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The far reaching effects of the global economic crisis became clear during the most recent meetings of the International Council of the International College of Dentists. The troubles in the financial markets extend worldwide and will have a big impact on oral health care, individual dentists, and The College. Here are a few of the viewpoints expressed by members of the Council:

- Globalization has been bad for South America. Many dentists face dire circumstances.
- In Taiwan, a presentation to ICD Fellows regarding estate planning had to be soon discarded as the collapse of financial markets made it meaningless.
- In Ireland, several years of accelerated growth and prosperity has skidded to a halt. Ireland is now experiencing economic crisis similar to the United States.

Although the electronic age has connected world economies, there is an obvious absence of a means to collaborate solutions to worldwide economic problems. Few organizations have the global reach that we have for dentistry with the International College of Dentists. We have the structure and framework in place that can identify coping mechanisms to help the world dental community weather the storm.

Leadership is needed during times of distress. The ICD knows leadership: we promote it, we recognize it and ICD Fellows provide it. Patients, insurance companies, and public policy makers must be convinced to stay the course that leads to improved oral health despite present financial hardships.

The need to help disadvantaged persons to find access to care will increase the need for ICD-sponsored humanitarian efforts. Your contributions to ICD’s charitable foundations are needed now more than ever. We must do more to help dental public health practices reach the greatest possible audience with messages of prevention and patient education.

In times of crisis, it is best to rely on basic guiding principles and proven fundamental beliefs. Clearly it is a time for dentists to rediscover a new appreciation for those professional aspects of a career in dentistry that originally attracted them. For individual dentists it is a time to turn away from the pursuit of unsustainable materialistic goals. The ICD can show the way. We have always stood for goodwill, ethics, leadership, education, and humanitarianism.

The world’s economic crisis could challenge the financial stability of The College. ICD Fellowship is an honor that costs real money. There are induction fees, annual dues and the costs of attending meetings. It is tempting for a dentist to stop paying dues to an honorary society when their dental office budgets are stressed due to lower demand for their services by the public. ICD leaders must remind Fellows of the value of ICD Fellowship and the worthiness of our many projects.

The International College of Dentists must administer it business efficiently and economically. 2008 College President Elect Manfred Seidemann of Chile has called for an “economic austerity program” of management throughout the College. Dues must not be raised, but kept at their lowest possible level so that even the most economically disadvantaged ICD Fellow dentist can afford membership.

And so it is recognized that peoples and nations around the world find themselves with no other choice than to work their way through this difficult time in history. The International College of Dentists is well positioned to lead the world dental community in being of assistance. Let history show that ICD Fellows were among those who pointed the way and spread the hope.

John V. Hinterman
College Editor
International College of Dentists
I extend to you the best of collegial greetings for 2009 from your Officers and members of the International Council. We are all here to serve you and the College.

When reviewing the history of the International College of Dentists one of the first statements is: “Its purpose would be to promote cordial relations within the profession and help disseminate scientific information.” This is as appropriate today as it was in 1928 when 250 dentists were invited into Fellowship from 162 countries, states and provinces from around the world. Today our College motto is, “Recognizing service and the opportunity to serve”. We still honor those two goals from 1928; however, as our current motto states, service and its recognition has become paramount. Thus, a major thrust of our College activities worldwide is now humanitarian as well as educational.

While reviewing the projects of the College around the world, it makes me so very proud to have the privilege and honor to serve as your President. My wife Rose Marie and I look with great pleasure at the opportunity to visit with so many of you this year. It’s a daunting challenge to serve as President of such a dynamic, global organization but know that, with all the dedicated talent within the College, we will continue to improve our service to the profession and the public.

The talent on our International Council is the most excellent I have ever had the privilege to work with during my 50 plus years in organized dentistry. That is why I'm optimistic that our College will do what is best during this transition year to an independent office. We have multiple committees working on all phases of selecting an office site, new staff, training, budgeting and establishing the most effective and efficient way for the staff and Council to serve the needs of the College.

The transition to an independent office will consume tremendous time; however, we will also continue a plethora of other activities. An example, for the first time we have implemented a resolution passed by the Council in 2005 directing the Executive Committee to do an annual Central Office review. A survey was mailed to Council members and officers throughout the world. They have been asked their expectations, needs, wants, disappointments and satisfactions with the staff. The Executive Committee developed an agenda from the responses. While visiting the Central Office, the Executive Committee discussed all issues and cooperatively determined how best the staff and Council will serve the College.

The ultimate goal of all our College activity is to improve the quality of life of people around the world. The Officers and Council members will all be doing their best to serve and we ask every one of you to do the same. All Fellows throughout the world have access to their Councilmen and Officers. Call them, use them, make suggestions to them and ask them for assistance when and where appropriate.

This is your College and this is my College. Let's make it relevant to all and continue to make it one of the pre-eminent international dental organizations in the world.

God bless you all and God bless the International College of Dentists.

Richard A. Shick, DDS, MS, FICD
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We are living on this planet called Earth and we work on this Globe through the humanitarian service of dentistry.

Let us remember the name Louis Ottoföy, born in Budapest, Hungary, who was one of the founders of The International College of Dentists. Let us also remember another name, Tsurukichi Okumura, born in Kanagawa, Japan. In 1920, Ottoföy met Okumura in Tokyo and talked about the idea of the ICD. In July 2008, I realized the dream of living the Eightieth Anniversary of the ICD which was inaugurated in July, 1928. I was born during that same month in 1928, so I can say that I walked for eighty years with ICD. I am very proud that I was a pupil of Dr. Okumura at the Tokyo Dental College.

My guiding principle as ICD President was rather simple because it is derived from the fact that I was elected from the Orient. I believe myself to be the representative of The College At Large and also a representative of Section’s Japan, Taiwan, and Korea.

I wish to promote the growth of the College by strengthening the ties between these three Sections. Another goal was to accentuate the growth of Region 34, Myanmar, and to elevate this Region to become an autonomous ICD Section. College growth and development may be expected from the Occident and Orient as all members of each Section and Region work diligently toward this purpose.

As a Fellow of this College, you are joined with dental leaders from around the world. You will gain personal appreciation from your new level of recognition. But I must point out one thing. You must not solely rely on this privilege. That is to say, you must not ask what the ICD can do for you, but what you can do for the ICD.

I am a Japanese gentleman who believes myself to be peace-loving. Everything can be founded on PEACE. My motto to govern the ICD College At Large is “PEOPLE AT PEACE”.

Norinaga Moriyama
2008 College President
International College of Dentists

ICD International Council Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, USA 2008


Norinaga Moriyama (Nori), of the Japan Section, became our President on 1 January, 2008. He has been very active in his travels and has been very supportive of some Regions becoming autonomous Sections.

The Executive Committee met in Columbia, Maryland in February where Nori gave us his vision for the year. His personal motto for the year has been "People At Peace". He and his wife, Reiko, traveled extensively for us and were well received by everyone. They truly represent the best of the ICD and we thank them for all they have done.

The Council met in San Antonio, Texas, USA, on 14 and 15 October. The decision to separate the office from the USA Section was the leading story of the first day. Steve Tonelli did a masterful job with all the details and the presentation to the Council. The separation was on course to occur on 1 January, 2010. The big question that still remains is the feasibility of doing it. It will be costly for the College to accomplish it and in the end, has anything been solved by doing it? The Council voted to separate before any study was done to see if it was affordable, feasible and worth-while. Right now, only time will tell if it was a wise decision.

The search for a Secretary General is underway in the capable hands of Charles Siroky. We are looking for someone to be the Secretary General for two days a week working primarily with a computer remote from the office. Does that person exist? I don't know, but hopefully we will be successful in our search.

The next hurdle will be finding a Central Office Manager who will operate from the office five days a week. As you can see there are many unanswered questions with little time left to answer them.

1. The Council voted to accept the three recommendations from Steve Tonelli's presentation:

a. A separate College-at-Large office be established within the same building as the USA Section and preferably on the same floor. There should also be a telephone link to and from each office.

b. The office will be staffed by a full time Central Office Administrator and a part-time Secretary General.

c. The Executive Committee will continue with the oversight of the Search Committee and the finalization of the budget.

2. The Council endorsed IVIDENT.

3. No increase in Capitation Fee for 2009.

4. Seven (7) Master Candidates were approved by the Council.

5. Richard A. Shick will assume the Presidency on 1 January, 2009.

6. Manfred Seidemann was elected as the President-Elect.

7. Charles L. Siroky was elected as the Vice President.

8. William R. Clitheroe was elected as Treasurer.

9. John V. Hinterman was appointed as Editor of the College.

10. Vangel R. Zissi was appointed as Deputy Secretary General of the College.

11. Robert E. Brady continues as Secretary General.

Mary Jo, Kathleen, Jennifer and I wish you all a very successful year in 2009.

In Fellowship,

Robert E. Brady
Secretary-General
International College of Dentists

Future Meetings

2009 ~ Japan, Yokohama, May 22-23
2010 ~ Orlando, Florida, USA
2011 ~ India, no city or dates yet
2012 ~ San Francisco, California, USA

Meet the Central Office Staff...

Headquarters of the College and USA Section

Mary Jo Webster ~ Employed with the ICD since February, 2000; Office Manager; Executive Assistant to Secretary-General & Registrar, Dr. Robert E. Brady; Primary Administrator of Database/Membership/Dues Assessments (College & Section); Section & Regent Liaison; Meeting and Event Support; etc.

Kathleen Bula ~ Employed with the ICD since April, 2005; Executive Assistant to Secretary-General & Registrar, Dr. Robert E. Brady; Copy, Production and Editorial Assistant; Website Administration Liaison; Leadership Committee Liaison; Meeting and Event Support, etc.

Jennifer Greenville ~ Employed with the ICD since August, 2006; Executive Assistant to Secretary-General & Registrar, Dr. Robert E. Brady; New Candidate Processing; Journalism & Student Leadership Awards; Liaison for various projects; Meeting and Event Support; etc.

The Central Office.

L-R: Kathleen Bula, Mary Jo Webster and Jennifer Greenville
FROM SAN ANTONIO ... CHANGE WAS IN THE AIR

From around the world, members of the International Council of the International College of Dentists met in San Antonio, Texas, October 13 and 14, 2008, to direct ICD progress and programs during the coming year. 2008 College President Norinaga Moriyama presided. It was agreed that a new Central Office and staff would be established and located close to the offices of the USA Section. The office will be managed by a Central Office Administrator working at the direction of a Secretary General. The Council’s Executive Committee was directed to oversee related ongoing efforts of the Search Committee and Budget Committee and finalize these arrangements.

Other changes will impact the future operations of The College:
• During a Strategic Thinking Session the Council called for a redesign of The College Web site.
• Council members acting as mentors will guide those Regions of the College who seek to become autonomous Sections.
• China Region 22(B) presented the Council with a thorough review of the long time presence of The College there and demonstrated great potential for the future.
• The Council challenged all Sections to develop their own Web site and to maintain accurate e-mail address lists in order for The College to make full use of modern communications technology.
• The Council endorsed Iudent, the internet-based dental education system being developed in Europe.

With budgetary constraints facing them, Council members called on the Sections to appoint a Commercial Liaison Officer who would develop a data base of potential sponsors (advertisers) to support the publication costs of The Globe. In a related action, the Council also agreed that continuing education seminars will be considered as a source of non-dues revenue for The College.

During the session, each member briefed the Council on issues of importance to The College in their specific locale. This was an impressive exercise of international goodwill and collaboration between ICD Fellows which has become a hallmark for The International Council.

The Council meeting was held in conjunction with the meetings and Convocation Ceremonies of the USA Section. The Annual Session of The American Dental Association was progressing at the same time nearby. With the warm hospitality provide by the dental community of Texas who acted as hosts, these were remarkable days of business, social, and scientific activity.
MANFRED SEIDEMANN, DDS, MICD, the 2009 President-Elect of the International College of Dentists, has been an ICD Fellow since 1987. He was born in Dortmund, Germany in 1933. His family migrated to Chile in 1939 to escape Jewish persecutions. They settled in Valparaiso, where he attended public school. In 1949, due to his mother’s untimely death, he moved to Nashville, Tennessee, USA, to live with his uncle and aunt. There he finished high school. After graduating from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy he served two years in the U.S. Army. Dr. Seidemann graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry and revalidated his dental degree at the University of Chile. Since 1961, he has practiced dentistry in Santiago. He also teaches operative dentistry at the University of Chile.

Dr. Seidemann served the ICD Section IV South America in many capacities: Secretary, Treasurer, Councilman and Chilean Regent. For the International Council, Dr. Seidemann assumed an unofficial role as envoy to the ICD China Region, having traveled to participate in the ICD convocations there for the past two years and to provide advice regarding that Region’s organization and growth.

WILLIAM RAYE CLITHEROE, DDS, FICD serves as Treasurer of the Council of the International College of Dentists as well as the Foundation of the USA Section of the ICD. As College Treasurer, he has instituted the practice of budgeted contributions to reserves. He has made it easier for ICD Sections to submit revenues by adjusting due dates to recognize convolution schedules.

Born in 1932 in Beaumont, Texas, Dr. Clitheroe graduated from the University of Texas Dental Branch in 1957. Dr. Clitheroe served the Texas Dental Association as Director, Vice-president, Secretary-Treasurer and Delegate to the American Dental Association. He has been President of the alumni associations of both his college and dental school.

He is married to Sarah and they are the parents of three children and grandparents to six grandchildren. Dr. Clitheroe is also known as “Billy Raye” to his friends. He is an avid boater. When not on his trawler in Gulf waters off Houston, he might be found enjoying their vacation home in the great outdoors in Colorado.

VANGEL ZISSI, DMD, FICD of Winchester, Massachusetts is the Deputy Secretary General of the International College of Dentists. Dr. Zissi received his DMD degree from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1962 and his certificate in endodontics in 1967. After serving in the US Navy Dental Corps he joined a group practice of endodontics where he continues to practice as a principal. At Tufts University, he holds the rank of clinical professor of endodontics and is the Director of the Division of Continuing Education. He was recently awarded the Tufts University Dental School Distinguished Alumni Award. He has lectured extensively nationally and abroad.

Dr. Zissi also presently serves as Deputy Registrar and Councilman for the USA Section. He was the 2005 President of the USA Section. Dr. Zissi was recently awarded a Distinguished Service Award by District I, USA Section.

Van and his wife Barbara have been married for 32 years. They have two sons, Jonathan and Christopher. Dr. Zissi enjoys traveling with his family, listening to jazz music, and he is truly a lacrosse junkie!
A Task Force of ICD editors meeting in San Antonio has initiated a campaign to rally all editors of The College to the following tasks:

- Increasing dialogue between the Sections and Regions of The International College of Dentists.
- Improving understanding throughout The College despite existing cultural barriers by forging working relationships between ICD editors.
- Confronting the language barriers that keep The College from reaching its maximum potential.

As a professional, knowledge-based organization, the ICD Bylaws rely on the editor to lead College communications. Section editors are confronted by unique challenges to effective information gathering. The ICD reaches across numerous nations and cultures. Although English is the “official language” of ICD, editors in some Sections do not speak English. Modern technology and internet-based information transfer also presents a new set of opportunities and challenges for ICD editors.

Some early goals have been established by the Task Force:

- Mutual assistance between ICD editors is needed and will include sharing techniques that work, exchanging ideas, and developing fraternal relationships.
- An internet-based, user-friendly mechanism should be developed to assist ICD editors to communicate seamlessly with each other.
- Editors will be assisted to utilize the latest advances in electronic communication. They will be asked to help in the larger College goal of connecting all ICD Fellows by establishing valid e-mail address lists.
- Editors will be asked to submit local news and stories to The College At Large.

These action steps are being taken:

- ICD Section editors are being contacted and connected electronically. Their needs are being identified and their participation with the Task Force solicited.

- The exchange of publications between editors is being arranged.
- Bringing ICD editors together is an ongoing effort. The next opportunity for editors to meet is the May 2009 meeting of The International Council in Japan.

Language barriers that exist throughout the International College of Dentists will be an ongoing issue for The College and for the Editors. There is a sense that it is time to reassess its impact and to identify remedies. The editors are well positioned to lead on this critical issue.

The role of the editor varies in each Section of ICD. The Sections are “autonomous” and have wide latitude to implement their own management style. However, we all remain under the same set of Bylaws. The Task Force believes that editors, who traditionally serve a term of several years, are well suited to be an ongoing source of information and understanding in support of the goals and objectives of The College. It asks that editors, and the Sections that appoint them, will support an expanded role for editors in College communications.

