



THE DISTRICT NOTES

District I: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

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Regent's Letter

Great Expectations Mentoring Professionalism: A renaissance took place with the College's Leadership Initiative with the development of a program called Great Expectations Mentoring Professionalism. The program is designed to guide the beginning dental student toward a more professional attitude and behavior through peer influence. Initially this peer influence is through selected upper classmates chosen by faculty and staff for their integrity and professional demeanor. Mentors from faculty and practicing ICD volunteers assist junior and senior dental students to host small groups in various activities that

range from a get together to subjects of mutual interest such as pre-clinical techniques. Participation is voluntary; cohesive camaraderie is developed. Practicing ICD Fellows host students in their offices – professional behavior is taught by example. The natural student to mentor-student peer influence is gradually transferred from the faculty and practicing mentors, so that by graduation the student has acquired a strong sense of professionalism through this peer influence. This award winning program started at Baylor College of Dentistry and is being viewed with interest by other schools.



Christine Benoit, Regent

An informational brochure is available at: <http://www.usa-icd.org/information/PDFs/Great-Expectations—mentoring.pdf>. For further information please contact your state Deputy Regent.

Special points of interest:

- Interview with Joe Kenneally
- Art works by: Lori Woodward Simons, with permission of the artist; copyright to remain with the artist www.loriwoodward.com

Mission

The International College of Dentists is a not-for-profit organization which awards fellowships to dental professionals for conspicuous and meritorious service to the profession of dentistry. Fellows in the College continually strive to maintain and elevate the dignity of the profession through the highest standards of ethical and professional conduct and are enjoined to recognize their responsibility to participate in the affairs of society as citizens in their community and throughout the world.

The International College of Dentists was formed to advance the science and art of dentistry for the health and welfare of the public; to bring together the world's outstanding members of the dental profession for the exchange of dental knowledge; to encourage the growth of the profession; and to promote cordial relations among dentists worldwide.

STATE NEWS

Connecticut

Bruce Tandy continues in his role as President of the Connecticut State Dental Association. Jonathan Knapp is Immediate Past President and **Jon Davis** is the President Elect of the CSDA. **Perry Opin** is the Speaker and **Ken Sunshine** is the Secretary of the House of Delegates. **Brian Duchan** is Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Governors.

Robert Schreibman continues to lead the Connecticut Mission of Mercy volunteer dentistry effort for the underserved. This year over 2,900 patients received free dental care.

Jerry Lowney of Norwich is the 2010 recipient of the prestigious District One Distinguished Service Award, which will be presented at this year's Yankee Dental Congress.

The Connecticut ICD members are holding their annual luncheon, in conjunction with the Pierre Fauchard Academy, on Friday, May 7th during the Connecticut State Dental Association meeting at the Mohegan Sun Resort Casino. We hope to see you all there.



River View, CT
Lori Woodward Simons

Maine

The Maine chapter of ICD held its annual luncheon on June 20, 2009 at the Somerset Resort. This event was used to introduce dental students to the advantages of living and practicing in Maine. More than forty scholarships of \$200.00 were awarded to dental students.

MDAs **Frances Miliano** received an Honorary Fellowship in the College. **Jonathan Shenkin** is President of The MDA; **Karl Woods**, Secretary; **Joe Kenneally**, Treasurer; **Jeff Dow**, **Lisa Howard** and **Jim Schmidt** all serve on the Executive Board. **Denise Terriault** is President of the Maine

Board of Dental Examiners; **Jerry Cohen** and **David Moyer** serve as Board Members.

Joe Kenneally will be awarded the prestigious Etherington Award during the upcoming Yankee Dental Congress.



