a 1978 graduate of the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston Texas. He is Associate Dean at Marquette University School of Dentistry and a general dentist in Milwaukee; Paul Hagemann, former WDA Trustee is a 1976 graduate of MUSOD practicing general dentistry in Hurley, and; Thomas Nockerts is currently serving as WDA Trustee and is a 1981 graduate of MUSOD practicing general dentistry in Green Bay.

ICD Fellow and retired general dentist, Ronald Stifter was the 2008 Wisconsin Dental Association Lifetime Achievement Award recipient. He received the award at the Pyramids of Pride banquet Nov. 7 at The Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest Wisconsin Dental Association (WDA) honor, recognizing individuals who have given time, energy and expertise to organized dentistry throughout their careers.

Stifter, who had a downtown Milwaukee dental practice for nearly four decades, served as president of the WDA and Greater Milwaukee Dental Association and helped elect two Wisconsin dentists president of the American Dental Association. He continues to serve dentistry as a member of the WDA Foundation Board of Directors and by providing free, much-needed care at Milwaukee’s Madre Angela Dental Clinic.

A 1967 graduate of Marquette University School of Dentistry, Stifter has been on that school’s faculty for more than 34 years and is currently adjunct clinical professor for general dental services/prosthodontics. He was very involved in getting a state-of-the-art dental school built and has helped many aspiring dental students through the WDA-MUSOD-Pierre Fauchard Mentor Program. Stifter received the MUSOD Distinguished Alumni Award in 1994.

DISTRICT X

MINNESOTA

Editor: Bill Stein

The Minnesota section of the ICD had its annual breakfast convocation at the Star of the North meeting of the Minnesota Dental Association this past April. Most of us old foggies are amazed that we are still living and enjoy each other’s company and our love for our profession. Thankfully youth is served in the person of Dr. Teresa Fong who brought in a record class of new members, most of them women and truly international in origin. Thank you Dr. Fong!

We have sponsored so many senior dental students in the study abroad program that we had to hold a special meeting to honor them at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry: Yvonne and Sarah Jorganson studied in Bergen, Norway, Anne Kent matriculated to Heidelberg, Germany, Erin Powers and Alex Lewis were in Nijmegen, Netherlands and Jared Stanley attended school in Arhus, Denmark.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

We lost three great members of the International College this year: Mel Dumke, past president of the Minnesota Dental Association and Odin Langsjoen and Dean Erwin Schaffer.

FAREWELL INDIANA ODIE!

Odie Langsjoen is dead, and here I am once again contemplating the life of another mentor whose kindness and mercy...
have launched an armada of dentists well prepared not only clinically but most importantly, humanely prepared to treat their patients with understanding and compassion.

A veteran of World War II, Odie received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered in the battle of Okinawa. I had to find that out by way of Mel Holland’s ponderous tome and magnum opus: “A Hundred Year History of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry”. Not one to brag, Odie would never have told us. Odie went to dental school as a family man, with his dear wife Mavis and two kids, Linnea and Eric through the aid of an Army ROTC stipend, which required him to join the Army after graduation and serve at Fort Leonard Wood during the Korean War.

Upon release from his second career in the armed services, Odie and his family settled in St. Cloud where he practiced dentistry for 17 years. Odie served the profession well as Presidents of the Minnesota Dental Association and American College of Dentists. Odie also had a passion for academic life and started teaching at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in 1961.

For many years a dentist by the name of Ambert Hall, tyrannically held sway over the incoming freshmen dental classes. Somehow as I understand, he fancifully pictured himself as a Marine Drill Instructor, vitriolically spewing his invective-laced rants, evidently trying to winnow the ranks of the weak and unsure and hopeless dental candidates. Many old graduates look back with pride that they were tried in the crucible of A. B. Hall and found worthy. Personally I found his teaching methods misguided to say the least, but heck; that’s just me!

Praise the Lord, I was accepted into dental school the year Odie Langsjoen replaced A. B. Hall. Having heard all the horror stories of the past, we were all pleasantly surprised as we sat in the amphitheater of 12 Owre Hall to be greeted by the tall, handsome, Scandinavian visage of Odie Langsjoen. His first name was Odin, named for the fearsome chief Norse god, ruler of Valhalla, yet here he was—the kind and gentle, artistic and fair dentist from Fergus Falls.

That was the 1970’s of course and many “rebels” of all stripes tried to attack this good man, he stood firm in his belief in the discipline it took to become a great dentist, good just wasn’t good enough for Odie, we had to be the best but he effortlessly made us want to be the best.

After graduation I was blessed to find myself in the “Duluth District” (now the Northeast) home of so many great dentists, the Amundson brothers, Tony Romano, Bob Anderson, Bill Hudelson, Willis Irons and of course, Odie Langsjoen.

Odie left the dental school to teach dental hygiene at UMD, but his real passion was mummies. Just like “Indiana Jones” Odie and his sidekick, world famed pathologist, Dr. Art Aufderheide, traveled around the globe researching ancient mummies. Their travels took them from Egypt to the Canary Islands to Chile and Peru. It was on one of these great adventures that Odie sustained a head injury that may have ultimately contributed to his demise. Odie had many hilarious stories about his adventures but out of respect for his partner and most of all the ancient dead, these stories will remain untold.

