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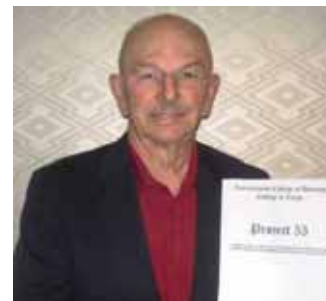
An Amazing ICD Story!

When Charles L. Siroky became President of The International College of Dentists, he wanted to check out a rumor that he was hearing. It was being said that the nature of activities of ICD Fellows around the world had shifted over the years..... away from dental education programs and in favor of humanitarian dental care projects. This was a difficult thing to measure as no one had ever compiled a totally comprehensive listing.

President Siroky asked all of the ICD Sections around the world to list their 5 most successful projects during the last 5 years. From their 100% response he has compiled a report entitled Project 55. It is a truly amazing compilation of educational, leadership, and humanitarian programs that are either being supported or actually delivered by ICD Fellows worldwide. Today he estimates there are approximately 140 such initiatives underway.

Project 55 is available for ICD Fellows and the world to see on the ICD website <http://www.icd.org> under the menu item "Programs". For those reading this on the internet here is a live link <http://www.icd.org/projects/project-55.htm>. To read the entire story the full report can be downloaded. After a brief listing of the programs names, twenty pages of detail follows. Programs are explained as to purpose, funding and results. Contact information is made available for most for those who want to learn more or help out.

As a result of Project 55, President Siroky has come to the conclusion that the emphasis in ICD projects is definitely shifting towards humanitarian programs. Says Dr. Siroky, "ICD Fellows feel that simply belonging to ICD is not enough. They want to do something. They want to help out. Humanitarian projects offer the best opportunity for a greater number of Fellows to participate in ICD." More than simply answering a question he had, President Siroky 's Project 55 has given The College a valuable means to inform the dental profession and the public of just what the ICD does around the world.

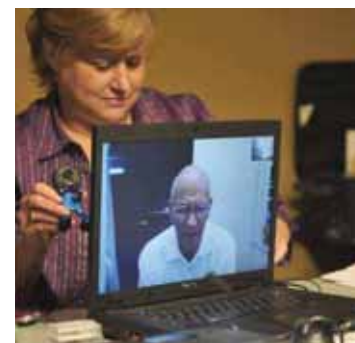


2011 ICD WORLD PRESIDENT CHARLES L. SIROKY displays Project55 Report

Technology Changing College Management

The worldwide expanse of the International College of Dentists has been an obstacle to efficient management since the ICD was founded 80 years ago. Modern technology is now providing remarkable opportunities to get the work of managing The College At Large done in ways that were never foreseen by our founders.

Video conferencing over the internet utilizing Skype applications is making our world smaller and ICD meetings more cost effective. During the January meeting of The College At Large Executive Committee in Washington D.C., College Treasurer Clive Ross attended by means of Skype. He participated fully and effectively. He didn't seem to mind the fact that he had to stay up all night in New Zealand. In June, the College Executive Committee held a first ever totally "virtual" meeting.



Kathleen Bula , Central Office Administrator, introduces (via Skype)Treasurer Clive Ross(New Zealand) at the January Executive Committee meeting.



Remembering Councilor Levon Karjian

In Memoriam.....Levon Karjian March 27, 1920- January 8, 2011

Levon was one of the founding Fellows of the Middle East Section, its president from 1978 to 1981 and its Councilor from 1981 until 2009 when he was named Councilor Emeritus. What can be said briefly of him is that he was a guiding light throughout the reorganization of the section at the end of the civil war in Lebanon. He was an outstanding professional, a perpetual student in search of knowledge, a perfectionist, but also a Fellow dedicated to the ideals of the College. He loved his profession and was in active practice for 67 years during which many of his patients became his personal friends.

On the personal level, he was a loving husband, an ideal father, a trusted friend, and a generous person. He was a very positive man who was always optimistic and loved life which he treated with great enthusiasm, dynamism and energy. He loved gardening and established a very personal relationship with his plants, trees and flowers. He will be missed by his family, his friends and all of us who knew him.

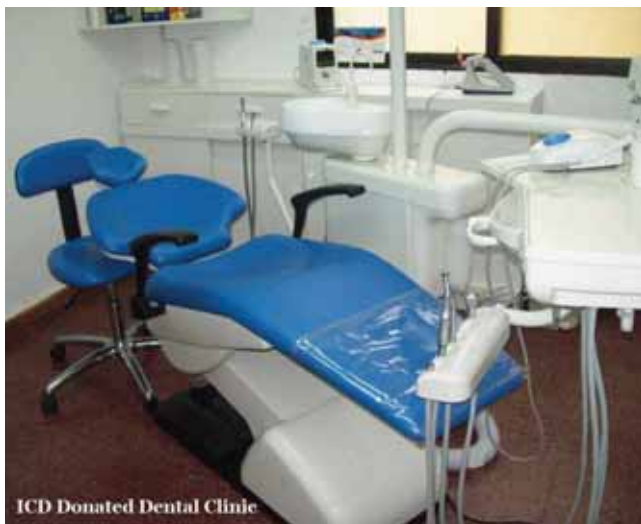
ICD Sections Collaborate in Chile

Report submitted by Fellow Manfred Seidemann, ICD Past President

Yaquil, a small rural town in Chile, was severely damaged during the February 27, 2010 8.8 Richter Scale earthquake that struck the region. The town's only dental clinic was totally destroyed. On Saturday, April 9th, 2011, the ICD Chile District officially inaugurated an "ICD-donated Dental Clinic." It was a very moving ceremony for the local population, as well as for the ICD Chile District and the College-at-Large. A longstanding, challenging dream had finally become a reality. A global cooperation project and effort developed into a much-needed "Dental Service Center for the Disadvantaged." Once again, ICD-generosity has brought hope and given access to dental health for human beings living in a small, remote geographic area.



Fellow Monica Quintana (our Founder's daughter) and the Mayor cutting the Ribbon



ICD Donated Dental Clinic

At the time of the dedication of the clinic, the Chile District of ICD Section IV South America recognized the financial assistance of ICD Section XI Korea with this message "The Chile District very much wants you to know that your generous and spontaneous donation strongly stimulated the local ICD Fellowship to launch this extraordinary philanthropic project." On the weekends, volunteer Chilean Fellows will be providing volunteer dental services at the clinic.

A representative of the Ministry of Health explained the impact of this donation on the local community. ICD Regent Gustavo Cortés gave a brief description of the International College of Dentists and its worldwide role. At the site of the dental office, local and ICD authorities cut the inaugural ribbon

Helping Hands from Europe

Report submitted by ICD Editor Sheldon Dov Sydney

During this summer's Annual Meeting of the European Section Vienna a special session was held under the auspices of the Projects and Funding Committee to provide an opportunity for Fellows and guests to hear from three ICD Fellows who are making significant humanitarian contributions.

Dr. Miguel Pavao from Portugal is the founder of A Smiling World, a non-governmental organization which promotes humanitarian projects in Portugal and Africa. After five years in one of these projects, 450 dentists have joined his organization providing services to 12,000 low income children and adults. Participating volunteers worked about six hours a day, treated as many patients as the hospital provides and of course perform the best treatment possible during a minimum stay of 15 days.

Dr. Vincent Lozano of Spain has worked with Dentists without Frontiers in South India for the last 15 years. Under the auspices of the Vincent Ferrer Foundation (whose namesake was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2010 and 2011) he cares for the poorest of the Indian populace or "dalits" also known as "untouchables".

Dr. Hani Farr from Austria has over the last decade been working with his team of physicians and dentists traveling to Mexico's San Isidro Area to treat indigenous population. The volunteer team is expanding both in numbers and medical expertise. This year's team was backed up by a general physician and a dermatologist. As every year, the team was supplied with Austrian and German dental products. The main focus of the dental field is extractions, dental restorations and small surgical procedures. Patients receive free and immediate dentures in this continuing humanitarian program.



Group photograph of the Guinea Bissau Dental Project supported by Fellows ICD Section V Europe

STUDENTS SAY.....

"THANK YOU ICD!"

The presentation of student awards is a tradition of The International College of Dentists worldwide. With the end of each dental school year and the graduation of new dentists a new round of award presentations occurs. Gifts of money together with a beautiful engraved plaques are presented for exceptional achievement in leadership, academics, and service. This ICD support for dental education is much appreciated as in this note to The College from a recent dental graduate and ICD Student Award recipient. "I would like to thank the International College of Dentists for the recent award that was presented to me on behalf of your organization. It means much to me to be considered for such an award, let alone recognized for my contributions to my class. I thank you again, and I wish you all the best.....Richard J Pasiewicz, Chicago, IL, USA"



The ICD Student Leadership Award is presented to Class President Lauren Jefferson, Class of 2011, University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry by ICD Secretary General John V. Hinterman on behalf of District 9, Michigan, ICD Section I USA, May 14, 2011, in Detroit.

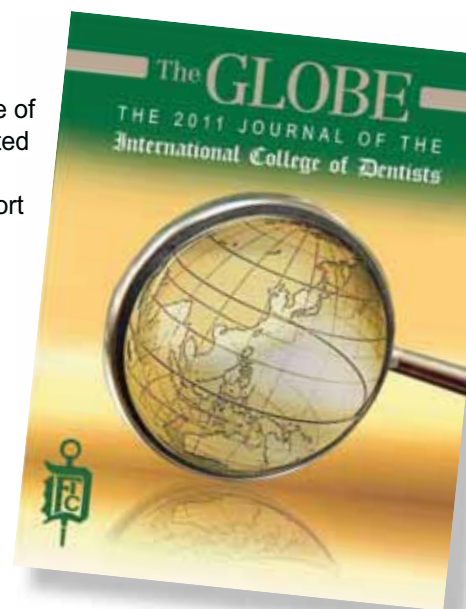
GLOBAL CAMPAIGN NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Fellows of the International College of Dentists are requested to make a financial contribution in support of the international communications projects of the College At Large. Please support our global printed and electronic publications by contributing \$20 US to the ICD Global Communications Campaign.

Please help us to spread the good news about ICD Fellows and their activities around the world.

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ICD Student Exchange Program *Going Global*

The successful **International Student Exchange Program** of ICD Section I USA is being proposed for worldwide collaboration across all ICD Sections. The International Student Exchange has enjoyed considerable success and expansion within the USA over the last several years. The objective of the ISE is to prepare dental students for future leadership in the global community by sharing cultural and professional experiences with students throughout the world. A most informative brochure and manual can be downloaded from the USA Section web site at www.usa-icd.org. An additional initiative, the Global Health Student Association has been initiated in three USA dental schools. It is expected that the USA Section will introduce these programs for worldwide ICD participation during the November meeting of the ICD International Council in New Delhi, India. They offer an excellent mechanism for both undergraduate and graduate students to develop their interests in oral health, humanitarian opportunities, and cultural enrichment worldwide.



One of the newest collaborations of the ICD International Student Exchange Program of Section I USA is between the University of Michigan School of Dentistry (USA) and the University of Sao Paulo, School of Dentistry (Brazil). Here, at their farewell dinner in Ann Arbor, MI (July) are (from left to right) Ron Paler, ICD Section I, IX District Vice Regent, An Nguyen, U of M Exchange Student, Calmina Machado (Brazil) Carla Ikuta (Brazil), Dick Shick, ICD Past President and USA Section Past President, Saroj Saha, U of M Exchange Student, Martha Michielin (Brazil), Oscar Gomes (Brazil) and Dennis Lopatin, Ph.D., Senior Associate Dean, U of M School of Dentistry

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