Duck Pond, Acadia National Park, ME
Lori Woodward Simons

Massachusetts

ICD Fellows are very well represented among the leadership of the Massachusetts Dental Society. Newly elected Fellow **John Fisher** is President-Elect and **Tom Borgia** serves as Vice-President with **Milton Glicksman** as Immediate Past President. Also serving on the Executive Committee are **Charles Gagne**, Treasurer and **Anthony Giamberardino**, Assistant Secretary. MDS Board of Trustees includes Fellows **James Cinamon**, **June Lee**, **Daniel Mahoney**, **Janice Moriarty**, **Lisa Vouras** and **Michael Wasserman**

The General Chair for this year's Yankee Dental Congress is new Fellow **Thomas Trowbridge**. **Barbara Kay** was honored as the 2009 Lucy Hobbs Taylor Woman Dentist of the Year by the Association of Women Dentists and **Kathleen O'Loughlin** was chosen as the new Executive Director of the ADA. Also at the national level, **Robert Faiella** is entering his final year as ADA Trustee for the First District.



Summer Marsh, MA
Lori Woodward Simons

STATE NEWS

New Hampshire

Fellows **Pamela Baldassare, Richard Rosato, Glenda Reynolds** and **Richard Vachon** are all members of the New Hampshire Dental Society's Executive Committee. **Charles Albee** continues as President of the NHDS Foundation and serves on the NH Board of Dental Examiners. **Robert Haney** and **Donald Johnson** continue to promote a mentoring program at the university level. **Neil Hiltunen** and **Don Johnson** have spearheaded an organization of retired and retiring dentists. Neil currently is President of the NH Board of Dental Examiners. Fellows **Eliot Paisner**, **Richard Vachon** and **Charles**

Albee participated in an ICD day of donated dental services. They were assisted by dental student **Mike Paisner**. **Margaret Snow** was recognized by NH Magazine as "Dental Hero" of the year. Margaret presented a keynote speech on Dental Heroes. Senior Tufts dental students **Michael Paisner** and **Jeffrey Vachon** participated in this well attended meeting. **Elliot Goldberg** received the NHDS Charles Lambrukas Award for meritorious service to Tufts Dental.



Souhegan River, NH
Lori Woodward Simons

Rhode Island

Marian Royer is a member of The Scientific Sessions Committee for the Rhode Island Dental Association. **Mark Small** is President-Elect of RIDA. Other officers of the RIDA include **Frank Connor**, President, **Barbara Cavicchia**, Vice-president, and **Steven Brown**, Treasurer. **Jeffrey Dodge** remains on the Board as immediate Past President after a successful year as President. **Ed Mehlman** continues as Long Term Delegate to the ADA House of Delegates. **Edward Ferry** and **Joseph Pezza** recently returned from a volunteer mission to Haiti, where they provided care to the residents of several rural villages.

Raymond George, Sr., immediate Past President of the American Association of Orthodontists, is to receive the Dr. Frederick Moynihan Award from the Massachusetts Association of Orthodontists for major and significant contributions to the field of orthodontics. **James Brennan** was the recipient of the Dr Joseph Di Stasio Award from the Northeastern Society of Orthodontics for distinguished and exemplary leadership and service to the specialty of orthodontics. **Stephen Puerini** and **Rodney Thomas** will be recognized in January for their 20 years of service to the Northeast Regional Board.



After W.T. Richards, RI
Lori Woodward Simons

Vermont

This year marked a change in Deputy Regent for the state of Vermont. **David Averill** has served in this position for the past 4 years and has now passed this on to **Judi Fisch**. David has done a great job representing Vermont for ICD District I. He has been very active in the Peace Corp Project and distributing oral health care kits to pregnant teens in Vermont. We thank David for his hard work and dedication to the College. **Joyce Hottenstein** is the secretary of the Vermont State Dental Society Executive Board and was very active in ICD while attending dental school at Boston

University. **Joyce** practices general dentistry in Rutland, VT. **David McLean** is the second director of the Executive Board for the Vermont State Dental Society. He practices general dentistry in St. Johnsbury, VT in a busy group practice. Drs. **Katherine Silloway**, **Richard Dickinson**, and **John Langfeldt** are members of the Vermont Board of Dental Examiners. Dr. **Paul Kenworthy** is the current President of the Vermont State Dental Society and Drs. **Jeffrey Berkowitz** and **David Averill** are Executive Board members of the Vermont State Dental Society.