Thirty-two years ago, Terry and I had the great privilege of touring the Caribbean Island of Tobago by taxi in the company of Odie and his lovely wife, Mavis. Our driver, Calvin, regaled us with the history and traditions of this exotic paradise. We traveled narrow winding mountain roads, visited a cocoa bean plantation, shared a rum and Coke at a tin roofed roadside bar and watched the sun set over the turquoise sea.

What a wonderful day, what perfect company, what a preview of heaven. Rest in peace dear Odie!

THE DEAN

I was listening to my favorite radio personality, Joe Soucheray, the other day when I heard the Dean had died. To a generation of Minnesota dentists there is only one “Dean”, Erwin Schaffer. Joe was mourning the passing of another “Great Living American” and it was the Dean. Dean Schaffer would have gotten a great kick out of that as he was a huge fan of Soucheray’s afternoon radio show: “Garage Logic.” I call the show frequently and the Dean would always remark that he had heard me whenever we would meet. It’s not that I was anyone special to the Dean, or rather, I guess I was special to him as were all of his former students. We all looked forward to having the Dean drop in on our reunions or other dental occasions, he would always commandeer the “mike” and would hold forth adding mightily to the general jocularity of the occasion. Never more was his legendary sense of humor and camaraderie more apparent than on his many visits to his beloved Duluth. A frequent guest at district dental functions, he was most famous for his long relationship with that venerable dental “study club” the Duluth Dental Forum. Several years ago, I had the daunting task of editing the entire Forum’s meeting minutes to produce “A Fifty Year History of the Duluth Dental Forum.” The exploits of the Dean and his buddies Charles “Bucko” Wilkinson and Tony Romano on the annual Forum Fishing trips are legion, historic, sometimes embarrassing but always hilarious.

The Dean, as we all know, was a pioneer in the field of Periodontics; you might say he was the “Michelangelo of the Mucosa”. He was the first periodontist in the world to graft cartilage. He published hundreds of scientific articles on evidence-based periodontics and was the Director of the American Board of Periodontics and President of the American Academy of Periodontics.

But let’s talk fishing. The Dean was an expert smallmouth bass fisherman. In 1975 he landed the largest smallmouth bass (is that an oxymoron?) taken by fly fishing in North America. I recall seeing a photo of a stringer of a limit of small mouth bass caught by the Dean, every fish was at least five pounds, and you “smally” fishermen know what a big deal that is. The Dean was a skeet shooting champion and at age 70 won a gold medal in downhill skiing careening through the finish line fencing in the process!

The Dean will always be remembered for his efforts to make the “new” University of Minnesota Dental School building a reality. I was a student at the time he was fighting for construction money in the State Legislature. His plan, as I recall, was to
ask for the moon so that after they cut back his request he would be left with just what he needed. Well, he was so convincing he got the “moon” and more. The result is that famous part of the University skyline known as the Moos Tower. Irwin’s obituary claims it is affectionately known as “Schaffer’s Molar”, those of us actually present at the time recall the Dean being needle by his friends, there was a different anatomical structure mentioned in reference to the impressive tumescence of the tower’s architecture.

As impressive as the dental school structure is, how more impressive was the way the Dean furnished it with some of the finest minds of our profession. The Dean scoured the state, especially the hinterlands, where he recruited a staff of the finest “wet fingered” (you young folks don’t want to know what that means) dentists, clinicians like the aforementioned Tony Romano, and Iron Rangers: Bob Anderson and Bill Hudelson made the Department of Operative Dentistry at the University the best in the nation; Odie Langsjoen replaced A.B. Hall, and Fred Noble succeeded him. The Dean also scoured the planet to bring in folks like Larry Meskin, who founded the Department of Health Ecology, Hussein Zaki, periodontist from Egypt, Maria Pintado, expert on dental anatomy, from Ecuador and Mike Till, pedodontist, from exotic Iowa. I thank God for the Dean and the truly world class education he provided us.

Yes, the Dean left his mark not only on the University skyline but on the hearts and minds of countless students, faculty, researchers, friends and patients, not to mention schools of smallmouth bass.

The Dean, we will not see his like again, may he rest in peace.

**NEBRASKA**

*Editor: James J. Jenkins*

Two thousand and eight was another productive year for the Nebraska Chapter of the International College of Dentists. **James Jenkins** is the current President of the Nebraska Chapter, and **Mark Minchow** is the Vice President. **Paula Harre** is the Treasurer and **Deb West** is the Secretary. **Larry Haisch** is our Deputy Regent. The Nebraska Chapter’s current Counselors are **Joan Sivers, Henry St. Germain, and Myron Pudwill**.

The Nebraska Chapter of the International College of Dentists has been very active in the state of Nebraska in leadership roles involving service and philanthropic dental events. The Nebraska Mission of Mercy charity dental clinic was a huge success again this year, serving over 1,000 patients and generating more than $571,000 of free dentistry to the needy. Nebraska Section ICD member, **George Schlothauer** was the site chairman for this event in Mitchell, Nebraska located in the panhandle of our state. The Nebraska Chapter of the ICD substantially increased its financial support of the Nebraska Mission of Mercy project this year.

Nebraska Chapter ICD members also continue to hold leadership roles in charitable dental service missions locally, nationally, and internationally. In addition, this year the Nebraska Chapter increased its financial support of worthy student scholarships for dental students attending the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry and Creighton University School of Dentistry. The Nebraska Chapter is also continuing its support for both dental schools’ research funds.