J.V. Hinterman, DDS, FICD, College Editor

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John (Jack) V. Hinterman, DDS, FICD, has been a Fellow in the International College of Dentists for 30 years, and has been the Editor of the College since 2005. While practicing general dentistry in Flint, Michigan, USA since 1969, Dr. Hinterman has been actively engaged in dental journalism and dental leadership positions. At the Michigan Dental Association, he served as Editor, and later President of the MDA. At the American Dental Association, he was a member of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the ADA Strategic Planning Committee. Membership in other honorary societies includes Omicron Kappa Upsilon, American College of Dentists, and the Pierre Fouchard Academy. A 1965 graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry, he has been named the UDM Dental School’s Alumnus of the Year. Jack is married to Carol, and they have four children (one a dentist) and four grand children. To relax Jack goes outside to play where he especially enjoys golf, boating, and biking.

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Task Force Chairman Sheldon Dov Sydney (Editor, Sec.5, Europe), Richard J. Galeone (Editor, Sec. 1, USA), Kathleen W. Bula (Copy & Production Editor, College-At-Large & USA Section) and John V. Hinterman (Editor, College-At-Large). October, 2008 in San Antonio, Texas.
The eleven-year term of Dr. Robert E. Brady’s service as Secretary General of the International College of Dentists comes to a close at the end of 2009. The College takes this opportunity to recognize his meritorious service and to thank him for his contributions to our continued progress and success.

ROBERT E. BRADY, DMD, FICD, was born and raised in Connecticut, USA, and graduated from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1965. Commissioned as a Captain in the US Army, he went on to complete a thirty-year military career. He commanded dental units in Germany, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and Walter Reed Army Medical Center. His military service is distinguished by his receiving thirteen military awards headed by the US Army Distinguished Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, two Bronze Star Medals, the Combat Medic Badge and retirement at the rank of Brigadier General.

Certified by the American Board of Prosthodontics, Dr. Brady directed the Removable Prosthodontic Residency Training Program at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He has published a dozen articles, presented papers and clinics extensively and has attended over fifty graduate courses. He attended the US Army Command and General Staff College, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and the JFK School of Government, Harvard University.

The Globe asked Dr. Brady to respond to several specific topics so that The College may draw upon his experiences:

What was your most memorable experience within the ICD while serving as Secretary-General?

I think the most memorable experience is usually the first time something happens in a sequence.

The first overseas trip Janet and I took was to the European Meeting (Section 5) in Amsterdam in 1999. Their Convocation and Dinner was on a Saturday afternoon and evening. Being new to the position, I scheduled our flight home for Sunday, which I thought made sense. What I had not considered was the habit of late eating by the European Fellows, even though we had lived in Germany for seven years on two different assignments. We were served our entrée at midnight and had to leave the hotel at 6:30 AM that morning. The European President that year was Jan Pameijer who was one of my Instructors at Tufts when I was a dental student. I even brought my Year Book with me to show him.

What we learned was to not schedule a flight the next day after the European Induction - and have not since.

This is simply one of many experiences - but it was the first! Every Section I have visited has been unique and there is a story with each one. Fil Cappa, Registrar of the Canadian Section, and I could tell stories for hours about the meetings and laugh over each story.

Can you describe a remarkable individual you encountered within the ICD who was unforgettable?
I will stay away from this one. There are too many people who have impressed me over these years and I would not want to leave anyone out.

What part of the job (experience) did you like the most?

In all honesty, I have loved every part of this job. The Fellows of the College are fantastic people who have a lot to contribute and want to. Yes, in all jobs there are good days and bad days, but the good are 99.9% of the time. The ladies who work in the office are wonderful and I could not do my job without them. I am extremely grateful for all they do every day.

The traveling is fun because I get to see parts of the world I have not seen before, interact with my counterparts throughout the world and provide information about the ICD.

What has been the most difficult or frustrating parts of your job?

I think the most difficult parts are the deadlines. Everything we do has to be done by a certain date so everyone has the information on a timely basis. What that also means is the information has to be in the Central Office by a certain date and people must respond by a certain date. Everyone wants ample time to do what is expected of them but time has a way of evaporating and all of a sudden you are behind. I am in that position now, not by desire, but by reality.

What goal or accomplishment was most satisfying for you to achieve?

In my mind there are two: The first was getting the USA Section to reduce its number of Councilmen from twelve to ten. That made the rest of the Councilmen more comfortable with the make up of the Council and reduced the influence of the USA Section.

The second was to have the Council meet for one and one - half days so there could be Committee meetings on the first afternoon.

Yes, this costs more money but it gave the Council time to make decisions which in my mind are most important.

What has been the greatest change or development impacting the College during your term as Secretary General?

The development and use of e-mail.

What do you think the future holds for the College?

The future of the College is unlimited. It is dependent on the autonomous Sections which have control over their Section and how they want to expand and help.

What is the biggest problem or issue confronting the College today?

The biggest issue and problem is the separation from the USA Section. This was a decision done in Mexico City without any study to determine whether it was a feasible decision. Since then many people have looked at the possibility of doing what they voted to do and the conclusion is still unknown. It will be costly to the College monetarily.

What is the best thing (strength) that the College has going for it?

The strength of the College is the Fellows who have been invited to join. They are the bedrock of our College and without them we would be nothing.
During the years which Secretary-General Robert Brady served the International College of Dentists (1999-2009), his wife, Janet, played a supporting role as the College’s unofficial goodwill ambassador. These years can be described as only the most recent chapter in their remarkable and whirlwind life. To fully appreciate who the College had with these two, The Globe asked Jan Brady to help us retrace their steps:

**Early Years:** Bob & I attended rival Catholic High Schools. Bob saw me at a sports event and asked a mutual friend for my phone number. He called on the evening before my ‘Sweet Sixteen’ Birthday, so he tells everyone he’s known me since I was 15! Our first date was April 7, 1956, and it was indeed ‘love at first sight’. We went ‘steady’ from that day on. However, I believe his first ‘love’ was football, which he played in high school; even today, the world stops when the Redskins, his life-long favorite team, are playing. Going steady was very difficult because he attended college in Massachusetts and I was at college in New York. We wrote each other every day for 4 years; Bob ‘pinned’ me very first freshman college weekend. We married 5 weeks after I graduated in 1961, and moved to Boston, MA, where Bob was attending Tufts U. School of Dental Medicine. He had a multitude of summer part-time jobs while I worked as an Editorial Assistant for a Medical Journal, then taught in a Special Education class for the Boston School System. We were—as many of us at that time—poor as church mice; our social life consisted of walks thru Boston, and playing Monopoly with other married students. Our first two children, Pamela and Suzanne, were born in Boston—Suzanne, only 9 DAYS (!!!) before we moved—Bob to Texas for Army Basic Course, and I back home in New Haven, CT, to my parents’ home with a 3yr old and an infant—for 6 weeks.

Bob, of course, remained in the Army, and after a tour in Vietnam, decided that the Army was for him. (You can read all about his military career in his bio.). Carol was born at Ft. Rucker, Alabama, one year before Bob’s tour in Vietnam. We adopted our fourth child, Michael, in San Antonio, TX, when he was five days old. Bob was on the PTA board in San Antonio, TX, and PTA President in Tacoma, Washington. He also was on the St. John’s Church Council in Tacoma, and thoroughly enjoyed joining their bowling team and breakfast club.

Fifteen moves cover our married life, including Boston, MA; Ft. Rucker, AL; San Antonio, TX (twice); Madigan Army Medical Center, Tacoma, WA; Ft. Leavenworth, KS; Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Wash. DC. (twice); Ft. Bragg, NC; Bad Kreuznach, Germany; Heidelberg, Germany. As a military family, we six were scattered from the time the children were adults, and in 2006, we were blessed with finally, after the passage of 20+ years, all 21 of us (including sons- and daughter-in law and 11 grandchildren) were together for the first time in over two decades. (A family portrait was an excellent decision to make, as Pamela and her Air Force Colonel husband, Eric, thereafter moved with their family to Turkey, where they currently reside.)

**Living the experience of the ICD years:** Since we are an Army family, travels were the fashion throughout Bob’s career: We’ve visited 49 states; our children have climbed the Eiffel Tower, seen the Tower of London, sailed the English Channel to see the brilliant Cliffs of Dover, skied the Swiss, German and Austrian Alps, rode a gondola in Venice, bought wooden shoes in Holland, toured the original “Legoland” in Denmark, climbed the precipi-
tous steps of St. Peter’s in Rome to the very top of the dome, and celebrated Thanksgiving Dinner inside Vatican City.

That being said, what Bob and I have often commented on is the fact that traveling with the ICD has brought us a wealth of ‘being inside’ each country we’ve visited. ICD members have introduced us intimately to their countries, and consequently, we’ve seen their homeland thru the eyes of that nation’s citizens. In Canada, we attempted to attend every annual ICD/CDA meeting, being present at their convocations in Vancouver, Jasper, (twice); Toronto (twice); Montreal; Nova Scotia (twice) and Newfoundland. Our trip to Santiago, Chile, was a memorable event. Three weeks in Australia and New Zealand were spectacular—I climbed the Sydney Harbor bridge with USA and Australian ICD members, something I’ll always hold dear in my heart, while Bob remained back on land enjoying Australian and New Zealand wine with Australasian friends.

Europe was an experience in itself—again, we had visited many countries as an Army family; now, however, the ICD European presidents introduced us to their home country in a way the average tourist would never be privy to experience. This resulted in our making life-time European friends. Our ICD European meetings included the following: Amsterdam, Netherlands; Monte Carlo, Monaco; Lausanne, Switzerland; Munich, Germany; Dublin, Ireland; Genoa, Italy; Stockholm, Sweden; Bilbao, Spain; and the summer of 2009 we’ll be in Lisbon, Portugal. Words cannot describe the exquisite venues where the European convocations and galas were held, to include the Hotel de Paris in Monte Carlo, Ireland’s National Gallery of Art in Dublin; the Ducal Palace in Genoa, and the atrium of the then-brand-new Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao. Such memories are unique and a valued treasure for both of us.

What was enjoyable? See the above. However, one fact remains as outstanding: the people we’ve met in and thru the ICD. These are good, giving, gracious and genuine dear life-long friends we’ve been so fortunate to meet, and hopefully will continue to see in future years. They will be missed, but not forgotten. It is they who are the jewels in the crown of ICD friendship. We are blessed to have been associated with such an august group.

After retirement: Bob has expressed his desire to spend extended stays at our beach condo in Ocean City, Maryland. It’s one place where he enjoys complete relaxation, whether on the beach reading the latest Grisham, Patterson or Griffin novel, bike riding along the oceanside roads, or entertaining our grandchildren at “Pop’s condo”, including frequent games of miniature golf and trips to the local ice cream parlor. Future travel? We’ll probably tour the USA, returning to our favorite spots—Tacoma, Washington, New England, Jackson Hole, Wyoming; take a cruise now and then, but real, long-distance travel? Probably not for a few years. Why? It’s time to put away the battered luggage for a long overdue rest!
The ‘Points of Light’ Project: A model for igniting solutions

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Introduction:

As members of the International College of Dentists, we have immense diversity and yet we share great commonalities. Despite our global distribution, we have all encountered disparities in access to comprehensive dental care and experienced the frustration associated with finite dental resources. It was the circumstances that inspired the development of a project that would address, within a given community, the level of decay experienced by children, the cost of treating low income children and the number of qualified available dentists. Once implemented, this project, by optimizing the dental care delivery system, would stab at the heart of the troubles of our patients and provide a foundation for limitless future progress. It was with this level of expectation that the ‘Points of Light’ project was born.

The ‘Points of Light’ Project:

The ‘Points of Light’ project is a grass-roots, collaborative infant oral health project that seeks to enlighten parents regarding when they first present their children to the dentist and, by doing so, optimize the oral health of an entire community. In recent years, an evolved understanding of the inter-generational aspects of the caries process has revealed that establishing a Dental Home by one year of age can significantly mitigate the emergence of dental decay in children. Attending an infant dental patient allows us the opportunity to optimize maternal flora prior to and during colonization, change dietary habits that predispose the child to caries, provide oral hygiene counseling and install a risk specific fluoride program.

With this information, members of the Michigan Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, USA, in 2004, made a monumental decision to implement a project that would change the behavior of the parents of Michigan with regard to when they presented their children to a dentist. Michigan pediatric dentists realized that their small numbers and distribution meant that their goal was for parents to bring their infants, not to just pediatric dentists, but to general dentists as well. Additionally, they realized that in order for their goal to be sustainable, they would have to engage the cooperation of the pediatric medical profession and that the entire program had to operate at a state-wide, grass-roots level.

In order to have more infants presented to dentists, the behaviors of three groups have to be changed. First, dentists have to be recruited to implement Infant Oral Health programs in their practices, (private practices and/or public health clinics). Second, pediatric medical providers have to be educated regarding the value of early, appropriate dental referrals. Lastly, parents must be educated and motivated to seek out dental care for their one-year-olds. Fortunately, in any given community, all these groups constantly interact and as this new paradigm emerges, each group influences the others.

The idea was for ‘Points of Light’ to be launched in various communities across Michigan and once the programs were up and running, they would be expanded into additional communities throughout the state. As the program in each community became operational, it was designated a ‘Point of Light’. It was designed so that when a local program reached a critical tipping point, it would then begin to expand spontaneously and in the words of one of our members, “The whole state will glow”.

The planners of ‘Points of Light’ realized that there would always be more young children with significant dental decay and geographic dispersal than there were pediatric dentists to manage them. Additionally, most general dentists do not feel comfortable providing comprehensive restorative dentistry to very young patients. Therefore, the challenge was to change the care delivery model so that a greater number of children could be seen by dentists prior to the need for surgical intervention and/or specialty intervention. In order to accomplish this, many more general dentists were needed to see very young patients in order to determine which children were at significant risk of developing decay and implement aggressive preventive measures. Making these changes at the grass-roots level remained the biggest challenge. Since every community is unique, the ‘Points of Light’ project was designed as a non-centralized, model of community-based social entrepreneurship and “You-figure-out-how-to-get-it-done”. The individuals who have succeeded with this program have taken the framework of the project and made it work in their practices and their hometowns.

Implementing Infant Oral Health Programs at the individual practice level:

The first step in launching the ‘Points of Light’ project in a community is implementing an Infant Oral Health (IOH) program in the individual practice. To successfully and effectively implement
an IOH program in your practice, there are two concepts that must be understood. Those are 1) primary vs. secondary prevention and 2) caries risk-based intervention. Once these concepts are integrated and shared with your staff, implementation will occur quickly and smoothly.

Primary vs. Secondary Prevention:

Contemporary preventive cariology has revealed that there is a temporal window of opportunity that differentiates ‘Primary’ and ‘Secondary’ prevention. Primary prevention consists of the steps employed to optimize the mother’s oral flora prior to and during colonization of her infant’s mouth, delay of colonization to the infant and manipulation of the child’s oral environment to accept the least virulent dental flora the mother has to offer. Since the bulk of dental colonization occurs with the eruption of the primary dentition, the timing of Primary intervention must begin during the first two years of the infant’s life.

Once dental flora is established, it is relatively stable and becomes more and more resistant to the introduction of new bacterial clones (colonization resistance). Therefore, Secondary prevention is simply the ongoing preventive intervention methodologies employed once the dental flora is established. All of these interventions involve the enhancement of benign/non-cariogenic flora while suppressing the ratio of decay causing, aciduric/cariogenic flora. This is accomplished through a set of hierarchical interventions simply referred to as ‘Benign Floral Enhancement’, (BFE). BFE is accomplished by removing all active decay, reducing dietary sugars, optimizing oral hygiene and judiciously administrating topical and systemic fluoride modalities.

Caries Risk Based Intervention:

Using preventive cariology, the next step is to determine which infants are candidates for aggressive preventive measures by virtue of being at significant risk of dental caries, (i.e., having a high Caries Risk assessment). Since the objective is to manage the caries process of pre-cavity patients, infants may not have enough of a dental history to make an assessment; therefore, the caries risk of the mother and immediate family will become important. The simple change in mind-set that is accompanied by the use of a Caries Risk Assessment tool is a profound thing to behold. Seeing patients and families by their unique caries risk changes the entire decision process regarding prevention. There are numerous Caries Risk Assessment Tools available, (e.g., CAT@AAPD.org), and this author’s advice is to just pick one and use it. In short order, the tool becomes a menu in the back of your mind and eventually you will no longer require the tool. Once the caries risk of a patient has been determined, appropriate measures can be directed at managing risk factors over time. The patient’s caries risk should determine the periodicity of recall, the aggressiveness of dietary intervention and the frequency of fluoride application. The ultimate goal is to manage the caries process (an infectious disease) rather than manage cavities (the result of the disease process).

Combining the concepts of preventive cariology and caries risk assessment allows for a smooth integration of IOH into your practice. The exam can be easily performed using the knee-to-knee position, (fig. 1). Once the caries risk of the mother/ infant pair is determined, the periodicity of recall, dietary counseling emphasis and fluoride regime can address the patient’s specific caries risk. Once an IOH program has been implemented in your practice, you are ready to expand into your community.