Putney, VT
Lori Woodward Simons

MEET THE NEW FELLOWS

Hawaii 2009

John Fisher of Marblehead, MA is a graduate of Temple University School of Dental Medicine. He is Vice President of the Massachusetts Dental Society, Chair of the Delta Task Force and the Mass Health Task Force. He is the MDS Board liaison to EDIC and is past president of the Salem YMCA and Rotary International in Salem. John remains active in community and church philanthropic activities.

John Gagne of Waterbury, CT received his dental degree from Baltimore School of Dentistry. He has been active in his local dental society and the Connecticut State Dental Association where he has served as PAC chair and is currently in his fifth year as a member of the ADA House of Delegates. John is a certified instructor for alpine and telemark skiing.

Geraldine Garcia-Rogers of Winchester, MA received her dental degree from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and her MS in Pediatric Dentistry from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. She has been active in the Massachusetts Dental Society and was a member of the first class of the leadership Institute at MDS. Currently she is Vice Chair of the Middlesex District Dental Society and will serve as chair in 2010. Dr. Garcia-Rogers has volunteered on numerous committees for the Yankee Dental Congress and is presently co-chair of General Arrangements for YDC 35. Geraldine and her husband John have two sons, Kyle (7) and Lucas (5). The Garcia-Rogers family is very musical; Mom is a soprano and plays piano and guitar, John sings bass and plays piano, Kyle plays viola and Lucas violin.

Joseph Giordano is a 1979 graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine where he served as Student Council President. Dr. Giordano completed the Tufts orthodontic program and is a Diplomat of the American Board of Orthodontics. He currently serves on the Executive Board of Tufts Dental Alumni Association. Joe practices in Andover, MA where he has been a longtime member of Rotary and UNICO. Apart from dentistry he is an avid musician and plays guitar, bass and piano. Joe and his wife Peggy have two grown children, Eric and Elisa.

Joyce Hottenstein of Rutland, VT is a 1998 graduate of Boston University Goldman School of Dentistry where she was class treasurer for three years. Joyce is the current President and Treasurer of the Rutland County Dental Society and the current Secretary of the Vermont State Dental Society. She is currently co-owner of Affiliates in Dental care in Rutland. With her children grown, she spends her spare time mentoring at-risk teens and enjoying the many wonderful outdoor activities Vermont has to offer.

John Knapp of Bethel, CT, a graduate of The University of Connecticut School of Dentistry, is Immediate Past President of the Connecticut State Dental Association. Jon served on the Down Syndrome Congress and the "Purple Tooth Society". He sings with an acapella group which regularly performs at community events.

Demitroula Kouzounas of Saco, ME is a graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and is a member of the Maine Dental Association Board of Directors. She is a founding member of "Dentists for Maine" and continues to volunteer for that organization. Dr. Kouzounas and her husband, Dr. Joseph Penna, also a graduate of TUFTS Dental, have two children, Nicholas, a senior dental student at TUFTS, and Joseph, a student at Roger Williams University.

David McLean of St Johnsbury, VT is a graduate of Indiana University School of Dentistry. Dr. McLean served six years with the US Army Reserves. He is on staff of the NE Vermont Regional Hospital and is Executive Board President of the Vermont Area Health Education Center. David serves on the Executive Board of the Vermont State Dental Society and chairs the Northern New England Committee for the Success of the University of New England Dental School.

Frances Miliano is a graduate of the University of Maine at Portland Graham, cum laude. She became the Executive Director of the Maine Dental Association in 1991, having previously served as MDA Assistant Executive Director, and in dental offices in varying capacities. Ms. Miliano received Honorary Membership in the MDA in 2005, is recognized on the MDA's "honorary wall" for outstanding service and is the first non-dentist to receive the President's Award of the MDA. She is active with the Maine Special Olympics, church activities and enjoys travel, family, knitting and folk art.

Jack Mooney is Past President of the Connecticut State Dental Association, 2006-2007. He served as the CSDA Access Committee chair in 2009 and as co-chair of the CSDA Council on Legislation. Currently DR Mooney serves as an ADA Delegate and on the ADA Council on Government Affairs.