The Nebraska Chapter of the ICD was very pleased to welcome its newest Fellow in 2008, Dean Cope. Dr. Cope practices general dentistry in Cambridge, Nebraska and was inducted into the International College at the ceremony held in San Antonio, Texas during the ADA convention. Congratulations, Dr. Cope! The Nebraska Section is looking forward to another very successful year in 2009.

**NORTH DAKOTA**

*Editor: Gregory J. Johnson*

The North Dakota Chapter of the ICD met in Bismarck, ND on September 26th, 2008 in conjunction with the North Dakota Dental Association. Two of our members received honors from the Association this year.

**Larry Gjerstad** was named the 2008 Guest of Honor. Dr. Gjerstad practices in Mott, North Dakota which is probably the smallest town shown on many world globes. Larry and his wife Margaret have a long list of involvement in their community, church and professional organizations. Larry is, or has been, a member of many professional organizations – among them, the ADA, the NDDA, AGD, AAFO, IAO, AES, ICD, Christian Dental Society, and ND State Board of Dental Examiners. He has held many leadership positions including Trustee and President of the North Dakota Dental Association.

**Ken McDougall** was presented the 2008 Outstanding Achievement Award. Dr. McDougall practices in Jamestown, North Dakota. Ken is married to Rosemary and they have two children. Ken started by serving on the Legislative Committee for the ADDA and through the years has been President of the Central District Dental Society, President of the NDDA, an alternate delegate or a delegate at the ADA annual meeting for eight years and a member of the Council on ADA Sessions. Ken was fortunate enough to be elected and serve as the General Chair of the ADA’s annual meeting in 2007 at San Francisco.

**Bill Hunter**, Deputy Regent, ND, conducted the meeting of the ICD. A motion by **Tom Fellman**, Vice Regent, 10th District, and **Larry Hoffman** was passed to again pledge $2000.00 to the Kikuyu Dental Clinic in Kenya. The funds will be used as Bill
Hunter, Deputy Regent, ND deems appropriate, possibly for a fund to assist patients unable to afford the cost of the dental care they receive.

Susan Swanson and Tony Malaktaris have been elected to Fellowship this year. Dr. Swanson is speaking at the San Antonio meeting this year and will defer her induction until 2009. Dr. Malaktaris was inducted in San Antonio.

DISTRICT XI

MONTANA

Editor: Tom R. Lidahl

The Montana Club, located in the historic downtown of Montana’s capital Helena, was the site of the annual social function and dinner of the Montana Chapter of the ICD.

This was the fourth time that the ICD and the Montana ACD have gathered for an evening of Fellowship, fine dining and elegant ambiance. The Montana Club, established in 1885, is the oldest, private social club in the Northwest. The menu of Prime Montana Rib of Beef and Grilled Salmon was enjoyed by the nearly 50% turnout of our state’s Fellows. We were proud to extend a hearty “Montana Western Welcome” to several out-of-state guests including District 11 Regent Jack Clinton and his wife Mary, Vice Regent Dexter Barnes and his wife MaryAnn, ADA Trustee Mary K. Smith, AdPac Representative Doug Walsh, and Past President of the ACD Marcia Boyd and husband Ian.

The Fellows and guests in attendance were once again honored to hear, for one last time as District 11 Regent, Jack Clinton, Dean of the School of Dentistry-OHSU. Jack never fails to inspire as a mentor and leader. When I read the part of the ICD Mission Statement, “... dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professional achievement and meritorious service and the continued progress of the profession of dentistry...”, I think of Jack Clinton. Thanks again, Jack, for your tireless dedication to our profession and to the ICD!

We know how to have fun and enjoy a great evening of Fellowship in Montana, but we also get down to business when necessary. Two days following our gathering at the Montana Club, we met for our annual business meeting and luncheon. Recognition was given for the wonderful job that Deputy Regent Bill Fraser has been doing in increasing our number of Fellows through an aggressive nominating process. The quality and number of new Fellows in the past few years has been astounding, and we pledged to continue that increase membership goal on which Bill has worked so hard. Bill was also congratulated for his role as the next Vice Regent for District 11. Jack Clinton was again thanked for his work as Regent, and we wished him the best as he continues ICD leadership as USA Section Vice President. Dexter Barnes was also recognized and wished the best in his future job as new Regent for District 11. I was honored to accept the position of Montana Deputy Regent and will continue to serve as our state editor.

It was noted that our Chapter has a very high participation in the Peace Corps Project and we set a goal of possibly reaching 100% participation in the next year or two. Along with that goal we also pledged to improve our Chapter’s involvement in the ICD’s motto, “Be a Leader-Make a Difference.”

OREGON

Editor: Ronald C. Short

The small town of Ashland, Oregon lies in the southeastern corner of the famous Rogue River Valley of southern Oregon. Ashland is guarded by Mount McLoughlin of the Cascade Mountain Range, 20 miles to the northeast, and Mount Ashland, of the Siskiyou Mountains, 8 miles to the southwest.