Implementing the Points of Light project in your community:

The ‘Points of Light’ project is designed to be implemented in multiple communities across a geographic region by a six-step process. The six steps are as follows:

In the selected community, appoint a dentist to serve as a ‘Point Dentist’.

Have the ‘Point Dentist’ select and recruit a physician partner from the local pediatric medical providers, (e.g., pediatrician, family physician).

Have the ‘Point Dentist’ recruit and compile a list of dentists from their community who are willing to see infants in their practices. This list is referred to as an Early Preventive Intervention Infrastructure (EPII) and should reflect geographic distribution as well as public assistance program providers.

Have the ‘Point Dentist’ provide in-service training on Infant Oral Health to participating dentists and their staff.

Have the ‘Point Dentist’ launch the project by mailing an information packet to the pediatric medical providers in their community with a cover letter co-signed by their physician partner. This packet should include a copy of the list of participating dentists and any pertinent educational materials.

Have the ‘Point Dentist’ contact and schedule in-service training sessions with the area pediatric medical providers regarding the value of early and timely dental referrals.

Although ‘Points of Light’ is a significant undertaking, it has several advantages that
increase the probability of its success. First, it steps around the issue of an isolated dentist advocating a new paradigm of early referral and substitutes a strong, collaborative message from one professional collective (dentistry) to another professional collective (medicine). By compiling a list of participating dentists, the message to local medical providers is, “We the dentists of the community are ready and willing to manage these patients prior to the need for restorative dentistry”. While physicians may not be entirely conversant with the value of early preventive intervention, the medical community is less likely to ignore this genre of the message. Second, this project brings dentists and physicians into partnerships directed toward a common problem. It also solves the issue of physicians not knowing who will accept infants and which dentists participate in public assistance programs. Lastly, ‘Points of Light’, offers a sustainable and comprehensive vision for changing referral patterns throughout communities across regions and states by creating a potentially limitless dental participation infrastructure. It is only through the creation of these multiple dental referral networks that parents and physicians will overcome a generational misconception that children should not go to the dentist until three years of age or until there is a problem.

Constructing a community based collaborative wherein physicians refer infants to accepting dentists is the key to improving oral health amongst our youngest patients, the best utilization of our professional workforce and the most efficient way of improving access to care and ameliorating cost issues in caring for low socio-economic strata populations. In the end, everyone who participates in ‘Points of Light’ is a winner. By figuring out how to apply this model in your unique community, ‘Points of Light’ can be a model for igniting solutions for your patients.

As the number of involved communities expands and more infants are being presented to more dentists in Michigan and across the globe our ‘Points of Light’ family continues to grow. If you would like to become a member of our list-serve and/or obtain more information regarding the ‘Points of Light’ project for your practice and your community, contact: www.MichiganAPD.org and click on the ‘Points of Light’ logo.

Application of ‘Points of Light’ principles in less than optimal environments:

In environments where ongoing, comprehensive ‘Dental Homes’ and establishment of dental networks are not feasible, application of ‘Points of Light’ concepts are of the utmost importance. The preventive potential of Infant Oral Health, Caries Risk Assessment and Benign Floral Enhancement of mother-infant pairs become even more essential when the probability of ideal, comprehensive dental care is unavailable. Therefore, the necessity of preventive intervention is a reciprocal of the likelihood of the availability of a Dental Home and the timing of the first exam remains critical. While always striving to provide ideal care, the following figures review the essentials of preventive intervention concepts and should be considered when attempting to address patient needs in a less than optimal care delivery environment:

**Figure 1**

**Benign Flora Enhancement:**
Hierarchical Strategy for Comprehensive Caries Management to enhance non-cariogenic flora while suppressing pathogenic flora

- Removal of active decay (e.g., ART, ITR’)
- Dietary Counseling to reduce intake of sugars (e.g., fruit juices, etc...)
- Oral Hygiene Instruction (effective brushing & flossing)
- Administration of Fluoride Modalities based on patient’s caries risk (e.g., 5% NaF varnish)

**Figure 2**

**High Caries Risk Protocol:**

- Appoint patient at 1 month intervals X 3.
- Review dietary intake of juices (sugars sources, etc) at each appointment.
- Assess Oral Hygiene at each appointment (Plaque/Inflammation).
- Review fluoride exposure and apply fluoride varnish at each appointment.
- At the third one month visit, if all risk factors are well managed: Reappoint at three months, review diet, hygiene, fluoride exposure and apply fluoride varnish. If risk factors are not controlled, continue with one month recalls until risk factors are well-managed.
- At three month recall interval, if all risk factors are well managed, reappoint every six months, review diet, hygiene, fluoride exposure and apply Fluoride varnish.

* ART: Alternative/traumatic Restorative technique & ITR: Interim Therapeutic Restorative technique @ AAPD.org.
Helping Hands Collaborate to Make a Difference

Oral health professionals, volunteers all, have completed a third mission to provide essential dental care to citizens in Honduras. Their efforts provide us with many lessons regarding the collaboration of diverse organizations who find ways to come together to deliver humanitarian relief. ICD Fellow Norman W. Freiberger of St. Charles, Missouri, USA, is a team member of these Honduras initiatives and has kept the ICD informed of the project’s ongoing success and plans for the future.

ABOUT HONDURAS

Honduras has been described as one of the poorest nations in Central America. It is considered “Third World” in many respects. Despite this status, it is reported that the people are happy and seem to eat well. Very few smoke. Volunteers say that the children are beautiful, however, one of the favorite snack foods of children is sugary popsicles and sugar cane chew sticks. A great need exists to restore the permanent teeth of children and young adults.

THE TEAM MEMBERS

A formula of faith-based organizations, civic clubs, and dedicated dental professionals made up a winning team on this year’s mission to Talanga, Honduras. The Global Mission arm of the First United Methodist Church, networking and coordinating with Iglesia Methodista church in Honduras provides financial, organizational and logistical support. Three regional clubs of Rotary International in St. Charles, MO provided additional support to purchase a portable X-ray unit which permitted endodontic therapy to be provided for the first time. Volunteers included three dentists, a dental assistant, a dental hygienist, a translator, and two other auxiliaries.

THE VOLUNTEER LIFE

Participants are lucky to get even a cold shower. One has to get used to sleeping with the sound of barking dogs and roosters crowing. There is little chance for a decent restaurant meal. Gastro-intestinal disturbances are common. Mechanical difficulties are the norm…such as depending on a generator to drive the air compressor and sterilizer, dental chairs that aren’t always adjustable, and trying to get through government “customs” with 26 suitcases of dental supplies. Preparations for each four-day trip are about eight months in the making.

THE RESULTS OF THEIR LABORS

Dental professionals make presentations regarding the use and care of the teeth at local schools. Dental education presentations are also filmed for the local television station. During the most recent mission, 180 people were treated (342 extractions, 200 restorations, 77 cleanings, 170 fluoride treatments). Dr. Jim Fletsch, the team leader, is passionate about establishing a permanent clinic in Talanga, Honduras, but only time will tell.

CLOSING THOUGHTS

The volunteers claim to benefit also. Dr. Freiberger believes that much can be learned from removing yourself from your comfort zone and putting yourself in the position of doing nothing but serving others for a week. Dr. Freiberger has nominated Dr. Fletsch for Fellowship in the International College of Dentists. These dentists with their supporting sponsors and fellow health volunteers, exhibit the very best in faith-based, professionally developed humanitarian service.
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Currently, there are ten dental schools in Malaysia. Six are run by the government and four are funded by the private. Of the four privately run facilities, two are in the capital city of Kuala Lumpur, at the International Islamic University and the Medical and Allied Health Sciences Academy (M.A.H.S.A.). The Asian Institute of Medicine, Science and Technology (A.I.M.S.T.) School of Dentistry is located in Sungai Petani, Kedah in the north and another Penang International Dental College (P.I.D.C.) is in Pulau Penang with a new campus coming up in Butterworth. I.M.U. has twinning links with the U.K., Australia and New Zealand whereas M.A.H.S.A. is linked to the Trisakdi Dental school in Jakarta, Indonesia. These two private schools do the first few preclinical undergraduate years in Malaysia after which the candidates are allowed to finish their degrees in a linked overseas university of their choice.

At I.M.U, one can get their degree locally also. The P.I.D.C., however, requires students to take the first two undergraduate years in Manipal, India, and complete the remaining three clinical training years in Malaysia.

A.I.M.S.T. runs a full five-year degree term locally at its campus in Sungai Petani, Kedah. A ‘Council of Deans’ has also been formed, comprising the heads of the many dental schools. This council gets together from time to time to discuss many dental educational issues. Most of these deans are Fellows of the International College of Dentists.

So far, government health agencies are able to absorb all the local dental graduates in their many vacancies as civil service government dental officers. Trainee lecturerships go by selection. Fully funded post graduate degrees or fellowship training programs abroad await these bright and academically inclined few. The majority of dental graduates, however, go for the money, spinning private dental practices and mushrooming group practice polyclinics. To date, the country produces only around four to five hundred dentists annually, but more are expected once candidates from the new schools start graduating. At present, there are still not enough dentists.

With so many dental schools coming up, the country also faces a shortage of experienced and qualified teaching staff. Malaysian law requires one supervising lecturer for every five dental students and apart from trainee lecturers, all lecturers are required to have at least a postgraduate Master’s degree. At the moment, qualified expatriate dental academics bridge the gap on a contractual salary basis. The Malaysian Dental Council oversees the registration and accreditation of such persons as well as all things dental in general.

Dentistry is a lucrative profession in Malaysia. A graduate intern called a “FYDO” (First Year Dental Officer) gets a monthly salary around 2800 Ringgits with an annual increment and other benefits. In private practice, the same recent graduate can earn upwards of 7,000 to 10,000 Ringgits monthly, a considerable sum which would be equivalent to a Senior Lecturer’s pay in a government university. This three-year ‘internship’ or House Dental Officer term is a compulsory national civil service appointment. Only those dental graduates going directly into the Malaysian Armed Forces are exempted. The Armed Forces Dental Services Branch headed by a Major General is equipped with up-to-date, state of the art dental facilities, complete with many qualified specialists and well trained auxiliary staff. It is considered the best among the many military dental establishments in the South East Asian region.

Two main Dental Associations are noted, the original national organization, the Malaysian Dental Association (M.D.A.) and the off-shoot, the Malaysian Private Dental Practitioners’ Association (M.P.D.P.A.). There are also many dental specialty societies, all offering continuing dental education programs and up-to-date hands-on training techniques all year round at conferences and congresses which are partly or wholly sponsored by dental trade organizations.

Malaysian dental education appears to be world class as many Malay citizens who go abroad take the licensing exams overseas and the majority qualify to register and work in countries such as the United States and the United Kingdom. However, training of allied dental auxiliary staff such as dental nurses, dental surgery assistants and dental technicians has not developed in tandem and many schools are short of such trained technical staff. Be that as it may, Malaysian entrepreneurship will nevertheless prevail, as the popular Malay catch-phrase states “Malaysia boleh” which literally, means, “Can do”.
The Retirement of a Secretary General/Registrar

The Secretary-General of The College and the USA’s Registrar is retiring. These positions have been held jointly by the same individual since 1927. The physical locations of the “Central Office” under Dr. Elmer Best, Dr. Harold O. “Westy” Westerdahl and Dr. Franklin Kenward were located in their homes and dental offices. Under Dr. Richard Shaffer the office was moved from Dr. Kenward’s dental office to an office building in Rockville, Maryland, USA. This new location offered a more professional work space. The Rockville office is easily reached by taxi, shuttle and metro from Washington National Airport in Washington, DC. This has provided easier access for College Officers and Councilmen from all the Sections. Dr. Brady has since expanded the office size to accommodate a larger staff of four as the size of The College increased. At this time, Dr. Brady, after eleven years serving in these positions is retiring from both positions in December, 2009.

I have been reflecting on the state of the Sections and The College under these five Secretary-Generals that I had the privilege of working with as Editor of the USA Section’s publications (The Key and the newsletter), Editor of The Globe and President of the USA Section. I find that The College and the Sections have been well served by all of them. Fulfilling the direction of the Boards of each of the respective organizations is not an easy task. Each individual respected and worked to implement the requests of the ICD leadership and Councils, offering constructive advice when requested. Each has had differing methods of management and were responsive to change when directed and as worldwide communications have improved. Each man displayed dependable leadership in the day-to-day management of The College and the USA Section.

Retiring Secretary General/Registrar Brady brought a military background of conservative management qualities that have benefited the membership in many ways. Providing management within the financial limits of the dues provided by The College and Sections, he preserved the organization by sharing the physical office space, as in the past, with the USA Section and The International Council. I am sure that when changes are needed in the management of The College and the USA Section, the persons who serve in the newly divided positions of College Secretary General and USA Section Registrar will continue the same working relationships as in the past.

Alfred North Whitehead wrote, “The art of progress is to preserve order amid chance and to preserve chance amid order,” a challenge to all leaders. All of our past leaders have displayed exceptional qualities in the management of The College and Sections and will be and have been missed in their own way.

Submitted by William E. Hawkins, D.D.S., MICD College Editor Emeritus, Past President USA Section
The Role of the International College of Dentists in the Dental World of Europe – and Globally

WRITTEN BY
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While examining The Role of the International College of Dentists in the Dental World, I found comments on this subject put forward by 2009 President, Dr. Richard Shick, to be the most succinct when he said: ‘the Mission of the ICD is threefold: it is fraternal, educational and humanitarian’. I then tried to look objectively at how our European Section fares in each of these facets of Mission.

Building Fraternity

At the level of building fraternity, the European Section has a proud record. Fellows from Europe played a very significant part in the early years of the establishment of ICD and over the years, eight have served as ICD World Presidents. By the end of the 1930s, there were only 89 Fellows from fourteen European countries represented in the College. Following WWII, the picture within Europe itself was bleak, with Fellows from behind the iron curtain being prevented from attending meetings. We now have over 600 Fellows from over twenty-five countries, and there was a real sense of history when the European Board, at its 2008 meeting in Athens, declared they were establishing a new District for the first time in over 15 years, to be known as District Number 14, for Central and Eastern Europe, to include Lithuania, Latvia, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Slovenia, Poland and Russia.

Sharing Educational Resources

In educational terms, great credit is due to those Fellows from the European Section who travelled widely for teaching purposes to various countries of Eastern Europe in the post-war years. Many continue that tradition to the present day, and since 2005, the European Section has supported the Continuing Education Programme in the Academy of Medical Sciences in Odessa (AMSO), Odessa, Ukraine, and entered into an agreement of mutual understanding with the AMSO for an initial period of three years during which time European FICD’s volunteer their expertise in various fields of dentistry to the AMSO.

Planned Humanitarian Projects

When preparing this paper I found that almost every Section except ICD-Europe appears to have a planned humanitarian project in which all Fellows can become involved. And there is no doubt that these projects are sorely needed. The FDI has shown that over 70% of the world’s underprivileged have little or no access to primary oral health care. A brief look at the WHO-CAPP Index for just eight of Africa’s 53 countries, Libya, Kenya, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Tunisia, Zambia and Zimbabwe, shows there are 12,000 dentists serving a combined population of 217 million, a ratio of one dentist per 180,500 population.

The European Section has some money in the Philip Dear Fund and I firmly believe that if worthwhile projects are planned, further funds will follow. With this in mind I proposed that we might:
1. Change the format of our meetings to allow time to discuss future plans for the Section.
2. Decide how to assist in raising standards of dental education in developing countries, in particular through the use of the IVIDENT programme and other distance learning initiatives.
3. Undertake a search of possible humanitarian projects which the Section as a whole might support.

The Challenge Facing ICD

Since taking on the role of Editor of ICD’s e-newsletter, “The College Today”, in August 2007, I find that working with Fellows throughout our College has made me think globally more and more. In world terms, the total numbers of ICD Fellows is about 11,000. Is there anything more important that we as Fellows of the ICD can do than to extend Fellowship to dentists in countries where there is little or no ICD presence? How can we extend more into countries like Russia with 20,000 dentists and only two Fellows, or South Africa with 4,500 dentists and just three? What a challenge for the International College!

A Global ICD Foundation

I look forward to a day when the ICD will have a global charitable foundation to which the whole College contributes and by which the whole College funds humanitarian projects of global proportions. The world needs it, the ICD can do it and we in Europe should, I believe, be playing a wider College role.
“Dentistry and Ethics: A Symbiosis and Challenge”

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EDITOR’S NOTE: This paper is presented in a significantly abridged form due to space considerations. The reader is encouraged to use the following link to obtain the unabridged report, complete with expanded statistics, footnotes, and references: http://www.icd.org/globe-news/2009/dentistry and ethics.htm

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PROLOGUE
Since infancy, human beings are shaped ethically and morally in their homes and influenced by their environment. Elementary school, high school as well as higher education institutions prepare young people for life.