Dennis Pelegrino of Walpole, NH graduated from the New York University College of Dentistry. He served as President of the New Hampshire Dental Society in 1992-93 and was a member of the ADA Council on Governmental Affairs and Federal Dental Services from 1992-96. Dr Pelegrino also served as Chair of the Delta Dental Plan of New Hampshire where he chaired the Executive Committee. Dennis is currently president of several associations in Stoddard and Walpole, NH.

Glenda Reynolds grew up in South Dakota, attended Lake Superior State College in Michigan, and attended the University of Minnesota for Dental School. She is very proud of her service in the Air Force after dental school. She has been in private practice since 1996. Dr. Reynolds is a member of and has served as an officer for the Zonta Club of the Lakes Region, a women's service organization. She is currently involved with the New Hampshire Dental Society and is the 2nd Vice President. In her community, she is coordinating a volunteer effort to provide basic dental services to a refugee population from Nepal.

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Richard Rosato, a graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, received his certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery from the University of Illinois. He is currently the President of the New Hampshire Dental Society and the NH OMS Society. He serves as delegate to both the ADA and the American College of OMS. Rich is an avid hockey fan and has coached youth hockey.

Marian Royer of Portsmouth, RI graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and completed a residency in Comprehensive Dentistry at the Naval Dental School, Bethesda, MD. She and her oral surgeon husband, Jim, completed careers in the Naval Dental Corps. They have two children, Bridget (22) and Phillip (18).

Medha Singh is an Assistant Professor at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine. She is a Diplomat of the American Board of Periodontology. Dr Singh received her Bachelors in Dental Surgery from Government Dental College, Maharishi Dayanand University in India and her DMD from TUSDM where she also received her Certificate of Achievement in Periodontology and MS in Periodontal research. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Periodontology Foundation and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Dr. Singh is the co-investigator on several research projects in the Division of Oral Medicine at Tufts with a current research focus on periodontal diagnosis and treatment in the saliva hypo-function population.

Mark Small of Cranston, RI is a graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and is currently the President-Elect of the Rhode Island Dental Association. He has been active in the South County Dental Society, serving as Treasurer, Vice-President, and President. He has served in several positions in the RIDA. Mark and his wife Darlene live in North Kingston, RI with their three children.

Thomas Trowbridge of Lowell, MA received his dental degree from Northwestern University and his medical degree from the State University of New York-Stony Brook. Tom, a practicing oral surgeon, is active with the Massachusetts Dental Society and is the editor for his component dental society. He is the general chairman of Yankee Dental Congress 2010 and is the President-Elect of the MA Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Dr. Trowbridge is active in his community and serves as the chair of the North Andover, MA Board of Health. Tom and his wife Karen have two children, Matthew and Rachel.

Michael Wasserman of Pittsfield, MA is a graduate of New York University College of Dentistry. He is on the Board of Trustees of the Massachusetts Dental Society where he serves on the Mass Health Advisory Committee and the Task Force on Medicaid participation. Michael is on the Board of Directors of Temple Anshe Amunim in Pittsfield; he volunteers on the Access to Care Van and Free Care Days. Michael is an accomplished pianist.

Francis Zaino of Fairfield, CT, is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Dentistry and maintains a general practice with his son-in-law Jason Scully. Francis serves on the Board of Governors of the Connecticut State Dental Society and is a Past President of Fairfield University Alumni Association. He enjoys golf, travel and visiting Walt Disney World with his grandchildren and wife Dale Beth.

Paul Zimmerman of Augusta, ME is Chief, Dental Service and Adjunct Faculty at the Togus Veteran's Administration Center where he practices hospital based general dentistry. His teaching responsibilities include overseeing the dental residency program as an adjunct faculty member of the University of North Carolina, Tufts, Boston University and Arizona dental schools. Dr Zimmerman received his dental degree from The Ohio State University and is President-Elect of the Maine Dental Association. He enjoys golf, computers, fishing, kayaking and cycling.