The Rogue River is aptly named. It is famous for its fishing and white-water rafting and even more so for past floods. It bumbles out from the base of prehistoric Mount Mazama, 30 miles northeast of 9,495 foot high ice-cream cone Mount McLoughlin, named for the father of Oregon, Dr. John McLoughlin. Dr. McLoughlin was the Chief Factor for Hudson Bay Company’s Fort Vancouver from 1824 to 1846. He was a large, kind, autocratic man who controlled Oregon Country until the provisional government of the State of Oregon was formed.

The town of Ashland is home of a world-famous Shakespearean Theatre and summer-long Shakespearean Festival. A fitting place for ICD Oregon to hold its 21 to 24 August annual summer rendezvous of good cheer and learning. I am sure the “Bard” would approve. The reproduced, outdoor “Globe Theatre” is magnificent, the productions incomparable, the food and lodging first class and the festivities refreshing. Continuing Education classes were presented by ICD members Carson Kendall, DDS, Jeffery Stewart, DDS, Jack Clinton, DMD, Wendell McLin, DMD and Barry Evans, DMD. All 44 members and guests headed home at the end of our assembly, well fed, well rested, well educated, well entertained, well reacquainted and reluctant to leave.

We have leadership changes in District 11. Our District 11 Regent, Jack Clinton, DMD, is now ICD USA Section Vice President. We wish him well and know he will do an outstanding job as he always does.

Oregon ICD’s Student Leadership Award for a graduating student went to Andrew Dow, DMD ’08. His father is Douglas Dow, DMD ’77. His uncle is Robert Dow, DMD ’56, and his brother, Coleman Dow, is a second year dental student.

Also graduating this year were: Melissa Beadnell, DMD ’08, daughter of Steven Beadnell, DMD ’80; and Matthew Park, DMD ’08, son of Richard Park, DMD ’67.

Congratulations are in order to the following:

Steven W. Beadnell, DMD of Portland, Oregon and James C. Catt, DMD, President of the Oregon Dental Association, from Medford, new members of Oregon ICD. William Bonnisen, DMD, voted Outstanding Clinical Instructor by the 2008 OHSU School of Dentistry graduating class.

E. Robert Quinn, DMD, was selected as a faculty marshal at the 2008 OHSU.

Jack Clinton, Vice President, USA Section, Past Regent District 11 and Dean, School of Dentistry – AHSU, enjoys a light moment with Montana Fellows.
School of Dentistry graduation ceremony.

Winthrop B. Carter, DDS, Chairman of the Department of Periodontology, OHSU School of Dentistry received the American College of Periodontology’s Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring Award.

Thomas Pollard, DMD, immediate Past President and James Catt, DMD, President of the Oregon Dental Association for the many hours of leadership they have performed for dentistry in Oregon.

This will probably be my last article for the KEY. It has been a fun ride, but it is time to switch horses. I have been ridden hard and put away wet a few times too many and I need a good rest. My best to all of you who have read and commented on my literary efforts. Thank you.

Ron Short, Editor, Retired.

WASHINGTON

Editor: Richard J. Mielke

Three outstanding students of the University of Washington School of Dentistry were honored at the annual meeting of the Washington Chapter in July. Sara Haley and Elizabeth Robinson received $1,000 Frank Burns Guthrie scholarships. The award is named for the late former Deputy Regent often recognized for his leadership and dedication to the dental profession. Karlyn Taylor received the ICD Leadership Award.

At the same meeting, Richard Mielke received the Distinguished Fellow award. Currently serving as the Eleventh District and Washington Chapter editor, Richard was Editor of the Washington State Dental Association for 12 years. In 2002 he received the President’s Award from the WSDA. At present, he is a member of the WSDA Editorial Advisory Board. As ICD Chapter editor, he published the first chapter newsletter, a joint project with the state American College and Pierre Fauchard chapters.

In May the Washington Chapter joined colleagues from the American College and Pierre Fauchard Academy to sponsor the 20th annual Tri-College CDE Day. Founded by the late Frank Burns Guthrie, the event raises money for dental students in the state. So far over $50,000 has been donated.

At the September WSDA House of Delegates David Houten became President, and James Ribary was chosen President-elect.

Within the ICD, Dexter Barnes has moved up to the position of Regent of District Eleven.

Douglass Jackson, Associate Dean for Educational Partnerships and Diversity at the University of Washington School of Dentistry, directed a summer “camp” at the school for high school students from the Yakima area in central Washington. The purpose of the camp was to develop student interest in dental careers and the study of science and math in general. The goal was to increase minority representation in the oral health field.

Robert Allen was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Washington School of Dentistry for 2008.

DISTRICT XII

ARKANSAS

Editor: George Martin

The Arkansas Chapter of the ICD sponsored the Distinguished Lecture Series during the fall seminar of the Arkansas State Dental Association. The speaker was Bill Prentice, the AED for governmental affairs of the ADA.

Bob Mason, Marvin Loyd, Tommy Roebuck, Bill Lefler, Jim Orsini, and Robert Gardner were recognized by colleagues and friends for their service to the Arkansas National Guard.

Lynn Mouden was recognized for receiving the Outstanding Achievement Award by the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors at the National Oral Health Conference in Denver.

Robert Allen was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Washington School of Dentistry for 2008.
in Hot Springs, Arkansas. ICD awards for graduating dental hygiene students were presented. Dottie McAnally was the recipient for the U. of A. Ft. Smith campus. Laura Springer received the award for UAMS and Emily Gilbert received the award for Pulaski Vo-Tech.

