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ON INTEGRITY

"If you have integrity, nothing else matters. If you don't have integrity, nothing else matters." - Harvey Mackay

I was delighted to take a day out of my busy schedule to fly to Denver and witness the swearing into the ICD of my good friend and former shipmate **Dr. Stewart Powers**. As I sat in the audience I was struck by the diversity of music the very talented **Dr. T. Bob Davis** played for us. It made me think of the diverse backgrounds of the dentists being honored on that day. As I contemplated the diversity of the honorees my mind naturally and eventually pondered the things that they shared in common. As I mentally distilled their common traits I ended up with the word "Integrity."

Merriam Webster defines integrity as "firm adherence to a code of especially moral or artistic values." I think my assessment of our new members as people of integrity is accurate and it makes me proud to be honored with membership in this college.

Claude Stephens, Editor



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REGENTS REPORT BY DR. RISE' MARTIN



The fall meeting of the USA Section Board of Regents was held October 20-21 in Denver, Colorado. All meetings and events were held at the Sheraton Hotel. During the Annual Convocation, the College welcomed 317 new Fellows with 32 from Texas (District 15) in alphabetical order:

Jude T. Arisco – Temple, Kevin J. Beitchman – San Antonio, Dan Bentley – Manvel, Janelle Burnette Bicknell – Grand Prairie, Frankin Samuel Bonasso – Austin, Norman Russell Chu – Houston, Donald F. Cohen – Houston, Justin A. Dacy – Boerne, Brooke Zane Loftis Elmore – Temple, David Fray - Houston, Duc "Duke" M. Ho – Katy, Eric Hollander – Austin, Jennine K. Huet – The Woodlands, Summer C. Ketron – Lubbock, Jonathon R. Kimes – Austin, Robert R. Lemke – San Antonio, Ralph E. Martin – Corpus Christi, Christine Marie Meiners – San Antonio, Charles W. Miller – Arlington, Glenda G. Owen – Houston, James L. Paukert – Houston, Joe M. Piazza Jr. – Houston, Stewart Powers – Red Oak, Susan Puthoff – Kerrville, Thomas B. Randers, Jr. – Lubbock, Amerian Dianna Sones – Dallas,

Jeanne C. Sutton – Houston, Madeline J. Anderson Thomas – Cedar Hill, Charles Everett Thompson – Harlingen, Fred J. Voorhees – Austin, Ben F. Warner – Houston, and Thomas R. Watkins – San Antonio.

Thank you to all of you who nominated these deserving fellows to ICD! Now is the time to submit your 2017 nomination. Just go to usa-icd.org and scroll down the home page to click on "New Fellow Process". If you have any problems, contact **Roland Davies** at Rdaviesdds@aol.com

Dr. Richard Smith from Amarillo continues to serve as Treasurer for ICD-USA Section and the entire ICD. We are all in good hands with him watching over our funds.

Our annual breakfast at the SWDC in Dallas was well attended and we hosted our ICD-USA Section President, **Dr. Margaret M. Culotta-Norton** from Washington D.C. She was quite a lady posing in her beautiful Texas cowboy hat. Several 25 year pin extensions were presented to **Dr. Bob Anderton**, **Dr. Brian Babin** and **Dr. Ed Shiller**.

Dr. Culotta-Norton installed our new officers for 2017: President – **Gus Gates**, President – Elect – **Donna Miller**, Secretary/Treasurer – **Mark Gannaway**, Editor – **Claude 'Rick' Stephens** and Immediate Past President – **Don Lutes**.

At the TDA meeting in May 2016, Texas ICD hosted the ICD/ACD/PFA breakfast sponsored by McLerran and Associates and presented a number of 25 year pin extensions to ICD members. **Dr. Birgit Glass, Dr. Charles Hoopingarner, Dr. T. Bob Davis ,Dr. Fred Phillips, Dr. George Richards, Dr. John Kostohryz, Dr. Glenn Ruthaven Sr.,** and **Dr. Russell Schlattman III.**

I am proud to say that our Great Expectations Professional Mentoring program is doing well at all three dental schools. Thank you to all of you who mentor students and help with these programs.