Jeremiah J. Lowney, Jr. to receive Distinguished Fellow Award

Jeremiah J. Lowney, Jr. is an orthodontist with a practice in Norwich, Ct. Born in Fall River, MA, Dr. Lowney received a B.S. from Tufts University, a D.D.S from Temple University School of Dentistry, an M.S. and Certificate of Proficiency in Orthodontics from SUNY at Buffalo, and an M.P.H. from the University of Connecticut. His military service was in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps where he held the rank of Lt. Commander and was on the USS Antiem during the Cuban blockage

Dr. Lowney founded the Haitian Health Foundation; he was knighted by Pope John Paul II and is a knight of St Gregory the Great, a Knight of Malta and a Knight of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem.

The Distinguished Service Award will be presented on Friday, January 29th, 2010 during the District I Awards Luncheon to be held during the Yankee Dental Congress. This year's luncheon will be held at the Lighthouse Room, Seaport Hotel, Boston, MA starting at 12:00 p.m.

Interview with Joe Kenneally, Vice Regent



Joe, congratulations on the Etherington Award. Thanks for taking the time to have this discussion.

Your travels through the political and social sides of dentistry have been long and varied. You have spent, and continue to contribute to the Maine Dental Association, ADA District 1 and ICD District 1. What got you started in the first place?

In 1983, just two years out of Tufts Dental, my Rotary Club asked me to speak on a dental subject. I chose community water fluoridation, as our local water system was not yet optimally fluoridated. The next thing I knew, I was the chairman of a fluoridation drive. It ultimately passed, and I still consider that to be one of my proudest achievements in dentistry. After that, I was hooked.

What advice did you receive early in your career to inspire you to be so involved?

My parents were great long distance campers. In my childhood, we crisscrossed the country many times. Every morning of a trip, before we left a spot, my Dad would say, "Always leave the campsite better than you found it", and we would do just that. I guess it stuck.

Did you have an early mentor?

I have had many mentors at different times. Certainly, two previous Etherington Award recipients from Maine, Tony Bates and Jim Schmidt helped me along the way. But early on, the words of my first dental school Dean, General Robert Shira, have stayed with me. On the very first day, he gave our class this advice: "If you keep the best interests of the patient sitting in your chair foremost in your mind at all times, you will never have to worry about paying back your student loans or buying your next meal."

What advice can you offer to the new generation of dentists?

It is easy to get caught up in the workings and success of your own practices and family life, but I recommend that you always remain aware of what happens in the world that will have an impact on your profession. We have a proud history of care that comes from our insistence upon maintaining the standards of a great profession. Each of us has a duty to uphold and protect those standards, especially in today's legislative and educational arenas.

Congratulations on receiving the Etherington Award. What a great honor. Can you share some of your thoughts on this award?

When I look at the list of past winners of this award, I feel very humbled to be in such company. Most of the time, I have approached dental leadership the way a dentist might: when I identified a hole, I filled it. I think this award is the culmination of doing a lot of small, but important, tasks over a long period of time. One of the great keys to success is showing up to work.

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INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS

Upcoming Events

YDC Presidential Awards Ceremony—Wed. Jan 27, 2010

6:00-8:00 p.m. Etherington Award recipient:

Joseph Kenneally

ICD Awards Luncheon— Fri Jan 29, 2010 12:00-1:45 p.m.

Distinguished Award recipient Jeremiah Lowney, Jr.

Ten-day Panama Cruise March 3-13, 2010

Massachusetts meeting- January 29, 2010, Seaport Hotel

Connecticut meeting- May 7, 2010, Mohegan Sun Resort

Maine meeting - October 1, 2010, Somerset Resort

Choices

Past choices... have you ever stopped to think how many choices you have made in your lifetime to get to where you are now? You can never be sure which choices will turn out to be the most meaningful.

Present choices...if you are still practicing, what choices do you make every day for your patients? If not practicing, what choices do you make to continue to contribute?

Future choices...what choices that you make tomorrow will make a difference? Whether practicing or not, the College offers many opportunities to contribute. Just go to the ICD web site and see the myriad of projects available from the Peace Corps initiative to mentoring. Stay involved; get involved!

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