Our present-day period is no more difficult or complicated than the previous ones. Quite the contrary, scientific and communication advancements have contributed rapidly and significantly to a better material quality of life for humanity. To assure the continuation of our current well-being, it is necessary to invigorate and emphasize among youth and adults the time-proven ethical-moral teachings. Obviously, optimum behavior is the duty of all human beings. In this article, we will refer only to the ethical aspects of dentistry and its protagonists.

INTRODUCTION
What are the most important factors for the development of professional life? Without any doubts, they are ethical behavior and continuous updating of knowledge. Both are intimately related.

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Being a dentist is a unique experience. It means belonging to an intellectually privileged group of people. It is the opportunity to combine intellectual and biological aptitudes with manual and artistic skills to better serve others. It is a means to utilize scientific and humanistic knowledge to become a loyal and honest servant of humanity.

Finally, the modern version of the Hippocratic Oath emphasizes the urgent need to avoid any conflicts of interest. The document is also called the Declaration of Medical Professionalism.

GENERAL BACKGROUND
“Morality,” which is rooted in the Latin word “moralis,” is the science dealing with
good in general, and with human actions in terms of kindliness or maliciousness. “Ethics,” which comes from the Greek word “ethikos,” means “custom.” It is a system of moral principles, recognized rules of conduct, respect to a specific class of human actions or of a particular group or culture; e.g., medical ethics, Christian ethics.

Bioethics is defined as the “scientific discipline that studies the ethical aspects of medicine and of biology in general, as well as the relations of man with all other living beings.” Practically any human problem, ancient or current, especially if it is created by modern “techno-science”, whose solution is sought using the methods of this new knowledge, can be called bioethics; e.g., cloning, violence, AIDS, euthanasia.

The term “profession,” which comes from the Latin words “proffessio”, “-önis”, means “a vocation that requires knowledge of some department of learning or science”. It is a faculty that one has and publicly exercises. A profession is the ordered application to a sort of occupation, voluntarily chosen, within a community’s varied collection of demands; it is the institutionalized answer to a social necessity. Professions exist through the approval of a society, which generates and authorizes them. The concept of a profession is described as a public and authorized promise, in which individuals will overlook their own well-being and the welfare of their professional group.

It can be categorically stated that that which is considered legal is not necessarily ethical. However, what is ethical is always fair, just, and legal. Insofar as dentists are concerned, whenever sufficient knowledge or experience is not available to establish a correct diagnosis or perform a specific treatment, ethics demands that the patient in question be referred to the best qualified professional to do so.

EXPOSITION
Ethics is the concept or code of conduct under which human beings live as individuals and as a society. It is the system of moral standards that guides us from the moment we are conceived. It directs the relationships between human beings. In essence, it is the sacred principle taught by Hillel the Elder (c. 60 B.C.-A.D. 9?; rabbi, president of the Sanhedrin, and interpreter of Biblical Law) 34 2040 years ago, “What is hateful to you do not do to your neighbor.” Since remote times, “ethics” has been of concern to humanity. In the Bible (Genesis 3:1-6), this thought appears in the account of the serpent and Eve. In the biblical narration, this despicable and lying animal convinces and persuades Eve, with false interpretations, to transgress the Divine Law.

The news media ceaselessly informs the world of serious ethical transgressions. The incredulity produced by moral deficiencies has generated climates of great distrust and profound uncertainty in the universal population.

RESPONSIBILITIES
Dentistry is a service profession. For the most part, the public believes in the integrity of its dentists. The public’s inability to differentiate between the various specialties could represent a serious ethical challenge for some dentists. Unfortunately, some professionals confuse the letter S in the word service with the letter S that has a vertical line (S). It is necessary to place the history of individuals in the framework of their reality, because the context of events is determined by virtues and imperfections. Individual responses are the core of the humanity that contrasts with inhumanity; moral identity can prompt people not to give up on truth.

The term service, which comes from the Latin word servitium, means the human act of providing assistance, satisfying a social need and which does not consist in the production of material goods. It is an act of helpful activity. It means the fulfillment of any obligation or task for another individual; a beneficial or professional activity or occupation; availability for being useful or to help someone. Service, nevertheless, should not be confused with gratuitousness.

All health professionals carry the responsibility to put forth their best efforts to attend to those in need. Also, they have the duty of representing their profession in a dignified manner.

Everyone knows morality and ethics; nevertheless, many people interpret these concepts in their own way. Ethical or moral principles never have been nor ever will be adjustable or bendable.

CHALLENGES
Temptation lies in ambush for all human beings. It is not difficult to fall into lying or to being attracted to bad counsel. Young people, in particular, due to their lack of experience, are especially vulnerable to deceit and dubious proposals. The newer professionals are not exempt from enticement or the lure of false prophets.
Excellence, Integrity, Collaboration, and Solidarity are the essential pillars of Professional Conduct.

It can be affirmed that, intrinsically, the habits and techniques that dentists acquired during their studies in the Schools of Dentistry will accompany them throughout their professional lives.

DENTIST’S BEHAVIOR

Dentists must observe impeccable conduct with their coworkers. Auxiliary personnel are a prolongation or extension of the dentist; their acts and attitudes reflect their employer’s philosophy and integrity. People who work with a dentist must be continuously stimulated and trained. Likewise, it is important to respect their “human dimension”; in other words, ethics can only be demanded from what the coworkers know and are able to perform. Positive performances must be recognized and thanked. Courtesy, kindness, and a fair and generous remuneration are the best expressions of respect and compensation for efficient and selfless work.

ALTRUISM

Ethics has taught the dentist the duty of assuming social responsibilities. This involves a clear and active concern for our fellow human beings; especially, the more needy people. This human group is composed by helpless people; i.e., the elderly, the abandoned, the infirm, the disabled, the retarded, the indigent. Any person, regardless how healthy, cultured or successful he or she may be, some day, unfortunately, may end up in the sad category of the helpless. Nothing is permanent. Dentists, within their possibilities, must help people who suffer misfortunes. The dental profession offers the unique opportunity to quietly deliver generous assistance to people in need.

CREDIBILITY

Ethics directs and pursues dentists. Patients reward professional activities according to their quality and meticulousness. The public, without having received formal dental instruction, has a subjective perception of quality, whether pertaining to dentists or to treatments. Patients possess a dental culture acquired through the communications media. Consequently, dentists have the ethical responsibility to carefully explain their diagnoses and therapies; moreover, answer extensively patients’ questions. In case of doubts, a professional man has the moral obligation to seek information before delivering an opinion. Several professionals may have different opinions regarding the same clinical situation. Nevertheless, each recommendation and decision must be based on solid scientific and ethical evidence. If not, there is a return to the era of the charlatans.

A dentist cannot publicly solicit patients. People who request professional care of a dentist generally do so through the recommendation of other patients or by way of referral. A study conducted by the Universdad Mayor Market Research Center indicates that the selection of a dentist is based on “trust”, “prestige” and “references”.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Each dental treatment session is a private matter between the patient and the dentist. Consequently, the dentist should not divulge the name of the patients to other people, including those providing outside-office assistance. Respecting patient confidentiality must include ensuring the anonymity of any work performed, at the dentist’s request, in a commercial dental laboratory. Patients appreciate their dentists’ confidentiality with their treatments, as well as with any topics discussed. Ethics is the basis of confidentiality in dental treatments.

EXPECTATIONS

Those individuals who cannot or do not want to accept given professions’ limitations in economic remunerations should not enter them. If they do, they will undoubtedly be forever disillusioned and bitter. Dentistry is a beautiful profession and full of challenges. It renders service to humanity, but it is not an activity for accumulating wealth. Dentistry is a vocation; its practice awards profound personal satisfactions. If one insists on trying to turn dentistry into a method for accumulating great wealth, the result will be the development of a fraudulent practice. That is, a pseudo-professional growth, having nothing to do with the ethical concepts taught and practiced by
our traditional Schools of Dentistry. It is not reprehensible to attain a solid financial position through the ethical practice of dentistry. It is, however, absolutely unethical and reproachable to accumulate a fortune through the fraudulent practice of the profession.

CENTRAL OBJECTIVE
People and their well-being are the reasons for the existence of our profession. Dental and medical therapies must have solid scientific and ethical foundations. The overall health and the safety of the sick must predominate in therapeutic decisions.

An ethical hypothesis that must accompany, implicitly or explicitly, any treatment or surgical decision is that the benefits of a given therapy will probably outweigh any potential negative consequences it might have. In synthesis, it is preferable to perform a treatment that will not do any harm, even if it is not curative. The ethical precepts will guide their therapeutic reasoning and professional decisions. Dentists must assume full responsibility for the planning and quality control of their professional services, including the dental laboratory work. Obviously, expertise and ethics must work in tandem.

In our society, patients have the freedom to choose their dentists. Unfortunately, we have seen some poor criteria used to select professionals and some unethical practices employed to obtain and retain patients. It is unethical to sow distrust, promote apprehension, or support unjustified concerns regarding states of health or therapies.

CONCLUSIONS
The dental profession’s primary purpose is to render services to mankind. Ethical dentists must know how to place themselves in the situation of their patients. Dental Ethics is the philosophy of moral behavior in the practice of dentistry. Basic knowledge of moral concepts is acquired in the home. Schools of Dentistry have the obligation to remind their students of these concepts, and to constantly emphasize them.

We human beings are not perfect. One thing is to talk and preach about ethics and morality. Another reality, very different, is to live according to ethics and morality. It is not humiliating not to know something, but it is immoral to hide it and pretend the opposite. A simple but important rule is to remember that, “A little humility never hurts anybody.” The application of the axiom, “He who knows that he doesn’t know, knows; but he who doesn’t know that he doesn’t know, is an ignoramus,” is very useful for all people, and especially professionals.

The ultimate goal of bioethics is to safeguard mankind’s dignity, freedom, integrity, and happiness. Promoting this system of conduct is the objective of “Dentistry and Ethics: A Symbiosis and Challenge”.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Ethics Conferences should be offered to dentists. These could be held by the various honorary and professional dental societies, the State Board of Dentistry, and the Schools of Dentistry. In addition, these could be offered in combination with continuing education courses.

The Schools of Dentistry could organize ethics seminars, offering the opinions of different personalities. Retired dentists could also participate to present “a perspective of their periods”. These events would be an opportunity to bring together “persons of similar spirits” to share their varied experiences and ideas.

Publications with ethics-oriented topics could also be an interesting alternative to disseminate moral teachings. Articles about this important subject should be circulated in professional magazines. In this way, dental teachers, professionals and students would have a means to present their own experiences and concerns.

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2008 President Newell E. Warr proudly wearing his Texas ‘ten gallon’ cowboy hat after being awarded the status of “Honorary Texan” in San Antonio, Texas.

President’s Report

At the close of 2008 the USA Section can rejoice in the united efforts of a strong Executive Committee and Board of Regents. As a team we accepted the challenges and turned them into opportunities to strengthen our organization. It has been exciting to see many of the efforts of the past 4 years come to completion. I congratulate each Fellow for their vital role. It is amazing what can be accomplished if we accept our responsibilities, work together with enthusiasm, dedication, focus on the present and future with a goal of “what is best for ICD”. It is great to be a member of a winning team.

Members of the Executive Committee distinguished themselves by accepting the assignment to serve in an advisory capacity to certain districts and committees. They raised the bar consistently in all districts they served and provided guidance and support to several of the committees.

The College announced that in an effort to better serve the world wide membership, they intended to move to an independent office, apart from the office of the USA Section. The Section accepted the decision of the College and offered assistance and support in the transition. This was quite a change since we’ve long shared one business office and many joint business transactions. A Committee was formed to address a smooth transition. The support for the separation was not without effort and cost on the part of the Section.

Jim Felix, Past-President of the USA Section, chaired the Section’s Transition Committee. In fulfilling this project it was necessary to engage legal counsel to review and analyze the ability of the Section to work independently and to understand our ongoing working relations with the College. This legal review included an analysis of the corporate documents, contracts, office lease, necessary by-law changes, our employment procedures, an employment contract with our future Registrar and an assessment of our liability insurance. This legal review was essential for the transition.

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

Legal counsel also recommended the adoption of a document entitled, “Core Values and Guiding Principles” This was approved by the Board of Regents and made a part of the Standing Rules. It will be reviewed by Section Leadership on an annual basis. It describes our standards of inclusiveness as an organization and our high standards of respecting individual differences. It also describes the unacceptable nature of certain communications, including e-mail, or other actions that might be potentially offensive to others. It is our hope that putting our values in writing will clarify, in a proactive manner, our standards of membership.

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

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

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

2008 President Newell E. Warr and 2008 International President Norinaga Moriyama proudly display their Texas “ten gallon” cowboy hats after being awarded the status of “Honorary Texans” in San Antonio, Texas. 2009 President-Elect Leighton A. Wier (right) and the Texas Dental Association presented the honors.
Gerrit C. Hagman continues to support and expand the White Coat Ceremonies in a number of our nation’s dental schools. His efforts in the presentation of leadership, professionalism and ethics have been well received. Thanks in large part to Gerrit’s efforts this program continues to enhance our leadership status.

The Leadership Committee Chair, Curtis R. Johnson and members report another year of increased activities. Every state has Fellows participating in the Peace Corp Initiative and all Districts have Leadership Coordinators. Participation in sub committee activities is high. Congratulations for true leadership in action.

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

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

President Newell E. Warr began his tenure following the Dinner Dance in San Francisco on 29 September, 2007. Within days, he was actively organizing his agenda for the year.

The Executive Committee meeting took place in early January, 2008, in Columbia, Maryland. President Warr assigned each Officer specific Committees to oversee so the Committees could function better and have continuity with each other. The Dental Humanitarian Outreach Program was continued and we solicited our Fellows again for donations. As expected, they were very generous and contributed over $24,000 to the Program.

Previously, the Section voted to move the Board of Regents July meeting to the Spring. This year was the first time and we met in Phoenix, Arizona at the end of March. We also had a Continuing Education experience as well as a post trip. This was a good move for the Section because it put the two Board of Regent meetings roughly six months apart and each meeting is more significant for the Board.

Our Convocation and Dinner Dance took place in San Antonio, Texas on 17 October. We inducted 266 new Fellows and over 850 people were at the Dinner Dance. The Council also met in San Antonio just a few days before so we had the opportunity to socialize with each other all week.

The Section continues to be supportive of the College in its pursuit of separating the two offices. They are actively seeking a Secretary General and adequate office space.

We continue to put out a Keymail each month covering a different topic each time. This has proven to be an excellent method to keep the Fellows up to date on what the Section is doing and what is available for each Fellow. The same can be said for "The College Today" which is produced by the College three times a year and sent to each Section for distribution. We are in the age of instant communication and e-mail is a tremendous asset.

Mary Jo, Kathleen, Jennifer and I wish great things for all of you in 2009 and we thank you for all you do for the ICD.

In Fellowship,

Robert E. Brady
Registrar
International College of Dentists

2008 USA Section President Newell E. Warr with 2009 USA Section President-Elect Leighton A. Wier.
USA Section Statistics for 2008

Appointments
Dr. Carol I. Turner - to fill out the remaining two (2) years of Dr. Charles Siroky’s tenure as a Councilman.

International Councilors
(Elected in 2008 to office on October 18, 2008)
Joseph Kenneally - second three year term of three
William Robinson - second three year term of two
Charles Simons - third three year term of three
Vangel Zissi - second three year term of two
J. Steven Tonelli - second three year term of two

Review of 2008 USA Section Projects include:
• Outstanding Student Leader Awards at USA Dental Schools (55)
• International Student Exchange (16)
• Continued support of Humanitarian Outreach Program
• Journalism Awards (14)
• Continued support of USA Section Foundation CEC
• Continued support of Fellowship Orientation Program
the evening before Convocation
• Eight (8) KeyMails sent out via e-mail
• Two (2) KeyNotes published - January and September
• Kikuyu (Kenya, Africa) Project underway
• Tanzania Project underway
• Peace Corps Initiative underway
• Leadership Initiative underway (Leadership Coordinators
named for each state

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With the ability to give out grants, the Foundation is fulfilling its goals to promote Dental Health and Education around the World. The Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry Department of Orthodontics received grant money to research the prevalence of Upper Extremity Neuropathy in a Georgia clinical dental population.

Thousand Smiles Foundation received funds to provide surgeries for 25 children at their Thousand Smiles Foundation Craniofacial Surgery and dental Care Mission Clinic in Ensenada, B.C. Mexico.

The University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston, Texas received financial support for its mobile dental van to work in conjunction with ECHOS to provide dental care to the needy in its area.

The ICD USA Section Student Exchange program received grant funds to help cover the expenses of four dental students participating in the International Student Exchange Program.