I hope that you enjoyed our first digital newsletter in June. We hope to bring more digital news to you. This has been a busy year. Don't forget to LIKE our Texas ICD facebook page!

ICD FELLOW DR JOHN BAKER RECEIVES THE CERTIFICATE OF INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE FROM THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

In August of 2016, the American Dental Association sent out their annual Certificates of **International Volunteer** Service to deserving ADA members. The recipient dentists all volunteered their time and services to relieve pain and suffering of people in disadvantaged countries. Dr. John Baker has gone on 38 mission trips over 19 years to serve the impoverished communities in Mexico. Dr. Baker has been a full time practicing dentist in Dallas for 49 years.



Below, Dr. Baker shares some of the aspects of his mission service:

"For 20 years, my best friend **Bob Burleson** and I had explored the most impoverished areas of the Chihuahuan Desert in northern Mexico adjacent to Texas. Bob decided to do as much as possible to help these disadvantaged friends that we had come to know. Through the Baptist River Ministry Program, Bob started mission work that included habitat improvement, education, infrastructure development, medical and health clinics, dental clinics & more. I became the dentist for this endeavor, which involved caring for these wonderful people in three small villages and several outlying goat camps.

These Mexican Indians exist in the most primitive imaginable conditions, living in brush huts, caves, lean-tos, brush arbors, and dug outs - a 150 year ago type of existence with dirt floors and cooking outdoors for the most part. Needless to say, with our equipment which included compressed CO2 tanks and high speed drills, we were able to give these people as fine a dental care as any place in the world. Working under a tree, a brush arbor, a tarp, and sometimes in an adobe hut, we performed fillings, extractions, periodontal cleanings and surgery, and all types of care instructions to these impoverished people. All the while with goats, chickens, turkeys, hogs, donkeys, horses and dogs competing for our work space. Some of our oral surgery was of the type that, had we been in the United States, we would have put the patient in the hospital and used general anesthesia. However, as is often the case, God provides the healing and the protection for these types of emergency situations in such primitive settings. We had many unusual experiences, such as being taken into custody by locals and having to work on 'their' family. We had men with guns have us do dental work on them all day as they held their firearms across their chest while we worked. Others stood in a circle around us with their rifles ready, waiting each for their turn. But by and large, my dental care for these people was the most satisfying aspect of my 49 years in dentistry, as these families became my regular patients, seen and helped 2 or 3 times each year for 19 years."

DR. DAN BENTLEY, ON ICD MEMBERSHIP

As I was waiting to walk across the stage and be inducted into the International College of Dentists, I felt very humbled by the whole experience. There were so many passionate and engaged individuals in the room. Whatever I have contributed to this profession and the community has been a gift to me. As a student at San Antonio I had **Dr. Dale** and **Dr. Harbor.** They poured quality into me and some of it must have stuck. I had a great example of Dr. Richard Smith when in private practice in Amarillo concerning organized dentistry, and it was refreshing to see and talk to him during the proceedings in Denver. The community of faith I was led to in Amarillo has had a most profound and lasting effect on my practice of the profession of dentistry, and from **Dr. Waterhouse** I obtained the desire to be of some assistance to the missionaries working with the Tepejuan and Nahuatl people in the mountain villages of



Mexico. The friendships and opportunities to serve which dentistry provided to me are still invaluable. I am also so thankful I said yes to educators in Houston associated with this fellowship like **Gary Frey** and **Jay Welch**. The world of academia was not on my agenda, but my partner's daughter became a dentist, my daughter entered UT School of Dentistry, and after selling my practice to the Bradys I followed Michelle to the dental school and have never left. Dental education is a high calling, but oh so rewarding. From it I have opportunities to interact with some of the most dedicated people I have ever known, and now I also get to work with my precious daughter, also the mother of my four grandchildren. I have had a great professional life, shared every day from the beginning with my supportive and actively engaged wife Susan. I am so fortunate. Many have poured so much into me, and I am so blessed by them. If I was called to this, and I think I was, I am so grateful I said yes.

The annual
breakfast meeting at
SWDC in Dallas is
scheduled for
Saturday, September
16 at the Omni Hotel
at 7 am.



2016 Texas ICD New Members

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

The Great Expectations mentorship program continues to promote leadership and professionalism by pairing second year dental students with third and fourth year students, as well as faculty members and working dentists.



Houston



San Antonio

ICD DENVER 2016 CONVOCATION













ICD DENVER 2016 DINNER DANCE

















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ON SERVING OTHERS BY DR. KEVIN BEITCHMAN



"To help other people at all times." If you have ever been a part of the Boy Scouts of America, you will recognize this as a statement made in the Boy Scout Oath that we say at the beginning of every event. Since I became a boy scout at age 10, these are not just words that I repeat; it is a very, very important core value that I try always to live by, even moreso as an adult. I am very humbled by my recent nomination and subsequent induction into the International College of Dentists. It is not an honor that I sought out; to be guite honest, I was not very familiar with the ICD and its wonderful role in dentistry until my nomination earlier this year. My strong desire to always be of service to others, inside or outside of my profession, has always seemed to me to be one of the most important purposes of life itself. Thus, I have and continue each day to seek out ways to fulfill this

purpose. As health care professionals, we have the opportunity everyday to help our patients, and as leaders in our communities we are frequently given the opportunity to do even more.

Each time I have had the chance to serve others, I have always come away with a great sense of satisfaction, that I actually got more out of it than I expected to. The reward of seeing someone else learn a new skill, as when I teach a young boy scout in my role as an assistant Scoutmaster, or accomplish a difficult task, as occurred when I served as a chaperone/band doctor for the nearby high school band for 10 years at their performances, gave my face a smile that I couldn't turn off. Five years ago, **Dr. Rise' Martin** was kind enough to ask me to consider becoming a part of the Great Expectations Program, where incoming dental students at UTHSCSA were paired with a dentist from the private sector to serve as a mentor. I vividly remembered those exciting days in my early professional life. The anticipation of embarking on a career path I had dreamed of since middle school and the trepidation and uncertainty of how to navigate these new waters. During those early, formative years, I was very fortunate to meet many nice future colleagues. Some were kind enough to invite me into their offices to observe dentistry in action. Others were even so generous as to take me out to dinner and "tell me the real scoop" about life in general and dentistry in particular. One summer, between my junior and senior year in dental school, I was lucky enough be selected to participate in the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity Externship Program. During this program, I spent 2 weeks in Los Angeles, living with fellow dental students from UCLA at night, but each day visiting different dental practices and soaking up all sorts of great information. It was, in fact, one of these offices, that of Dr. Al Baum and his sons, which inspired me to seek out the career path I ultimately chose, that of an orthodontist. For all this, I am eternally grateful. But as I went through this marvelous journey, I would frequently ask the beneficent doctors I met what could I do to repay their generosity? Almost always I got back the same answer: "Just remember to give back, to someone else, when the time comes. I have never forgotten those words. The Great Expectations Program gave me the opportunity to repay the kindness those doctors long ago showed me. Over the last five years I met with my group of dental students and explored a wide range of topics, from clinical procedures, to how to run a practice, as well as some social time to just unwind like when I took the whole group to play a round of Top Golf.

DR. KEVIN BEITCHMAN, CONTINUED

I have personally found the Great Expectations Program to be very fulfilling. Not only has it given me another opportunity in my life to give back and help others, but the enthusiasm of these future colleagues is contagious, we had a lot of fun learning from each other! I would strongly encourage my fellow, established, dental colleagues to get involved if asked and I am grateful to be part of such a wonderful program.

Experiencing personal hardships can also be a source of motivation to serve others I have found. This could not have been truer than when I was inspired to create a charitable program in 2014 which I call "Spring For A Teddy Bear Of Love". I began the project in April of that year because I wanted to cheer up kids in the hospital. I knew the children got a visit from Santa in the winter, but there was not much joy for them to look forward to the rest of the year. The need is something my wife and I experienced firsthand. When our son, Joshua, was born prematurely in 1992, he was held in an intensive care incubator for a month, and even had to undergo surgery at just 5 days old. I remember what a difficult time it was for my wife and I, and how a small teddy bear by the side of the incubator reminded us to be hopeful. 22 years later, Joshua, now a strong college student, declared he was going to apply to medical school, to become a doctor himself. This made me recall how far my son had come from those first few scary weeks of his life. I told my wife that I wanted to give something back to Methodist Children's Hospital, where our son was cared for years ago, and their patients. I knew what it was like when my family was there, and I felt this strong need to bring other parents and their children hope, because my wife and I had been through it. So I got together with my staff, and organized other dentists in the area, to make custom bears for children at Methodist Children's Hospital. My staff and I then handed out the finished bears to kids in the cancer ward, intensive care unit (ICU), and emergency ward. In one day in April 2014, we personally handed out 58 bears. In 2015, its second year, the program gained momentum. This time around, my office worked with 45 classes in 3 local elementary schools, engaging their students to build bears for the project, and energized even more dentists to sponsor and participate. More than 50 dentists and their staff helped the event succeed. In April 2015, we built 120 bears, and every single child at Methodist Children's Hospital received a custom-made, hand-delivered teddy bear. The "Spring For a Teddy Bear Of Love" program continues to grow, in April of 2016 we delivered 155 custom made bears to every child in the hospital as well as in the hospital's outpatient clinic. It is almost impossible to put into words the happiness we all derive when handing out these teddy bears, seeing children in their hospital beds all of a sudden break out in the biggest grins when we present them with these bears and ask if they can take care of them! Even more rewarding, is seeing their distraught parents who sit bedside, for a few moments, lose their sense of worry and stress as they see their child, at least for a little while, forget all the tubes and medicines and experience a little bit of joy in their life. It is in moments like these, that we all recognize, it is so much more fulfilling when we are of service to others.

My hope in sharing these stories with others is that someone else might be inspired to do something to help someone else. To realize that no act of kindness is too small, and that the ultimate reward is in the giving itself. Being a member of the International College of Dentists now, just reinforces my ongoing desire of this very important core value of Service, to continue "To Help Other People At All Times."

TEXAS ICD 25 YEAR MEMBERS

James Raymond Fay

Joseph M. Pelle

1978

1965

Billy Don Coulson C. Moody Alexander James Leo Gutmann John L. Rumley William D. Love 1979 **Bobby Harold Hughes** Frank Santos Jr. 1970 Roy R. Gonzalez George A. Richards William E. Wyatt Sr. Eugene W. Brock Eugene Hickey Rene M. Rosas 1989 Robert D. Londeree Jr. John Franklin Nelson Martin W. Stratemann Malcolm Tim Dobbins Jerry M. Turner Edwin B. Shiller John D. Wilbanks Charles H. Moore James W. Yancy Harold L. Smith Lowell D. Whitlock Jr. Gregory B. Scheideman 1971 A. Edwin White Jr Leighton A. Wier Patrick D. Sculley 1986 David A. Woolweaver E. Penn Jackson 1980 1972 Robert L. Hart Charles L. Bruchmiller 1990 Donald B. Bedford Richard A. Eklund Tom B. King Alan R. Bryant David G. Brunner Fred F. Simmons Jr. James E. Gjerset Charles H. Casey Simon Civjan Norman T. Speck John F. Helfrick Philip Jon Corbin Robert T. Frame Robert R. Debes 1981 Robert B. James Guy O. Keeter James Q. Barnes Joseph M. Kenworthy Birgit Junfin Glass William J. Kemp Franklin K. Eggleston James T. Mellonig Henry S. Hammer 1973 William E. Knehans Fred T. Philips Jr. Arthur H. Jeske Jack B. Snowden 1982 Russell H. Schlattman II John G. Kostohryz 1987 Robert G. Spalten Jerald L. Merritt William L. Oliver Andrew C. Doerfler Clifford L. Condit II Dan C. Peavy Jr. Robert A. Rugeley 1974 Glenn A. Ruthven Sr. Byron J. Hall Russell J. Stratton William E. Landefeld Robert G. Triplett Edward T. Herbold Charles W. Wakefield Jr. 1975 Olin Brynilde Vaughan Ralph G. Johnson III Ronald D. Woody Richard G. Alexander 1983 Kenneth F. Jones Mohamed Zamaludin Samuel H. Adams II Kevin L. Seidler 1991 James V. Burnett Robert M. Anderton Raul C. Caffesse Milton Kevin Sorrels Leslie O. Fullerton Paul E. Stubbs Fred A. Garrett William L. Glenn Jr. W. Kenneth Horwitz Joseph S. McCreary William E. Litle Dwight C. Swimley Charles Hoopingarner 1976 John H. Park Jr. 1988 J. Bradley Loeffelholz Joseph G. Schneidler Edward P. Allen Jack H. Harris Robert B. Mayhew Walter G. Williams W. Paul Radman Patricia L. Blanton Michael J. McQuade 1984 A. Gary Rainwater T. Bob Davis Sue Ellen Richardson **1977** Brian Babin Edward H. Sauer John B. Farmer Jr. William G. Frick William J. Kemp Jr. Reg L. Gartner Paul G. Swinney Burton J. Kunik 1985 Tom M. McDougal Terry D. Rees L. Jack Bolton John C. Parsons

25 YEAR ICD PINS AT TDA

We are so fortunate in Texas to have so many dedicated ICD members. We currently have over 100 dentists who have been members of the ICD for more than 25 years. The Texas ICD Board decided that they wanted to honor those members who have shown such a commitment. During the Texas Dental Association meeting and the joint breakfast of ICD/ACD/PFA, with over 100 dentists in attendance, the following members were recognized and presented an extension for their ICD pins (starting top left): **Dr. T. Bob Davis**, **Dr. John Kostohryz**, **Dr. George Richards**, **Dr. Russell Schlattman II**, **Dr. Leighton Wier**, **Dr. Birgit Glass**, **Dr. Fred Philips Jr.**, **Dr. Glenn Ruthven Sr.**, and **Dr. Charles Hoopingarner**.









IN MEMORIAM

James Fay of San Antonio, Texas
Robert S. Kline of San Antonio, Texas
Isaac Konigsberg of Missourri City, Texas
Tom Larkin of Addison, Texas
John D. Wilbanks of El Paso, Texas



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UPCOMING EVENTS

2017 ICD USA SECTION ANNUAL MEETING October 16 - October 20, 2017

2017 ICD USA Section Annual Meeting information will be published in February at http://www.usa-icd.org

2017 TDA MEETING May 4-6, 2017

Dr. Jay Adkins, Dr. Jean Bainbridge and Dr. Tommy Harrison are organizing a course titled "Relativity Applies to Physics, Not Ethics." The course is being held on Friday, May 5th from 8-11 and is FREE. They will be showing dental office scenarios that challenge your decision making process and will review ICD and ADA code of Ethics. Course Code F100.

The **ACD/ICD/PFA joint breakfast** will be Friday, May 5 from 6:45-8:15 am at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in the Grand Hyatt and the cost is \$35.

Register online at http://www.tdameeting.com Course Code F79.