At the ADA meeting in San Antonio five people from the state of Arkansas, Warren Whitis, Lee Hinson, Tim Chase, Marc Muncy and Mike Brown were inducted into the College.

In other membership news, Joe Thomas volunteered to be the Leadership Coordinator for the Arkansas Chapter. George Martin agreed to be the Chapter’s Editor.

LOUISIANA
Editor: Milford Kathmann, Jr.

Just when we thought we had turned the corner on Hurricane Katrina, Hurricanes Ike and Gustav roared into our state. Once again, the dental community and many others rallied to help those dentists impacted by the storms. Our members remain grateful for the support of the ICD in rebuilding our dental education facilities.

On a happier note, this has been a year of new beginnings for both our state and the ICD. Henry Gremillion was named to succeed Eric Hovland as dean of the Louisiana State University School of Dentistry.

Gremillion, a native of Louisiana, and a graduate of Louisiana State University School of Dentistry, was formerly a Professor of Orthodontics at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. He has been elected to national leadership posts and continues to serve in key roles of national dental groups. He was named Teacher of the Year numerous times, was awarded the 2008 Academy of General Dentistry Theodore Weclaw Award for exceptional contributions to the art and science of dentistry, and the AGD Mastership Award, and holds membership in Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honorary Dental Fraternity. He received the General Dentistry Award by the LSU School of Dentistry in 1977 and the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2001.

Hovland continues to serve the Dental School and the Health Sciences Center. He took a six-month sabbatical as an Oral Health Policy Fellow for the American Dental Association as part of his preparation to develop both a dental public health curriculum and public health funding opportunities. Hovland was instrumental in the recovery of the dental school post-Katrina.

Louisiana ICD congratulates the new Fellows from Louisiana: David Neal Austin; Glenn C. Dubroc, Jr; Francis Thomas Giacona; Edward J. Hebert; L. Stephen Ortego; Timothy Richardson Perry; Thomas Henderson Price; and John B. Whitley, Jr.

The Deputy Regent for ICD Louisiana is Charles S. Mackey of Lake Charles, LA. He succeeds Terence E. Walsh. Officers for ICD Louisiana are Randy Green, president; Mark S. Chaney, vice president; Ken Schott, treasurer; C. Richmond Corley, Jr., Bill Kalpakis, Harris L. Poret, Terence E. Walsh, and Kaylan Worley, counselors; and, Milford L. Kathmann, editor.

Louisiana lost two outstanding members this year: Eugene J. Fortier, Jr., who had held top leadership positions in local, state and national dental organizations, and Randolph B. Malloy, Professor and Assistant Dean of Advanced Education and Hospitals, Department of Dentistry, Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans.

The ICD 2008 Student Leadership Award was presented to Michael Joseph II at the LSUSD Awards Day Cermony. Randolph D. Green received the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus of LSU School of Dentistry Award.

Serving as officers of the Louisiana Dental Association are Charles B. Foy, Jr., President-Elect; Edward J. Hebert, Secretary-Treasurer; Randolph D. Green, Director; and, Robert Barsley, Speaker of the House of Delegates. David N. Austin is editor of the LDA Journal and Gary Roberts and Kaylan Worley are currently serving on the Editorial Board.

The LDA 2008 Distinguished Service Award went to Guy Ribando, Jr., for exemplifying the highest standards of professional conduct in dentistry and one who has made extraordinary contributions in organized dentistry and his community. Clay C. Hunley and Vincent N. Liberto were recognized by the LDA for 50 years of service to dentistry.

Ross DeNicola, Jr., clinical assistant professor of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, received the 2008 C. Edmund Kells Society honorary faculty member award.

Several ICD Fellows were recently elected directors and delegates of the New Orleans Dental Association: F. Thomas Giacona, Director of the Louisiana Dental Association; Mark Chaney, Delegate to the American Dental Association; Robert Barsley, Alternate Delegate to the ADA.

Darlene T. Bassett received the 2008 NODA Honor Dentist Award.

Barsley, professor and director of the dental health resources program at the LSU Health Sciences Center at LSUSD, was recently elected vice president and membership chairman of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

Frank Martello was appointed by Governor Bobby Jindal to the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He is a past president of NODA and a recipient of the LDA Distinguished Dentist Award. Since 1984 he has volunteered his services to the United Cerebral Palsy of Greater New Orleans and currently serves on its medical advisory board.
The Louisiana ICD invites all Fellows to visit the state and to enjoy its many gifts – fabulous food and magical music – that even hurricanes cannot blow away.

DISTRICT XIII

CALIFORNIA

Editor: Donna B. Hurowitz

Fifteen new California ICD members were inducted on October 17, 2008 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio, Texas.
as ICD Regent and served as an ADA Officer prior to that.

COLORADO
Editor: Pasco W. Scarpella

The Colorado ICD met as a group at the annual session of the Colorado Dental Association (CDA) at Vail Cascade resort, last June, in conjunction with the American College of Dentists (ACD) and Pierre Fauchard Academy (PFA). The groups met again at the Rocky Mountain Dental Convention, January 15, 2009, in Denver. This year, the fourth annual ICD Leadership Award was presented to Jeffery M. Hurst, CDA President, for his many years of leadership in organized dentistry, for being a champion of Medicaid reform, and for educating young people about dental topics through the Explorers Program.

The Colorado Mission of Mercy was held July 17-20, 2008, at The Ranch at Larimer County Fairgrounds in Loveland, Colorado. Two of our ICD members headed up the large-scale event: John Hanck (COMOM Task Force chair) and Tom Pixley (Loveland Site Chair). The event served over 1,400 patients, and did $1.18 million worth of donated dental services. The event involved a total of 162 dentists, 76 hygienists, 194 dental assistants, 39 laboratory technicians, 77 other ancillary medical professionals, and 327 community volunteers. Numerous ICD members were involved in the Mission of Mercy as dentist/participants. The next mission will be held September 11-13, 2009, at the Adams County Regional Park in Brighton. Pasco W. Scarpella will be the Task Force and Site Chair. Those interested can sign up to participate on the COMOM web pages at www.cdaonline.org.

HAWAII
Editor: Nora K. Harmsen

The annual White Coat Ceremony was held at the University of Colorado School of Dentistry (CUSD) on January 14, 2009. Forty-eight sophomore dental students were presented with embroidered white clinic coats in acknowledgment of their transition to the world of clinical dentistry. Presentations were made by James Setterberg (ICD Deputy Regent of the Colorado Section), Jan Buckstein (ACD Colorado Section Chair), and by Terry Brewick (PFA Colorado Section Chair). Dean Denise Kassebaum and Associate Dean Randy Kluender also addressed the students. ICD Regent and ADA Treasurer, Ed Leone, was in attendance. Professional ethics, integrity and honesty were among the topics intertwined throughout the various talks.

Throughout the year, the Colorado ICD not only sponsored a senior dental student at CUSD, but also sponsored various other activities at the dental school and the International Student Program where graduates from foreign countries are here to complete additional training in order to receive licensure.

Jeffery M. Hurst became the 122nd president of the Colorado Dental Association last June at the CDA annual session in Vail. He plans to emphasize legislative affairs and have an increased legislative presence at the state capital. In addition, he plans to continue to push for Medicaid reform, and a revamping of the leadership model for the CDA.

Hawaii Dental Association. The event was held at the Hawaii Convention Center (site of the upcoming ADA Annual Session this fall) and was well-attended. Dr. Ed Leone, current ADA treasurer and ICD Regent for District 14, gave an update with regards to ADA business as well as the progress in finding a new executive director. Dr. Jack Clinton, dean of the University of Oregon School of Dentistry and ICD Vice President, shared the importance and honor of membership in ICD. He encouraged our membership to continue to grow with outstanding leaders as our new members. Other guests in attendance included Dr. Joel Glover, former 14th District ADA Trustee, and Dr. Bert Sumikawa, attending his first meeting since his induction in San Antonio.

The keynote speaker was the Lieutenant
Governor of the State of Hawaii, Mr. James R. “Duke” Aiona. He reinforced his commitment to a healthy Hawaii by emphasizing that dental health is a main component to this goal. His concern for dentistry was initiated by his older brother, a periodontist, and his experiences included sitting for many state board exams. In response to a question concerning mid-level providers of irreversible dental procedures, he indicated an understanding of the issue as he is a lawyer and understands the limitations of paralegals. The Lieutenant Governor asked for the membership to remain in contact with his office, to work together to continue to improve the oral health condition of the residents of Hawaii.

The breakfast concluded with a brief business meeting of the local members of ICD. This included preliminary plans to hold a continuing education presentation and social event on the island of Lanai in June of this year. We are also preparing our list of candidates for induction this Fall into the 2009 Class at the Annual Session right here in Honolulu! We hope that members of ICD from across the world make their plans to visit us in Honolulu in October of 2009.

**UTAH**

*Editor: Richard Engar*

Two major activities were organized and held by the Utah ICD Chapter leadership during 2008. These included an annual meeting held in conjunction with the Utah Dental Association’s annual meeting/convention and a summer social.

Section Chairman, Norman Rounds greeted a large percentage of Utah ICD members for a breakfast meeting on Friday, February 15, 2008 in conjunction with the well-attended Utah Dental Association annual convention. Dr. Rounds mentioned that only 5% of Utah members have been nominated as worthy to join this prestigious group. He recognized the dignitary and section officers in attendance and acknowledged the following:

- **Newell Warr:** President, USA Section
- **Ken Versman:** District 14 Trustee from Colorado
- **Richard Petty:** Utah Section Chair, Pierre Fauchard Academy
- **Charles E. Foster:** UDA Convention Chairman
- **Dr. Rounds also recognized other UDA dignitaries and past presidents in attendance. He acknowledged that Vice-Regent, David Okano from Wyoming was snowed in and unable to travel to Utah for the meeting.**

In addition, he acknowledged those Utah Chapter ICD officers and volunteers in attendance:

- **Secretary/Treasurer:** Randy Black
- **Counselor:** Roger Grua
- **Counselor:** Joe Blanch
- **Editor:** Richard Engar

Dr. Rounds introduced new members inducted at the annual ICD meeting held in San Francisco in conjunction with the 2007 ADA Annual meeting: Mark Cowley, Craige Olson, Rich Radmall and James Williamson.

New District Regent, Ed Leone gave a special presentation which updated several aspects of ICD membership. Utah Chapter Distinguished Service Awards were given to past UDA Presidents and UDA Delegates to the ADA, Mark Blaisdell and Ronald Bowen.

Finally, accolades were given to Newell Warr, former District Regent, recent special Distinguished Service Award from the Utah ICD chapter, and 2008 USA Section ICD President. Dr. Warr quipped that if you live long enough and serve long enough, these awards and opportunities will eventually come.

On July 18, 2008 several ICD members and spouses met once again for a social in Logan, Utah to have an enjoyable dinner together at the Copper Mill Restaurant and to attend a musical, “1776,” produced by the Utah Festival Opera Company and featuring a mixture of local and national professional actors. The event was hosted by Counselor, Joe Blanch and a splendid time was had by all.

On the political scene ICD members were instrumental in spearheading a change in the Utah Licensing Division’s CE rules which would require all dentists to take an ethics course as part of the two-year license renewal cycle. The rule change has not been finalized but has been encouraged since members of most other professions in Utah, including insurance agents and lawyers, are required to take ethics courses as part of their licensing cycle. The Utah Section of the ICD plans to be integrally involved in promoting and supporting appropriate courses when the rule takes effect, most likely in the early part of the next decade.

**DISTRICT XV**

**TEXAS**

*Editor: Douglas B. Willingham*

Two Thousand Eight was a banner year for Texas, as members held or assumed national offices, and its mentorship program, “Great Expectations”, gained wide attention.
John Findley of Plano was installed as president of the American Dental Association at the A.D.A. annual session held in San Antonio in October.

Also at that meeting, Leighton A. Wier of San Antonio became president of the U.S.A. Section of the International College of Dentists. Continuing as I.C.D. officers from Texas are Bill Clitheroe of Sugar Land, I.C.D. College and U.S.A. Section Foundation treasurer, and Richard M. Smith of Amarillo, U.S.A. Section treasurer.

Other notable achievements among 15th District Fellows include those of Patricia L. Blanton, Dallas, a past president of the Texas Dental Association and 2008 president of the Texas Section of the American College, who received the "Lucy Hobbs Taylor Woman Dentist of the Year" from the American Association of Women Dentists; Christopher F. Anderson, Lubbock, editor of the Texas Dental Journal, who received the Golden Pen Award, Division One, in the I.C.D.'s annual dental journalism competition and was named president-elect of the American Association of Dental Editors; Richard M. Smith named 2008 "Texas Dentist of the Year" by the Texas Academy of General Dentistry; Glen D. Hall, Abilene, who received the President's Award from T.D.A. president, David May for extraordinary leadership as the association's speaker of the House of Delegates; Kim Freeman, Lake Jackson, recipient of the Texas District's 2007 Annual Literary Award; June Sadowsky, Houston, the Texas District's 2008 Literary Award; and Mark W. Williamson who received a Mastership in the Academy of General Dentistry

Other officers and leaders from Texas in 2008 included Hilton Israelson, Dallas, president of the Texas Dental Association; Gerald Glickman, Dallas, incoming president of the American Association of Endodontists; Moody Alexander, Dallas, regional coordinator of the I.C.D.'s Leadership Initiative Committee; and of course our 15th A.D.A. District trustee, Jerry Long of Houston, and Paul Stubbs of Austin, I.C.D. District 15 regent.

The Texas District was delighted to be in the limelight at the American Dental Association's Annual Session in San Antonio. Hosting a lavish convocation and dinner-dance, numerous Fellows were honored, including outgoing U.S.A. Section president Newell Warr and outgoing College at Large president Norinaga Moriyyama.

Twenty-Four Texas dentists were inducted into the College. They were, Drs. Terry B. Adams; J. Moody Alexander; Steven A. Astuto; Jean Evelyn Bainbridge; Lorin F. Berland; Barry F. Currey; Jeryl D. English; Dale W. Green; Kelly W. Keith; J. Kavin Kelp; Edwin A. McDonald III; Susan B. Paoloski; Tyler L. Pendergrass; Wayne C. Radwanski; Hedley Rakusin; Gregory Ward Rashall; F. Emile Rossouw; John K. Rugeley; Lance Vandohrn Sanders; Glenda Fisher Smith; Douglas A. Terry; Robert Emory Wiggins, Jr; Larry M. Wolford; and Prentice Wayne Woods.

Perhaps the biggest news coming from Texas is the widespread accolades accorded its "Great Expectations" project. This mentoring program for dental students, the brainchild of our past 15th District president, Moody Alexander of Dallas, inspired also by Bill Birdwell of Bryan and supported by our current leadership, mainly immediate past-president John Chandler, Huntsville, and new president Tommy Harrison of Katy, along with members of the Dallas County Dental Society and faculty members of Baylor College of Dentistry, most notably Mark Gannaway, Jack Long and Larry Herwig, has become a model for encouraging dental students nationwide to be ethical practitioners. More importantly, the “Great Expectations” program has been designed to foster mentoring and a sense of support and community in a largely isolated and sometimes scary dental education experience.

The “Great Expectations” program has spread to the two other dental schools in Texas and indeed shows promise of becoming a nation-wide dental school mentoring program. The American Dental Association’s 2008 annual Golden Apple Award for “Achievement in Dental School/Student Involvement in Organized Dentistry” went to the Dallas County Dental Society, unofficially in cooperation with the Texas District of the International College of Dentists.

The annual meeting of the Texas District was held on January 24th, 2009, at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas. A full house was entertained by Dr. (aka “the Reverend”) Steve Stutsman. Officers installed were: President, Thomas C. Harrison President-Elect, Risé L. Lyman Secretary-treasurer, Michael L. Stuart Editor, Douglas B. Willingham Continuing Regent, Paul E. Stubbs

On a sad note, the Texas District noted the death of the Texas Dental Journal’s editor, Dr. Christopher F. Anderson of Lubbock, Texas, a prominent member of the organized dental community nationwide and a leading dental editor. The Texas District voted to make a substantial contribution to the Texas Smiles Foundation, a component of the Texas Dental Association, and to rename the Texas District’s Annual Literary Award, the “The Christopher F. Anderson Annual Literary Award”.

USA Section President Leighton Wier wears many hats in our profession – some in good taste. Flanking him are Richard M. Smith (l), USA Section Treasurer, and Paul Stubbs, 15th District Regent and personal shopper.

John Chandler (c) receives the 15th District President’s Award from incoming President, Tommy Harrison (r) and Michael Stuart, Secretary Treasurer
With great enthusiasm Bettie introduced our new USA Section Vice President Dr. Ted Roberson and 16th District Regent Dr. John Olmsted. Everyone is particularly proud to have these two outstanding men represent our state in the official family of the USA Section. This is Dentistry’s premier organization and should receive our generous support. New ICD Fellows that were inducted in San Francisco were introduced. They were Drs. Stan Allen, Cindy Bolton, Harry Culp, Cindy Wiley, and Keith Yount. We support the ICD Student award recipient each year to attend the NCDS meeting who had just graduated. Unfortunately, Dr. Shannita Bridgers was unable to attend. Regent John Olmsted’s son, Dr. Matt Olmsted was the recipient of the ACD Student Award and in September will begin his Masters training in UNCSD’s Orthodontic Program. The Humanitarian Mission to Moldova by students Pearly Shah, Dr. Nazir Ahmed from MCV and Dr. Matt Olmsted drew rounds of applause from all present. Academic Affairs director at UNCSD Dr. Janet Guthmiller presented an interesting program titled “Taking the Lead in Dentistry.” This was a fitting program for the group since the ICD encourages all its Fellows to BE A LEADER.

Jose Sarasola of Gainesville was the 2008 recipient of the Senior Dental Student Award and Daniel Bass was the recipient of the Student Leadership Award from the Florida ICD. Both recipients were from Gainesville and the presentations were made by Deputy Regent William F. Robinson.

Our annual breakfast meeting with the Florida Pierre Fauchard Academy is once again in conjunction with the Florida National Dental Convention on June 20, 2009.

NORTH CAROLINA ICD/ACD ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The joint meeting was called to order by Deputy Regent Bettie McKaig on May 16 at the Kingston Plantation Embassy Suites in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina with about 100 Fellows and wives from both Colleges in attendance. Each year Bettie has done an outstanding job to bring both Colleges together with what is a well-attended and enjoyable part of our North Carolina Dental Society Meeting. She is very attentive to making sure that the meeting provides an overview of our profession locally and nationally of changes that could affect our Profession and the Dental Practice Act. This was beautifully orchestrated by the introduction of NCDs Executive Director Dr. Alec Parker who presented the informative report on the progress of the new East Carolina Dental School, UNCSD, State legislative action that affects our Society, and comments about the Society’s progress over the years. He focused on changes in the Dental Practice Act that are occurring in some states that do not serve the best interest of the patient population. He admonished everyone to stay abreast of national trends in dentistry that may affect our practice and stay politically active to have some voice in any proposed changes.

FLORIDA

The Seventeenth District welcomed sixteen new Fellows into the ICD at the San Antonio meeting last fall. We were pleased to honor; Amer Afif Abu-Hanna of Gainesville, Eva Ackley of New Port Richey, Nolan Allen of Clearwater, John Anderson of Jacksonville, John Beattie of Orlando, Kimberley Daxon of St. Petersburg, Mervyn Dixon of Fort Lauderdale, Betty Hughes of St. Petersburg, M. Reza Iranmanesh of Tampa, Ronald Kobernick of Largo, Richard Levine of Tampa, Charles Llano of Lakeland, Robert Payne of Marianna, Cesar Sabetes of Coral Gables, C. Jeff Scott of St. Petersburg and Joe Thomas of Vero Beach. Our inductees of the Class of 2008 are the best of dentistry and will proudly represent the ICD.

We will be diligently working as a District to involve more members of the ICD into Mentor programs at both of our Dental Schools- University of Florida College of Dentistry and Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine. We want to associate “Leadership” and the International College by participating wherever we can in our universities’ leadership development programs.

Our annual breakfast meeting with the Florida Pierre Fauchard Academy is once again in conjunction with the Florida National Dental Convention on June 20, 2009.
If possible, submissions of the text of articles for the 2010 edition of the *KEY* should be single-spaced, done in Word Format and emailed to the editor at RJKDDS59@COMCAST.NET. Photography to be used with the article may also be sent electronically and preferably in color. Although we will make every effort, we cannot guarantee the return of original photographs. It is best to send a duplicate.

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