March of 2008 in Phoenix, Arizona the Foundation sponsored a two day CEC to our members at no cost. We were very privileged to have four excellent speakers and topics. Thank you Dr. Robert Roda, Dr. Jack Dillenberg, Dr. Michael Glick, and Dr. Maureen Romer!

Unfortunately, our funds are limited and we always have to refuse needy grant requests because of a lack of sufficient funds.

In Fellowship, Dr. Michael A. Luberto,
President, ICD USA Section Foundation

USA FOUNDATION REPORT

The year 2008 was very successful for the Foundation. This was only made possible by the generosity of the members of the ICD USA Section and the time volunteered by the Board of Trustees of the Foundation.

USA Foundation’s Board of Trustees, San Antonio, Texas, October 2008.
THE USA SECTION INTRODUCES CAROL I. TURNER, D.D.S., F.I.C.D.

Carol J. Turner  
Incoming Registrar  
International College of Dentists  
Rear Admiral  
United States Navy, Retired

The USA Section has appointed Dr. Carol Turner as Registrar of The Section effective January 1, 2010. Dr. Turner graduated with distinction from both Purdue University and Indiana University School of Dentistry (1975). Upon completion of dental school, she practiced dentistry in Jacksonville, North Carolina. In September of that year, she was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Navy Dental Corps.

She served as an assistant dental officer and subsequently as the division officer for the USS Vulcan’s Dental Department. Dr. Turner was transferred to the Naval Dental Center Norfolk, Virginia in June, 1981.

In 1984, Dr. Turner was selected for training and assigned to Naval Postgraduate Dental School Bethesda, Maryland, where she completed a residency program in Advanced Clinical Dentistry and the requirements for a Master of Arts in Oral Biology. During a tour at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, she served as Head of Manpower Resources and subsequently Head of the Logistics Division. In July of 1991, Dr. Turner transferred to the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. There she completed a Master of Arts in national Security and Strategic Studies. In 1994, she assumed duties as the Executive Officer of Naval Dental Center Newport, Rhode Island.

Dr. Turner served as the 34th Chief of the Naval Dental Corps and Duty Chief BUMED Dental Operations Support. She was selected as the Commander of the Navy Medical Education and training Command in 2005. Prior to her retirement from the Navy with the rank of Admiral in 2008, she served as Commander of the Navy Medical Support Command, the Navy Representative to the Health Care Interservice Training Office and the Chair of the Medical Education and Training Campus Project in San Antonio, TX.

Dr. Turner maintains membership in the American Dental Association and Omicron Kappa Upsilon, and is a Fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry, the International College of Dentists, and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Dr. Turner is married to Captain Kenneth Peters, USN, (RET). She has two children, a daughter Nicole and a son Jason. 🌸
THE WHITE COAT CEREMONY

a report submitted by Gerrit C. Hagman, DDS, MSD, FICD

The White Coat Ceremony (WCC) conducted in many dental schools is symbolic of the transition of the student from academia to clinical care. Messages of leadership, excellence, ethics, and professionalism make up the theme of the day. These ceremonies have a profound impact on the students as well as their families who often attend in large numbers.

Participation by the USA Section of the International College of Dentists in White Coat Ceremonies was recognized nine years ago as an appropriate application of the Section’s Leadership Initiative Program which aims to promote leadership, in this case, for the future generation of dentists. After all, leadership and professionalism is what the ICD is all about.

The purpose of ICD involvement in WCC is twofold. First and most important is to support and deliver the message of leadership, service, professionalism and ethical considerations. The students must learn some of the history of their profession and their responsibility to their profession. It is a message of sincerity and a message of duty to dentistry, their community, and their Alma Mater. The second purpose of ICD involvement is for the College to be visible in caring for the next generation of leaders to whom we will pass the torch of responsibility for guiding and protection our profession.

Today, the USA Section is involved in the White Coat Ceremonies of approximately 22 dental schools. A wide range of levels of participation has evolved. Personal contacts made by ICD Fellows with dental school Deans is the usual starting point (actually it is hoped that all dental school Deans be invited to ICD Fellowship). In some instances, the ICD initiated the development of the school’s first WCC. In other cases, we were granted participation in existing programs. Ceremony involvement by ICD Fellows ranges from offering supportive comments to actually giving the keynote address. Financial support varies from printing the programs, to paying for the white coats, to providing a reception after the WCC. Funding for these efforts is usually supplied by the ICD Districts where the school is located. Several scripts have been prepared by the USA Section for use by spokespersons. Even though the dental students wear scrubs a good deal of the time, the symbolism and respect for the “white coat” endures.

It is hoped that ICD Fellows around the world who read this report will become involved and continue this program internationally. Don’t leave it to the next guy. The students you contact and the faculty you befriend are wonderful people. But the highlight of all our work is the message and what it can do for our future dentists. Ours is a sacred trust and we have an obligation to pass it on.

Gerrit C. Hagman
Past Regent, District 5
International College of Dentists

White Coat at the Medical College of Georgia, 2008. All are ICD Fellows. L-R: Dean Connie Drisko, Dr. Edward Mohr, Associate Dean Carole Hanes, Dr. Gerrit Hagman, Dr. Kent Percy and Dr. James Reynierson.

Dr. Stephen Kondis, Past Director of Alumnae Association, aligns students for class photo after donning and presentation of white coats, Univ. of Pittsburgh, August, 2008.
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President’s Report

The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Section was held in Toronto, Ontario in April. Our sessions were graced by the presence of International President Norinaga Moriyama and his wife Reiko, from Tokyo, Japan. We inducted 41 New Fellows including Dr. Francois de Wet of South Africa. Master Fellow Gordon Marshall was honoured for his many years of exceptional service to the Canadian Section.

Our meetings were ably chaired by President Paul Rondeau. The Board of Regents voted to support three humanitarian projects, with grants from the William J. Spence ICD Memorial Foundation of $10,000 to the Street Angels Society for their dental clinic in Dona Aurora, Brazil; $10,000 to the Village of Hope dental clinic in Kitwe, Zambia; and $4,000 to the Ottawa Mission dental clinic. As well, the Board recommended to the International Council that Master Fellow status be conferred on Life Fellow Roy Thordarson in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the Canadian Section.

Our Registrar, Master Fellow Fil Cappa manages the Section’s business with great skill and dedication, assisted by the Treasurer, Life Fellow Gordon Bowles. They truly keep our Section functioning smoothly and efficiently. Thank you for all you do.

Our 2009 Annual Meeting and Convocation was held in Vancouver, British Columbia, on March 5 and 6, when we inducted 26 New Fellows. We enjoyed hosting our 2009 International President Richard Shick and his wife Rose Marie at our meetings and the Convocation. Their presence certainly honoured our New Fellows.

In closing, I wish to thank the Fellows of the Canadian Section for the opportunity to serve as Section President for 2008-09. It has been an exceptional honour.
Our 2008 Annual Meeting was very significant — not due just to an unusually large class of 41 outstanding and enthusiastic candidates, but because of two special events — inducting an International candidate and paying tribute to one of our Canadian Section’s outstanding Fellows.

One of the candidates was Professor Francois de Wet, Deputy Dean of the Dental School, University of Pretoria, South Africa. Our International Councilman, Mike Suzuki, a member of the International Council’s Development Committee, was acquainted with Professor de Wet, and arranged to have him inducted in our 59th annual convocation as the first Fellow of the International College of Dentists from South Africa. It is the College’s intention to form a Region of the International Section there.

The other special event was the presentation of a plaque to Master Fellow Gordon M. Marshall, in recognition of his 34 years of continuous and devoted service to the Canadian Section. Inducted in 1974 and elevated to the rank of Master Fellow in 1994, Gordon has served our Section as: Treasurer for 11 years, President in 1990, International Councilman for 6 years and Assistant Registrar for 3 years. He has attended every convocation but two since his induction.

Having been entrusted with the position of Registrar of the Canadian Section since the sudden death in 1995 of our previous Registrar, Past International President Bill Spence, it is time for me to step down and have the Board of Regents elect a successor. What a fascinating experience these 13 years have been. I have seen our roster increase from 473 Fellows, at the end of 1995, to the current number of 683, of whom 444 are Active Fellows. I have received outstanding support from the Presidents, Officers, and Regents, too numerous to name, who have combined to make the Canadian Section the outstanding Section that it is.

Some of my most pleasurable memories will be of working with those associated with the International College — our own Canadian Section representatives, Past International Presidents Irv Siegel and Vic Lancis, and Councilmen Gordon Marshall, Garry Lunn and Mike Suzuki. I have also been cordially assisted and supported by those in the International Central Office, Past Secretary General Dick Shaffer and Florence Fallovailla. And, presently, Secretary-General Bob Brady, Mary Jo Webster, Kathleen Bula & Jennifer Greenville. Everyone has been most cooperative.

C. Filippo Cappa
Registrar
International College of Dentists
Projects of the Canadian Section

Street Angels Community Dental Project

Again in 2008, the Canadian Section of the International College of Dentists supported the Street Angels Society’s Dona Aurora Oral Health Community Project with a grant of $10,000. This makes a total of $33,000 of assistance in this humanitarian project. The one-chair clinic is in operation, and the oral health project in the community continues.

The Executive Director of the Street Angels Society, Helen Augustin, sends this report: “On behalf of Street Angels and all the families of Dona Aurora, please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your generous support of this project. This dental clinic and oral health program will make a tremendous difference in the health of so many children and their families. None of this would have been possible without your generous support.”

The Brazilian government has contracted an enthusiastic young dentist to staff the clinic, three half-days per week, to provide basic dental care. In the first eight months 454 treatments were performed on 250 patients. Oral hygiene education is also provided and toothbrushes (donated) are distributed. Girls from the community, enrolled in a Leadership Training Program, are training in the clinic — booking appointments, registering patients, recording data, and cleaning and sterilizing instruments. A graduating dental student who did her final practicum at the clinic, volunteered one half-day per week for three months as she loved working there.

Village of Hope Dental Clinic

In 2008, a further grant of $10,000 was made to the Village of Hope dental clinic at the orphanage and school in Kitwe, Zambia, which offers a daily feeding program and free education to all its residents. This clinic provides comprehensive treatment by visiting dental task force teams from Canada.

At the present time a permanent building, to house both the dental clinic and a medical clinic, is under construction. It is anticipated that the new facility will provide service to the people of Kitwe, as well as those living at the Village of Hope.
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Happy patient showing her new smile after attending ICD Section III Community Services at Casa Anar Orphan’s Home in Mexico City, January, 2008.

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President’s Report

At this time the Mexican Section has 200 Active Members, Five (5) Masters and One (1) Life Member.

Considering that our Section III Presidency lasts for two years from November 2007 until November 2009, I will only report what we did through the year 2008. In the past Globe edition you can see that most of the events were only projects. Fortunately, I can tell you that I have been very privileged to obtain the support and help from many of our Fellows who have been working hard for our ICD and also from several dental companies that have supported us not only to fulfill our projects but also to make them more numerous and larger in size.

The first months of this year, full dental treatment was performed and donated to all the children at an orphanage called Casa Anar with the joint work from the Mexican Foundation “Sonrisas que se logran con Amor” directed by Dr. Maria Teresa Azuara. This was done with the help of our Fellow and Past President, Dr. Alfredo Sakar, who facilitated a mobile dental office of his property and Mr. Hector Flores, our honorary Fellow and director of a very important European dental company in Mexico, who facilitated most of the dental materials needed for this wonderful project. We are very proud to be part of the new healthy smiles that our institutions donated to these children to improve their quality of life. It is important to mention that community services will continue to be programmed in parallel with all our events to take place in Section III.

Starting my Presidency, I visited during this initial year several Regencies which have been very active. At the Midwinter meeting in Chicago, I was invited to the Luncheon meeting of ICD by US Regent Keith Suchy and Vice Regent Peter Paulson, having the enjoyable opportunity of meeting Drs. Mark Feldman and John Findley, President and President Elect of the American Dental Association (ADA), as well as other Fellows from that Regency which gave a warm welcome to the representative of Section III. I enjoyed this important reunion which also included the American Chapter from Pierre Fauchard Academy and The American College of Dentists, having the opportunity of giving a fraternal message from Section III to all colleagues from these important institutions.

In Mexico these visits started on February the 9th with the Northwestern Regency directed by our Fellow Dr. Manuel de la Rosa with
help in the organization from our enthusiastic Fellow Dr. Oscar Gonzalez Velasco who gathered a good number of members from this Regency at the city of Matamoros, Tamaulipas.

On March 7 and 8, a visit was made to the Northeastern Regency in which Regent Jorge Alcantar gathered Fellows from the state of Baja California in the city of Tijuana. Both of these meetings had the objective of initiating and programming dental, social and educational ICD meetings without forgetting community services for their regions. Fellows of both regencies demonstrated their warm fraternity and their interest in creating a better future for our profession with their work for The College. They are really working hard to make a positive difference day by day for our country and for our beloved profession.

On April 11 and 12, the Puebla Tlaxcala and Veracruz Regency, with hard work from Dr. Hector Rene Paz B., their Regent, we also had a more than successful reunion of members in which the signing of scientific and community service cooperation agreements took place between ICD Section III and the local Dental Association, Asociación Dental de Puebla (ADEP), The University Hospital of Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla (BUAP) Dental and Medical School and The State Prostodontic Association in the capital city of Puebla.

A two-day Continuing Education Course in Esthetic Dentistry given by Dr. Perez Diez also took place at BUAP University, thanks to the coordination of Dr. Blanca Estrada and Dr. Enrique Cervantes Program Director and Dean of postgraduates studies, respectively. The money that was collected through this course was donated to “Misioneras de la caridad” in dental and medical supplies for HIV infected patients. The University donated all transportation and clinical demonstrations and lecture expenses so that there could be a total donation for the Regency’s help programs. An important donation was also received by Mr. Alejandro Oropesa CDT, who covered the expenses derived from the signature of agreements ceremony and its dinner party.

An opening of new services and agreements came through Dr. Alejandro Ibarra G., ICD Fellow and Dean from UPAEP Dental School, at this meeting in Puebla and his wife, ICD Fellow Dr. Ana Maria Farias, who have projects of several community dental services that will be done in a short term.

The South Regency Fellows, through an agreement signed during Dr. Manuel Farill’s presidency between the University of Anahuac-Mayab and our Section III of ICD, made a visit in March to a very poor community in the extremely warm jungle of Yucatán with “Dental Brigadiers” as they called themselves. Dental students and ICD Fellows Rolando Peniche and a newly inducted Fellow, Dr. Mario Sosa, with other professors from the dental school including Medical Doctors to help with other health problems, arrived equipped with portable dental units and treated a total of 230 patients, which means lots of hard work and will power, considering the heat and conditions in which this wonderful group had to work for several days. Dr. Rolando Peniche is currently Dean of this dental school and proudly, for us, he is our Regent from the Southern Zone.

Also, as part of our good news from Section III, our Fellow Dr. Javier de la Fuente Hernandez was appointed Dean for the 2008-2012 period of the Dental School of our National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) which is the most important educational institution in our country.

The South Regency, with Dr. Rolando Peniche’s experienced guidance, had a scientific meeting April 25 and 26 in Chetumal, Quintana Roo, with the members of this Regency with arrangements that where made by a newly inducted Fel-
low, who is very active and motivated, Dr. Luis Montero. They had a participation of over 70 dentists. Four Fellows from our college lectured to them about different dental topics.

On Friday, May the 23rd, a cocktail party for ICD Fellows and guests took place at the most important annual dental meeting from the Mexican States, the “LVIII Reunión Dental de Provincia” in Tampico, Tamaulipas. We had a wonderful time and during the event Past President Dr. Armando Hernandez, President Elect Dr. Alfonso Gonzalez and myself made a brief presentation with an overview of the work that has been done during this year and the objectives and mission of our College.

On June 27, our Past President Dr. Alfredo Sakar arranged a wine tasting evening at “Le Clue” wine cellar for the Mexico City Fellows with the courtesy of Montblanc Company of Mexico. This wonderful evening was guided by expert Sommeliers who described each exquisite wine that was tasted.

The Central Region Regency, under the conduction of Dr. Roberto Wuotto, with arrangements made by Dr. Adrian León, who is in charge of our Public Relations Committee, had a very successful Seminar entitled “Management of the Esthetic Zone in Implant Dentistry” on July the 9th at the city of Irapuato in conjunction with the Straumann Company. They had a participation of over 100 dentists with participation of Mr. Markus Peier from Switzerland as the main lecturer. At the end of the lecture a reunion from the Fellows of this region took place.

August 20-22 Ivoclar-Vivadent, Mexico through his director, Lic. Héctor Flores, who is an Honorary Member of our Section of ICD-M, invited our members without any charge to attend their 13th Annual Seminar which is the most important Dental Congress in Mexico. Over 5000 participants attended this meeting and a hospitality suite was provided for ICD Fellows so that we could have a business meeting which took place the 21st of August.

A Strategic Planning Business course was given by Lecturer Dr. Marcelo Mascheroni for ICD Fellows in Mexico City on September 19th. After the meeting a luncheon took place and donations in cash were made by ICD Fellows and friends. The money was used to buy 200 Oral-B manual toothbrushes and 200 electric toothbrushes from the same brand where donated to our section by Oral-B. These will be distributed among orphans for their children in Mexico City.

On October 8th, President Elect Dr. Alfonso Gonzalez Campyera and our Treasurer Dr. Miguel Sanchez Aceo assisted on a very important forum between Government Authorities and Dental Associations about Certification and Accreditation for Mexican Dentists and participated representing our International College of Dentists with remarks and comments about the mechanisms that will rule our profession in our country.

The South Regency members with their most-committed and active Regent, Dr. Rolando Peniche, who is also the Dean Of The Dental School, had its 4th Dental Seminar in Merida Yucatan in a joint scientific and service program between the University Anahauac-Mayab and the ICD Section III. This took place October 17 and 18, 2008. Dr. Jose Luis Castellanos Suarez, FICD, and Dr. Perez-Diez lectured to over 400 students and dentists who assisted on this important meeting. Diplomas were given from our ICD Section to the 17 students and teachers from this University who made the so-called “Dental Brigades” in March in poor communities of Yucatan. After the meeting there was a social reunion at Dr. Peniche’s house of a good

Fellows from several Regencies and guests enjoying the ICD Section III’s cocktail party that took place during the “LVIII Reunión Dental de Provincia” in Tampico, Mexico on May 28, 2008.

Fellows from the South Mexico Regency at Dr. Rolando Peniche’s House with Lecturers Drs. Jose Luis Castellanos and Perez Díezafter the dental meeting at the Universidad Anahuac Mayab, ICD Mexico, on October 18, 2008.
A number of members from this Regency who came from different states of the Yucatan Peninsula to attend the meeting and the ICD reunion. We all had a great time and enjoyed this weekend fully.

Our ICD Mexico Golf Tournament took place November 14 and 15 at the beautiful port of Acapulco. Dr. Rodrigo Escalante, Regent from this South Pacific Region, splendidly organized this sports event at the Fairmont Princess Golf Course, which ended up with Dr. Enrique Treviño, our Secretary, as the winner of the first place. After the tournament, Dr. Alfredo Sakar, Past-President of our Section, invited all the participants to a yacht cruise around Acapulco Bay and its beautiful beaches.

November the 27th was the date for a typical Mexican Pre-Christmas party called “Pre-Posada” which took place under the patronage from the Oral-B Crest company and with tequila catering offered by Tequilera Corralejo. We had over 70 Fellows and guests who attended this wonderful event and presents were given to all of them. Our Members made a toast before the year ended and during the party money was collected for our community service program. With these funds, in January we will have another Orphan’s Home visit so that they can receive dental treatment in a mobile dental unit with the help of Dr. Joaquín Gonzalez, Dr. Alfredo Sakar and other Fellows from our College.

Also, during this event we gave our Fellows our first Edition from our “Reporte ICD Mexico”, an eight page publication with my yearly report in Spanish, scientific and special interest articles written by our Editor and Past-President Dr. Agustín Zeron, as well as many photographs from our Section III activities. We published 1000 of these magazines to be distributed among our Fellows and to the most important Dentists and Health Institutions around the country so that they can be informed of our College activities.

On December 6th, the North Central Region Regency conducted by Dr. Jose Cedillo with the help from Fellows Drs. Enrique Treviño, our Secretary, Rubén Escobar, Mario Vélarde, Jose Angel Sifuentes and Fernando Perez Gil organized a conference on Dental Implants in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, with Lecturer Dr. Edgard Hernandez. They had over 65 participants. The fees from this lecture after expenses will be donated to “Casa Amiga”, which is a shelter for abused women and homeless girls.

Our web page is under constant remodeling with the help of our designer Mariloly Rincon Gallardo-Diaz, and also is being enriched by our Editor and Past President Dr. Agustin Zeron’s experience in writing. This page has many photographs of our nationwide activities and also our Roster which is being updated on a day to day basis by the hard work of our Secretary, Dr. Enrique Treviño.

Fellows Hector Cabanas, Alejandro Gonzalez Blanco, Miguel Colin and Rolando Velasco are already working on arrangements for future events in Mexico City including our 2009 ceremony by obtaining help from dental companies to support our ongoing programs. Also Fellows from other states are working hard organizing new events for our College. This is the case of Dr. Alma Godinez in San Miguel de Allende, Dr. Oscar Gonzalez Velasco in Tamaulipas and Dr. Gilberto Tostado in Sonora.

We are already working on our Introduction Ceremony which will take place on October 30, 2009 at Centro Asturiano in Mexico City. We will also celebrate our Anniversary, so start planning your visit to our country and join us at these important celebrations. We will be more than happy to welcome you. We will keep you informed on this and other important happenings of our Section III of our International College of Dentists in Mexico. We would love our international Fellows worldwide to join us in them, so please check our web page www.dentistasicdmexico.com under the activities link.
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President’s Report

This is a new era for Section IV.
During the last years, we had Fellow Manfred Seidemann as Secretary General and Councilman. He did an excellent job, traveling to many places where his presence was required to enhance I.C.D.’s image or to solve its problems. Our task, myself as the new Councilman and Fellow Gustavo Cortés as the new Secretary General, is quite difficult, but with Dr. Seidemann’s support we are sure we will succeed.

It is a great honor for our Section to have Fellow Seidemann now as I.C.D.’s Vice President and to learn that he is moving up in 2010 to the highest position, that of I.C.D.’s President. This shows the importance of South America in the College. As a demonstration of the respect and admiration we have for him, in 2008 he was granted the title of Master of the International College of Dentists.

The XXVII Annual Board of Regents Meeting was held in Santiago, Chile, November 21 - 22, 2008. Many important issues were discussed and approved. Our Regents are respected professionals in their respective countries and are interested in working together to build a very promising future for the South America Section.

During 2008, we had to address several issues. One that I consider the most important is the consolidation of “The I.C.D. Fellow-Academicians Exchange Project”. This project is a way to exchange knowledge and forge friendship in the context of all I.C.D. programs. The protocol has now been approved. We are working with the local institutions to have it started as soon as possible. The Program is being carried out within Section IV but, if adapted to local conditions, it could be applied to other Sections as well.

Another issue discussed was the improvement of our Website. It is now under reconstruction and we plan to have it up and running very shortly.

Our Regents are working to incorporate two other countries that have not joined yet Section IV. It is a hard task in which we have already invested much time and energy, but we are hopeful that we will succeed.

President Dr. Pericles Correa de Freitas (Brazil) and International President-Elect and MASTER, Manfred Seidemann (Chile).
Reflections

South America is young. Its ten countries are in the process of development. They all face growth problems and are seriously affected by occurrences in the more developed nations around the world. Each South American country is a different economical reality. The College took a significant step in the proper direction when Sections were permitted to choose their dates for Capitation Fee Payments. Another constructive action is the newly adopted Credit Card Payment System.

The College must be attentive to global political and economic developments. Changes may have repercussions on the dental profession and, consequently, on the Fellows. The end result may well affect the College-at-Large. Unfortunately, current international changes are having negative impacts in South America.

The I.C.D. Central Office must be alert to worldwide developments. Regarding its relationship with the sections, it must be continually helpful, and assist the Sections in solving their problems. Each Section is unique due to its own special composition (set of Districts).

It must be kept in mind that the International College of Dentists is a model institution that brings together dentists from different cultures, ethnic, origins, social backgrounds, religions, political preferences, countries, and regions. It fosters understanding and goodwill as well as professionalism and academic pride. It builds ethical values and augments knowledge in our profession. Its concepts are universal, professional and humanistic.

Final Words
South American’s fortitudes are its youth, multi-ethnic population, natural resources, beauty, and remote global location. It is the recipient of European and North American culture and influence. Undoubtedly, it is the better of two worlds. In spite of local and international problems, it is forging its own culture and future. Section IV must grow and develop. It must learn to overcome global problems and their local repercussions. Sooner than later it will reach its plateau.

The South American ICD Section’s biggest, most valuable, and promising assets are its Fellows. Their professional and academic standing is unique. Section IV still has a long way for growth and development. In this regard it is successfully learning to handle and overcome global problems as well as their local repercussions. The Section’s potential is enormous.

To achieve its goals and fulfill its Fellows’ dreams, the Section is working with realism. It is also making solid, feasible short and long-term plans for expansion. The first results should be seen by the end of next year.

Past Secretary-General’s Report

Manfred Seidemann
Past Secretary-General
International College of Dentists

I.C.D.-Section IV:
Background Information

In past issues South America’s historical background and ethnic origins were described; likewise, Section IV’s genesis and

Top Row: Raúl Corvalán (Chile), Alex Otani (Brazil), Pericles Correa de Freitas (Brazil), Gustavo Cortés (Chile), José Matas (Chile) and Mario Scarrone (Uruguay).
Bottom Row: Julio Barrancos (Argentina), Maria E. Barañano (Argentina), Ruben DiTore (Paraguay), Manfred Seidemann (Chile) and Esther Flores (Perú).
development. It is noteworthy to point out that the International College of Dentists’ philosophy is responsible for many South American experiences, improvements, and changes.

I.C.D. Secretary-General Franklin M. Kenward was our College’s driving force in this part of the world. He was South America’s staunchest supporter and mentor. His unfailing enthusiasm and vision were the catalysts that founded this Section. He was the emulsifying agent that united countries and personalities with the College. Indeed, he was the pillar for South American Fellowship. Master Fellow Frank M. Kenward sowed I.C.D. idealism and cultivated ICD Fellowship. He harvested many solid friendships. The South American countries were fertile grounds. He found enthusiastic Fellows to water the land and stimulate ICD-seeds to grow.

In October 1991, ICD Secretary-General Fellow Richard G. Shaffer and ICD Advisor for Latin American Affairs Fellow, José E. Medina, helped reorganize the South American Section. They brought to Section IV concepts of “permanency” and “stability”. Thus one District, Chile, became the permanent site for the Section’s Secretariat, Treasury and Editorialship. Fellows Shaffer and Medina taught that Central Office immovability brings efficiency, harmony and durability. It fosters unity and growth.

In Montevideo, Uruguay, on October 21, 1996, during Section IV’s XV Regents Meeting, Portuguese was also declared an “Official Section IV Language”. Thence the South American Section has three authorized languages: English, Spanish and Portuguese. The abstracts of the South American Section’s publication, MAGAZINE I.C.D.-SECTION IV, are in Spanish, Portuguese and English. Master Fellow Paulo Affonso de Freitas and Fellow Pericles Correa de Freitas, from the Brazilian District, perform the Portuguese translations.

The described fraternal expressions demonstrate that the I.C.D. strives to solve problems and eliminates misunderstandings. By spreading goodwill and building understanding the College grows and expands.

**THE SECTION**

**Administration**

Section IV has a Biennial Presidential System. Every two years, in a pre-established order, a different District hosts the Section’s Presidency and Vice Presidency. This modality creates goodwill and allows for adequate training periods prior to taking office. The biennial Presidential Rotation has contributed towards the elimination of cultural and national barriers. Since each District is a district national entity, every two years different styles are applied to reach the same goal. The described arrangement has stimulated our Section to operate competently and implement effective communications. Newly formed Districts would be incorporated at the end of the presently arranged sequence.

**Growth and Development**

In Bolivia no progress has been made. During 2009 Colombia should have, at least, one I.C.D. District.

**Cultural and Humanitarian Programs**

Each District has its favourite activities. The latter are based on the hard facts of realism. The Districts are conscious that a “South American program” is necessary in which all Fellows may participate. Many have been tried. But they have not lasted. Economic factors are their biggest detractors. The Fellow-Academician Exchange Program is considered the Section’s most promising plan. During 2008 financial limitations impeded its operation.

**Continuing Education**

The “Yearly ICD Fellow Richard Moulton Memorial Trust” and Section IV significantly contribute to the advancement of dentistry in South America. This joint academic venture brings state-of-the-art knowledge and expertise to local audiences. It has shown the profession that excellent lectures can be delivered at very modest prices. Young, non-affluent dentists are the greatest beneficiaries of this novel system. Section IV and the Chilean District, in particular, thank the Moulton Trust and the ICD lecturers for their generosity.

**THE GLOBE-2008**

The ICD Central Office dispatched last year’s publication to each Section IV Regent. Thus each Fellow received a copy. Section IV received many congratulatory and thank you notes. The comments indicate that the Fellows are learning about the I.C.D. and its manifold activities and thus feel a new closeness with their College.

Section IV is firmly committed to our College’s central yearly publication. Therefore, it is very pleased to secure every year, at least, a one full-page advertisement for THE GLOBE. Joaquin Pacareu Antiques has again graciously accepted to sponsor THE GLOBE.

**THE COLLEGE TODAY**

In February and September 2008 “The College Today” was electronically dispatched to all Section IV Fellows. Those who do not have an e-address or could not
be reached electronically received their copy through the corresponding District Regent. The e-publication was very successful. Very nice comments were received.

**MAGAZINE I.C.D.-SECTION IV**

It is the South American’s Section official publication. Its production and distribution is financed through advertisements. In 2008 it was not published. Editor Patricio Fuentes informed that sufficient advertisements have been secured to publish this coming March, and again in November, the Section IV’s yearly magazine. Thus its normal publishing sequence would be restored. At times it is difficult to obtain advertisements.

**Section IV History**

Fellow Hugo Ronquillo, after four years of hard and successful work, turned Section IV’s historiographership over to Fellow Ricardo Barrancos. Through ceaseless pushing, probing and persistence, he compiled excellent material and wrote the basis of the Section’s History. Unfortunately, some Districts, a minority, have not yet produced their histories.

**XXVII MEETING OF BOARD OF REGENTS**

On November 21 and 22, 2008 took place, in Santiago, Chile, the XXVII Meeting of Regents of the South American Section. All the activities took place at the Hotel Torre Mayor of Santiago.

The following attended the Regents Meeting: Fellow Pericles Correa de Freitas, President and Councilman, Section IV; Fellow Gustavo Cortes, Secretary, Section IV; Fellow Matas, Treasurer, Section IV; Fellow Ricardo Barrancos, Historian, Section IV; Fellow Alex Otani, President, Brazilian District; Fellow Jaime Revello, President of the Chilean District was ill and was replaced by President-Elect Raúl Corvalán; Fellow Ruben DiTore, President, Paraguayan District; Fellow Esther Flores, President, Peruvian District; Fellow Mario Scarrone, President, Uruguayan District; Master Fellow Maria Elena Baranano, a guest from Uruguay; and Fellow Manfred Seidemann, International Vice President and a special guest. Fellow Ricardo Barrancos also replaced Fellow Liliana Levin, President of the Argentinean District, who was unable to attend the Meeting.

The following presented excuses for not attending the Regents Meeting: Fellows Patricio Fuentes (Editor), Chile; Liliana Levin, President (Argentina); Roberto Chavez, President (Ecuador); and Valentina Paez Coordinator, (Venezuela)

Section IV President Pericles Correa de Freitas requested a minute of silence to honor the memory of Master Fellow Walter Lieber, who recently passed away.

It was a day of intense work. The Regents presented the reports of their Districts’ 2008 activities. Significant agreements were reached. Promising plans were elaborated for 2009. Now it is every District’s responsibility to work in order to reach the Section’s goals.

The next Regents Meeting will take place in Buenos Aires, Argentina in November 2009.

During the Induction Ceremony, which took place in the College of Dentists of Chile Auditorium, the following Candidates received Fellowship:

**District Brazil:**
- Aldir Da Silva Cordeiro (in absentia)
- Elcio Magdalena Giovan (Present)
- Flávio Jun Yamaguchi (in absentia)
- Carlos Eduardo Da Silveira Bueno (in absentia)
- Roberto Miguita (in absentia)

**District Chile:**
- Cecilia Alvarez (Present)
- Rodrigo Casassus (Present)
- Eduardo Garcia (Present)
- Maria Eugenia Valle (Present)
- Wladimir Valenzuela (Present)
- Alfredo Von Marttens (Present)

**District Peru:**
- Marco Antonio Abanto (in absentia)
- Vanessa Ccahuana V. (in absentia)
- Gema Gisela Flores F. (in absentia)
- Augusto Sato (in absentia)

**District Uruguay:**
- Adriana Fortanete (in absentia)
- Cecilia Castro Hoffman (in absentia)
- Nelson Lopez Almeida (in absentia)

Also, during this Ceremony the following Fellows were honored. They were proposed by the Chilean District:

Master Fellow Ramón Castillo (Peru) was granted **EMERITUS** Fellowship.

Master Fellow Paulo Affonso de Freitas (Brazil) was granted **HONORARY** Fellowship.

The International College of Dentists granted a **MASTER** Fellowship to:
- Fellow Manfred Seidemann (Chile)

This High Honor was proposed by the Brazilian District and was unanimously approved by the South American Section.
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President’s Report

Antonio Tavares
2008-2009 President
International College of Dentists

53rd Annual Meeting
Athens, June 12-16, 2008

From June 12-14, under the Presidency of Dr. Aris-Petros Tripodakis, nearly 300 Fellows, spouses, partners and friends attended a dazzling 53rd Annual Meeting of the ICD European Section in the Olympic City of Athens.

The European section was honoured by the arrival from Japan of the President of the College at Large: Dr. Norinaga Moriyama and his wife, Reiko. In addition, we had the pleasure of welcoming International Councilman and Past President of USA Section: Dr. Charles Simons and his wife Alice, as well as the Editor of USA Section, Dr. Richard Galeone and his wife Carolyn. Dr. Simons efforts and participation at the Board Meeting was highly appreciated.

The Scientific Program explored the latest information on dentistry as a professional health discipline. The "standing room only" audience enjoyed nine featured speakers who presented a wide range of topics that were both intellectually and philosophically stimulating.

Social events were plentiful and ICD camaraderie was clearly demonstrated. Wednesday, Fellows enjoyed a day’s golf at the local Glyfada Golf Club. Thursday everyone was treated with a Welcome Dinner party at the “Dionissos” restaurant that features a magnificent postcard view of the acropolis. On Friday, the Accompanying Persons’ Tour split up: The first group toured Athens including the major historical sites while others travelled to the beach at the Souinion for a day of sun and relaxation.

That evening, the entire company was treated to the sunset in Cape Souinion from the Temple of Poseidon. An authentic Hellenic night with a beach party and Greek dancing at the Cape Sounion Hotel followed.

Saturday afternoon the assembly witnessed a unique Induction Ceremony which began with an original video presentation prepared by President Tripodakis. Later, as the inductees were called to receive their Key and Certificate, photographs of each new fellow were projected on two large screens. Two Masters and 54 new Fellows from
Tripodakis and his wife Jane and their six children, who all contributed in the organisation, for their successful efforts and great hospitality.

Invitation for 54th Annual Meeting
Lisbon, Portugal
June 24-27, 2009
The scientific program will cover “The Avenues of Dentistry in the Modern Daily Practice”. The historic town of Lisbon and some of its famous Palaces are chosen as Venue.

across Europe as well as the USA and South Africa were inducted into the College in the Historic Zappion Megaron. A meticulously prepared and beautifully presented Gala Dinner crowned the evening. The gastronomical masterpiece presented under open skies was enjoyed by all, accompanied by an outstanding, thematically varied choral program.

Post Conference Cruise
After such an outstanding scientific and social program it seemed only natural that many of the participants would choose to stay on and participated in the island cruise.

On behalf of the European Section the new President Dr. Tavares praised Dr.

Secretary-General’s Report

Frans H. M. Kroon
Secretary-General
International College of Dentists

The Year 2008 In Review
The year 2008 comes to an end; a very good moment to pause and meditate a while about the European Section. Did we do well? Was there any progress and what are the plans for the (near) future.

As usual, a great deal of the efforts during the year is spent to the Annual Meeting; this year it was organized in Athens by the District for Greece and Cyprus. Extensive reports can be found in other articles included in the European Section’s report in the Globe 2009. But it should be acknowledged also here as an interesting and very stimulating conference meeting. The high attendance to both the Scientific and the Social Events are signs of appreciating of the format of the meeting.

The Board of Regents’ activities were partially directed to improvement of the communication in and between the Districts, further encouragement of local Meetings to stimulate Fellows’ participation and interest in The College. The number of local meetings is increasing. The extensive activities and productions of the European Editor through the ICD EUROGRAM and the ICDIGEST and of our Past Editor through the College at Large via the Newsletter ‘The College Today’ are very stimulating in this respect.

Another line of interest for the Board was (and still is) the effort into ‘Continuing Educational Programs’. The Mutual Agreement with the Academic Institute in Odessa, Ukraine, led to extensive participation by European Fellows; a consideration of renewal is to be planned for the Board Meeting in Lisbon in June 2009.

Continuing Dental Education by E-Learning systems has been given wide attention. The IVIDENT program has been presented and extensively discussed. The Board has decided to form an Advisory Group to arrange proper discussions with
the IVIDENT group in order to start the implementation or use through the ICD-Europe and to advise regarding the possibilities of implementations both for (post-)graduate education in (Central and East) Europe and the usefulness to combine it with existing and upcoming projects in developing countries. It is heart-warming to realize how many individual Fellows are already active in this field. The role of the Philip Dear Foundation in this respect is growing and promising. Recently paid attention to these projects in the (former) ICDIGEST is stimulating for understanding and appreciating the efforts already made by these Fellows.

Also in the International Council the main efforts to improve communication and to strive for (Educational) projects, are strongly supported by the different Sections.

Proposed separation of Central Office from the USA Section is mainly meant to stimulate and improve these activities and commitments of the College at Large. Appointing of Communication Liaison Officer for the Globe per Section to arrange advertisements for the Globe is another good sign of improving communication.

It is with great sadness and regrets, that I have to mention that our Treasurer, Jan van Hoeve, functioning since Cardiff and above that, personally very involved with the Odessa group has decided to step down as ‘Treasurer because of health problems. However, we are glad to be able to announce, that Walter van Driel, Regent for the Benelux, has been found willing to take upon him this task.

Next year June 2009 my term as Secretary General will end. I’m very pleased, that our Deputy Secretary Fellow Argyrios Pissiotis is ready to take over, with whom I’m looking forward to a sound cooperation through my –by then– presidential function.

To guarantee a smooth transition we will continue to share all communications in the coming period.

I’m looking forward to a pleasant and effective communication within and in favor of the Board of Regents of the European Section.

Editor’s Report

Sheldon Dov Sydney
Editor
International College of Dentists

For the Telemachus Among Us

With the memories of last summer’s wonderful annual meeting in Athens still vivid, I am reminded of a Greek legend that recounts the story of Telemachus, the young future king who had the fortuity to learn the intricacies and responsibilities of leadership from a wise elder. This elder’s tutelage approach, distinguished by compassion and insight, has become synonymous with his name: Mentor.

Today’s dental school graduate enters a profession in which the idealism and desire to heal human suffering—the motivation behind the entry into our profession—may be tested with the contradictions and perplexities ubiquitous in the world of modern dentistry. By serving as mentors in the tradition of the noted Greek tale, ICD fellows can impart reliable council at a pivotal time when emerging professionals need to make choices based on experience and knowledge, and not on chance. Here are a few suggestions:

- Many fellows are deans, department chairs, and experienced faculty members. These positions present opportunities to identify and encourage potential academicians who will be responsible for training the next generation of dentists.
- Invite one or two recent graduates with interests in dental education to accompany you for a day at the university and observe your interaction with students and faculty.
- Visit research facilities and introduce these eager minds to dental scientists at work.
- Where possible, attend department meetings together. Be sure to point out the various track options that many universities now offer their faculty.

Dentists’ initial period in private practice are often occupied with promoters of questionable practice management courses, miraculous products, and simplified techniques; usually with the promise of handsome financial rewards. Conflicts emerge between the ethical ideals that seemed so unequivocal during training and the realities of everyday practice. A nascent dentist spending time in your clinic will not only gain the knowledge of your well-honed dental techniques, but come to understand how ICD Fellows maintain offices with high ethical standards, state of the art therapy and, yes, still show a profitable bottom line. All of this is accomplished while preserving the unique relationship of trust, mutual respect, and honest treatment planning that are fundamental doctrine for ICD dentists.

We need outstanding young professionals who can, in due course, take up the mantles of leadership in organized dentistry. Leaders are cultivated by using a dove-tailed process of learning and experience, based on succeeding in ever-increasing and challenging responsibilities within our organizations. ICD Fellows, today’s leaders, should endeavor to insure that the best and brightest of this new generation will become inspired and decide that dentistry is worthy of their organizational and leadership skills. Finding a meaningful committee assignment or special project for a promising leader initiates the process, which followed by your sustained guidance, continues to provide opportunities along the way.

Be it in academics, private practice, or organized dentistry, optimally we serve our patients and our profession when International College of Dentists’ core values
function as our road map and touchstone. An ICD mentor can promulgate these essential values to our newest colleagues and, in so doing, facilitate a hopeful future for the dental profession and a commendable professional life for the Telemachus among us.

First New District in the Section in Over 15 Years Established

An historic decision was made by the board of regents of the European section during its Athens meeting in June 2008. The first new district in the section in over 15 years was established, named Central and Eastern Europe, the 14th district of the European section. Dr. Ljubo Marion who had been serving as Vice Regent for Slovenia was appointed first Regent of District fourteen and Dr. Egita Senekola the former Vice-Regent from Latvia became Vice-Regent for the Baltic States. The development has been ongoing and in no small measure due to the steadfast work of the Central and Eastern European committee led by Chairman Dr. Joseph Lemasney.

The original proposal to create a new district was brought before the board of regents during the 2007 winter meeting in Rome. During the discussions concern was expressed about the lack of clear guidelines regarding the process of setting up new districts and therefore the question was referred back to Dr. Lemasney’s committee with the charge to develop a protocol for the establishment of new districts based on existing regulations and the information available through the European section constitution, the constitution and bylaws of the International College of Dentists as well as the 2007 Report Of The College Growth and Development Committee.

Following deliberation of the committee over the next several months a protocol was developed and presented to the board of regents in Athens which was accepted. The initial proposal was to create a District of three countries. However after consultations with board members and in consideration of an expanded proposal by Doctor Sheldon Dov Sydney, Section Editor, the committee recommended that the the new district include all the countries currently being served through the auspices of established districts in the European section as well as countries in Europe who still do not have fellows in the ICD. The board unanimously approved the recommended Proposal and district fourteen was officially created.

District 14 currently has fourteen members and includes Lithuania, Latvia, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Slovenia, Poland and Russia. As the new regent Dr. Marion participated in the Athens induction ceremony by presenting fellows from Croatia and Hungary.

Dr. Marion expressed his appreciation to the Greek-Cyprus District and especially to immediate past president and former regent Dr. Aris-Petros Tripodakis for having supported the expansion of the section and for the opportunity to serve as Vice-Regent under the auspices of his district. Dr. Senekola the new Vice Regent for the Baltic States was equally thankful to Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney, Regent from the Israel-Malta with whom she served as Vice Regent and worked together to establish the first Student Prize in Latvia and to recruit new Fellows from Latvian and Lithuanian. Dr. Senekola also made note of the successful efforts by Ireland’s regent Dr. Tom Feeney who spearheaded the sponsorship of Estonia’s first Fellow.

A Close-Up View of the ICD’s International Council Meeting
Service and the Opportunity to Serve: Leading by Example
Written by Dr. Sheldon Dov Sydney, ICD European Section Editor

Hearing the roll call at the start of ICD’s International Council meeting, I was inspired by the true global character of our College. Over 90 countries are represented by Section Councilors and Officers, who annually assemble to deliberate over an enormously wide range of reports and proposals affecting our organization. Sitting on the backbench (having been invited to represent our Section on The Editor’s Task Force) was an eye-opening experience.

European Section Councilors in Action

Our Section’s Councilors were demonstrably proactive and influential during the deliberations. As Co-Chairman of the Growth and Development Committee, Past European Section President Peter Kotschy issued a thought-provoking presentation on the issue of Standard of Care. He is also developing a worldwide PR action to increase the public’s awareness of the ICD. European Secretary General and Vice President Frans Kroon, in addition to having penned the Section’s year-in-review report, has a prominent voice in the College through his service on four Committees; Finance, Constitution and Bylaws, Strategic Planning, and the Transition Committee. Past European Section President Joe Lemasney is a member of what will be one of the most watched committees during the next year, the Secretary General Search Committee. A memorable comment of Joe’s touched on a concern that previous debates on the Central Office -USA Section separation would generate a sensitive discussion on the matter planned for San Antonio. To everyone’s pleasant surprise, an overwhelming spirit of accommodation prevailed and the process went by very smoothly. Joe, invoking the local Texas environs, complemented the Council by saying, “I was prepared for the movie The Alamo, but it was more like The Sound of Music.”
...And From the Backbench
Sharing the backbench with me was Past European Section President Phillip Dowell, who, in addition to his natural role as Mr. Congeniality, serves on the pivotal Subcommittee for Selecting the New Central Office and offered keen insights on a variety of issues to the Council. As Editor my contributions were in publications, electronic communications and website development. I found that many of our colleagues are just beginning to use the media and are thirsty for practical suggestions. I was proud that our Section’s publications were often cited as effective.

The People I Will Remember
I have many special memories of my time spent with the International Council, but the most poignant ones are the personal stories. A few examples:

• A leading Councilor had an acute condition, severely limiting his reading ability, especially his notes and handouts. Yet, he overcame his limitations nobly, and utilizing large handwritten remarks and magnifying aids accomplished his duties without a hint of lost efficiency or quality. We were all moved by his example of selfless dedication to the College.

• I was impressed by the reports of many foundations and funds throughout the ICD world that support humanitarian programs in addition to the contributions of individual Fellows. I was particularly moved by the Philippines’ Councilor and former College President Primo Gonzales, who donated four hectares of his land to build a high school so local students would not have to rise at 4:00 AM to walk to the closest school.

• Woong Yang, South Korea’s Councilor and a Health Department official, was able to visit his northern neighbor. He described his despair in finding a population with gray and sunken faces accompanied by poor dental condition. His current project provides dental care to North Korean refugees. He hopes eventually to be able to deliver dental care to citizens of North Korea. “One day”, he says, "the barrier [recalling the eventual outcome of the Berlin wall] between the two Koreas will be removed."

• There were opportunities for a good-hearted conversation and collegiality and therein a chance meeting, demonstrating how small the world is, especially among ICD Fellows. During dinner, Dr. Armando Berguido, Councilor from Panama and I discovered that despite the fact that neither of us currently live in the United States, we both graduated from the University of Maryland Dental School. What made for an even more remarkable coincidence was the discovery that our fathers had also attended the Maryland Dental School!

I left San Antonio with a richer understanding of how the International Council functions and secure in the knowledge that our College is stewarded by dedicated and able representatives whose commitment ensures a bright future for the ICD.
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Southern Zone ............................S.M. Balaji (Chennai)
Eastern Zone ..............................Rajeev Lall (Patna)
Western Zone .............................A. Kumarswamy (Mumbai)
Central Zone .............................Swatantra Agarwal (Morabad)

President’s Report

The India, Nepal and Sri Lanka Section of the International College of Dentists was fortunate to have the International President, Dr. Norinaga Moriyama, for their Annual Convocation. Personally, I consider it a privilege and unique honour that I took charge as the President of India, Nepal and Sri Lanka Section of ICD in his presence.

Following in the footsteps of the International Organization, our Section also recognises and honours Dental Professionals and Scientists who have made significant contributions by awarding Fellowship and Mastership to them. The Section also encourages Dental Students by various Awards, recognizing their academic excellence.

Due importance is given for Continuing Dental Education Programmes which are held all over India.

I realize that one foot can rest on each step of the ladder only so long, until the other foot reaches the next step. I am sure that with the support and guidance from all the Senior Fellows, the dynamism and commitment of the younger Fellows and Masters, the Academy will continue to strive for Excellence in Dental Education practice and Research.

With warm personal wishes for a “Happy New Year”.

Dear Masters and Fellows,

It has been an honour for me to serve as the President of ICD Section-6 for the year 2007.

As I took over as President during International President Dr. Johnson’s visit at our convocation, my priority was to keep up the Continuing Dental Education programmes in our Section, especially to increase activities in all Zones with active interest of our Fellows.

I am thankful to all my Board of Regent members and Fellows throughout our Section for their active participation and for the many CDE and Oral Health Programmes which have been conducted this year in different zones.

I congratulate Dr. J.C. Chandna for receiving the highest honour from ICD Council and Head Office, the Ottofo Okumura Award, for his selfless service to our ICD. Also I would like to congratulate Dr. Anil Kohli, President DCI, and other Fellows for the high honours they have received.

As our motto, the Opportunity to Serve and Recognition of Service, I am proud to have served this prestigious organization and request all Fellows to continue to actively participate in ICD activities.
ACTIVITIES and ACHIEVEMENTS
India, Sri Lanka, Nepal ~ Section 6

ICD Journal ~ Released by International President Dr. Norinaga Moriyama at the Annual Convocation and Award Function. New issue of ICD Journal for publication in progress.

ICD CDE Programme on Monday, October 20, 2008 at Penang International Dental College in Salem.

ICD CDE Programme held along with the Salem Branch IDA Conference being held on January 24 and 25, 2009 at Yercaud.

Zonal Activities- Dental Health Community Camps conducted by Dr. Utpal Mukhopadhyay-Zonal Regent , Dr. Rajeev Lall -Deputy Zonal Regent, Fellow Dr. S. Jayachandran and Fellow Dr. Binod Acharya from Nepal.

International Council Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A. attended and represented by Assistant Secretary and Councilman Dr. Rajesh Chandna.

Dr. Anil Kohli- Councilman
* Master Dr. Anil Kohli, ICD Councilman, President Dental Council of India, elected as Member Education Committee FDI. Dr. Anil Kohli elected as Chairman Education Commission Asia Pacific Dental Federation.
*Dr. Anil Kohli has been awarded FDSRCS by election by Royal Collage of Surgeons London.

Dr. Hari Parkash- Zonal Regent
*Master Dr. Hari Parkash, Director General ITS was presented “Dentist of the Year 2008”, Awarded by Indian Dentist Research and Review Organization for contributions to the field of Dentistry.
*Dr. Hari Parkash, Director General ITS nominated by WHO South-East Asia Region Office as the “Advisor to WHO to draft Regional Oral Health Strategy for South-East Asia Region”.

Dr. Mahesh Verma- ICD Vice President honoured with the prestigious B. C. Roy Memorial Award by President of India Smt. Pratibha Patil.

Dr. U. S. Krishna Nayak-Zonal Regent was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award 2008 by Indian Dentist Research and Review Organization for contributions to the field of Dentistry.

Dr. S.M. Balaji- Deputy Zonal Regent honoured with a prestigious B. C. Roy Memorial Award by President of India, Smt. Pratibha Patil.

Dr. R.K. Bahl- elected Chief Regent of International Continuing Education APDF-APRO and also Regent for South Asia Subcontinent.

Dr. R.C. Kakar- ICD Chief Editor, elected President-Elect, Indian Endodontics Society.
Dear Fellows and Masters,

It has been more than 30 years since I began serving and working for the International College of Dentists. I took over as Secretary General from the late Master Dr. Satya Bratt in 1977. Since then, most of my time and efforts to the service of this prestigious college have made me life-long friends in our Section-6, for which I am proud and thankful to all Fellows.

I believe that each ICD Fellow has a responsibility and has been honoured for his achievements. Each Fellow should continue to help in the growth, development and activities of our College. I have made requests to all ICD Fellows of different zones and regions to involve, conduct Continuing Dental Education programmes, Dental Health Community Services and Programmes in different specialities of Dentistry involving ICD actively thru their efforts to continue and promote ICD activities as a whole throughout our Section-6. I am thankful to our BOR and Fellows who continue to actively conduct ICD programmes in different zones of our Section-6.

Fellows of our prestigious College have always had a responsibility to invite deserving dental professionals among their zones and contacts to be a part of our prestigious College, for the growth of our college which is of utmost importance.

Interaction and communication among all Fellows has always been most important for the growth, awareness and attraction of our College, this thru our ICD Journal, which I consider the backbone, the wonderful ICD Newsletters sent thru emails, the Globe, and ICD activities in different zones thru the efforts of our Fellows, the ICD Council and Head Office have been much appreciated by all. I am grateful to all Fellows for their help and cooperation during my services as the Secretary General.

I must congratulate all Fellows who have been honoured by many National and International Honours, Awards, Appointments and Positions globally. This only shows that our Section has the most accomplished dental professionals and continues to be one of the best Sections of our prestigious College.

I am deeply grateful to all my Fellows, Past Presidents and BOR members for their support, friendship and honour which they have bestowed upon me during my years of service.

I would like to pass on the responsibility of this office gracefully to our Fellows and Board of Regents.

Always proud to be a Fellow of our prestigious ICD,

Dr. J.C. Chandna
Secretary-General
India, Sri Lanka and Nepal ~ Section-6

ICD SECTION-6 REPORT
ICD India, Sri Lanka and Nepal, Section-6, has had an active year with many Continuing Dental Education programmes, dental health checkups and community services as mentioned in the last council meeting report.

This year, since the last council meeting in Mexico, we continued to have CDE Programmes and community dental health checkups as a regular activity of our ICD Section-6 by participation of active ICD Fellows.

We had our ICD Annual Convocation at the Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences, in New Delhi, India with the gracious help and participation of all staff, students and workers of the college helping us have a wonderful Convocation.

We were honoured by ICD International President Dr. Norinaga Moriyama and his wife, Reiko, visiting India as our Chief Guest for the Convocation and Award Function.

We were able to extend our hospitality to our International President Dr. Moriyama and we were also able to have him visit the Taj Mahal, though it was a tiring trip, we hoped he enjoyed his visit to India.

Dr. J.C. Chandna
Secretary-General
India, Sri Lanka and Nepal ~ Section-6
Report of the Annual ICD Convocation and Award Function, Section 6, held on 27th April 2008 in New Delhi

The ICD India, Sri Lanka and Nepal Section-6 held its Annual Convocation and Award Function 2007 on Sunday, the 27th of April 2008, in New Delhi, India.

Dr. Norinaga Moriyama and his wife visited India and attended the Function as the Chief Guest.

The ICD Annual Convocation began with an Oration Lecture on Endodontics by our ICD Fellow and Deputy Secretary Dr. Rajiv Chugh which was attended by Dr. Moriyama, ICD Fellows and many students from dental institutions from all over our large country. This was followed by the AGM which was also attended by our Chief Guest Dr. Moriyama.

The announcement of the new Office Bearers and other issues were discussed and Dr. T. Samraj (President Elect) and Dr. K.B. Goel, ICD President, exchanged the Presidential keys. Dr. Samraj would now take over as the new ICD President after the Convocation.

The ICD Annual Convocation with our Chief Guest Dr. Norinaga Moriyama followed with Secretary-General Dr. J.C. Chandna, President Dr.K.B. Goel and International President Dr. Moriyama leading the Ceremonial Procession with the ICD BOR Members and the New Fellow Inductees.

The Convocation started with the prayer and light of the lamp by Dr. Moriyama, Dr. Chandna, Dr. Goel, Dr. Anil Kohli and Dr. Samraj.

Secretary General Dr. J.C. Chandna gave the Welcome Address and Introduction of the College. Flower Bouquets were presented to our Chief Guest and members of the B.O.R.

Dr. Norinaga Moriyama, our Chief Guest, was introduced to the audience with his contributions to our profession. ICD Section-6 President Dr. K.B.Goel addressed the audience followed by the Induction Ceremony.

Thirteen (13) new Fellow inductees were inducted with the ICD Fellowship this year with the routine ceremonial introduction of each Fellow, hand shake, presentation of keys by President Dr. Goel and Secretary-General Dr. Chandna. The Capping Ceremony was done by Chief Guest Dr. Moriyama followed by the Presentation of Certificates.

Two (2) Masters were honoured this year as approved by the International Council. The Introduction and Induction of Masters Dr. S.S. Sidhu and Dr. Pradip Jayna, both Past Presidents of Section-6 was done and the honour of Masters Certificates and Presentation of Masters Keys was done by Chief Guest Dr. Moriyama.

Dr. Norinaga Moriyama then addressed the audience with an interesting speech reminding them of the College’s Mission and Objectives and his principle of Peace and Prosperity.

This was followed by Presentation of ICD Appreciation Awards by Dr. Moriyama from the Head Office to ICD Fellows who had actively participated in various activities thru CDE Programmes, dental Health checkups and community service for ICD Section-6.

The latest issue of the ICD JOURNAL, which is considered to be the backbone of our Section-6 was released by Chief Guest Dr. Moriyama and our Chief Editor Dr. Mahesh Verma.

The Convocation was declared closed and followed by the ICD Award Function. During the ICD Award Function, which follows the ICD Convocation each year, students from different dental institutions from all over India are awarded with the Student Plaque Awards, ICD Merit Awards, Oration Lecture Award and ICD Appreciation Award. These awards are funded by contributions and donations to ICD by our ICD Fellows and dental institutions from all over our country.

This year many students traveled from all over India to attend and receive their awards and personally attended the ICD Convocation and Award function to receive the awards from our Chief Guest Dr. Norinaga Moriyama as Dr. Rajesh Chandna announced their names.

ICD Appreciation Awards for ICD Fellow Members, Oration Lecture Award and one for community services were also presented by the Chief Guest Dr. Moriyama. ICD Section-6 President Dr. K.B. Goel and Sec. Gen. Dr. J.C. Chandna presented Dr. Moriyama with the ICD Appreciation Momento for being the Chief Guest of the ICD Annual Convocation and Award Function.

New incoming President Dr. T. Samraj addressed the audience and looked forward to an eventful and active year with activities in different zones of India.

The convocation ended with Master Fellow Dr. R.K. Bali leading the audience singing the National Anthem.
The ICD Convocation was followed by a dinner and a cultural programme with a dance, drama play with the participation of dental staff, dental students and workers performing the lengthy professional play at the Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Science. The participating staff and students of the college presented a wonderful programme and were applauded by all Fellows present.

ICD Immediate Past President Dr. K.B. Goel, Secretary-General Dr. J.C. Chandna, and the President of the Dental Council of India, Fellow Dr. Anil Kohli, appreciated and announced donations toward the staff welfare of the college.

I look forward to visits from ICD International Fellows to encourage our ICD Fellows in our Section-6 and an active year ahead with the cooperation and participation of Fellows from different zones of our Section.

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K. Raja Venkatesa Murthy ~ Visakhapatnam (A.P.)
P. Ramaswamy ~ Vijayawada (A.P.)
Ravi Kumar Chitturi ~ Miryalaguda (A.P.)
Srinivas Gangina ~ Rajahmundry (A.P.)
K. Gangadhara Prasad ~ Visakhapatnam (A.P.)
(Mrs.) R. Padma ~ Bangalore (Karnataka)
B. Nandlal ~ Mysore (Karnataka)
Puneet Girdhar ~ Amritsar (Punjab)
Priyank Rai ~ New Delhi
Brij Mohan Sabherwal ~ New Delhi
P.N. Tandon ~ Moradabad (U.P.)
Nitin Panwar ~ Agartala (Tripura)

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**Community Health Programmes in new Section of Nepal.**
“Retirement Home” or “camp” pictured below is where people age 65 or older live. They are basically “unwanted” by their sons, daughter-in-laws or other family members. Most belong to a ‘well-to-do’ family and are visited once a month or so. ICD volunteers provide oral health care.
President’s Report

ICD Japan Section was founded in 1957. It celebrated its 50th anniversary on May 19th, 2007 under the direction of the Immediate-Past President, Dr. Seiichiro Ema. The ICD Japan Section wishes to see a significant growth of activity by its 100th anniversary. The details of the anniversary is all written in the “50th Anniversary Magazine”.

I took over the reins as the 25th President of the ICD Japan Section since the general meeting of ICD Japan Section in May 2008. I am really honored to hold such an important position and to be relied upon to guide the ICD Japan Section toward its 100th anniversary. I will devote myself wholeheartedly toward the development of ICD Japan Section.

The purpose of the ICD and the awareness of each Fellow is clearly written in the Constitution of Ethics of ICD. It is different from other dental academic conferences related to dentistry. It aims to give professional consciousness to its Fellows. This has made the ICD more distinguished, having forged a bond between leading and skilled den-
Immediate-Past President, Dr. Ema founded a ‘committee of future vision’ and appointed Dr. Yoshinori Kobayashi as chairperson of the committee to sum up the activity of the past 50 years and as an advisory panel at the 50th anniversary year of the ICD. In the report of the committee, there are several reform proposals such as medium-term and long-term structural reform, and short-term and urgent structural reform proposals. In addition, the ‘ICD five years project committee’ appointed Dr. Hirofumi Enomoto as chairperson to help realize the aims of the committee of future vision and to act on proposals including prioritization of reform projects. Going forward, I will handle all the matters related to the development of the ICD based on those project proposals from the committees.

The ICD Japan Section has arranged the ICD International Council Meeting in 2009. It will be held over 22-23 May 2009 in the Yokohama Grand Intercontinental Hotel and the Pacifico Yokohama in Yokohama. We are very excited to have this opportunity to hold the first ICD meeting to be held in Japan and will make sure that everybody, including International Councillors from all over the world attending the meeting, will be satisfied with the quality and the hospitality that we offer here in Japan. The International Council Meeting in 2009 will be held during the same period as the ICD Japan general meeting. It will be a good opportunity to get all the Fellows from all over the world together for networking as well as discussion of activities over future development.

Dr. Tsuyoshi Saito
President
Japan Section VII
An Orientation Program for eight (8) new Fellows was performed in the early morning.
One hundred forty one persons participated in this ceremony.
This year the biannual President Business-Transfer Ceremony was performed.
The 24th President, Seiichiro Ema, was succeeded by the 25th President, Tsuyoshi Saito. In addition, Fellow Megumi Amano was approved as an incoming President at the General Meeting.

Projects and Activities
February 17, 2008
The 38th Winter Scientific Meeting of the ICD Japan Section was held in the “Chiwaki Memorial Hall” of the Tokyo Dental College in Tokyo. Since it was a Sunday, the hall was full from early morning on. There were about 180 participants.
The theme of this year was “Analysis and Treatment of Difficult Cases in Endodontics - Long-Term Preservation in the Treatment of Teeth”. Lecturers were Drs. Tsuyoshi Saito, Noboru Inoue, Yoshiro Shoji and Jun Hirai. The lecturers were invited and gave excellent lectures, all of them were Fellows of the ICD and very famous in the dental field. The contents of the lectures were considering that endodontics was to be the basis of dentistry and the dental treatment clinically. About

May 24th
International President Dr. and Mrs. Moriyama, President Saito and International Councilman Satoh participated in the Convocation in Korea Section 11.
November 1st
International President Dr. and Mrs. Moriyama, International Councilman Satoh and Director Sakuma participated in the Convocation in Myanmar Region 34.

Japan section has been donated dental equipment to Defense Services Medical Association and to the Humanitarian Program of Myanmar Region.

Year end Christmas Meeting
This meeting will be held at the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo on December 20th.

Future Meetings
February 15th, 2009
The 39th Mid-winter Scientific Meeting will be held in Tokyo.

May 23rd 2009
The 52nd Convocation, Annual General Meeting, Induction Ceremony and Social Gathering will be held in Yokohama in Kanagawa Prefecture.
The Australasian Section, whilst it does not express the population intensity of some other sections, might however claim to represent the greatest geographical spread within the ICD. Its jurisdiction embraces the West to the East Coast of Australia, a plane journey of some five hours, to Darwin in the North and Tasmania in the South, themselves separated again by many hours of jet travel. Then further East to the North and South Islands of New Zealand, it does not stop there. The Section is responsible for Pacific Islands such as Fiji, New Guinea and Samoa.

That great land coverage brings with it special barriers in creating intimacy and integrity of the Section. I am pleased to be able to report to the College that, by the efforts of the Regents in their representation of each area within the Section, we achieve a cohesion which has enabled the Section to function effectively over its life. Fellowship, in all its admirable aspects of service and care for one another and the community is strong and dynamic within the Section. In part this is due to the activity of the Board in ensuring that meetings are regularly held in various compass points of its ‘empire’, so that Fellows, even in remote areas, have the opportunity to get together in an atmosphere of mutual respect and communication.

The East Coast of Australia is reasonably centrally situated, and so it has become customary to have a Convocation of the Section in each Presidential period in Melbourne, the capital of the state of Victoria. Similarly a Convocation is held in New Zealand in each Presidential period, coincident with the Biennial conference of the NZ Dental Association. The venue for this meeting rotates between cities of both North and South Islands, the most recent in 2008 held in the fascinating and picturesque city of Rotorua in the North Island.

Our forthcoming Convocation, in Perth, Western Australia, is planned for March 2009, in association with the Conference of the Australian Dental Association.

The Section is ever mindful of its duty and motivation to assist areas of lesser development on our doorstep. In particular, the Dental Schools of Papua-New Guinea and Fiji exist and progress with limited resources. Although the Section provides aid to dental projects in other localities in our region and that of South East Asia, support of those two Dental Schools has become a high priority because they are essential to the development of dental services to people of high need.
Section Report

At this time there are 551 Fellows in the Australasian Section. These include:
430 Active Members
109 Retired Members
1 Master
8 Honorary Life Members
3 Honorary Members

Honours and Awards

Congratulations to the following Fellows on their well deserved recognition through the 2008 Australia Day and Queens Birthday honours.

Dr. Ross King (Victoria) was awarded Member of the Order of Australia for service to dentistry as a clinician, educator and administrator, particularly in the area of standards and accreditation, and for service to the community.

Dr. John Edwards was awarded as an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit in the Queen’s Birthday honours.

Vale Fellows

Sadly, a number of Fellows have departed in 2008: Ian R. Dingle (SA), