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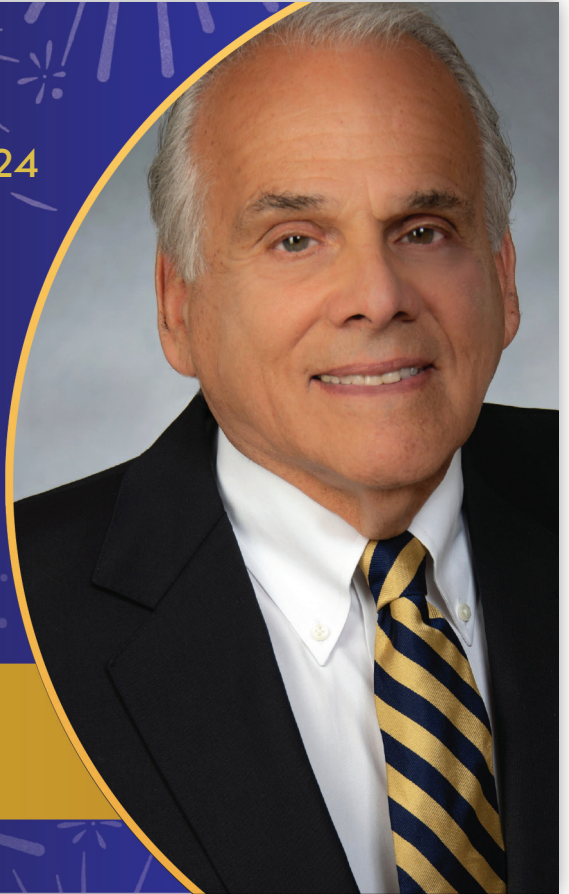
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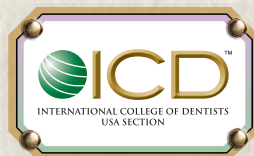


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- Provides support and respect for our peers.
- Addresses oral health needs and education throughout the United States and the world.
- Fosters an atmosphere of collaboration.

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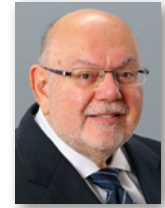
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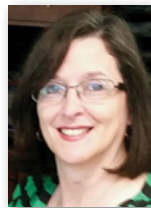
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Throughout the Key, each USA Section District is represented with a group photo of New Fellows captured during the events. Please join us in congratulating each District Nashville-style. Find your District below:

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ADVANCING OUR MISSION TOGETHER



Chelsea Segren
Executive Director
International College of Dentists

I am honored to introduce myself as the new global Executive Director of the International College of Dentists. My appointment marks a significant step in the ongoing evolution of ICD's governance, and I look forward to maintaining an open line of communication with you all as we continue our mission of advancing global oral health together. I encourage you to contact me by email or phone with any questions or concerns.

The ICD has proactively evolved over the past century, adapting to meet the needs of our global community. One of our most pressing challenges remains engaging our worldwide network of 12,000 Fellows across 16 Sections and 140 countries, each with its own language and cultural landscape. Yet, we take on this challenge because we know that collaboration amplifies our impact. Through our collective efforts, we drive advancements in dentistry and oral health that no single individual or organization could achieve alone.

Strengthening Our Global Impact

The ICD is a membership-based, nonprofit organization. Thus, ICD Fellows will always play a critical role in advancing oral health through their individual contributions. By leveraging Fellows' individual efforts collectively, we can foster deeper collaboration, mentorship and service initiatives to expand this impact even further.

Expanding Grant Opportunities

Our commitment to global oral health continues to grow through an expanded grant program made possible by a sustainable public-private partnership. In the past year alone, we have supported over 40 humanitarian projects worldwide, providing 20,000 people in vulnerable populations with essential oral health care, resources and education.

Supporting Future Dental Leaders

Since its inception in 2018, our ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Program has awarded \$90,000 in financial assistance to 38 deserving dental students. This initiative is fueled by cross-sector donations, and the USA Section Foundation continues to be the largest funder of annual scholarships. The program helps reduce financial barriers for students pursuing careers in dentistry. As we move forward, we aim to expand the scholarship to support students outside of the US, reinforcing our commitment to nurturing the next generation of dental professionals globally.

Launching the Global Oral Health Leadership Institute™

This year, the ICD Global Oral Health Leadership (GOHL) Institute™ kicked off its inaugural class of future oral health leaders. The Institute is designed to equip professionals with the skills to navigate emerging health and social challenges through cross-sector collaboration. Our long-term vision includes building an engaged alumni network to sustain these efforts and foster continuous innovation in global oral health, with the ultimate goal of seeding local-to-global systemic change.

In our constantly evolving oral health landscape, unity, collaboration and engagement are essential for the College to fulfill its mission. By harnessing our collective efforts, we will amplify our impact. ICD Global is committed to doing just that. I am humbled to serve as your Executive Director, and I look forward to advancing our ICD mission together.

Warm regards,



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ICD'S GLOBAL ORAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE™ LAUNCHED

The International College of Dentists, in partnership with Henry Schein Inc., celebrated the launch of the Global Oral Health Leadership (GOHL) Institute™ at a distinguished dinner event held at the Harvard Club in NYC on December 1, 2024. The evening marked a transformative moment for oral health worldwide, bringing together leaders, entrepreneurs and stakeholders committed to advancing oral health equity.

About the GOHL Institute™

The International College of Dentists' Global Oral Health Leadership Institute™ prepares selected leaders worldwide to address evolving oral health challenges through an interdisciplinary approach, emphasizing equity, innovation, sustainable solutions and systemic change on local, regional and global levels. The Institute conducts a one-year certification program designed to equip industry, dental and medical leaders with the skills, resources and connections needed to tackle the most pressing oral health issues, while expanding an alumni network focused on mentorship and engagement.

Dr. Ian Doyle, ICD Global President, welcomed guests and highlighted the expanded mission of the GOHL Institute™, noting its focus on collaboration, inclusion and innovation.



"This is not just a continuation of an impactful program, but an evolution aimed at addressing today's most pressing global health challenges through leadership, policy and advocacy."

Dr. Sara Hurley, GOHL Institute™ Program Director and former Chief Dental Officer of the UK, previewed the past, present and future vision of the program, emphasizing the interconnectedness of oral health with broader health and socio-economic systems.



"Oral health is a social justice issue. Through the GOHL Institute™, we aim to nurture leaders prepared to tackle disparities, navigate complex global systems, and champion equitable access to care."

The celebratory event showcased the unique interdisciplinary approach of GOHL, which brings together experts from dentistry, public health, industry and academia. Delegates from Harvard University, King's College London and industry partners such as Henry Schein Inc., were recognized for their pivotal roles in shaping the program and their support for the GOHL Institute's predecessor, the Senior Dental Leaders Program (SDL). Attendees included SDL alumni, ICD Global leaders from 20 countries, and prominent industry and media figures.



(L-R) Argirios Pissiotis (Past Global President, ICD), Ira Titunik (Immediate Past President, ICD USA Section), Brett Kessler (President, ADA), Stan Bergman (Chairman of the Board and CEO of Henry Schein Inc.), Carol Summerhays (Consultant, Henry Schein Inc.), Robert Faiella (President, ACD), Ian Doyle (Global President, ICD), Joseph Kenneally (Secretary General, ICD)

Stan Bergman, Chairman of the Board and CEO of Henry Schein Inc., spoke on the company's 20-year partnership with the program and its commitment to advancing oral health initiatives globally. Henry Schein's financial and technical contributions have been instrumental in transitioning the program into the dynamic GOHL platform.



"The power of public-private partnerships, coupled with visionary leadership, can unlock the potential to improve oral health worldwide. Initiatives like the Global Oral Health Leadership Institute™ exemplify our shared commitment to prioritizing oral health as an integral part of overall well-being. Together, we can bridge the gap in global oral health and create a healthier future for all."

The inaugural cohort of GOHL Institute™ delegates is a diverse group of practitioners, educators, industry entrepreneurs, and humanitarians representing 10 countries and various backgrounds. The 2025 program kicked off in January, focusing on leadership development, project-focused interdisciplinary collaboration, and the creation of a sustainable global network of leaders and alumni.

The dinner's celebratory tone reflected the bold ambitions of the GOHL Institute™ and the collective commitment of its supporters to shape a healthier, more equitable future. The event concluded with a call to action: to leverage the collective expertise and passion in the room to make a lasting impact on global oral health through development and support of the program.



"The ICD began its second centennial a few years ago and had been making efforts, such as achieving consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and collaborating with World Health Organization initiatives, to increase the College's global footprint. Now, the ICD has reached an even higher level towards improving global oral health through the procurement of this rebranded Global Oral Health Leadership Institute™."

– DR. ARGIRIOS PISSIOTIS
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FROM YOUR ICD USA SECTION
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Richard F. Roadcap

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EDITOR'S NOTE

by Richard F. Roadcap, DDS

SILK PURSE, SOW'S EAR

Five years ago I retired from full-time clinical practice, but I now work part-time as an associate. An employee at a local retail establishment knows I'm a dentist, and told me an older relative was in desperate need of dental care, not only to relieve pain, but also to stem the embarrassment of missing front teeth. The individual was widowed, with limited income, and a token dental policy whose benefits were scant and a deductible she could not afford. Those of us who've been in private practice for a while are familiar with such plans.

Thinking I knew the access-to-care matrix well, I offered to help and set out to find a dental home, with low-cost/no-cost services, for this person. After all, I had volunteered in many different settings for those in need and surely had the moxie to make this all happen. But what I encountered was disheartening. I volunteer at a long-term care facility, but their charter only allows treatment of seniors with no third-party coverage. Phone calls to three local safety net clinics found that two were not accepting new patients, and the third clinic would only see patients who resided in certain ZIP codes. Donated Dental Services (known in some states as Dental Lifeline Network®), where patients are treated for free in private offices, had a waiting list for assignments of one year or more.

ICD Fellows know that there are myriad opportunities for them in serving others in need of dental care. Community free clinics, Missions of Mercy, Remote Area Medical, Operation Stand Down, and Give Kids A Smile® are just a few examples. Volunteers stand ready and waiting to provide the highest level of care with 21st century technologies. But are those most in need always able to access our philanthropy? Even as seasoned practitioners, do we comprehend the barriers that preclude the underserved from seeking care? These barriers are well-documented in journals to which few dentists subscribe. More than once I've left a project early, or been asked to "give up my chair" to another doc, due to a lack of patient turnout.

The obstacles to dental care provided by volunteers are many. Researchers at the University of Washington listed the following as "barriers and enablers": cohort and age, race and ethnicity, income and education, availability of dental and medical insurance, urban vs. rural residence, physical access to a dental office, and

systemic and functional health.¹ They went on to say that dentists' "beliefs, stereotypes, and comfort level" were determinants of patients' use of dental services. In other words, our own subliminal perceptions of patients may keep them out of our chairs. Montini et al found that patients who were not used to scheduling dental appointments had difficulty "navigating the dental services system."² A literature review, noting that dental and medical education remain separate, found that "the complexity of navigating the oral health care system and its separate structure from the rest of healthcare" was a challenge to be overcome.³ Doctors, consider this: another literature review found that "a perceived negative attitude from the dental workforce" was often a main barrier to disadvantaged persons seeking dental care.⁴ You'll note that these references are primarily studies of older adults, but younger persons seeking care from outreach projects often present with disabilities, comorbidities, and difficulties involving caregivers and transportation. My LTCF assignment includes screening residents of senior living facilities for dental treatment needs and making referrals to dental care providers who can accommodate them. But barriers to accessing care are more universal than age specific.

My story has a (somewhat) happy ending. The patient in question was accepted for treatment at the dental school, but her relative tells me some of the procedures are, alas, beyond the purview of students. I feel confident that her needs will be met, having "navigated the dental services system." There may be no shortage of doctors who volunteer their time, but there is a shortage of resources available to those in need to help them access the care available. We never know the hurdles our patients face in giving us the privilege of providing their care. Programs that target the "access" in access-to-care may be needed to make our volunteer efforts fulfilling.

Richard Roadcap

Richard Roadcap, Editor
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"I'm proud to be a Fellow of the International College of Dentists."



Eliot L. Paisner, DMD
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Integrity, Leadership, and Service: The Pillars of the ICD USA Section

These core values define the USA Section of the International College of Dentists and serve as the foundation for our work. Our Fellows exemplify these principles by leading with integrity and dedicating

themselves to Serving Others. It is this commitment that earned us the honor of Fellowship, and I know each of you continues to contribute to service and leadership in meaningful ways.

The Evolving Landscape of the International College of Dentists

Like many organizations, the ICD faces challenges in maintaining membership. One of my primary goals as ICD USA Section President is to emphasize the immense value of being an ICD Fellow. Our organization is more than an honorary society. It is a dynamic global network of dental professionals committed to leadership, oral health advancement and humanitarian service. Did you know that the ICD is a recognized consultant of the United Nations which solidifies our impact on global oral health? This is an incredible opportunity to influence international policies, collaborate on public health initiatives, and improve access to dental care worldwide.

This year, I am focused on broadening awareness of what the ICD truly represents. Here is a glimpse of what we offer:

- *Opportunities to engage in local, regional and international events that foster professional growth and leadership development.*
- *Opportunities to practice what brought us together: leadership and service.*
- *Opportunities for participation in humanitarian and educational initiatives that improve oral health worldwide.*
- *Opportunities to collaborate with passionate, like-minded professionals dedicated to excellence in dentistry and Serving Others.*
- *The chance to connect with dental colleagues from around the world.*

- *The invitation to attend international meetings that expand one's professional network.*
- *Through our ICD USA Section Foundation, we provide grants for humanitarian projects aimed at improving global oral health. Every ICD Fellow has an opportunity to support these grant-funded projects through their annual dues statement and is welcome to apply for a grant to support their own humanitarian service initiatives aimed at improving oral health.*

In 2022, thanks to our generous donors, we contributed \$70,000 to fund hygiene kits for displaced individuals in Ukraine. I know many of you played a role in this vital effort. Many Fellows continue to support local Missions of Mercy and other humanitarian programs both financially and through volunteer efforts.

The generosity of the USA Section extends far and wide, and I encourage you to visit our website (usa-icd.org) for more details about our ongoing initiatives. As ICD USA Section Editor Dr. Richard Roadcap aptly stated last year, "The satisfaction of doing the right thing is reward enough. But one of the goals of Fellowship is to harness this desire and provide service opportunities that might not otherwise exist for an individual." To further this mission, the Board of Regents is developing a dedicated portal on our website to connect members with meaningful service opportunities.

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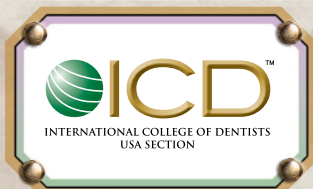
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Expanding Volunteerism and Engagement

By accessing the Section (usa-icd.org) and Global (icd.org) websites, you will find a wealth of resources, including:

- *International volunteer presentations.*
- *A free volunteerism CE course titled, "Help is Right Around the Corner: Extending a Dental Hand to Neighbors in Need."*
- *A list of ICD-sponsored volunteer activities such as Everyone for Veterans, Operation Stand Down, and the Peace Corps Program.*

Volunteer opportunities are not limited to international missions; they exist in our local communities and practices as well.

Ensuring the Future of ICD Fellowship

Like all member- and dues-driven organizations, the ICD USA Section faces the challenge of sustaining membership. I urge each of you to seek well-qualified candidates for ICD Fellowship. I vividly remember standing on stage during my Convocation. That memory serves as a profound reminder of the responsibility and privilege of being an ICD Fellow. Let's ensure this legacy continues. Identify a colleague whose dedication and values align with ours and encourage their nomination. This is how we grow stronger together, by sharing the honor.

We all contribute to various charitable programs through dues, each serving a distinct purpose. Rest assured that your ICD dues directly support the ideals and projects we champion.


To paraphrase a lyric from *The Lion King*, "In the circle of life, we must give more than we take."

As dental professionals, we embody resilience — lifting others when life knocks them down, restoring not just smiles, but dignity and hope.

Together, we will continue to uphold the values of Integrity, Leadership and Service, ensuring a bright future for our profession and the communities we serve.

Eliot Paisner

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Continuing Education Program – Thursday and Friday, September 11-12

Fellowship Orientation Program – Friday, September 12

Convocation Ceremony – Saturday, September 13

Induction of New Fellows followed by a celebration dinner

All Fellows and their families are invited to attend! Please join us in honoring our USA Section award winners, welcoming our newest ICD Fellows, and taking outstanding CE in the beautiful city of San Diego.

We will meet at the **Manchester Grand Hyatt**. Enjoy the upscale amenities, extraordinary views, unique bars, restaurants and rooftop pool. Spend your free time exploring San Diego, a city known for its Mediterranean climate, beautiful beaches, and rich history.

- Visit the famous San Diego Zoo and Safari Park. As the most visited zoo in America, it is known for its wildlife habitats and successful conservation efforts of endangered species. Get ready for your trip by downloading the **San Diego Zoo App** (GPS-enabled, wildlife planner, dining and activities)
- Sports fans can visit Petco Park, home of the San Diego Padres. America's No. 1 ballpark is known for its innovative architecture and stunning coastal view. Tours of the stadium are available and quite popular. If you fancy taking in a game, the Padres are hosting the Cincinnati Reds (9/10-9/11) and the Colorado Rockies (9/12-9/13).
- Seaport Village is a stunning venue brimming with many exciting activities for the whole family. You can embark on a whale-watching tour, or stroll along its harbor-side location and stop in any of the many restaurants, shops and art galleries. Live events hosted year round.

Please join us in San Diego. Celebrate your profession and the ICD Fellowship's commitment to excellence and dedication to humanitarian service and global oral health. We hope to see you there!

Registration and information: usa-icd.org



(top) Petco Park baseball field, San Diego

(middle) Cafe and shops located in Seaport Village, Marina District of Downtown San Diego

(bottom) San Diego Zoo Safari Park

SAVE THE DATE

**2026 Annual Meeting, CE Program, Convocation and Celebration Dinner –
October 1-3, 2026 (Thursday-Saturday)**

Meet our New Regents

Serving 2025-2028



Bernadette A. Logan, DDS
Paoli, Pennsylvania

New Regent, District 3

Dr. Bernadette (Bernie) A. Logan follows Dr. Ronald K. Heier as Regent of District 3/ Pennsylvania, after serving as Vice Regent.

Dr. Logan's passion for access to care began while attending the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, through rotations in the special needs dental clinic, and participation with the Dominican Dental Mission Project founded by Dr. Frank Serio, FICD. She also served by treating disadvantaged West Virginians during her GPR in Charleston, and in public school dental clinics.

Additionally, Bernie volunteered for the local Kanawha County Dental Society.

After three years in West Virginia, Dr. Logan moved to Chester County, Pennsylvania, and quickly found opportunities to volunteer including serving on the ADA's CAAP. She continues to be involved with access to care groups including Give Vets a Smile and MOM-n-PA. Since 1994, Bernie has been staff dentist for The Children's Dental Clinic which serves local indigent children, and since 2004 she has co-chaired her local dental society's GKAS® program. Dr. Logan enjoys collaborating with community dental colleagues and appreciates the care they provide.

Dr. Logan is honored to belong to the USA Section of the ICD, ACD, and Pierre Fauchard Academy. She loves being active within her local community and neighborhood, and going on adventures with husband, Troy, and adult children, Matt and Katie. Troy and Matt are chemical and mechanical engineers; Katie is a freshman architecture student at Syracuse University.



Rebecca J. De La Rosa, DDS
Avon, Indiana

New Regent, District 7

Dr. Rebecca De La Rosa of Indiana follows Dr. Denise Herring of Ohio as District 7 Regent.

Prior to attending Indiana University School of Dentistry, Dr. De La Rosa worked as a research chemist. Two months after graduating from dental school, Dr. De La Rosa started her private practice in Avon, Indiana, a suburb of Indianapolis.

Dr. De La Rosa has served as national president of the American Association of Women Dentists, chair of the ADA Council on Communications, president of the Indianapolis District Dental Society, Indiana Dental Association speaker of the house and president of the Indiana State Board of Dentistry. In May 2025, Dr. De La Rosa was installed as president of the Indiana Dental Association.

Rebecca enjoys collaborating with colleagues to move dentistry forward. She is committed to mentoring. She believes that staying connected with early career colleagues is key to keeping perspective on what is relevant to our ever-changing profession. Dr. De La Rosa founded, and has run since 2008, a pro bono clinic for the Sisters of St. Francis in Oldenburg, Indiana.

In her spare time, Dr. De La Rosa enjoys her family, exotic travel, attending performing arts, cooking, painting, gardening, hiking and playing guitar.



Alberto Gasparoni, DDS, MS, PhD
Iowa City, Iowa

New Regent, District 10

Dr. Alberto Gasparoni succeeded Dr. Teresa L. Fong in September 2024 as the Regent of District 10.

Alberto earned his international DDS in 1985 from the University of Siena in Italy. After operating a private practice and conducting research at the University of Siena for several years, he then earned an MS in oral biology from the University of Missouri at Kansas City in 1997. While completing his master's degree, Dr. Gasparoni was encouraged to apply to the PhD program at the University of Iowa. A staff member gave him an Iowa T-shirt for good luck, which he still has, and the rest is history. He earned a PhD in oral science from the University of Iowa in 2003 and a US-accredited DDS in 2010.

Since 2010, he has been a Clinical Associate Professor at the UI College of Dentistry serving in dental clinic administration and the department of oral pathology, radiology, and medicine. He is now the director of the dental emergency course which teaches fourth-year students how to diagnose and triage one patient per hour in a fast-paced, stressful environment. In 2021, Dr. Gasparoni won the James H. and Hermine E. McLeran Faculty Award for his excellence as an educator and commitment to patient-centered care.



Mary Krempasky Smith, DDS
Spokane, Washington

New Regent, District 11

For over 40 years, Mary Krempasky Smith, DDS, MBA has committed her talent and insight to the dental community in Spokane, Washington. Her leadership and professional reputation serve as a catalyst for progressive dentistry. She is a spokesperson for various dental organizations including the ADA, Washington State Dental Association (WSDA) and Spokane District Dental Society.

Upon graduation from the University of Minnesota, Smith quickly established herself as a leader in restorative and preventive dentistry. She has been the team dentist for the Spokane Chiefs since 1982, and is the recipient of numerous honors including the WSDA President's Award, ADA's Geriatric Oral Care Award and Western Hockey League's Distinguished Service Award.

Dr. Smith served as president of the WSDA and the Washington Academy of General Dentistry. She is a Fellow of the ICD, ACD, Academy of Sports Dentistry and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Dr. Smith served as the 11th district trustee to the ADA from 2006-2010. She completed her MBA and was selected as the Outstanding MBA Graduate of 2013.

In addition to her private practice, Dr. Mary Smith serves as an instrumental voice in dental education. She is the Clinical Director for the University of Washington School of Dentistry Regional Initiatives in Dental Education program where she coordinates fourth-year clinical rotations in community health clinics throughout Eastern Washington, and organizes courses to introduce first-year students to community health clinics, sports dentistry and dental specialties.



Donald P. Rollofson, DMD
Carmichael, California

New Regent, District 13

Dr. Donald (Don) Rollofson was born in Salem, Oregon, graduated with High Honors from Oregon State University, completed his DMD at the Oregon Health Sciences University with Highest Honors, and was elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon. As an original Military Health Professions Scholarship recipient, he joined the US Navy, completed a GPR at Balboa Naval Hospital in San Diego, and two more years as a Navy Lieutenant. He returned to his dental alma mater and completed his specialty in orthodontics and orofacial orthopedics before settling in 1981 in his private practice, Elk Grove Orthodontics, located in Sacramento.

Dr. Rollofson co-founded the Smiles for Kids Program in 1991, a general dental and orthodontic program with a total value of over \$16 million that has brought pro-bono treatment to nearly 20,000 kids.

Dr. Rollofson has served in all capacities with the Sacramento District Dental Society, including president in 2002. He served as trustee for six years for the California Dental Association, and as chairman of the CDA Foundation for four years. He was a founding member of the CDA Cares Mission of Mercy, and the dental lead for numerous RAM and California Careforce Missions. He served on the CDA and ADA House of Delegates for over 10 years each. He is a Fellow of the ICD, ACD, Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Don and his wife, Janet, have four children and two grandchildren. His daughter, Christy Rollofson Porrino, DDS, a family practice dentist, has also been an ICD Fellow for many years.



M. Reza Iranmanesh, DMD
Tampa, Florida

New Regent, District 17

Dr. M. Reza Iranmanesh succeeded Dr. Rodrigo Romano as Regent of District 17/Florida, after serving as Vice Regent and Deputy Regent for Central Florida. A graduate of Tehran University and Boston University, he is a prosthodontist with over 35 years of experience in comprehensive dentistry and full-mouth rehabilitation.

He has taught at the University of Florida and currently lectures at Boston University. Dr. Iranmanesh serves as vice chair of the ADA Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations and is a past president of the Florida Prosthodontic Association, West Coast Dental District Association, and Hillsborough County Dental Association.

A dedicated mentor, he teaches dental hygiene and assisting students while advocating for dental professionals as a delegate to the ADA and FDA House of Delegates.

Dr. Iranmanesh has led prosthodontics at the Florida Mission of Mercy for over a decade. His service has earned him numerous honors, including the 2022 FDA Public Service Award and the 2017 Congressional Recognition.

Practicing in Tampa Bay, he works alongside his wife, Dr. Freshte Esfahanian, their two prosthodontist sons, and a periodontist daughter-in-law. His passion for dentistry and service continues to inspire his career.

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DISTRICT 2 REPRESENTING NEW YORK
DISTRICT 2 REGENT: REKHA C. GEHANI

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2024 MASTER FELLOWS

Master Fellowship is a significant honor award conferred by the College to no more than four deserving USA Section Fellows each year. A Master Fellow has rendered conspicuous and outstanding service to the College, and must have maintained active Fellowship for at least 15 consecutive years. They must have served on either the USA Section Board of Regents, Foundation Board, and/or on the International Council for a cumulative total of ten years, but may not be a current Board or Council member.

James J. Conrardy, DDS

Dr. Jim Conrardy has been a passionate advocate for the ICD since his induction in 1996. He was named ICD USA Deputy Regent of the Year in 2008, and served as a Leadership Coordinator and District 9 Regent. He went on to complete a four-year term as an ICD Foundation Trustee which included a two-year term as Foundation Vice President. He represented the USA Section at the ICD's Global Council for six years, attending meetings in India, China, Australia, Ireland, Denver and Taiwan.

Dr. Conrardy received his DDS from Marquette University School of Dentistry and his specialty degree in pediatric dentistry from Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and Marquette University.

He is past president of the Wisconsin Society of Pediatric Dentists and the Brown Door Kewaunee Dental Society. He is past chair of the Wisconsin Dental Association Political Action Committee and is a past WDA trustee for Northeastern Wisconsin. Dr. Conrardy served on the ADA Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Relations as Access Chair, Prevention Chair, and representative to the US Surgeon General's Conference on Oral Health Care in 2000.

Dr. Conrardy is a recipient of the WDA's Lifetime Achievement Award and WDA's Political Action Award. He provided gratis dental exams to many Peace Corps applicants through the ICD USA Section, and volunteered as a member of Donated Dental Services (1998-2017) and with the WDA Mission of Mercy and Give Kids a Smile[®] programs.

A life-long community leader, Dr. Conrardy was president and secretary of the Green Bay Monday Noon Optimist Club, entertainment chair of the first two Fox River Fests, board member of the American Cancer Society, and co-chair of the Northeastern Wisconsin Head and Neck Cancer Screenings.



*James J. Conrardy, DDS
De Pere, Wisconsin*

Julio H. Rodriguez, DDS

Dr. Julio Rodriguez graduated from the National University of San Marcos in Lima, Peru, then served as a Dental Officer in the Peruvian Air Force and as an Air Force Attaché at the Peruvian Embassy in Washington. He emigrated to the US and opened a practice in Wisconsin. He became active in the Wisconsin Dental Association (WDA) and served as their first Latino WDA president in 143 years.

Dr. Rodriguez received the Pierre Fauchard Distinguished Dentist of the Year Award, the WDA Pyramids of Pride Community Outreach Award, a Global ICD Presidential Citation and the WDA Lifetime Achievement Award. Dr. Rodriguez is a past president of the Green County Dental Society. The Hispanic Dental Association honored him with the "Don Quixote" Leadership Award.

Julio has a passion for helping those in need, serving as the dental director and dentist volunteer at the free Fowler Memorial Dental Clinic—a clinic he helped to establish that provides free dental treatment for children up to age 12. He also volunteered with the Green County Health Department advisory board, Green County Seal A Smile, Give Kids A Smile[®] and WDA Mission of Mercy.

Dr. Rodriguez's contributions to the ICD since his induction in 2009 are exemplary. He was named Distinguished Deputy Regent of the Year in 2013, served as District 9 Regent, Trustee for the USA ICD Foundation, Global Councilor, and is the current ICD Global President Elect. He has nominated a large number of New Fellows, and made significant contributions to reinvigorating the Global ICD in Latin-speaking countries in the Western Hemisphere, serving as Special Envoy to ICD Section IV (South America) and Liaison Officer to Cuba.



*Julio H. Rodriguez, DDS
Brodhead, Wisconsin*

2024 HONORARY FELLOWS



GREGORY D. BUCKLER,
IOM, MBA, MSM
Columbia, Maryland

Gregory D. Buckler, IOM, MBA, MSM

Dr. Greg Buckler assumed the position of executive director for the Maryland State Dental Association (MSDA) in December 2017. He has helped the organization grow and has been indispensable in guiding the organization through some of the most difficult times dentistry has had to endure. His advocacy for the profession with the Maryland Department of Health and the Board of Dental Examiners during the COVID lockdown and its aftermath assured that all Maryland dentists and their staffs were placed in the first round to receive the vaccine, which enabled dental offices in Maryland to reopen as early as possible.

In keeping with his deep and sincere empathy for the less fortunate, Greg was pleased to assume the role of executive director of the MSDA Charitable and Educational Foundation, which coordinates the Maryland Missions of Mercy and Give Kids a Smile™ programs, among other humanitarian events.

A timely and opportune communicator, Greg follows through and has a certain magic in aligning dentist volunteers. He is admired by staff, MSDA members, and other state dental associations as a person of trust. He has been recognized by his peers for his outstanding leadership and is a past president of the American Society of Constituent Dental Executives.

Greg has proven himself academically as well, attaining several postgraduate degrees. He has a long history of community support, including the Boy Scouts of America, working with youth and leadership on both a professional and personal level.

His thoughtfulness, understanding, tireless energy, and compassion for dentistry contribute to many positive outcomes benefiting other dentists and the patients they serve.



CATHY BOWMAN
LEVERING
Sacramento, California

Cathy Bowman Levering

Cathy Bowman Levering has been the CEO and executive director of the Sacramento District Dental Society (SDDS) and their 501(c)(3) Foundation since 2001. A sixth-generation Sacramento native, she attended Oregon State University majoring in elementary education and music. She is married to her high school sweetheart, a mother of two accomplished children, and grandmother to three lights of her life! Ms. Levering has been a teacher, community advocate and business owner of a catering company for 13 years. She served in various leadership positions in local community organizations as a volunteer giving her the experience, insight and joy that come with working with those who serve through dentistry.

As executive director of the SDDS, Cathy is known for her talent, leadership skills, energy, compassion, and cooking. In fact, she cooks for every Board meeting. Likewise, she is known for her love of people and tireless effort to help member dentists in their businesses and profession. She has a passion for “making things better.” The SDDS membership market share has grown substantially under her direction. Her creative thinking, financial acuity and openness to new ideas has moved the SDDS and the Foundation to multimillion-dollar organizations.

Cathy’s work in the community to ensure children have dental benefits and receive ongoing care is one of her points of pride. She is tireless and loves what she does. Fondly known as “Mama Bear,” she is committed to the betterment of the Sacramento community. Cathy loves her dental society and the members it serves. She is honored to be recognized by the ICD USA Section as an Honorary Fellow.

The USA Section Board of Regents may confer Honorary Fellowship upon individuals of outstanding achievement in or for benefactions or contributions toward the promotion of the dental profession. They may be non-dentists of the dental profession involved in teaching, scientific work or research, or in branches of science allied to dentistry; those who have given positive aid in the advancement of dentistry; or those whose Fellowship should be of significant benefit to the USA Section or College. We do not confer Honorary Fellowship to dentists who reside or practice within the jurisdiction of the USA Section.

Christopher A. Moore

Mr. Chris Moore has been the director of dental services for the Ohio Dental Association (ODA) since 1989. Since joining the ODA, Mr. Moore feels incredibly fortunate to work with countless people who have sought to improve the oral health of Ohio’s citizens. Being approved as an Honorary Fellow in the ICD USA Section is the highest honor in Mr. Moore’s professional career. While very thankful and appreciative of this recognition, this award should be viewed as a reflection of the commitment to service, hard work and dedication of the volunteer member dentists and professional staff of the ODA.

Mr. Moore has assisted thousands of Ohio dentists, dental team members and citizens with dental insurance, regulatory compliance, dental practice, peer review and environmental issues by presenting lectures and seminars at Ohio’s dental schools, dental residency programs, local dental societies and regulatory agencies. He is also one of the primary authors of the ODA Regulatory Compliance Guide. Additionally, Mr. Moore’s efforts led to national and state recognition of the ODA when it was selected for an ADA Golden Apple Award (Best New Membership Service/Benefit) for Dentistry and Managed Care in Ohio, an ADA Golden Apple Award (The Green Apple – Excellence in Environmentally Sustainable Programs and Education) for the Ohio Good DEED Program and an Ohio Environmental Education Fund Outstanding Project for the Dental Mercury Collection Program.

Prior to the ODA, Mr. Moore worked at the Ohio Statehouse as the legislative aide to State Senator Robert L. Burch of Dover. He holds a bachelor of arts from Case Western Reserve University and a master of arts from Kent State University.



CHRISTOPHER A. MOORE
Columbus, Ohio

Ross L. Vaughan Jr., MD

November 7, 1944 – January 4, 2025

Dr. Ross Vaughan was a retired neonatologist and professor of pediatrics in the University of North Carolina (UNC) System. He served as director of nurseries for many years at WakeMed and UNC Health Rex hospitals in Raleigh. Dr. Vaughan’s remarkable career of nearly 40 years was marked by enormous improvements in his field, and he was at the forefront of those changes in his own group practice. Ross is quoted as saying, “A premature infant that weighs two pounds and has a gestation of 28 weeks almost always survives and thrives.” It was not that way when he began his career in the 1970s at Vanderbilt. Working with children was a passion and an emotional job that he did well and for which he was recognized by the medical profession. Other professional experiences included two years as a naval medical officer, with international medical experiences in Australia, Bolivia, China, England, Mongolia and Nicaragua.

For over 25 years, Dr. Vaughan was married to one of our most esteemed ICD Fellows, Dr. Bettie R. McKaig, before her untimely death in 2020. Ross was a steadfast supporter of Bettie and her roles for the ICD on all levels: local, USA Section, and the Global ICD in which she served as the ICD President in 2019. She accomplished a significant amount of work for the Global ICD with Ross at her side during ICD events. His presence, congeniality and commitment to helping spouses feel comfortable at meetings was welcomed by many. Everywhere, he was widely admired for his “First Gentleman” abilities. He made lifelong friends throughout the world.

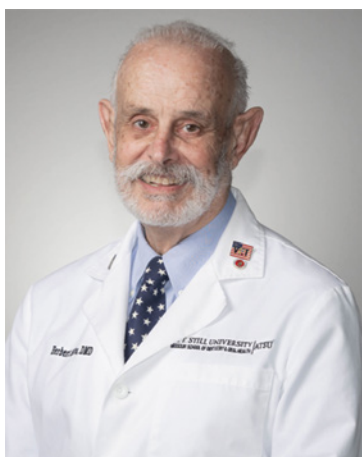


ROSS L. VAUGHAN JR., MD
Raleigh, North Carolina

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2024 DISTINGUISHED HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The Distinguished Humanitarian Award is presented annually to a USA Section non-Board Fellow who has demonstrated an extraordinary dedication and commitment to serve those in need and who has contributed significant humanitarian efforts to help relieve human suffering and improve the quality of human life. They exhibit an outstanding history of participating in humanitarian and community activities related to providing dental care or other activities designed to improve the general health and well-being of those less fortunate, either within the United States or globally. Those activities should contain a significant level of participation, such as organizing these humanitarian activities, providing financial support or by exhibiting a high level of participation in these projects, generally well above what may be considered to be at a participatory level. They are held in high regard by Fellow colleagues and are known for their generosity and dedication to those in need.



*Herbert P. Silva, DMD
St. Louis, Missouri*

Herbert P. Silva, DMD

Dr. Herbert P. Silva was commissioned in the US Marine Corps upon graduation from MacMurray College in 1968. He distinguished himself as an officer and gunship helicopter pilot having flown over 950 missions in Vietnam. Following active duty, he enrolled in Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine and graduated in 1977. He then founded Chesterfield Dental Associates and maintained a successful family practice for 38 years.

Dr. Silva has given back to his community through soccer as a player, referee and administrator. As a representative of the US Soccer Federation, he served the game at all levels. He was inducted into the US Adult Soccer Association Hall of Fame, New England Soccer Hall of Fame and St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame.

Dr. Silva is founder of the Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health Veterans Project. He facilitated the 501(c)(3) charitable fund, in conjunction with the Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health, to provide extractions and dentures to Veterans in Missouri at no cost to them. Working with third- and fourth-year dental students, he has provided thousands of dollars in donated care. The Smiles for Veterans team benefited over 610 Veterans to date.

Dr. Silva is a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Marine Corps Combat Helicopter Pilot Association, Marine Corps League, Marine Corps Aviation Association, and the American Legion. He is also a member of the ADA, ADEA, Missouri Dental Association, Greater Saint Louis Dental Society, Delta Sigma Delta Dental Fraternity, and especially enjoys being a Fellow of the ICD.

Honorary Fellow Ross L. Vaughan Jr., MD (Continued from page 19)



Overlooking Machu Picchu, Ross Vaughan and his grandchildren make perfect travel companions.

Ross was a loyal alumnus of the University of North Carolina. He and Bettie were undergraduates, graduates, and later faculty members at the school. He served on the UNC Board of Visitors and UNC Chancellor's Global Leadership Council. In this capacity, he donated generously in honor of his wife's legacy, mostly in support of dental students' scholarship funds, the UNC School of Medicine, the undergraduate school for both low- and middle-income students, the study abroad program, and in support of the faculty of the public health dentistry program. Following Bettie's death, Ross also gave generously to both the ICD USA Section Foundation and the ICD Global Visionary Fund.

Dr. Ross L. Vaughan was a dedicated medical professional as well as a supportive member of the ICD family for many years, and contributed to the advancement of both. He was a true humanitarian and led a remarkable life of humble success, adventure and joy. Dr. Vaughan passed away on January 4, 2025 at 80 years young.

CONGRATULATIONS

CLASS OF 2024



DISTRICT 4

Representing Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Puerto Rico/Guam, Air Force, Army, Navy, US Department of Veterans Affairs and Public Health Service

DISTRICT 4 REGENT: MICHAEL CONTE *(not pictured)*

NEW JERSEY DEPUTY REGENT: CYNTHIA JETTER *(pictured)*

IRA JAY ADLER* • FOTINI V. ANAGOSTOPOULOS-KING* • MICHAEL ANDERSEN
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Stephen C. Mitchell • Zachary J. Powell* • Mark D. Williams

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DISTRICT 6

REPRESENTING KENTUCKY, MISSOURI,
TENNESSEE AND WEST VIRGINIA

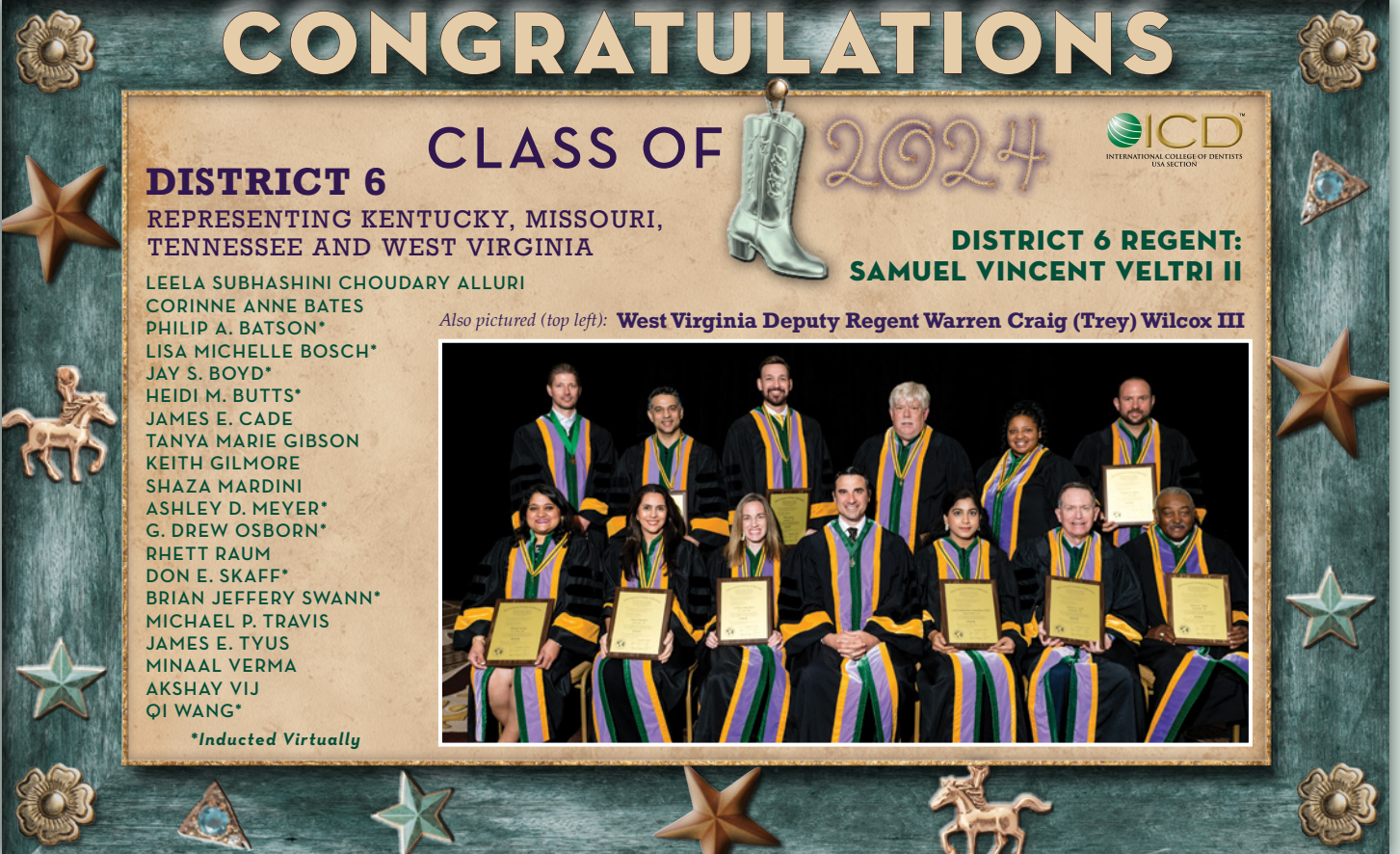
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AKSHAY VIJ
QI WANG*

Also pictured (top left): **West Virginia Deputy Regent Warren Craig (Trey) Wilcox III**



**Inducted Virtually*





*Chanderpal P. Gehani, DDS
Jackson Heights, New York*

2024 Outstanding Dental Leader Chanderpal P. Gehani, DDS

Dr. Chad Gehani is a respected clinician, visionary leader, passionate educator, admired mentor and humanitarian who has made significant contributions to dentistry. Dr. Gehani is known as the Father of Diversity in the dental community. His mantra: general health begins with good oral health. He is a servant leader with a relentless passion to help.

Between 1985 and 2000, Dr. Gehani visited dental institutions throughout India, Pakistan and Bangladesh to teach faculty. He is a sought-after speaker and guide to dental universities abroad, and has established various CE programs in India. In 1989, Dr. Gehani's generosity allowed two dental college deans from India to visit several American dental schools. His goal was to ensure Indian dentistry was on par with the dentistry standards in the US. The year prior, he donated the latest in diagnostic technology (by US standards) to the Government Dental College in Mumbai, in addition to \$10,000 towards the dental treatment of children in need, and books for the Nair Hospital Dental College, Mumbai.

In 2006, Dr. Gehani was awarded the New York State Dental Foundation's Award of Excellence in Community Service, notably for fighting to preserve Dental Medicaid in New York. In 2015, he received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor, an award given to individuals who have made it their mission to share with those less fortunate, while acknowledging their debt to their ethnic heritage, as they uphold the ideals and spirit of America.

Dr. Gehani has served as the president of the Queens County Dental Society, the New York State Dental Association, and the ADA.

The Outstanding Dental Leader Award is reserved for a non-Board Fellow who is an exceptional leader in dentistry, defined here as one who, in the face of overwhelming and seemingly insurmountable difficulties, is able to craft exceptional and creative opportunities.



*David J. Ward, DMD
Woonsocket, Rhode Island*

2024 Distinguished Deputy Regent David J. Ward, DMD

David James Ward of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, is the recipient of the 2024 Distinguished Deputy Regent Award. Dr. Ward was inducted to ICD Fellowship in 2016 and accepted an appointment as Deputy Regent and Editor of Rhode Island three years later. During the fall 2024 ICD Annual Meeting, he was elected as the District 1 Vice Regent beginning in January 2025.

District 1 Regent Jeffrey Dodge states that Dr. Ward is instrumental in the New Fellow nominations in his state. He demonstrates excellent communication skills, following through and working with state membership when New Fellow suggestions arise. He is responsible for planning and hosting the Rhode Island Annual Membership Dinner as well as working with ACD to host a District 1 luncheon during the annual Yankee Dental Congress.

Dave is a strong advocate for the ICD and represents us well at the Rhode Island Mission of Mercy event where he serves as the Endodontic Lead. He also serves on the board of directors of the Rhode Island Oral Health Foundation, which sponsors the event. Dave volunteers in overseas missions as time permits.

Dr. Ward graduated from Tufts University - School of Dental Medicine in 1989 and has practiced in the city of Woonsocket for over 35 years. He worked alongside his father, Dr. Bernard Ward, and has since taken over the practice where he is currently honored to work alongside his two daughters, Dr. Samantha Ward and Dr. Alexandra Bruno.

Dr. Ward is one of New England's leaders in cosmetic and implant dentistry. One of his proudest accomplishments is being a faculty member at the prestigious Aesthetic Advantage Course in NYC under the direction of Dr. Larry Rosenthal. In 2010, Dr. Ward completed the masters level and has since had the privilege of training other dentists. In May of 2009, Dr. Ward completed the implantology program at New York University and attained the level of Associate Fellow.

The Distinguished Deputy Regent Award is presented annually by the USA Section Foundation of the International College of Dentists to recognize that individual who has demonstrated, and has performed, uniquely outstanding service in their Constituent.

THE FRANKLIN MONROE KENWARD AWARD

Established in 2024, this award is the highest honor granted to a Fellow of the USA Section of the International College of Dentists. It is named after a former Registrar of the Section who throughout his life exemplified our belief that "Serving Others" is our noblest goal. This award is not intended to be presented every year and recognizes extraordinary lifetime service to the ICD in the United States. To be considered for this award, a nominee must have maintained Fellowship in good standing for much of their career and held multiple positions or offices at all levels of the USA Section. However, those positions or offices alone do not necessarily qualify a nominee to receive this award - the lasting impact to the USA Section of the winner of this award is the true measure of his or her contributions and thus, eligibility. This is indeed a rare and distinctive honor presented to a Fellow who has significantly elevated the Section through his or her actions and activities.

Vangel R. Zissi, DMD is honored as first recipient of The Franklin Monroe Kenward Award posthumously.



*Vangel R. Zissi, DMD
Winchester, Massachusetts*

Dr. Van Zissi was born and raised in Manchester, New Hampshire, to a family of Albanian immigrants. In 1958, he received his bachelor's degree from the University of New Hampshire, where he was a member of the men's varsity lacrosse team and a brother in the Theta Chi fraternity. He received his DMD from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1962. As a member of the Navy Dental Program while at Tufts, Van was assigned to active duty at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego immediately after graduation. He served a tour of duty in Vietnam and became the Senior Dental Officer, First Dental Battalion, 25th Marine Reserve Unit, 4th Marine Division (1965-1967), completing his obligation in June 1972, with the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

Van returned to Tufts for a two-year endodontic program, where he was one of the first two graduates in 1967. He then joined the faculty, helped build the program and mentored many of its graduates. He was a principal in a group practice, Limited to Endodontics, from 1966 to 2016 and loved going to work every day. In 1970, Van became a diplomate of the American Board of Endodontics.

Dr. Zissi was inducted into the ICD in 1971 and received the Spark Plug Award for unselfish and dedicated service to the USA Section in 1990. While serving as Regent of District 1, Van instituted the District 1 Deputy Regents' Appreciation Dinner, which is a staple of ICD events at Yankee Dental Congress. He was elected President of the ICD USA Section in 2005, then served as Deputy Registrar of the USA Section as well as Deputy Secretary-General and Councilor of the ICD Global College. He received the District 1 ICD Distinguished Service Award in 2009. This award has been renamed the Vangel R. Zissi Distinguished Service Award in his honor. In 2013, ICD honored Dr. Zissi with Master Fellowship and the title of Deputy Registrar Emeritus. Van had a knack for identifying future ICD leaders, including District 1 Regents, ICD Global Councilors, and Section Presidents.

Dr. Zissi lectured extensively, both nationally and in France. For his many contributions and years of service, Van was chosen for several Tufts University awards including the Distinguished Service Award, the Provost Award for Outstanding Teaching and Service, and the Faculty Sesquicentennial Award, in addition to receiving emeritus status, and the prestigious Dean's Medal.

Van and Barbara, his wife of 48 years, had two sons, Jonathan and Christopher. Van enjoyed traveling and skiing with his family, and listening to jazz music. Dr. Zissi was always active in community service, in particular, youth sports and coaching. He was an avid Boston sports fan, and was a huge supporter and mentor of the Tufts University Men's Lacrosse program.

Van died on Christmas Eve 2023, in Winchester, Massachusetts.

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Student Leadership Awards

53rd Year of Presentation

This award recognizes a graduating dental student selected by the dental school faculty who demonstrated Leadership in the following activities:

- ★ Dental school student government
- ★ Dental school class
- ★ American Student Dental Association
- ★ Student National Dental Association
- ★ Research activities
- ★ School committees/activities
- ★ Potential leadership roles after graduation
- ★ Ranked in the upper third of their class

Student Humanitarian Awards

10th Year of Presentation

This award recognizes a graduating dental student selected by the dental school faculty who:

- ♥ Exhibits an altruistic attitude to assist the underserved or less fortunate.
- ♥ Motivates others to serve and provide for the common good.
- ♥ Shows humility and generosity with time and talents.
- ♥ Has a history of significant participation in various school, local, state and international projects.
- ♥ Has a leadership role in activities.
- ♥ Is involved in public health issues.
- ♥ Is involved in political issues that encourage humanitarian support.
- ♥ Shows responsibility, commitment, persistence and dedication, and is inspirational to others.
- ♥ Demonstrates the potential to continue to be a leader and a participant in humanitarian outreach programs after graduation.



2024

ICD Student Awards USA

- ★ Student Leadership Awards
- ♥ Student Humanitarian Awards

UAB School of Dentistry

- ★ Kaytlyn C. McAllister
- ♥ Dara G. Johnson

Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health

- ★ Zaki Minas
- ♥ Krina Patel

Midwestern University-Arizona

- ★ Harmandeep Sekhon
- ♥ Taylor Butler

Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

- ★ Vahe Nahapetyan
- ♥ Ian O'Keefe

Loma Linda University

- ★ Rachel Eshtiaghpour
- ♥ Monina DeJesus

UCLA School of Dentistry

- ★ Nicole Anderson
- ♥ Jack Fang
- ♥ Sameer Iyengar

UCSF School of Dentistry

- ★ Liza Harutyunyan
- ♥ Mario Gad

University of the Pacific

- ★ Alini Vargas Agnes
- ♥ Kayla J. Hunt

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- ♥ Barbara Clyburn

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- ★ Kjeld Nelson
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- ♥ Joanna Torres

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- ★ Krayton Struve
- ♥ Shanee Haberman

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- ★ Robert Chase Wolf
- ♥ Theodore Petridis

Southern Illinois University

- ★ Ryan Bales
- ♥ Courtney Chapman

The University of Illinois Chicago

- ★ Ruchi Naik
- ♥ Salman Karbhari

Indiana University

- ★ Tatianna McKissick
- ♥ Sarah De La Cruz

University of Kentucky

- ★ Nick Ragland
- ♥ Lindsey Dean

University of Louisville

- ★ Judd Caleb Burns
- ♥ Sarika Polcum

LSU Health Sciences Center

- ★ Tiffany Marie Morgan
- ♥ Grayson David Lambert

Boston University

- ★ Alina Costa Salustiano
- ♥ Shahzad Athar Mumtaz

Harvard School of Dental Medicine

- ★ Yuying Guo
- ♥ Temitope Aisha Oshilaja

Tufts University

- ★ Samira Alsabbagh
- ♥ Venus Dai-Trang Tran

Naval Postgraduate Dental School

- ★ Tyler R. Johansen

University of Maryland

- ★ Justin Tabatabai
- ♥ Ashwant Kaur

University of New England

- ★ Macy Summer Punzalan
- ♥ Woodlyn Joachim

University of Detroit Mercy

- ★ Ja'Nay Jones

University of Michigan

- ★ Tristan Clark
- ♥ Tommy Lau

University of Minnesota

- ★ Preet Kanwal Dhaliwal
- ♥ Sela Rose Fadness

A.T. Still University Missouri

- ★ Chantel Eckland Johnson
- ♥ Tyler Pryor

University of Missouri-Kansas City

- ★ Van L. Hopkins
- ♥ Sarah Godwin

University of Mississippi Medical Center

- ★ Morgan P. Baker
- ♥ Aaron Winters

East Carolina University

- ★ Aleasia Lee
- ♥ Stephanie Camacho

Creighton University

- ★ Yesenia Morales
- ♥ Jesus Santiago

University of Nebraska Medical Center

- ★ Sophia Pankratz
- ♥ Anne Steffen

Rutgers School of Dental Medicine

- ★ Joy Jinyoung Chang
- ♥ Daria Klemick

UNLV School of Dental Medicine

- ★ Anjali Sorathia
- ♥ Eduardo D. Pais III

Columbia University

- ★ Jonathon Isaac Katz
- ♥ Houston Marie Rhodes

NYU College of Dentistry

- ★ Ka La
- ♥ Anthony Nuñez

Stony Brook

- ★ Jesse Mulham
- ♥ Noemy Espinal

Touro College of Dental Medicine

- ★ Rachel Sebastian

University at Buffalo

- ★ John Anthony Lepore
- ♥ Emma E. Chubb
- ♥ Balraj Grewal
- ♥ Tyler Lyons
- ♥ Ujwal Vinubhai Patel
- ♥ Alexandria Nicole Sullivan
- ♥ Seth Richard Tirsun

Case Western Reserve University

- ★ Nathan Richard Reisch
- ♥ Mark Spencer Goodman

The Ohio State University

- ★ Matt Shafron
- ♥ Alwileed Kalout

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DENTAL JOURNALISM AWARDS 2024

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SILVER SCROLL

Most improved publication

Division I

Journal of the California Dental Association, 2023, 2022, 2021, Kerry K. Carney, DDS, Editor.

Division II

Journal of the Macomb Dental Society, 2023, 2022, 2021, Michael Saba, DMD, Editor.

PLATINUM PENCIL

Best use of graphics

Division I

Journal of the Massachusetts Dental Society, Summer 2023, David B. Becker, DMD, Editor.

Division II

Virginia Dental Journal, April, May & June 2023, Richard F. Roadcap, DDS, Editor.

SPECIAL CITATION

Unusual concept and/or presentation

Journal of the California Dental Association, 2023 Vol. 51, No. 1, *Forensic Odontology*, Kerry K. Carney, DDS, Editor.

Virginia Dental Journal, October, November & December 2023, *Through The Looking Glass*, Richard F. Roadcap, DDS, Editor.

The Nugget, May/June 2023, *Wellness Corner and First Aid*, Gabrielle Thodas, DDS, Editor.

GOLDEN PEN

Article or series of articles of current interest to the profession

Division I

Journal of the California Dental Association, 2023 Vol. 51, No. 1, *Practice Management: Fostering Engagement and Retention in the New Labor Market*, Kerry K. Carney, DDS, Editor.

Golden Pen (Continued)

Honorable Mention

Journal of the Michigan Dental Association, July 2023, *Mental Health in the Dental Workplace*, Michelle C. Dziurgot, DDS, Editor.

Division II

San Antonio District Dental Society Newsletter, Nov/Dec 2023, *Good-bye My Yellow-Brick Road... Artificial Intelligence: Fact or Fiction*, Tyrone Rodriguez, DDS, Editor.

Honorable Mention

Northwest Dentistry, July-August 2023, *Imposter Syndrome*, John E. Lueth, DDS, Editor.

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter with best overall quality of graphics, design and content

Division I

San Antonio District Dental Society Newsletter, Nov/Dec 2023, Tyrone Rodriguez, DDS, Editor.

Division II

AADEJ The Communicator, 2023 Vol. 9, Issues 1, 2, 3 and 4, Daniel L. Orr II, DDS, Editor.

LEADERSHIP EDITORIAL/ARTICLE

Encourages leadership positions and/or activities in the dental profession

Dental Review - Oakland County Dental Society, Winter 2023, *Fear of Failure*, Anantpreet K. Grewal, DMD, Author.

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Honorable Mention

Metro Denver Dental Society Articulator, 2023 Vol. 29, Issue 1, *Women In Dentistry*, Amisha Singh, DDS and Allen Veau, DMD, Co-Editors.

OUTSTANDING COVER

Northwest Dentistry, July-August 2023, *Imposter Syndrome*, John E. Lueth, DDS, Editor.

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Honorable Mention

Journal of the Massachusetts Dental Society, Fall 2023, *Human Papilloma Virus: Its Impact on HPV-Related Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma in the U.S. Latino Population*, David B. Becker, DMD, Editor.

Honorable Mention

Ontario Dentist, May 2023, *Scope of Practice: Is Your Dental Team Playing by the Rules?* Carlos Quinonez, DMD, Editor.

HUMANITARIAN SERVICE

Article or series of articles that exemplifies 'Serving Others'

AAOMS: TODAY, September/October 2023, *Giving Back OMSs doing their part to aid in Ukrainian crisis*, James R. Hupp, DMD, Editor.

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Honorable Mention

West Michigan District Dental Society Bulletin, Spring 2023, *Missional Dentist*, Daniel Miller, DDS, Editor.

OUTSTANDING ICD NEWSLETTER

The College Call, 2023, Karin D. Brian, DDS, Editor.

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2024 Dental Journalism Awards Leadership Article

Fear of Failure

by Anantpreet K. Grewal, DMD, MHS

A few weeks ago we ordered Asian food, and, at the end of the meal when I opened my fortune cookie, I snickered at what was written in front of me: "Don't fear failure." I had snickered because the concept of failing has been plaguing me for my whole adult life, and this was a much-needed reminder.

It wasn't until recently that I realized that while my parents may have had the best of intentions to shelter my brother and me from the hardships of life, they had, in actuality, set us up for a life of fearing even the smallest mishaps. My parents immigrated from India and left behind the only life they'd known, and their families, to move to America. It is no surprise that this journey and the years that followed brought many challenges. They were determined to not let any obstacles stand in the way of my brother's and my goals. They sheltered



Dr. Anantpreet K. Grewal

While I still struggle to push myself to try new or challenging cases, I have started to give myself more grace. I am starting to accept that to feed my growth I have to take on varying degrees of challenges (within limit). I try to remind myself of all the great quotes on failing:

“

You miss 100%
of the shots
you don't take.”

—Wayne Gretzky

“

Those who dare to fail miserably
can achieve greatly.”

—John F. Kennedy

“

I have not failed. I've just found
10,000 ways that won't work.”

—Thomas Edison

In regard to failing at the invention of the light bulb

us from many facets of the world which created this rose-tinted view of the world for us. Any hurdle that we did face was swiftly handled and removed. It was helicopter parenting, Level 1,000. And with this kind of parenting, there is little room for making mistakes. You can imagine the rude awakenings my sibling and I have experienced in our lives.

Once I was on my own, I slowly learned how to solve my own problems. But the fear of making a mistake was always there, and within my career, this fear really affected my treatment and patient care. The thought of failing a patient and being at fault was overwhelming for me. Especially in this age of social media and being an associate dentist at someone else's hard-built practice. I didn't want to be the one to create a blemish on their office because of my failure(s).

Being a parent myself I am understanding that in fact, letting your kids fail is one of the best things for them. I want them to fail at age-appropriate levels and learn every step of the way. I want them to do dangerous things safely to build their self-confidence.

If you are struggling to take the leap on something, just do it. Prepare for the moment/procedure the best that you can and if it doesn't go as planned, re-evaluate it, tweak it, and try again. Even if you aren't successful at first, you will take steps and will gain the knowledge that will hopefully lead you to success. Don't let fear hold you back from what could be something incredible.

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2024 Dental Journalism Awards

OUTSTANDING ICD NEWSLETTER

The Outstanding ICD Newsletter Award is presented annually to the editor of a USA Section newsletter which demonstrates an overall quality of graphics, design and content.



Dr. Karin D. Brian Wins Journalism Award for *The College Call*

“It is an incredible honor for *The College Call* (2023) to be selected as Outstanding ICD Newsletter. The patience and support of our District 3 Past Regent Dr. Ron Heier have been integral to assembling this newsletter for the past few years. Many thanks also to our publisher Gwen Galeone for her dedication and communication. Working with both of them has been an enjoyable process, from gathering the content to overcoming any challenges that arise.”

—Karin D. Brian, DDS
Editor, ICD District 3/Pennsylvania

The College Call is an annual newsletter from ICD District 3/Pennsylvania.



KARIN D. BRIAN, DDS
EDITOR

Dr. Karin D. Brian was inducted as an ICD Fellow in 2008. She began serving as Editor of the District 3 newsletter *The College Call* in 2021.

After graduating from the University of Maryland Dental School in 1991, Karin returned to her home town of Downingtown, Pennsylvania, to practice as an associate. She enjoyed providing care to the community practice for nearly 29 years before transitioning to self-employment as a locum tenens dentist.

Dr. Brian is a past trustee to the PDA and is currently an Associate Editor for the *Pennsylvania Dental Journal*. She recently retired from practice, yet finds herself still very busy volunteering as treasurer for both her local dental society and the Chester County Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. When not on the computer, she can be found cooking, processing the abundance of harvest from their organic gardens, or on the beach of Cape Hatteras National Seashore surf fishing with her husband, Tom.

2024 Dental Journalism Awards Humanitarian Article



Giving Back

OMSs doing their part to aid in Ukrainian crisis

James R. Hupp, DMD, AAOMS: Today Editor

AAOMS members are aiding in the ongoing conflict in Ukraine in a variety of ways – from offering their expertise on the frontlines to treating refugees in Poland or training Ukrainian surgeons stateside.

These OMSs – and other US healthcare personnel – are helping to make a difference for the Ukrainian people in a war that has lasted for over 500 days. This issue’s cover story is part of Giving Back, an occasional AAOMS Today feature that...

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AAOMS: TODAY, September / October 2023, Giving Back OMSs doing their part to aid in Ukrainian crisis, James R. Hupp, DMD, Editor.

2024 Dental Journalism Awards

OUTSTANDING COVER

The Outstanding ICD Cover Award is presented to the editor for originality used in graphics and design for covers of dental publications.

“Northwest Dentistry is honored to receive the 2024 ICD Outstanding Cover award for its July-August 2023 cover in support of a four-part discussion of “Imposter Syndrome,” which won the 2024 ICD Golden Pen Honorable Mention as well. Creating visibility and deepening investigation go hand in hand, whatever the topic, and it is our continuing priority to identify and explore subjects of core importance to our professional community. Our Editorial Advisory Board members deserve these kudos for bringing this subject into the spotlight.”

—John E. Lueth, DDS
Editor, Northwest Dentistry



Northwest Dentistry is the official journal of the Minnesota Dental Association. It has a bimonthly distribution.

JOHN E. LUETH, DDS
EDITOR



Dr. John Lueth is the Editor of Northwest Dentistry, a founding member of the Northern Dental Access

Clinic and is a past trustee of the Minnesota Dental Association. Dr. Lueth practices family dentistry in Bemidji, Minnesota. John enjoys the outdoors, traveling and exploring his heritage. In his free time, he enjoys his family and friends, fly tying, hunting and volunteering.

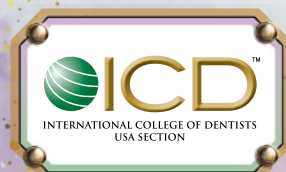
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Welcome to the ICD USA Section!

FROM YOUR ICD USA SECTION
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Keith W. Suchy



A PHOTOGRAPHIC CELEBRATION



September 2024 ICD USA Section Convocation, Fellowship Orientation Program & Meetings in Nashville

New Fellow Teresa J. Bello-Burgos showing her ICD plaque and beaming with pride.



A moment of ICD unity as all USA Section Districts pledge allegiance together.



2024 ICD USA Section President Ira R. Titunik and ICD USA Section Foundation Trustee Curtis R. Johnson enjoy some down time in the Gaylord Opryland Resort before the Convocation Ceremony.

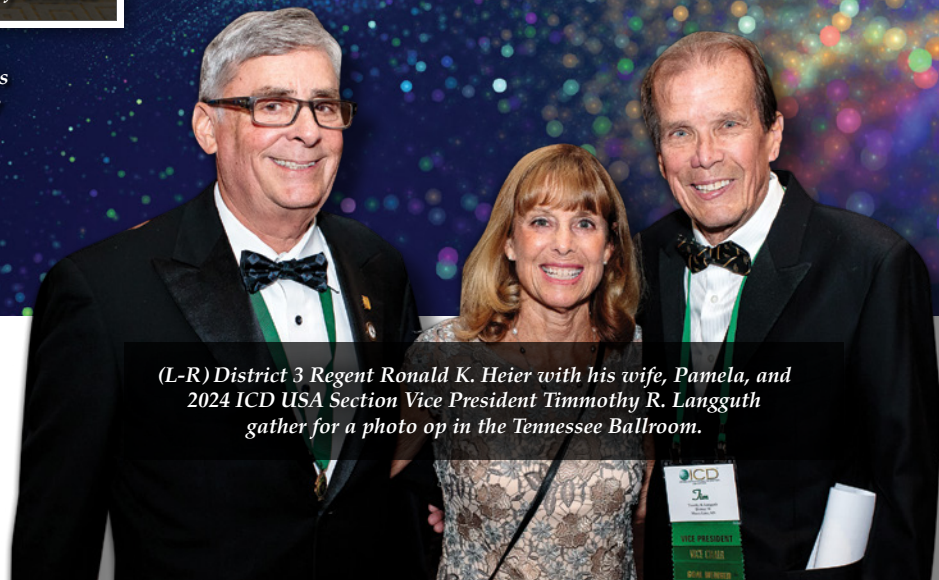
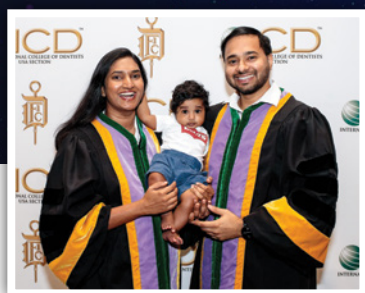


2024 ICD USA Section Foundation Board of Trustees

Representing ICD District 8/Illinois, Regent D. Spencer Pope and Vice Regent Sharon J. Perlman gather with New Fellows and guests to capture the special moment under a representative mark of the ICD USA Section, the ICD Key.



Proud parents and District 16 New Fellows Bhargavi Dasari and Izaz Shaik celebrate ICD Fellowship with their little one.



(L-R) District 3 Regent Ronald K. Heier with his wife, Pamela, and 2024 ICD USA Section Vice President Timmothy R. Langguth gather for a photo op in the Tennessee Ballroom.

2024 ICD USA Section President Ira R. Titunik adorns incoming 2025 President Eliot L. Paisner with the Symbol of ICD Presidency: a linked-chain of USA Section Presidents' nameplates and ICD medallion.



Registrar Keith W. Suchy and 2024 Vice President Timothy R. Langguth share a light moment following the Convocation Ceremony.



Honorary Fellow Cathy Levering and her team proudly display their T-shirts worn in support of the ICD:

"I'M A FELLOW."

"MY WIFE IS A FELLOW. IS YOURS?"

"MY BOSS IS A FELLOW. IS YOURS?"

ICD Global President Argirios Pissiotis and Convocation pianist and Fellow T. Bob Davis greet one another before the celebration dinner to honor New Fellows.



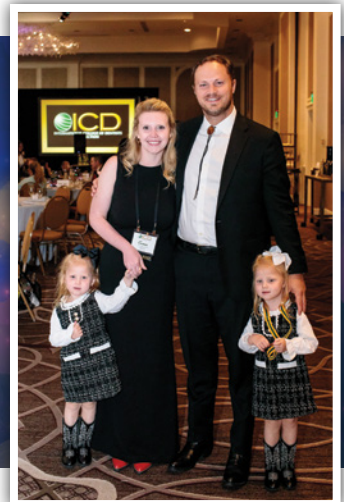
District 13 New Fellow Rashidah T. Wiley from Calif., and District 6 New Fellow Tanya M. Gibson from Mo., celebrate their recent induction in Nashville.



2024 Convocation Speaker Francis (Frank) G. Serio after delivering a speech that urges Fellows to "Pay It Forward."



From Colo., District 14 Fellow Stephenie Lea Hedstrom Kaufmann (photo left) and District 14 New Regent Karen D. Foster (photo right) celebrate the ICD USA Section, with the support of family and friends.



Dressed for Nashville, District 10 Fellow Elect Corinne M. Van Osdel from Neb., poses with her family.

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Connecting the ICD Community

PENNSYLVANIA EAST HOSTS VIRTUAL CONVOCATION WATCH PARTY



ICD USA Section Virtual Convocation October 5, 2024

On Saturday, October 5, 2024, Officers, Fellows, Fellows-Elect from Pennsylvania East and their families gathered for a watch party at the beautiful Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens in Devon, Pennsylvania. Attendees enjoyed a light lunch and then watched the virtual convocation on the big screen TV.



New Fellow Antonio Secchi and his family at the District 3 Watch Party.

New Fellows were presented with their keys and plaques and welcomed with hearty applause and rousing cheers. The attendees were delighted to be able to share this milestone in the presence of family and friends and share in one another's joy and sense of pride and accomplishment. These individuals truly embody the ICD-USA values: Integrity, Leadership and Service. We are already making plans for another Convocation Watch Party in 2025.



2024 District 3 New Fellow Janine N. Burkhardt in front of the Education Building at Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens.

SIX ICD FELLOWS WIN ADA'S 10 UNDER 10 AWARD IN 2025



Congratulations to all the 2025 ADA 10 Under 10 award winners!

The ICD USA Section also recognizes the six ICD USA Section Fellows who won this prestigious award in 2025. Congratulations!



ICD Fellow awardees presented in bold below:

Pictured L-R, top row:

- Dr. Sara Ehsani, Texas**
- Dr. Adam N. Lowenstein, Massachusetts**
- Dr. Craig McKenzie, Pennsylvania**
- Dr. Kathryn M. Pawlak, New York**
- Dr. Milton Eduardo (Eddie) Ramirez, Oregon**

Pictured L-R, bottom row:

- Dr. Allison C. Scully, Indiana**
- Dr. Lyubov D. Slashcheva, Minnesota**
- Dr. Akshay Thusu, Texas**
- Dr. Yi-Chu Wu, Ohio**
- Dr. Lauren C. Yap, Pennsylvania**

Developed by the ADA New Dentist Committee in 2017, this award recognizes 10 amazing dentists who graduated from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation less than 10 years ago. The ADA is celebrating America's brightest new dentists who demonstrate excellence and inspire others in science, research and education, practice excellence, philanthropy, leadership and advocacy. For consideration, nominees must be active ADA members and a graduate from a US accredited dental school between the years 2015-2024, or an international ADA member and a graduate of a dental school between the years 2015-2024.

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Theodora Elena Danciu*
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Arndt Guentsch*
John Douglas Hamerink
Jitesh V. Pimpale*

Molly Conlon Proby
Darshika Shah*
Robert Stefanski
Steven Taft
Ufuk Tatli
Sarah Tomaka*

Also pictured: Past District 9 Regents,
James J. Conrardy and Julio H. Rodriguez

**Inducted Virtually*



CONGRATULATIONS



CLASS OF



2024

DISTRICT 10

REPRESENTING IOWA,
MINNESOTA, NEBRASKA,
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FELLOW DIRECTS LOCAL DIAPER DRIVE IN RESPONSE TO FLINT WATER CRISIS

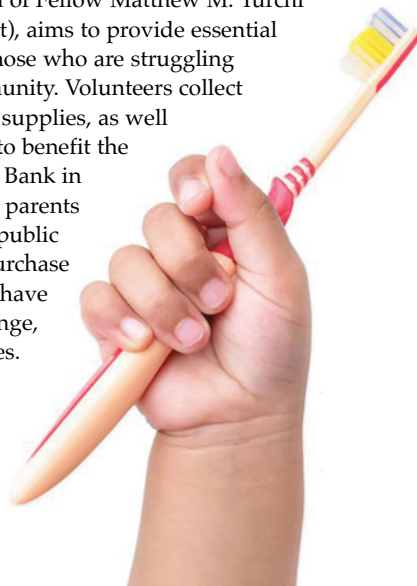


Dentists from the Genesee District Dental Society have partnered with the Flint Diaper Bank to support families in need by organizing diaper drives in response to the challenges posed by the Flint Water Crisis. This initiative aims to provide essential diapers to families in need, and serves as a means to provide toothbrushes and information about oral hygiene to parents.



The local drive, created by GDDS under the direction of Fellow Matthew M. Turchi (pictured left), aims to provide essential diapers to those who are struggling in the community. Volunteers collect diapers and supplies, as well as funding, to benefit the local Diaper Bank in Flint. Young parents who are on public

assistance receive no help for the purchase of diapers. As a result, babies often have to go for days without a diaper change, which leads to a host of health issues. The GDDS team place infant toothbrushes along with oral care information inside the care packages with free diapers.



FREE CE AND LUNCHEON FOR ICD FELLOWS AT 2024 GNYDM™



The ICD luncheon and networking event with free CE for ICD Fellows was organized by District 2/NY and Regent Rekha C. Gehani for Fellows from the area. It was held at the Jacob Javits Center in late 2024 in collaboration with the Greater New York Dental Meeting™ and ICD Global Councilors Meeting. Pictured above, Regent Gehani (center in yellow) is surrounded by global dental dignitaries. Pictured below, Rekha is joined by 2024 ICD USA Section President Ira R. Titunik (left) and District 2 Fellow Katayoon Noroozi-Leibowitz (right) after a successful ICD luncheon and networking event.



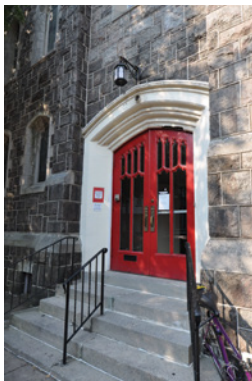
**MISSION PROJECT AT
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

“The dental clinic is always busy, always having more patients than appointment slots.”

— PASTOR JODY SILLIKER

Aside from the usual Sunday worship services, Christ Lutheran Church operates as a shelter and health center to the needy and underserved of the Harrisburg area. Its health clinic primarily offers care for common ailments and prenatal care. Its dental clinic is in high demand for fillings and extractions to provide relief from oral pain.

Pastor Jody Silliker states, “The dental clinic is always busy, always having more patients than appointment slots.”



Project founder and ICD Fellow John Howard Kiessling volunteers year round. Harrisburg Area Dental Society volunteers keep it running, including Fellow William (Bill) T. Spruill.

Entry to Christ Lutheran Church, Harrisburg

**USA SECTION PRESIDENT VISITS
ALABAMA MEETING**

During the UAB School of Dentistry Annual Alumni Meeting in February 2025, ICD USA Section President Eliot L. Paisner attended the ICD/ACD Joint Breakfast Meeting where he spoke about the mission and core values of the College, encouraging recruitment and humanitarian efforts. The Alabama chapter meets biannually with the ACD for breakfast, fellowship, and to promote the Colleges’ missions.



(L to R) Bruce E. Cunningham, District 5 Regent; Eliot L. Paisner, ICD USA Section President; Leigh-Anne Tucker Nevins, Alabama Secretary/Treasurer; and Richard Allan Simpson, Alabama Deputy Regent.



**USA SECTION LEADERSHIP
IN ACTION IN INDIA:
“THE CROSSROADS OF
DENTISTRY”**

CD USA Section District 2 Regent Rekha C. Gehani and Deputy Regent Chandurpal (Chad) P. Gehani collaborated with the Ambala Dental School and Nirvana University in India to present “The Crossroads of Dentistry: An interdisciplinary roadmap for better patient outcome.” Drs. Rekha Gehani and Chad Gehani presented as speakers in Orthodontics and Endodontics at the educational event that served to encourage dental student mentoring.

Congratulations



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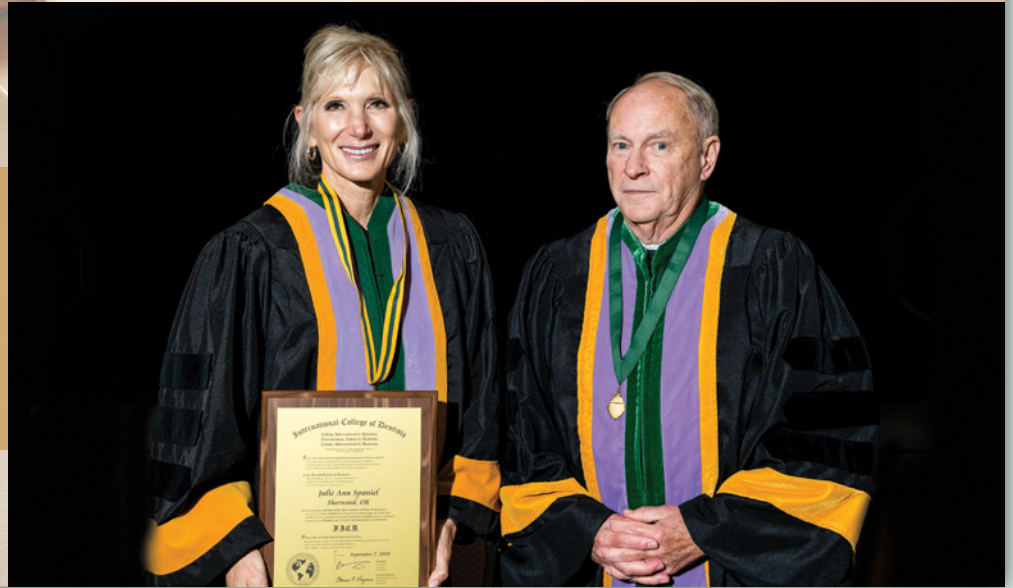
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DISTRICT 12 REGENT: MARK S. CHANEY

QUEENS COMMUNITY DENTAL OUTREACH OFFERS FREE ORAL HEALTH SCREENINGS



ICD District 2 and the Sikh Cultural Society held a community dental outreach on March 30, 2025, at the Gurdwara Sikh Temple in Queens. Dental checkups and fluoride varnish applications were provided for over 113 patients, ranging from infants to senior citizens. During the event, community members were also educated on proper dental hygiene practices, toothbrushing techniques, diet implications associated with dental caries, and oral cancer awareness.

This initiative was made possible with the incredible support and collaboration of many ICD District 2 volunteers, leadership of Regent Rekha C. Gehani, and Henry Schein Cares for providing the much-needed dental supplies for free on short notice.

ICD Fellows Drs. Tinnysha Chopra, Katayoon "Kathy" Noroozi-Leibowiz, Gail Ellen Schupak, Robert M. Trager, Nancy Yu, ICD candidate Dr. Pooja Gangwani, several One Brooklyn Health Pedodontics residents, and NYU and Columbia dental students volunteered their time, effort and dedication, which made this a memorable event and great success. Society members assisted with interpretation and intake of medical history and oral exams, ensuring a smooth and effective process.

2024 MARKS THIRD OPERATION STAND DOWN FOR ARKANSAS

The third OSD in Arkansas was held on November 1, 2024, with seven clinic locations throughout the state, including Arkadelphia, Fayetteville, Fort Smith, Jonesboro, Little Rock, Mountain View and Pine Bluff.

Patients were prescreened and scheduled for their appointments by going through the US Department of Veterans Affairs to confirm their Veteran status. We would like to give a special thanks to Gina Chandler for coordinating the confirmation of Veterans and directing them to the appropriate office location.

In 2024, a total of 182 patients were treated and a total of \$175,556 of services were rendered. Three-year totals are 482 patients treated, and \$413,333 of services rendered.

Operation Stand Down 2025 is scheduled for November 7.

Volunteer Participation:

- 35 dentists, including three oral maxillofacial surgeons who will see patients in the near future to IV sedate and complete extensive oral surgery (includes 13 ICD Fellows)
- 25 dental hygienists
- 36 dental assistants
- 27 office personnel

Participating ICD Fellows' offices:

- Dr. Ned E. Alley, Little Rock
- Dr. Troy D. Bartels, Jonesboro
- Dr. David Julian Bell, Arkadelphia
- Dr. Angela Renee Broomfield, Fayetteville
- Isbell Family Dentistry, Mountain View
- Dr. Charles Gregory Liggett Jr., Fort Smith
- Dr. Charles Garrett Taylor II, Pine Bluff



Beavers and Broomfield Family Dentistry in Fayetteville was one of seven Arkansas OSD clinic locations. Pictured above are participating ICD Fellows Kristen F. Beavers (L) and Angela Renee Broomfield (R).

Special Thanks to:

- Jon Looney with Patterson Dental for getting supplies to all locations and discounted costs.
- ArkBest for \$2,500 donation.
- Delta Dental of Arkansas Foundation for \$25,000 donation.

ICD FELLOWS WIN PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS AT 2024 PENNSYLVANIA DENTAL MEETING



PDA Distinguished Service Award goes to Dr. Bruce Terry

The 2024 Pennsylvania Dental Association

Distinguished Service Award winner is District 3 Fellow Bruce R. Terry, DMD, for his leadership and service to the dental profession at the local, state and national level.



PDA Public Service Award goes to Dr. Bernadette Logan

Bernadette A. Logan, DDS, District 3 Regent, is the

recipient of the 2024 Pennsylvania Dental Association Public Service Award for her contributions to improving the oral health of the public through her work with Give Kids a Smile™ events on the local and national level.



PDA Recognition Award goes to Dr. Roopali Kulkarni

Roopali Kulkarni, DMD, MPH, 2024 New Fellow,

is the recipient of the 2024 Pennsylvania Dental Association Recognition Award, recognizing her passion for education and her ability to inspire current and future dental professionals.



The Cheerful Heart Dental Mission has treated over 7,000 patients since its inception in 2011. Most people living in the rural areas between Haiti and the Dominican Republic do not have access to dental care.

The Cheerful Heart Dental Mission

Pamela L. Alberto, pictured second from right, with Cheerful Heart volunteers



A REPORT FROM FELLOW IN ACTION:

Pamela L. Alberto, DMD

The Cheerful Heart Mission is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to improving the lives of the underprivileged people living on the border of the Dominican Republic and Haiti by funding and managing programs focused on health, education, and economic development serving all people in need without regard to race, gender or religious belief. Dr. Pamela L. Alberto leads the Dental Mission team with Dr. Jan Tracy. They are joined by other dental and medical professionals from the Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, the William Paterson University Department of Nursing and the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.



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Haiti is the poorest country in the Americas and one of the very poorest in the world. With approximately one dentist for every 100,000 people, quality dental care is unavailable to most Haitians.

The Dominican Republic has made good economic progress over the past few years but it remains one of the poorer countries in the world. Dental care is available in the two major cities but most people in rural areas do not have access.

The DR and Haiti share a 224-mile border on the island of Hispaniola where the DR occupies the eastern two thirds of the island and Haiti the western one third. This border region is especially poor. Being remotely located, the region is underserved by national governments that lack the adequate resources needed to assist all people equitably. The healthcare needs are astonishing. The few health services that are available are underfunded and overwhelmed. When the needs of this area were surveyed by the founding members of this dental mission, the local clinic director Dr. Montilla said, "If I could ask for anything, I would ask for a dentist."

The dental needs of the Haitian population are staggering. Owning a toothbrush is considered to be a luxury. Dental decay resulting in non-restorable teeth is rampant. Dental decay that results in broken, but restorable teeth is even greater in magnitude. Most dentists have their offices in the large cities and very few go to rural areas. Triage and selection of patients is a monumental task.

We developed and implemented an interdisciplinary plan to fulfill Dr. Montilla's request. The Cheerful Heart Dental Mission was created to serve the underprivileged children and adults of Haiti and the DR and encourage students to provide these services. This enhances student service learning and improves their clinical skills. We are proud to report 6,828 patients treated, during our 11 mission trips between 2011-2024, and almost 700 additional patients treated during our 12th mission in March 2025. In all, the Cheerful Heart Dental Mission has provided 25,643 procedures consisting of restorations, cleanings, fluoride treatments and extractions, and in March 2025, we 3D-printed 35 flippers and 5 maxillary dentures.

Our two temporary dental clinics are located in Loma De Cabrera, DR, and Tilory, Haiti. Children and adults are transported to our clinic for treatment in our rental vans. Since there is no running water or electricity, we bring generators and water to our temporary clinics along with portable dental chairs and units. The patients are first triaged so individuals with the greatest needs are seen first.

Our team consists of a mission leader, nurse, nursing students, oral surgeon, pediatric dental residents, oral surgery resident, prosthodontist, dentists, dental students, physician and engineer.

"The dental needs of the Haitian population are staggering. Owning a toothbrush is considered to be a luxury. Dental decay resulting in non-restorable teeth is rampant."



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The mission leader obtains all local and national government approvals, provides operational assistance during the mission, and organizes the packing and shipping of equipment and supplies. The physician, nurse and nursing students are responsible for triaging patients, hygiene instruction, assisting dental students, overseeing the pharmacy and infection control. The pediatric dental residents, dental students, dentist and oral surgeons are responsible for hygiene instruction, sealants and fluoride treatment, restorations and extractions. The engineer is responsible for setting up the generators and dental equipment, and keeping all equipment operational.

We work with members of Loma de Cabrera to bring those in need of care to our clinic and assist with logistics, food and transportation. Local Dominican dentists come to our clinic for dental education due to our collaboration with local health officials. This has had a fruitful outcome because these dentists have also provided care at our clinic. In the evening, we provide continuing education for the local dentists.

We currently spend one week per year providing care but would like to expand the mission to two weeks. This year we will include endodontics. During our last mission in March 2024, we treated



713 patients, performing 2,840 procedures, including extractions, restorations, hygiene, fluoride, and sealants. We distributed 2,000 tubes of toothpaste and 4,000 toothbrushes.

We hope to expand this care to other border towns. We plan for this to be a model for other medical, nursing, and dental schools to provide care to more border towns in Haiti and the DR.

This project changes the lives of the people of Haiti and the DR, along with the lives of the dental and nursing students. One of the participating nursing students stated that she will never look at her patients the same way as before. She now understands the importance of oral health.



Scan the QR code above for the
CHEERFUL HEART DENTAL MISSION VIDEO

Hospital-based dental services in Las Vegas at University Medical Center

FELLOW IN ACTION:

Daniel L. Orr II, DDS, MD, PhD, JD



In 2024, *Dental Economics* published a work by Life Fellow and Nevada Deputy Regent Daniel L. Orr II titled, “Hospital affiliated full-scope dental services: A patient interest-based feasibility study.”¹

The paper describes challenges of establishing a hospital-based dental clinic, such as competing accrediting entities (The Joint Commission vs. CODA); optimizing synergy between different professions (medical boards vs. dental boards); disparate coding models (over 140,000 medical codes vs. less than 700 dental codes). The work shared that medical paradigms do not generally

understand dental models and vice versa.

However, the paper also reports that the vast majority of 456 patients interviewed would be interested in becoming patients of such a clinic. These patients were random non-dental admissions to University Medical Center (UMC) with means to pay for services.

When contacted early in 2025, Dr. Orr shared that in one year, approximately 8% of all UMC emergency room visits were related to oral health.² Further, such patients were generally sent back to the community with unresolved complaints and instructions to find a dentist. If patients were admitted to the hospital, the costs for dental procedures were exponentially higher than office-based treatment.³

As a Dentist Anesthesiologist and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon, Orr has navigated the interface between dentistry and medicine since he was recruited to handle UMC’s facial trauma cases, which were often being sent to California from Nevada, in 1979. In addition, Orr was the director of Anesthesiology and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at the UNLV School of Dental Medicine for 12 years during which the undergraduate emergency clinic was run profitably.

In 2022, UMC initiated the dental clinic project, which Orr agreed to direct. The *Dental Economics* study was developed as part of due diligence for UMC’s nascent dental aspirations. At this time, the clinic is still in development.



To read the *Dental Economics* article, scan the QR code.

Hospital affiliated full-scope dental services: A patient interest-based feasibility study

Dental Economics, November-December 2024, “Hospital affiliated full-scope dental services: A patient interest-based feasibility study,” Daniel L. Orr II, DDS, MD, PhD, JD

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ICD Fellows, Michelle Henshaw (far right in white) and Breno Reboucas (front center, kneeling in grey shirt) with students from GSDM and collaborators in Nicaragua.



Boston University Henry M. Goldman
School of Dental Medicine

FELLOWS IN ACTION:

Dr. Michelle Henshaw and Dr. Breno Reboucas are helping transform pediatric oral health in

Estelí, Nicaragua

Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
2025 International Elective Externship

March 30-April 6, 2025

A group of dental faculty and students from Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine (GSDM) travel to Estelí, Nicaragua, annually to provide oral health care to the local community. Dr. Michelle Henshaw, Associate Dean of Global & Population Health at GSDM, in collaboration with the Nicaraguan Ministries of Health and Families, Adolescents and Children, the Superemos Foundation, and the local community, started the program in 2015 with the goal of improving the oral health of Estelí's children. Dr. Breno Reboucas is the Clinical Associate Professor of General Dentistry and Pediatric Dentistry, and Director of Predoctoral Pediatric Dentistry at GSDM and co-led the 2025 team of dental students with Dr. Henshaw in March 2025. The GSDM team educates preschool teachers about oral health promotion and trains them to apply fluoride varnish for children enrolled at the local government-supported preschools (CDIs) throughout Estelí. As a result of this initiative, almost 1,000 children receive quarterly fluoride varnish applications.



Boston University student providing pediatric dental care while at Nicaragua.

For the past two years, children who need additional treatment are transported to the dental clinic at the Universidad Nacional Francisco Luis Espinoza Pineda (UNFLEP), where faculty and students from both UNFLEP and GSDM provide minimally invasive care. Techniques such as silver diamine fluoride applications, silver modified atraumatic restorative treatment (SMART), and sealants are performed to stop the progression of decay and avoid more complex procedures in the future. The approach is effective and tailored to meet the needs of the Estelí community.

This initiative goes beyond clinical care for these pediatric patients. The partnership between GSDM and UNFLEP also serves as a platform for educational and cultural exchange. GSDM faculty and residents lead hands-on training sessions for UNFLEP dental students and instructors, equipping them with skills and techniques that can be implemented throughout the year. It's a collaboration rooted in sustainability — one that not only improves the oral health of children but also helps develop a new generation of dentists in Nicaragua who will be able to provide ongoing care to underserved children.

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*Creating generational
change through
school-based
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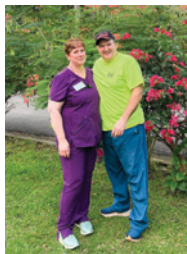


Placing fillings on a very nervous patient who asked if her friend could watch. Note the bib with an R (for restoration) and the triage sheet denoting treatment required.

Spice Isle Smiles

**A REPORT FROM
FELLOW IN ACTION:**

Brian Glen Holmes, DMD



Founded by Dr. Brian Holmes, FICD and his wife, Tammy Holmes, Spice Isle Smiles is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to improving and protecting children's oral health throughout Grenada, West Indies. Through partnerships with local schools, dental professionals, community organizations, and visiting volunteer dental

teams, they provide preventive and interceptive dental care to K-6 grade students in rural areas in coordination with the Grenadian Ministry of Health.

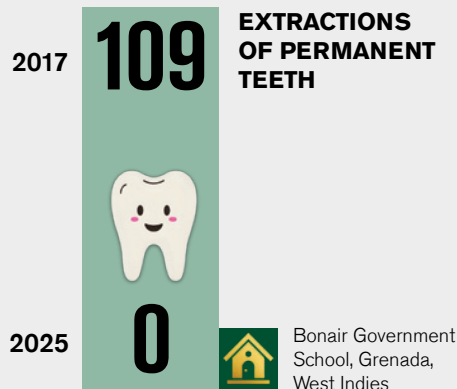
2025 PROJECT RESULTS

The Spice Isle Smiles team completed their 8th dental humanitarian project in Grenada in early 2025, reinforcing the critical importance of early dental decay prevention as the foundation of their program.

School-based dental clinics were set up at six primary schools (grades K-6), with three schools having been visited since the organization's initial trip in 2017. The transformation has been remarkable. The students at all three of the previously visited schools exhibited a decay rate of approximately 90% in 2017. Comparing that data to 2025, the decay rate is now as follows: Bonair Government School- 8%, Holy Spirit RC School-5%, and St. Peter's RC School-11%.

These three schools previously required 10 days of clinical care, but this year the work was completed in just 5 days. This allowed the team to continue care at Florida Government School (decay rate reduced from 87% in 2022 to 22% in 2025) and add a new school for 2025, Samaritan Presbyterian School (current decay rate 86%).

The most striking statistics come from Bonair Government School. In 2017, the team had to remove 109 severely decayed, non-restorable molars. In 2025, only one permanent molar showed decay, and it was successfully restored.



“I applaud the groups that provide humanitarian dental care, but without an implemented plan to reduce early childhood decay, no lasting change will occur. As dentists, we should never celebrate extracting permanent teeth. Our profession demands more of us.”



Dr. Holmes describes the transformation from classroom to dental clinic:

“Each school we visit provides classroom space for our clinic. We empty the classroom and set up portable chairs and dental delivery units, as well as our four-person sealant station and sterilization area. We use school desks and chairs as needed for flat surface areas and sealant providers. At any given time we might have three doctors treating patients with dental assistants, a hygienist, and three or four individuals placing sealants. It can feel very crowded. By going to the schools, we minimize student class time missed and we can provide treatment for almost 100% of the children who attend vs. a clinic that is set up at a church or community center.”

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Prevention Strategy

The program’s success stems from bringing care directly to schools, which allows the team to reach almost 100% of children who attend. Their prevention protocol at each school includes:

1. Fluoride varnish application to all children, including pre-K students.
2. Properly placed dental resin sealants on newly erupted and non-decayed permanent molars.
3. Comprehensive oral hygiene instruction.

This combination has proven key to significantly reducing early childhood decay rates in these communities.



Expanding Impact

Spice Isle Smiles has already designated additional schools in rural northern parishes of Grenada for their 2026 and 2027 projects, focusing on underserved areas.

Dr. Holmes volunteered an extra day at the Grand Bras public health clinic in Grenville for the Ministry of Health, where he witnessed firsthand the overwhelming demand for restorative care. This clinic has a local dentist working there 2-3 days/week seeing 5-6 patients/day. Due to equipment and supply issues, only extractions have been offered since 2020. More than 65 people were waiting when he arrived at 7:30 a.m. Working with the clinic staff through breaks and lunch, they treated 33 patients, providing 10 extractions and 32 restorations.

The experience reinforced Dr. Holmes’ conviction about the importance of prevention: “I could work every day until I die at the Grand Bras Clinic, and I would never be able to take care of the need to treat permanent tooth decay. Seeing adults and trying to care for their needs will never create a generational change in reducing dental decay.”

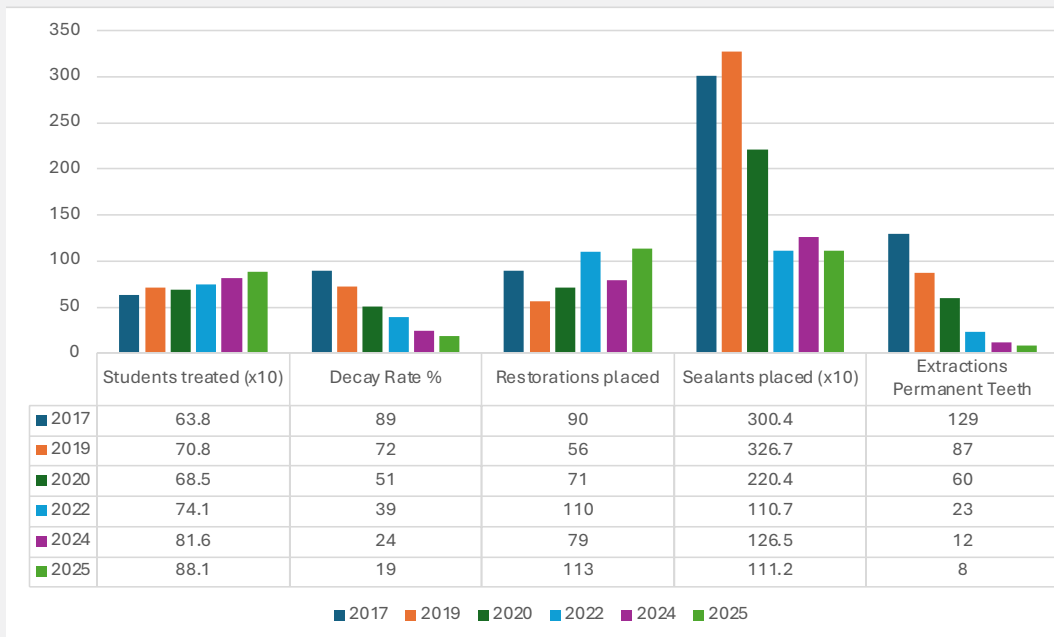
He adds, “I applaud the groups that provide humanitarian dental care, but without an implemented plan to reduce early childhood decay, no lasting change will occur. As dentists, we should never celebrate extracting permanent teeth. Our profession demands more of us.”

Volunteer Engagement

The 2025 project included 26 volunteers from the US, who each contributed \$500-\$600 weekly for their meals and lodging, with additional costs offset by the donations Spice Isle Smiles receives throughout the year. They stayed at Mt. Edgcombe, a modest facility with a small pool and outdoor dining area, gathering each evening as a group to discuss the day’s work and plan for the next.

“I am grateful that the volunteers may arrive as strangers but leave as friends, committed to a common cause; to go out and serve humanity,” says Dr. Holmes. “Without their sacrifice of time, means, and energy, we would not achieve the success we’re seeing.”

SPICE ISLE SMILES: A SIX-YEAR STUDY



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“You can’t pay it back,
so what you do is you
pay it forward.”

—FRANK SERIO, DMD



**2024 New Fellow
John C. Osborn, DDS**
of Maynardville, Tennessee (District 6)
spoke about his experience as the
Dental Director of Remote Area Medical.



**2024 New Fellow
Sandip Ladani, DMD**
of Schnecksville, Pennsylvania
(District 3) spoke about his experience
with Dental Lifeline Network.



**2024 New Fellow
Kathryn M. Pawlak, DDS**
from Hunter, New York (District 2)
spoke about her experience
with Planet Smiles.

Quotes from the 2024 ICD USA Annual Convocation Speech

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*Dr. Francis (Frank) G. Serio’s Convocation speech in 2024 was an inspiring treat for the Fellowship in attendance, full of famous quotes and personal contributions. Read below for a few of the memorable quotes, and to learn more about the three brave New Fellows from Districts 2, 3 and 6, who also spoke to the audience about their background and humanitarian programs. Visit usa-icd.org for the full speech on video by clicking on the **Publications** tab, and then selecting **2024 Presentations**.*



*Dr. Francis G. Serio delivers inspirational 2024 Convocation speech, opening with a lyric from the song, “Once in a Lifetime,” by the Talking Heads:
“And you may ask yourself, ‘Well, how did I get here?’”*

“To whom much is given, much is expected.”

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FELLOW IN ACTION — *T. Bob Davis, DMD*



(L-R) Fellows James "Jim" Wolf, Dan Bentley, Tommy Harrison, Robert "Bob" Meyer, Diane Meyer (Honorary), T. Bob Davis.

During the annual T. Bob Davis Dental Student Mission Trip to Guatemala, Dr. T. Bob and son Creth visited with dean and ICD Regent Dr. Estuardo Mata at the beautiful University of Francisco Marroquin (UFM) School of Dentistry in Guatemala City. They toured the school, including the roughout of the new soon-to-be completed half tower (which will double the size of the school facility) on Friday, March 7, 2025, on their way to the compound in San Raymundo. Several ICD Fellows teach at UFM School of Dentistry, including Dean Mata, Drs. Estuardo Zachrisson, Ana Godinez Soto, Luis Grisolia, Luis Suarez Rodriguez and Víctor Hugo Molina.

The T. Bob team reaches out to students and faculty every year, resulting in the participation of many volunteers at the remote San Raymundo Hospital Dental Clinic over the past decade.



(L-R) Fellow T. Bob Davis, Fellow Estuardo Zachrisson, Dr. T. Bob's son Creth and Dr. Zach's daughter Anna Marie holding her service dog Pancho Villa.



Increased possibility for international collaboration and service together are now a reality, with a new 21-chair portable dental clinic. The late former dean and ICD Fellow Ramiro Alfaro paved the way to provide dental service to the people in this remote area with his original vision to build the phenomenal UFM Dental School Campus.

Pediatric head Fellow Estuardo Zachrisson has managed the collaboration from the start. His dynamic personality and love for students has resulted in a new pediatric residency program and several residents participating with us.

There were 985 patients, mostly children, seen this year by the visiting team of 75 dentists and students.

During Fellow Zachrisson's visit to the remote dental clinic in the San Raymundo Hospital, his daughter, Anna Marie and her service dog, Pancho Villa, made an appearance to calm some of the anxious kids undergoing dental treatment.



Pictured above is Fellow Robert Meyer speaking to dental students.

Each year, Fellows Davis and Robert Meyer explain the values of belonging to honorary and charitable dental organizations for dentists to consider.



**Shahid Aziz, DMD, MD, FACS,
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About Smile Bangladesh

Smile Bangladesh is a New Jersey based nonprofit medical organization dedicated to caring for children and adults afflicted with facial cleft deformities in Bangladesh and around the world. It is estimated that there are up to 300,000 children and adults in Bangladesh with unrepaired cleft deformities. Conversely, it is estimated that there are less than 30 surgeons in the country with formal training in cleft surgery. This translates to about 10,000 cleft patients per surgeon.

The greatest hurdle in caring for cleft patients in Bangladesh is access to care. Most Bengalis with cleft deformities are from the more rural areas of the nation. Many don't even know that clefts can be repaired; those who do are often unable to access or afford care. Smile Bangladesh is dedicated to providing free care for these individuals by supporting volunteer surgeons, anesthesiologists, and nurses who travel to rural and urban areas of Bangladesh to repair facial clefts.

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An Interview with Fellow in Action Dr. Shahid Aziz

Repairing facial cleft deformities through Smile Bangladesh

Interview by Dr. Eoin Halpin, FICD

EOIN HALPIN:

You've mentioned a deep connection to your roots and the importance of giving back. What keeps you motivated, especially when faced with challenges in the field?

SHAHID AZIZ:

Yeah, I've always felt it's important to remember where I come from and to do something in life that contributes to others. About 25 years ago, when I was in training, my mentor, Steve Roser—who was then Chair of Oral Surgery at Columbia and now works at Emory—took me on cleft missions to South America. It was there that I realized the profound impact we could have by providing surgical care to children with facial deformities who otherwise wouldn't have access to it. Later, I spoke to my family in Bangladesh and learned that there was a huge need for cleft surgery. That's how we started our missions, and in 2005 we did our first mission to Bangladesh. It's evolved into something we've been doing twice a year for almost 20 years now, performing over 2,000 free surgeries. It's become very dear to my heart, as it allows me to give back both globally and to my roots.

EOIN HALPIN:

Smile Bangladesh's work clearly has a profound effect on its patients and their communities. How does the ICD's vision of improving global oral health resonate with your work, and how have these personal experiences reinforced your commitment to improving the health and well-being of those in underserved communities?

SHAHID AZIZ:

Absolutely, my experiences have reinforced my passion for serving underserved populations. Using the skills I was trained in to make a difference in these communities, particularly in the country my father was from, has made it even more meaningful. For example, cleft lip and palate surgeries aren't just about repairing a deformity—they have a massive social impact. A child with a cleft lip is often ostracized in rural communities, and by repairing it, you're not just restoring the physical aspect but also allowing them to reintegrate into their community. This work is especially important to me because of the impact it has on both individuals and families in need.



EOIN HALPIN:

Can you walk us through what a typical mission to Bangladesh looks like?

SHAHID AZIZ:

The travel itself is quite extensive. From New York, we usually fly through the Middle East and then to Dhaka, which takes around 20-22 hours. Once we arrive in Dhaka, we either stay there or travel to a more rural area. The first day is dedicated to team meetings

where we go over mission plans, and then we begin screening patients. We carefully select patients based on whether they are good candidates for surgery. Anesthesia is a big part of this—making sure they are stable enough to undergo the procedure. After screening, we schedule surgeries based on our resources, such as the number of surgeons and anesthesiologists available. Once surgery begins, we work non-stop according to the schedule. Midway through, we typically take a break and then finish up the remaining surgeries. Afterward, we work with local colleagues on post-operative care and head back home, staying in touch with them for follow up.

EOIN HALPIN:

You’ve clearly learned a lot over the years. Any lessons learned that might help others?

SHAHID AZIZ:

One thing I’ve learned is the importance of cultural competency. I always take time to talk to residents and our team about cultural sensitivity before we travel. You don’t want to unintentionally offend anyone. We’ve also been fortunate to have a fantastic team, and

I can’t stress enough how important it is to have a good administrative support system.

EOIN HALPIN:

It sounds like a very well-organized process. Have you considered expanding to other countries, or do you see yourself staying focused on Bangladesh?

SHAHID AZIZ:

I’ve been invited to join teams in South America and have done missions in Ecuador and Sri Lanka. But with my current commitments, especially in Bangladesh, it’s difficult to expand beyond that. I’ve shared advice with younger surgeons who want to establish their own missions, helping them set up safe and successful operations. But I’m committed to Bangladesh and dedicate six weeks a year to it. That’s already a significant amount of time.

EOIN HALPIN:

It must be incredibly gratifying, especially given the stigma that cleft patients face. The families must be very grateful for the work you’re doing.

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SHAHID AZIZ:

Yes, there is so much gratitude and emotion from the families. Bangladeshis are incredibly warm people, and when we treat these children, the families are overwhelmingly appreciative. The emotional impact is very real, and it makes all the years of training and sacrifice worth it. It's incredibly rewarding to see the positive changes in these families' lives.

EOIN HALPIN:

You mentioned the lack of access to education in Bangladesh. Could you talk a bit about the educational initiatives you've been involved in?

SHAHID AZIZ:

Yes, one of the key areas we've focused on in recent years is improving surgical education. Bangladesh has only two training programs for oral and maxillofacial surgery, despite having a population of 162 million. There's a real shortage of trained surgeons, so we've been working to improve education through lectures on cleft and orthognathic surgery, cadaver courses for cleft surgery, and live surgeries where we work with local surgeons and residents. The goal is to educate them so they can, in turn, train others. Ultimately, we hope that one day a Bangladeshi surgeon will say, "We don't need you anymore. You've taught us everything, and we're fine." That would be the ultimate success for us.

EOIN HALPIN:

It sounds like a rewarding but demanding endeavor. If someone from the International College of Dentists, or a fellow surgeon, wanted to get involved in humanitarian work like this, what advice would you give them?

SHAHID AZIZ:

First, I'd suggest they ask themselves: What do they want to do, and where do they want to go? They need to assess the safety of the area and ensure there's a real need for their help. It's also crucial to do their homework—research the location and assess if the mission is worth the investment in time and money. For example, each of our missions costs about \$40,000-\$50,000. If they want to get involved in an existing mission, they should research the organization's history, safety record, and mission goals. Collaborating with local partners is essential—you can't do this kind



Scan the QR code to watch Smile Bangladesh video:

2-hour time-lapse shown in 10-second loop, from 3rd day of surgery, Smile Bangladesh No. 29 (November 2023)



of work alone. Finally, they need to consider the logistical details, including fundraising and costs. Once they have this all figured out, they'll be in a good position to make a real impact.

EOIN HALPIN:

It sounds like you've built a great team and infrastructure. One last question: What do you hope the fellows reading this take away from your story and may embark on their own mission trip in the future?

SHAHID AZIZ:

I consider myself incredibly blessed to have had the opportunity to make such a meaningful impact. As healthcare professionals, we've been given a gift, and I believe it's our obligation to give back. It doesn't matter how you do it—whether it's providing routine care locally or participating in global surgery—it's important to give back to society. The International College of Dentists has a passion for this, and I think that's one of the reasons I'm so drawn to the organization. At the end of the day, it's about making the world a better place, and there's no greater comfort than knowing you've helped improve someone's life, one smile at a time.



VOLUNTEER INFORMATION PORTAL (VIP)

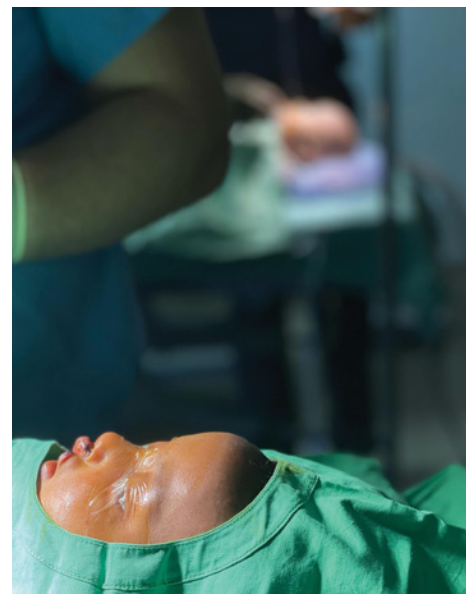
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Have you been wanting to volunteer but aren't sure where to begin? Do you run a charitable dental program that could use more helping hands? If so, the Volunteer Information Portal (VIP) is here to help!

Through the VIP, any ICD Fellow in good standing can list their charitable programs, while those interested in volunteering can easily search for opportunities based on criteria such as date, location, patient population, and more.

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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. Thank you to the many sponsors who took the time and interest to propose someone for this distinction.

2024 Outstanding Sponsor Award



M. REZA IRANMANESH, DMD

Dr. M. Reza Iranmanesh is the recipient of the 2024 Outstanding Sponsor Award, presented annually to the non-board Fellow who sponsors the greatest number of candidates inducted in the USA Section. He will be presented with an award plaque and pin at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego during our ICD USA Section Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 13, 2025. Dr. Iranmanesh, who was the District 17 Vice Regent at the time, sponsored eight New Fellows who were inducted with the Class of 2024 last September in Nashville. His bio is on page 15 of this issue.



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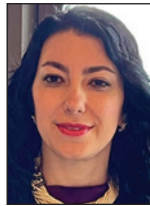
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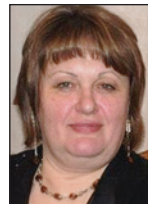
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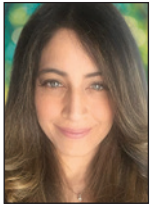
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Heidi M. Butts

Webster Groves, MO
Sponsored by Marsha L. Marden

James E. Cade

Nashville, TN
Sponsored by
Cherae M. Farmer-Dixon

Tanya Marie Gibson

Kansas City, MO
Sponsored by Tawana Lee Ware

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DISTRICT 6

Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia



Leela Subhashini
Choudary Alluri



Corinne Anne Bates



Philip A. Batson



Lisa Michelle Bosch



Jay S. Boyd



Heidi M. Butts



James E. Cade



Tanya Marie Gibson

DISTRICT 6 (CONTINUED)



Keith Gilmore



Shaza Mardini



Ashley D. Meyer



G. Drew Osborn



Rhett Raum



Don E. Skaff



Brian Jeffery Swann



Michael P. Travis



James E. Tyus



Minaal Verma



Akshay Vij



Qi Wang

DISTRICT 7

Indiana and Ohio



Chandni Batra



Nia Bigby



Kari A. Cunningham



Roger A. Hess



John Paul Jansen



Joy A. Jordan



Rachel Poulsen



Daniel N. Reed

DISTRICT 6 (CONTINUED)

Keith Gilmore

Dickson, TN
Sponsored by Anthony Carroccia

Shaza Mardini

Knoxville, TN
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Ashley D. Meyer

Springfield, MO
Sponsored by
Jonathan Michael Copeland

G. Drew Osborn

Maryville, TN
Sponsored by Hope E. Watson

Rhett Raum

Lafayette, TN
Sponsored by Julio H. Rodriguez

Don E. Skaff

Charleston, WV
Sponsored by S. Vincent Veltri II

Brian Jeffery Swann

Greenback, TN
Sponsored by John C. Osborn

Michael P. Travis

St. Louis, MO
Sponsored by Arnold S. Jacobson

James E. Tyus

Nashville, TN
Sponsored by
Cherae M. Farmer-Dixon

Minaal Verma

Saint Louis, MO
Sponsored by Christa Hopp

Akshay Vij

Saint Louis, MO
Sponsored by
Prashanth Konatham Haribabu

Qi Wang

Knoxville, TN
Sponsored by Ira R. Titunik

DISTRICT 7

Chandni Batra

New Whiteland, IN
Sponsored by Anirudha Agnihotry

Nia Bigby

Indianapolis, IN
Sponsored by Rebecca J. De La Rosa

Kari A. Cunningham

Euclid, OH
Sponsored by Denise Leonard Hering

Roger A. Hess

Lyndhurst, OH
Sponsored by Denise Leonard Hering

John Paul Jansen

Greenwood, IN
Sponsored by Paul Thomas Jansen

Joy A. Jordan

Cleveland, OH
Sponsored by Gail Cherry-Peppers

Rachel Poulsen

Mishawaka, IN
Sponsored by David Warren Swan

Daniel N. Reed

Worthington, OH
Sponsored by Denise Leonard Hering

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NEW ICD FELLOWS

DISTRICT 7 (CONTINUED)

Fonda G. Robinson

New Albany, OH
Sponsored by Denise Leonard Hering

DISTRICT 8

Bitu Fayz

Chicago, IL
Sponsored by Sherece B. Thompson

Brittaney Hill

Chicago, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Ava Lauren Hood-Olson

O'Fallon, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Bruno C. Jham

Downers Grove, IL
Sponsored by Ira R. Titunik

Paul T. Kempf

Willowbrook, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Lauren Pass

Chicago, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Josephine E. Puleo

Mount Prospect, IL
Sponsored by Sharon J. Perlman

David S. Rosenbaum

Northbrook, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Maggie Schaefer Gilpin

Springfield, IL
Sponsored by William T. Schlosser

Michael Lee Schmerman

Lincolnshire, IL
Sponsored by
Edward Dwayne Karateew

W. Brent Stanford

Homewood, IL
Sponsored by D. Spencer Pope

Benjamin C. Youel

Grayslake, IL
Sponsored by Gordon L. Barkley III

DISTRICT 9

Maria DeRose Barnes

Racine, WI
Sponsored by Ned Murphy

Marcia Campos

Ann Arbor, MI
Sponsored by Margherita Fontana

Theodora Elena Danciu

Ann Arbor, MI
Sponsored by Margherita Fontana

Joseph Ferraro

Madison, WI
Sponsored by Julio H. Rodriguez

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DISTRICT 7 (CONTINUED)



Fonda G. Robinson

DISTRICT 8

Illinois



Bitu Fayz



Brittaney Hill



Ava Lauren Hood-Olson



Bruno C. Jham



Paul T. Kempf



Lauren Pass



Josephine E. Puleo



David S. Rosenbaum



Maggie Schaefer Gilpin



Michael Lee Schmerman



W. Brent Stanford



Benjamin C. Youel

DISTRICT 9

Michigan and Wisconsin



Maria DeRose Barnes



Marcia Campos



Theodora Elena Danciu



Joseph Ferraro

DISTRICT 9 (CONTINUED)



Arndt Guentsch



John Douglas Hamerink



Jitesh V. Pimpale



Molly Conlon Proby



Darshika Shah



Robert Stefanski



Steven Taft



Ufuk Tatli



Sarah Tomaka

DISTRICT 10

Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota



Manuel R. Gomez



Marcela Hernandez



Aditi Jain



Kecia Leary



Leonardo Marchini



Maria "Duffy" Meyer



Elise Watson Sarvas



Stephen K. Shuman



Corinne M. Van Osdel

DISTRICT 9 (CONTINUED)

Arndt Guentsch

Shorewood, WI
Sponsored by Julio H. Rodriguez

John Douglas Hamerink

Plymouth, MI
Sponsored by Howard A. Hamerink

Jitesh V. Pimpale

Beloit, WI
Sponsored by Edward J. Chiera

Molly Conlon Proby

Lake Geneva, WI
Sponsored by Edward J. Chiera

Darshika Shah

Troy, MI
Sponsored by Elizabeth A. Knudsen

Robert Stefanski

Howell, MI
Sponsored by Deborah E. Brown

Steven Taft

Flint, MI
Sponsored by Steven Anthony Sulfaro

Ufuk Tatli

Milwaukee, WI
Sponsored by Julio H. Rodriguez

Sarah Tomaka

Ann Arbor, MI
Sponsored by Elizabeth A. Knudsen

DISTRICT 10

Manuel R. Gomez

Coralville, IA
Sponsored by Alberto Gasparoni

Marcela Hernandez

Iowa City, IA
Sponsored by Alberto Gasparoni

Aditi Jain

Iowa City, IA
Sponsored by Alberto Gasparoni

Kecia Leary

Iowa City, IA
Sponsored by Alberto Gasparoni

Leonardo Marchini

Iowa City, IA
Sponsored by Alberto Gasparoni

Maria "Duffy" Meyer

Dickinson, ND
Sponsored by Jackie Nord

Elise Watson Sarvas

Rochester, MN
Sponsored by Deborah Jean Lien

Stephen K. Shuman

Roseville, MN
Sponsored by Gary C. Anderson

Corinne M. Van Osdel

Omaha, NE
Sponsored by Julie A. Marshall

NEW ICD FELLOWS

DISTRICT 11

Ahmad Alkhazaleh

Portland, OR
Sponsored by Omar S. Alburawi

Kyle B. Collins

Caldwell, ID
Sponsored by Spencer J. Lloyd

Anil Kumar Danda

Yakima, WA
Sponsored by Mark Koday

Emily Hobart

Anacortes, WA
Sponsored by Mary Krempasky Smith

Avina Paranjpe

Seattle, WA
Sponsored by Patrick Eric Taylor

Julie Ann Spaniel

Sherwood, OR
Sponsored by Robert L. Frazer Jr.

Deborah A. Struckmeier

Happy Valley, OR
Sponsored by Thomas D. Pollard

DISTRICT 11

Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington



Ahmad Alkhazaleh



Kyle B. Collins



Anil Kumar Danda



Emily Hobart



Avina Paranjpe



Julie Ann Spaniel



Deborah A. Struckmeier

DISTRICT 12

Kristen Beavers

Fayetteville, AR
Sponsored by
Angela Renee Broomfield

Fernando Luis Esteban Florez

Oklahoma City, OK
Sponsored by Timothy Fagan

Gregory P. Guerra

Metairie, LA
Sponsored by Kristi Marsue Soileau

Michael J. Guevara

Lacombe, LA
Sponsored by Kristi Marsue Soileau

Marlon D. Henderson

Shreveport, LA
Sponsored by Mark S. Chaney

Lauren E. Lunday

Oklahoma City, OK
Sponsored by M. Edmund Braly

Lance Savoie

Abbeville, LA
Sponsored by Mark S. Chaney

Paul A. Shadid

Oklahoma City, OK
Sponsored by Raymond A. Cohlma

Coty Michael Shores

Duncan, OK
Sponsored by David M. Bonner

Paul Tiwana

Nichols Hills, OK
Sponsored by M. Edmund Braly

DISTRICT 12

Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana and Oklahoma



Kristen Beavers



Fernando Luis Esteban Florez



Gregory P. Guerra



Michael J. Guevara



Marlon D. Henderson



Lauren E. Lunday



Lance Savoie



Paul A. Shadid



Coty Michael Shores



Paul Tiwana

DISTRICT 13

California



Mehran A. Abbassian



Craig Xi Alpha



Ana J. Amaya



Thaddous I. Archie



Ron M. Ask



Hoa Nguyen Audette



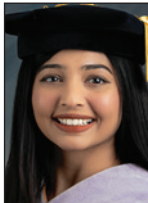
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Kim Lucas Benton



Abhiraj K. Bhatt



Cheryl Engineer Bhatt



Jose C. Castillo



Andrea R. Cervantes



Russell E. K. Chang



Rebecca Dayanim



Christina T. Do



Diana C. Fat



Brent Fung



Hana Gabriel



Shika Gupta



Carl Michael Hillendahl



Christensen Sicat Hsu



Loc Quang Huynh



Parvati H. Iyer



Malieka Johnson

DISTRICT 13

Mehran A. Abbassian

Valencia, CA
Sponsored by Afshin Mazdeyasnan

Craig Xi Alpha

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Ana J. Amaya

Kentfield, CA
Sponsored by Jean Louise Creasey

Thaddous I. Archie

Elk Grove, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Ron M. Ask

Jackson, CA
Sponsored by Donald P. Rollofson

Hoa Nguyen Audette

Coronado, CA
Sponsored by Misako Hirota

Maryet Nikkie Babrood

Los Angeles, CA
Sponsored by Antonette P. Masters

Kim Lucas Benton

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Abhiraj K. Bhatt

Bakersfield, CA
Sponsored by Anirudha Agnihotry

Cheryl Engineer Bhatt

Bakersfield, CA
Sponsored by Anirudha Agnihotry

Jose C. Castillo

San Diego, CA
Sponsored by D. Douglas Cassat

Andrea R. Cervantes

Elk Grove, CA
Sponsored by Donald P. Rollofson

Russell E. K. Chang

Los Alamitos, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Rebecca Dayanim

Los Angeles, CA
Sponsored by Mark C. Mehrli

Christina T. Do

Huntington Beach, CA
Sponsored by Ronald E. Fritz

Diana C. Fat

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Brent Fung

Placentia, CA
Sponsored by Jeffrey Allan Elo

Hana Gabriel

Tustin, CA
Sponsored by Karin Irani

Shika Gupta

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by Debra A. Woo

Carl Michael Hillendahl

Placerville, CA
Sponsored by Volkmar Isam Felahy

Christensen Sicat Hsu

San Diego, CA
Sponsored by Dr. Samira Meymand

Loc Quang Huynh

El Cerrito, CA
Sponsored by Charles L. Drury

Parvati H. Iyer

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by Debra A. Woo

Malieka Johnson

San Diego, CA
Sponsored by Megan Eileen Clarke

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DISTRICT 13 (CONTINUED)

David W. Kelliny

Torrance, CA
Sponsored by Emad Bassali

Gary Allen Kerstetter

Loma Linda, CA
Sponsored by Ronald E. Fritz

Reuben Kim

Los Angeles, CA
Sponsored by Pilseong Kim

Matthew Korn

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Amanda Rae Kronquist

Santa Ana, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

William Kushner III

Danville, CA
Sponsored by Eric Wong

Setareh Lavasani

Los Angeles, CA
Sponsored by Karin Irani

Ronald Craig Lee

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Nima Massoomi

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by Nava Fathi

Mark Mintline

Pomona, CA
Sponsored by Jeffrey Allan Elo

Bahar Movahed Bashiri

Newport Coast, CA
Sponsored by Nazgol Gharbi

Upen J. Patel

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Manouchehr Pouresmail

Templeton, CA
Sponsored by Afshin Mazdeyasnan

Jay B. Reznick

Encino, CA
Sponsored by
John Boone Roberson Sr.

Raion Sabo

Piedmont, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Jamie Jad Sahouria

Rohnert Park, CA
Sponsored by Nava Fathi

Rinku S. Saini

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Rajbir Sanghvi

Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

Eugene Schmidt

Fountain Valley, CA
Sponsored by John Earle Taylor

Mayank Sharma

Rancho Santa Margarita, CA
Sponsored by Gurrinder Singh Atwal

Sarah T. Silverstein

San Diego, CA
Sponsored by D. Douglas Cassat

Travis P. Smith

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by Gail H. Duffala

Edward S. Suh

Buena Park, CA
Sponsored by
Craig Steven Yarborough

David C. Trent

San Francisco, CA
Sponsored by Donald P. Rollofson

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DISTRICT 13 (CONTINUED)



David W. Kelliny



Gary Allen Kerstetter



Reuben Kim



Matthew Korn



Amanda Rae Kronquist



William Kushner III



Setareh Lavasani



Ronald Craig Lee



Nima Massoomi



Mark Mintline



Bahar Movahed Bashiri



Upen J. Patel



Manouchehr Pouresmail



Jay B. Reznick



Raion Sabo



Jamie Jad Sahouria



Rinku S. Saini



Rajbir Sanghvi



Eugene Schmidt



Mayank Sharma



Sarah T. Silverstein



Travis P. Smith



Edward S. Suh



David C. Trent

DISTRICT 13 (CONTINUED)



DeAndra Nichelle Turner



Chirag R. Vaid



Anchita Venkatesh



Marisa Kawata Watanabe



Rashidah T. Wiley



Sussi Yamaguchi

DISTRICT 14

Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming



Thomas Caspers



Jason Cowden



Kiki Dounis



Troy Allen Fox



Melissa M. Hatzidakis



Paul M. Hoeft



David S. Howard



Peter N. Jeppsen



Ryan Jones



Allison Lesko



William Li



Jennifer Myers-Fineberg

DISTRICT 13 (CONTINUED)

DeAndra Nichelle Turner
Los Angeles, CA
Sponsored by Philomena O. Oboh

Chirag R. Vaid
Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Wallace Bellamy

Anchita Venkatesh
Oakland, CA
Sponsored by Arifa Bakerywala

Marisa Kawata Watanabe
Pomona, CA
Sponsored by Hubert Kar Chan

Rashidah T. Wiley
Sacramento, CA
Sponsored by Elizabeth Ann Demichelis

Sussi Yamaguchi
San Diego, CA
Sponsored by Charmaine G. Ng

DISTRICT 14

Thomas Caspers
Scottsdale, AZ
Sponsored by William Abel Brachvogel

Jason Cowden
Saratoga Springs, UT
Sponsored by William Brent Carroll

Kiki Dounis
Las Vegas, NV
Sponsored by Georgia Dounis

Troy Allen Fox
Evergreen, CO
Sponsored by Karen Diane Foster

Melissa M. Hatzidakis
Denver, CO
Sponsored by Terry L. Brewick

Paul M. Hoeft
Kaysville, UT
Sponsored by William Brent Carroll

David S. Howard
Beaver, UT
Sponsored by William Brent Carroll

Peter N. Jeppsen
Boulder, CO
Sponsored by David Warren Swan

Ryan Jones
South Jordan, UT
Sponsored by William Brent Carroll

Allison Lesko
Fort Collins, CO
Sponsored by Lindsay Compton

William Li
Kailua Kona, HI
Sponsored by Patsy Kate Fujimoto

Jennifer Myers-Fineberg
Glendale, AZ
Sponsored by Michael R. Thompson

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NEW ICD FELLOWS

DISTRICT 14 (CONTINUED)

Marc Shlossman

Tempe, AZ
Sponsored by Randolph A. Snyder

Brad Stewart

South Jordan, UT
Sponsored by William Brent Carroll

Barbara D. Swankhouse

Lakewood, CO
Sponsored by Karen Diane Foster

Erica Tonso

Cheyenne, WY
Sponsored by Rodney C. Hill

DISTRICT 15

Krystelle Nicole Anaya

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by John M. Purdy

Shan Bagby

San Antonio, TX
Sponsored by Ira R. Titunik

Kerin L. Burdette

Waxahachie, TX
Sponsored by Cynthia Jetter

Vernon P. Burke

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by Charles Stephen Caldwell

Janna Burnett

Dallas, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Gregory R. Caldwell

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by John M. Purdy

Shelby Jean DeMayo

Fort Worth, TX
Sponsored by Audrey Lynn Stansbury

Penelope Drayer

Dallas, TX
Sponsored by Brent Borak Hutson

Chad C. Duplantis

Fort Worth, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Mark F. DuVernois

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by John M. Purdy

Bernardino Octavio Elizondo

San Benito, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Salma Elwazeer

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by Satpreet Singh

Elizabeth S. Goldman

McKinney, TX
Sponsored by Jerry Joe Hopson

Alicia Ronnette Gray

Allen, TX
Sponsored by Jerry Joe Hopson

Austin Green

Waco, TX
Sponsored by Jill Elizabeth Michaels

Yeri L. Guak

Grapevine, TX
Sponsored by Akshay Thusu

Anusha Kotha

Austin, TX
Sponsored by Abhilash Vemulapalli

Vinaya Kundapur

San Antonio, TX
Sponsored by Sohini Dhar

Maria A. Loza-Herrero

The Woodlands, TX
Sponsored by Ira R. Titunik

Ashla Martin

Cedar Hill, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

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DISTRICT 14 (CONTINUED)



Marc Shlossman



Brad Stewart



Barbara D. Swankhouse



Erica Tonso

DISTRICT 15

Texas



Krystelle Nicole Anaya



Shan Bagby



Kerin L. Burdette



Vernon P. Burke



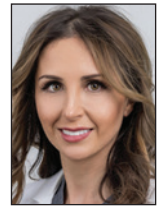
Janna Burnett



Gregory R. Caldwell



Shelby Jean DeMayo



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Chad C. Duplantis



Mark F. DuVernois



Bernardino Octavio Elizondo



Salma Elwazeer



Elizabeth S. Goldman



Alicia Ronnette Gray



Austin Green



Yeri L. Guak



Anusha Kotha



Vinaya Kundapur



Maria A. Loza-Herrero



Ashla Martin

DISTRICT 15 (CONTINUED)



Silvia Menendez



Joel Simon Miller



David Christopher Montz



Michael P. Najera



Robert A. Neal



Jayesh S. Patel



Ryan Quock



John Michael Ray



Majid Sehat



Alicia Spence



Yashashri Urankar



Drew Vanderbrook



Ibrahim Zanayed

DISTRICT 16

North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia



Aous Abdulmajeed



Awab Abdulmajeed



Ana Cristina Andrada



Luciano Andrada



Erica Brecher



Meredith Gentry Byrd



Sandra J. Catchings



Lyndon Cooper

DISTRICT 15 (CONTINUED)

Silvia Menendez

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by John M. Purdy

Joel Simon Miller

San Antonio, TX
Sponsored by Roland S. Davies

David Christopher Montz

Friendswood, TX
Sponsored by Duc Minh Ho

Michael P. Najera

El Paso, TX
Sponsored by John M. Purdy

Robert A. Neal

Frisco, TX
Sponsored by Jerry Joe Hopson

Jayesh S. Patel

Waco, TX
Sponsored by Gustav E. Gates

Ryan Quock

Houston, TX
Sponsored by Hubert Kar Chan

John Michael Ray

Irving, TX
Sponsored by Samira Meymand

Majid Sehat

Irving, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Alicia Spence

Dallas, TX
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Yashashri Urankar

Austin, TX
Sponsored by Sohini Dhar

Drew Vanderbrook

Dallas, TX
Sponsored by Audrey Lynn Stansbury

Ibrahim Zanayed

Houston, TX
Sponsored by Roland S. Davies

DISTRICT 16

Aous Abdulmajeed

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Tanya Z. Al-Talib

Awab Abdulmajeed

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Tanya Z. Al-Talib

Ana Cristina Andrada

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Frank R. Portell

Luciano Andrada

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Randolph A. Coffey

Erica Brecher

Durham, NC
Sponsored by Scott William Cashion

Meredith Gentry Byrd

Raleigh, NC
Sponsored by Scott William Cashion

Sandra J. Catchings

Staunton, VA
Sponsored by Kristi Marsue Soileau

Lyndon Cooper

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by William J. Bennett

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NEW ICD FELLOWS

DISTRICT 16 (CONTINUED)

Bhargavi Dasari

Holly Springs, NC
Sponsored by Anirudha Agnihotry

Krystle Dean-Duru

Ashburn, VA
Sponsored by Richard A. Dickinson Sr.

Lynda Dean-Duru

Ashburn, VA
Sponsored by Richard A. Dickinson Sr.

Sarah R. Friend

Galax, VA
Sponsored by Richard F. Roadcap

Stephanie Gray Hackney

Wilmington, NC
Sponsored by Lynette Maxwell Pierce

Abby L. Halpern

Alexandria, VA
Sponsored by Justin Ray Norbo

Jeffrey W. Horowitz

Myrtle Beach, SC
Sponsored by Partha Mukherji

Frances M. Kim

Cary, NC
Sponsored by Sharon J. Perlman

Koffi-Becanty Kouadio

Mooreville, NC
Sponsored by Ethel Akwaaba Esianor-Mitchual

Holly Lewis

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Cheryl Bradford Billingsley

Parthasarathy Madurantakam

Richmond, VA
Sponsored by Randolph A. Coffey

Russell Mullen

Leesburg, VA
Sponsored by Rodney J. Klima

Jayme Oliveira Filho

Virginia Beach, VA
Sponsored by Anthony R. Peluso

VaCorra L. Rainey

Fredericksburg, VA
Sponsored by Justin Ray Norbo

Alex W. Ramos-Vera

Charlotte, NC
Sponsored by Ronald E. Fritz

Andy W. Ramos-Vera

Charlotte, NC
Sponsored by Ronald E. Fritz

Alexander Sadak

McLean, VA
Sponsored by Justin Ray Norbo

Nathan Schoenly

Alexandria, VA
Sponsored by Justin Ray Norbo

Izaz Shaik

Holly Springs, NC
Sponsored by Anirudha Agnihotry

Carla Stephan

Sterling, VA
Sponsored by Barry L. Cohan

Ronald P. Strauss

Chapel Hill, NC
Sponsored by Scott William Cashion

Amanda Stroud

Boone, NC
Sponsored by Scott William Cashion

Taiseer Sulaiman

Chapel Hill, NC
Sponsored by Tanya Z. Al-Talib

Joshua Benjamin Tyson

Chesapeake, VA
Sponsored by Lenise Yarber

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DISTRICT 16 (CONTINUED)



Bhargavi Dasari



Krystle Dean-Duru



Lynda Dean-Duru



Sarah R. Friend



Stephanie Gray Hackney



Abby L. Halpern



Jeffrey W. Horowitz



Frances M. Kim



Koffi-Becanty Kouadio



Holly Lewis



Parthasarathy Madurantakam



Russell Mullen



Jayme Oliveira Filho



VaCorra L. Rainey



Alex W. Ramos-Vera



Andy W. Ramos-Vera



Alexander Sadak



Nathan Schoenly



Izaz Shaik



Carla Stephan



Ronald P. Strauss



Amanda Stroud



Taiseer Sulaiman



Joshua Benjamin Tyson

DISTRICT 16 (CONTINUED)



D. Omar Watson

DISTRICT 17

Florida



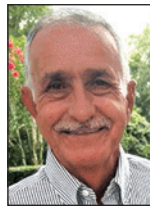
Matthew Ahrens



Teresa J. Bello-Burgos



Charles DeWild



Masoud Farzaneh



Daniel B. Feit



Augusto Cesar Garcia-Aguirre



Curtis B. Hill Jr.



T. Gregory Jacobs



Douglas C. Jungman



Lisa A. Klein



Brent Mayer



Christin Mobley



Geoffrey R. Morris



Dania Tamimi



Katherine Velasco



Matthew T. Waite



Rebecca Warnken



Thomas Yoon

DISTRICT 16 (CONTINUED)

D. Omar Watson

Midlothian, VA
Sponsored by
Elizabeth Cabel Reynolds

DISTRICT 17

Matthew Ahrens

Riverview, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

Teresa J. Bello-Burgos

Doral, FL
Sponsored by Shana Capra

Charles DeWild

Sanford, FL
Sponsored by Samira Meymand

Masoud Farzaneh

Mulberry, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

Daniel B. Feit

Boca Raton, FL
Sponsored by Jack Piermatti

Augusto Cesar Garcia-Aguirre

Saint Petersburg, FL
Sponsored by Ira R. Titunik

Curtis B. Hill Jr.

Palm Bay, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

T. Gregory Jacobs

Tampa, FL
Sponsored by James Gordon Wilson II

Douglas C. Jungman

Bradenton, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

Lisa A. Klein

Venice, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

Brent Mayer

Saint Petersburg, FL
Sponsored by M. Reza Iranmanesh

Christin Mobley

Tallahassee, FL
Sponsored by Francis G. Serio

Geoffrey R. Morris

Boca Raton, FL
Sponsored by Jason E. Portnof

Dania Tamimi

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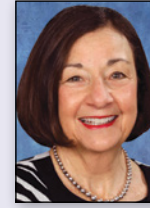
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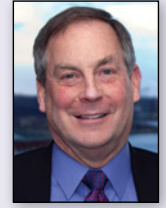
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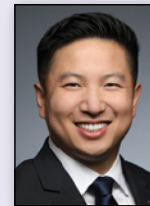
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A Message

from the 2025
ICD USA Section
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Niki C. Carter, DMD, MPH



The International College of Dentists USA Section Foundation exists to support the ICD USA Section and USA ICD Fellows in multiple programs.

The Foundation’s Mission supports and promotes educational, scientific, literary, and humanitarian efforts of the International College of Dentists USA Section and other collaborating organizations and individuals.

We are overwhelmed by the extraordinary kindness of all the ICD Donors! Because of the generosity of our donors, the Foundation supports and assists members of our community in vulnerable situations. These contributions enable us to provide humanitarian efforts, educational programs and public health assistance. The gifts, talents and specific skill sets of our ICD Fellows, not only restore oral health, but also improve the quality of life for so many people in the USA and around the globe!

When you contribute to the Foundation, you support a vast array of programs and our ICD USA Section Fellows. It is because of donations that we can efficiently provide financial support through grant programs in the United States and globally.

We have many different types of programs for which we award and bestow grants:

- Our ICD Student Awards for excellence in leadership and humanitarian service are presented to graduating senior dental students in over 60 dental schools around the country each year. We also contribute to dental scholarships for deserving dental students who have displayed stellar performance in curriculum.
- The Bettie R. McKaig Student Experience program helps fund USA dental students who participate in humanitarian mission trips organized by their schools.
- The Fellow Humanitarian Stimulus Grant Program funds domestic projects led by USA Section Fellows. Each recipient receives \$1,000.
- The General Grant Program awards each recipient between \$2,500 and \$5,000 for humanitarian projects in the United States or abroad with USA Section Fellow participation.
- Henry Schein Cares Inc. has established a generous program that provides either a monetary grant or dental supplies to assist ICD Fellow-supported dental humanitarian programs.

We annually award approximately \$140,000 worth of grants. Most of these grants support dental humanitarian projects led by ICD Fellows.

All grant and scholarship recipients are worthy and very grateful to receive funding. The only way this is made possible is due to charitable contributions. Donating to the Foundation is an act which benefits so many people and results in improved oral health and a better quality of life.

We provide grant funding because of donations made by those who share our mission and core values of integrity, leadership and service. We believe that Serving Others is what sets ICD apart from all other organizations.

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The ICD USA Section Foundation has several opportunities to contribute. Upon renewing your membership in the ICD, you can add a donation. You can become a member of the Century Club by donating \$100 per month, or \$1,200 annually. Lastly, a planned gift such as a Legacy donation is an excellent way to "pay it forward."

When you donate to the ICD USA Section Foundation, your contribution supports ICD Fellows all around the nation. Our USA Fellows are doing amazing things and assisting literally thousands of individuals with their efforts.

Our ICD USA Fellows are making an impact! The Board of Trustees and I humbly ask for your contributions and to join us in our mission of Serving Others! We thank you!

Niki C. Carter, DMD, MPH
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- **The Bettie R. McKaig Student Experience Program** – empowering dental students to volunteer locally and abroad
- **Leadership and Humanitarian Awards** – recognizing outstanding leadership and humanitarian efforts among dental students
- **Mission of Mercy Clinics** – providing free dental care to underserved communities in the United States
- **Humanitarian Grants** – domestic and international humanitarian dental projects
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- **Dental Journalism Awards**

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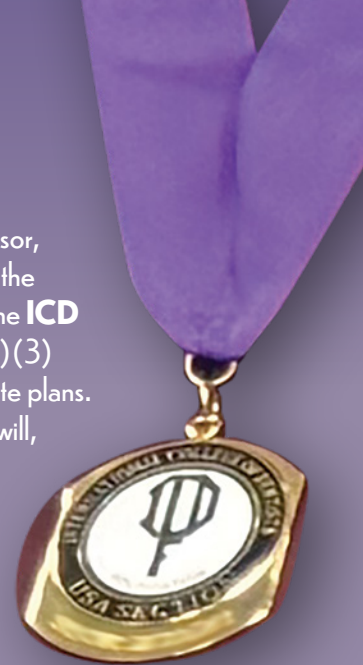
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- Dental School Student Scholarships
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- Dental Health Education
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- Dental Journalists Workshop
- Operation Stand Down
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GRANT STORY

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A MISSION IN INDIA

The Agape Dental Clinic

by Larry D. Herwig, DDS

My dental school graduation over 40 years ago was quite a turning point in life, and once my dental practice became established, I thoughtfully reconsidered my personal goals related to dentistry. Again, I concluded it was not just about making money, but also about making a difference. When discussing this with some of my peers, it was evident that dentists are some of the most caring and giving people in the entire health care industry.

As I weighed the many opportunities available to make a difference via dental philanthropy and charity, I decided to focus first on my local and state community before going anywhere else in the world. After all, this was where I lived and worked. Initially, my version of "Serving Others" included director positions on several foundation boards, volunteering at numerous local events including TMOM and GKAS®, and hosting other charitable efforts in my office. All of these efforts supported the needs of the underserved people living in and around Dallas.

One day I got the call that I was being nominated for Fellowship in the ICD, and I was humbled and honored to become a Fellow in 1995. The ICD USA Section is renowned for recognizing dental professionals with their ICD Fellowship Award in accordance with their Vision to be known as the leading honorary dental organization committed to improving global oral health, their Motto "Serving Others", and Mission point to address oral health needs and education throughout the United States and the world. It is noteworthy that the ICD Fellowship Award comes with the expectation that we Fellows subscribe to these tenets and will continue to serve via leadership, education and/or providing oral health care in the US and abroad.

Fast forward into the new millennium and the year 2002. That is when I had a unique opportunity to go on a mission trip with my family to a remote campus in India that housed an orphanage, a K-12 school, and a hospital that my church helped found in 1976 and continues to support. The timing seemed right for me to expand my horizons. Little did I know, this experience would lead to the formation of a permanent dental clinic within the Agape Hospital of the Asian Christian Academy (ACA) in South Central India near Hosur. Later, the mission would expand with a second dental clinic in the nearby village of Bagalur, helping many needy people in one of the most underserved areas of the world.



Fellow Larry D. Herwig treating dental patients in the Agape Dental Clinic of the Asian Christian Academy in India. Dr. Herwig is provider, consultant and fundraiser for the dental clinic in the Agape Hospital of the ACA in Hosur, India.

My calling to the Agape Hospital over 22 years ago to establish the Agape Dental Clinic has been one way I fulfilled the commitment I made as an ICD Fellow. My first dental mission visit was very limited, as I examined and treated 25-30 patients per day for a week. I had solicited a few donations and gathered all of the new and used instruments and dental supplies I could find available for use in the minimally-equipped facilities. The majority of these patients were seeing a dentist for the first time and it was quite an eye-opening experience for us both.

Over time, we equipped the Agape Hospital clinic with a used dental unit and air compressor, so that on my second trip to India I could treat patients with contemporary restorative care, instead of being limited to cleanings and extractions as before. Today we have a modern, fully-equipped dental operatory including an X-ray unit, high-speed hand pieces with suction, and sterilization! We are also finishing a second dental clinic in a neighboring village.



Outside front view of the Karunya Community Medical and Dental Clinics in Bagalur, India.

The ICD USA Section Foundation, in conjunction with Henry Schein Cares Foundation, provided over \$13,000 in dental supplies that I brought with me for my third trip to India in August 2023. In January 2025, the ICD Foundation granted \$5,000 to help purchase dental equipment such as a complete dental chair unit, digital X-rays, and sterilization equipment for the new Karunya Dental Clinic in Bagalur, India. What a joy it is Serving Others and making a difference. I hope my story encourages you to take the first step when you find your calling to serve.





INCREASED SUPPORT

for the ICD-WUDAA

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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The ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Program awarded a record-breaking 14 scholarships in 2024 with increased support from the ICD USA Section Foundation, who approved the funding of six additional scholarships beginning in 2024.

2024 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



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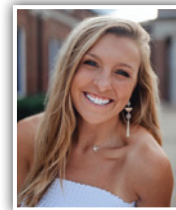
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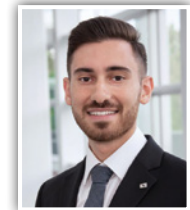
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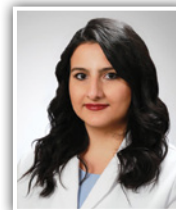
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For ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Program 2024 recipients' biographies, visit:

usa-icd.org/foundation/wudaa



ICD-WUDAA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Washington University Dental Alumni Association (WUDAA) established a dental student scholarship program after the Washington University Dental School, Saint Louis, closed in 1991. Years later, WUDAA directed its scholarship committee to seek a partner to continue its scholarship work. A match was found with the ICD after a two-year search, and in 2019 the ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Program launched.

The ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Program demonstrates concern for the financial burden of dental education, and its negative impact on the career choices of graduating dentists, by awarding annual scholarships to deserving dental students and raising awareness of the serious issue of dental school student debt.

The program has expanded over the years thanks to many generous contributions. The ICD USA Section Foundation has provided substantial support, and in 2024 approved the funding of six additional scholarships, bringing the total to 10 ICD-WUDAA scholarships funded by the ICD USA Section Foundation per year. This additional support will extend financial aid to more deserving students, reinforcing the program's mission to help cultivate the next generation of dental leaders.

The program is a collaborative effort between the Global College, WUDAA, the ICD Global Visionary Fund, and the ICD USA Section Foundation. Additional partners include the Leon Aronson Endowment (one scholarship/year from 2021-2024), and Dr. Hsin-Cheng Liu (one scholarship in 2024). All participating groups provide administrative, financial, and promotional support to see that each year deserving students receive aid towards their dental education.

Factors taken into consideration are the applicants' and sponsors' letters, grades, leadership, humanitarian service, mentorship, financial need and extra-curricular activities. Nominations and letters of endorsement on behalf of student applicants may be submitted to the ICD Global Headquarters in Flint, Michigan (shown to the right). Candidates shall demonstrate financial need and be in good standing at a United States dental school approved by American Dental Association/Commission on Dental Accreditation. International students enrolled at United States schools are eligible.

To learn more about the 2024 scholarship recipients, visit: usa-icd.org/foundation/wudaa

"This support will help to limit financial stress and help me keep my focus on becoming the dental professional I want to be. I am looking forward to continuing my leadership roles in the organizations I am involved with and these funds can help allow me to focus on that. As a recipient of this incredible scholarship, I will be able to continue to pursue activities to promote my professional development. I appreciate the investment in my future and truly cannot express my gratitude enough for this scholarship. Thank you again for helping me continue my dental career."

– Abigail Musgrave

2024 ICD-WUDAA Scholarship Recipient

The Ohio State University College of Dentistry

ICD-WUDAA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Donations

Pledge a gift to the ICD-WUDAA Scholarship fund to support a deserving dental student with financial aid, and together we will help cultivate the next generation of dental leaders.

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Please make your check payable to **International College of Dentists USA Section Foundation** and add **WUDAA Scholarship** to the memo.

For more information, contact Kylie Evans at the ICD USA Section Foundation Office: kylie@usa-icd.org

Please submit all applications to the ICD Global Headquarters:

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2024 GENERAL GRANTS · ICD USA SECTION FOUNDATION

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\$107,800
(2024 TOTAL)

\$35,000

ICD USA Section Bettie R. McKaig Student Experience Program

Approximately 20 dental schools use these funds to defray the costs of domestic and overseas mission programs in which their students participate.

\$3,500 EACH

ICD USA Section Student Humanitarian Awards

Presented to a graduating senior dental student at 65 US dental schools

ICD USA Section Student Leadership Awards

Presented to a graduating senior dental student at 67 US dental schools

\$8,000

ICD USA Section Fellowship Orientation Program

An hour-long program that informs ICD Fellows-Elect about the Mission, Vision, Core Values, and Programs of the USA Section and its Foundation.

\$3,000 EACH

Rhode Island Mission of Mercy

Through the Rhode Island Oral Health Foundation

Welcome Health

Provides comprehensive dental care to low-income individuals in Arkansas

\$5,000 EACH

American Association of Dental Editors and Journalists (AADEJ)

To support their annual session and continuing education webinars

Dentistry for All USA Inc.

Community preventive program for individuals in Comitancillo, Guatemala

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Provides dental care to individuals living under the poverty level in Delaware

Karunya Community Health Clinic

Through the American Council of the Asian Christian Academy of India Inc.

Lucy Corr Foundation Dental Clinic

Provides access to care for underinsured and underserved geriatric patients in Virginia

Mending Faces Medical Mission

Provides cleft lip and cleft palate repair in Ecuador, the Dominican Republic and the Philippines

Western Slope Colorado Mission of Mercy

\$2,500 EACH

Baja Smiles of Mexico

Provides cleft lip and cleft palate repair through Smiles International Foundation

Costa Rica Smiles

Provides cleft lip and cleft palate repair through Smiles International Foundation

Cura Smiles Community Youth Outreach

Supports outreach, education, and the provision of dental care to children near the Cura Smiles free community dental clinic

Healing California Free Pop-Up and Mobile Dental Clinics

\$1,300

ICD USA Section Journalism Awards

Sponsored by the ICD USA Section for over 50 years

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Spice Isle Smiles Grenada, West Indies

Provides preventive treatments to reduce early childhood caries in Grenada

\$1,000

ICD USA Section Fellowship Orientation Program Speaker Honorarium

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2024 FELLOW
HUMANITARIAN
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\$1,000

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San Antonio District Dental Society Smiles of Hope provides charitable dental services for the local underserved community with annual two-day events.

Pay It Forward supports San Antonio Refugee Health Clinic interpreters through the University of Texas Health San Antonio School of Dentistry.

Mapleton Elementary School Exam/Sealant Program provides oral hygiene supplies and sealants at no cost to children in Oregon.

North Dakota Mission of Mercy improves the oral health of patients with barriers to care with free two-day dental care events.

The Lucy Corr Foundation Dental Clinic in Chesterfield, Virginia provides free dental care for uninsured seniors in the surrounding area.

Rhode Island Mission of Mercy is a free two-day dental clinic for under- and uninsured residents of Rhode Island.

Tri-County Dental in Appleton, Wisconsin provides affordable dental care for Veterans and children in need.

Detroit's school-based dental hygiene instruction program supports the children of Detroit.

Smith Island Dental Clinic is volunteer-run and serves the offshore island community of Smith Island, Maryland.

The Children's Dental Clinic in Paoli, Pennsylvania is a non-profit clinic supporting children in need from two local school districts with free or low-cost dental care.

Virginia Mission of Mercy supports a "pop up" dental clinic program utilizing portable equipment to serve areas of need around Virginia.

\$11,000

(2024 TOTAL)



2024 PRODUCT GRANTS

Henry Schein Cares in collaboration with the ICD USA Section Foundation and the ICD Global Visionary Fund awarded the following Product Grants for ICD Fellows in 2024! The grant allows ICD USA Section Fellows to acquire essential dental products for many impactful humanitarian projects in the US and around the world!

16 Recipients

RECEIVED A TOTAL OF

\$58,000

IN PRODUCT SUPPORT

(2024 TOTAL)

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Washington Overseas Medical and Dental Mission Fund

Project: Honduras Dental & Medical Clinic Project

Fellow: Jacqueline M. Miller – District 6 – Missouri

Dentistry For Every Village Foundation

Project: Arayat Dental Project

Fellow: Edgardo De La Vega – District 13 – California

Smile Bangladesh

Project: Cleft lip and cleft palate repair in Bangladesh

Fellow: Shahid Aziz – District 4 – New Jersey

East Cooper Community Outreach Dental Clinic

Project: Preventive and restorative dental care for uninsured adults in South Carolina's Tri-County area

Fellow: Ellen P. Wolf – District 16 – South Carolina

Christian Dental Society

Project: Guatemalan Student Dental Mission Trip

Fellow: Robert D. Meyer – District 14 – Colorado

North Dakota Dental Foundation

Project: North Dakota Mission of Mercy

Fellow: Kamila Dornfeld – District 10 – North Dakota

Welcome Health

Project: Return a Smile Dental Program for the Underserved

Fellow: Kenton A. Ross – District 12 – Arkansas

Connecticut Foundation for Dental Outreach (CFDO)

Project: Connecticut Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic

Fellow: Josephine Bicknell (Honorary) – District 1 – Connecticut

The Children's Dental Clinic

Project: Comprehensive dental care and education for indigent school children

Fellow: Bernadette A. Logan – District 3 – Pennsylvania

MOM-n-PA

Project: Mission of Mercy in Reading, PA

Fellow: Ronald K. Heier – District 3 – Pennsylvania

Interfaith Ministries

Project: Interfaith Ministries Adult Dental Clinic

Fellow: Bruce E. Cunningham – District 5 – Alabama

Community Oral Health Initiative, a Nigerian NGO

Project: United Methodist Church Nigeria Northern Conference Dental Center

Fellow: Bruce E. Cunningham – District 5 – Alabama

FirstHealth of the Carolinas Dental Care

Project: Smiles for a Lifetime

Fellow: Sharon N. Harrell – District 16 – North Carolina

VINA Community Dental Center

Project: Comprehensive dental care for indigent seniors and veterans

Fellow: Ronald J. Paler – District 9 – Michigan

Piedmont Benevolence Center, Inc.

Project: Alabama Area Dental Hygiene Supply Project

Fellow: Benjamin B. Ingram – District 5 – Alabama

Christopher Addison Robert Gonzales Foundation

Project: Dental hygiene products for "Feed the Streets" recipients

Fellow: Carliza A. Marcos – District 13 – California

LOCAL HUMANITARIAN GRANT

Interfaith Dental Clinic of Nashville - \$2,500

At each USA Section Annual Meeting, the Foundation chooses a community-based healthcare organization to receive a \$2,500 grant.



Oregon Ventures to the Dominican Republic

COMMUNITY OUTREACH ADVOCACY AND SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM



OHSU School of Dentistry students experience direct patient care through the COAST program. Pictured above, third-year dental student, Aleya Steckel, and fourth-year dental student, Anna Ball, performing an extraction.

Community Outreach Advocacy and Service Training (COAST), founded at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) School of Dentistry in 2023, completed its first student-led dental service-learning trip to the Dominican Republic in September 2024.

The OHSU team comprised of 14 dental students, three dental faculty and one dental assistant worked closely with the DR's Bright Island Outreach (BIO) charity organization to provide preventative, restorative and emergency dental care to more than 250 residents over the span of three days. Camped in a makeshift clinic in a church on a sugarcane field in Batey Cayacoa, approximately 30 minutes outside of Santo Domingo, Dominicans and Haitians were provided oral health care from the team of OHSU and Universidad Central del Este (UCE) students and faculty. The OHSU dental students who attended had the opportunity to participate in a variety of procedures, including but not limited to extractions, fillings, removable prosthodontics and root canal treatments. It was an invaluable experience, especially for the third-year dental students who had just begun to dip their toes into direct patient care.

To achieve these goals, there was a memorandum of understanding between OHSU and UCE for an ongoing collaboration to improve the oral health of underserved DR patients. Students who attended the trip were able to receive mentorship from one another and from

faculty. Sharing the chair, or in this case, the floor, with local practitioners experienced in treating this patient population provided immense aid both clinically and linguistically.

In addition to faculty support, students received sponsorship through Permanente Dental Associates, Willamette Dental Group, and the International College of Dentists, which covered all travel, lodging and miscellaneous expenses. Through their generous donations, students were able to volunteer and provide care without the added financial burden. All students who took part in this trip had demonstrated leadership, service-learning and community advocacy within the Oregon community.

Due to the overwhelming success, COAST plans to host a trip for OHSU students every fall for years to come, placing more emphasis on oral health and prevention. With continued support from sponsors, students will be able to spend a week enhancing their clinical skills and providing life-changing health care to the underserved communities in the DR.



OHSU group at the UCE Dental School in Santo Domingo.



OHSU students and faculty, the Bright Island Outreach team, students from the local Dominican Republic dental school, UCE, and volunteers from Canada gather for a picture on the final day of the clinic.





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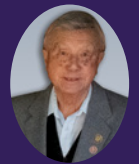
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Established in 2024 to honor Master Fellow Dr. Herbert Y. Yee, this fund celebrates his life and legacy and will be used to help support many ICD charitable projects. Passionate about the College, he served in 1972 as California Deputy Regent and eventually became the ICD USA Section President in 1985. He served as a USA Section Foundation Trustee from 1989-1990 and Vice President from 1991-2000. Dr. Yee represented the USA Section on the International Council from 1988 until he served as ICD Global President in 1996. In 2019 he was honored with ICD's esteemed Ottofy-Okumura Award.



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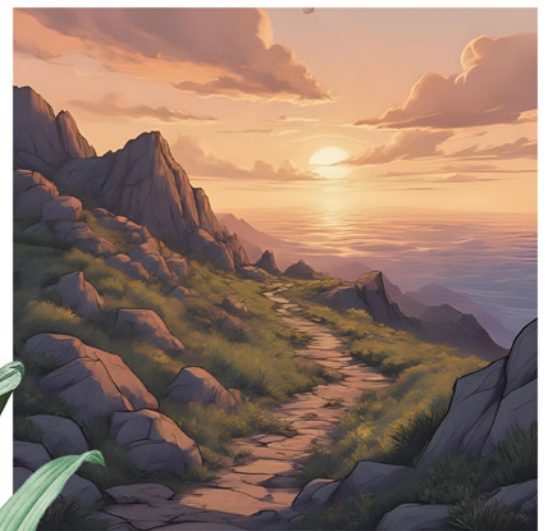
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*The road of life is a journey
With many a bump and bend,
And we are destined travelers
Who follow to the end.*

*Often it wearies and wanders
Where we never meant to stray,
Strewn with the stones of woe,
As we seek the better way.*

*Other times we take the path,
That faith would guide us to,
And climb the road to happiness
to enjoy the higher view.*

*So be content with how we went,
As God would will we should,
And end the trail in knowing -
We did the best we could.*



Raymond R. Lancione Sr., DDS

1932-2024

Dr. Raymond Lancione Sr., 92, of Moon Township, Pa., passed away on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at Good Samaritan Hospice in Wexford, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Coraopolis, Pa., in 1932, he is survived by his brother, Gregory Lancione of Akron and his son, Dr. Raymond Lancione Jr. of Cleveland. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Jesse (Giustini).

After graduating from Coraopolis High School, Dr. Lancione pursued his lifelong ambition to become a dentist. He attended the University of Pittsburgh and graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine with a Doctorate in Dental Science. He became a strong supporter of his alma mater, where he served on the admissions committee for the dental school and on the alumni council, acting as their president at one time.

Dr. Lancione opened his first and only practice in McDonald, Pa., and practiced dentistry there for more than 60 years.

Nominated by his peers, he was inducted into the ICD, ACD, and Pierre Fauchard Academy, where he served over a lifetime holding positions of stature. An ICD Fellow since 1978, Dr. Lancione served his local Pennsylvania Chapter for years, eventually

serving on the USA Section Board of Regents as the District 3 Vice Regent from 1994-1999, and the District 3 Regent from 2000-2004.

Dr. Lancione also served in the Pennsylvania Dental Association, as vice president from 1988-1989, as secretary of their Board of Trustees, in their House of Delegates and on numerous committees. He served multiple times at the national level on the ADA House of Delegates and on ADA committees as well.

Throughout his professional career, he was a member of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania (DSWP), often serving in various offices and on many committees, and also with the local Chartiers branch. He was a member of the Odontological Society, having served as president from 1983-1984. He represented the DSWP for many years on the board of directors of the Medical Bureau of Pittsburgh, a nonprofit that benefited the community at large, granting funds to help the public receive dental care.

Among his many awards and accolades from the dental community are their highest awards: the DSWP Dr. Albert R. Pechan Award, and the PDA Distinguished Service Award.

At 92, he continued to actively serve on the DSWP Board of Directors and the Medical Bureau of Pittsburgh until the time of his death.

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RAYMOND R. LANCIONE

Carmine J. LoMonaco, DDS

1937-2025

Dr. Carmine J. LoMonaco, 87, passed away surrounded by his family on Tuesday, January 28, 2025. Dr. LoMonaco was born in Brooklyn and lived in West Caldwell for 52 years. He is a graduate of St. John's University, N.Y., and Seton Hall Dental School, Jersey City. He did his postgraduate work in endodontics at New Jersey College of Dentistry, Jersey City.

Dr. LoMonaco began his career as an educator with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey Dental School in 1966. During his 60 years of service at the university he held various positions, and since 1998 served as the director of the Division of Emergency & Urgent Dental Care Services. He was highly esteemed by his many students over his 60 years as an educator. Since 1964, Dr. LoMonaco had been widely published, received countless research grants, and served on many university and school committees.

A Fellow of the International College of Dentists since 1975, Dr. LoMonaco served the District 4 New Jersey Chapter in various leadership positions from 2005 through 2023 and served on the ICD USA Board as the District 4 Regent from 2014-2017. A longtime active member of the New Jersey Dental Association, he served as secretary, vice president

and president. In addition, he was chairman of the council on membership, and a member of the annual sessions council.

Dr. LoMonaco worked as president of multiple associations, including the Essex County Dental Society, the New Jersey Dental School Endodontic Alumni Association and the Fauchard Dental Society of New Jersey. He was a member of the ADA, where he served as a council member of the annual session and served as a trustee for its 4th District.

He received numerous awards during his long career, including the 1974 Outstanding Educators of America Award, the 2020 Presidential Service Award for Continuing Contributions to the Profession of Dentistry, the 2023 Dr. Theodore V. Symanski Lifetime Achievement Award, and the 2024 Presidential Service Award for Lifetime Achievement.

He was a parishioner at St. Aloysius Church, where he served as a trustee and Eucharistic Minister. Dr. LoMonaco proudly served in the Army before being honorably discharged in 1962.

The beloved husband of 60 years to Louise (née Romeo) LoMonaco, he was the loving father of Joseph LoMonaco, Catherine Deehan (Michael), and Gary LoMonaco (Dr. Susanna LoMonaco). He is also survived by his six cherished grandchildren.

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ABOVE: A joyful group of 2024 New Fellows of the ICD USA Section departing the Induction Ceremony in Nashville. ICD USA Section Foundation Trustee Cynthia Jetter is pictured (photo center wearing purple neck ribbon and Foundation medallion) congratulating one of the many New Fellows of the Class of 2024.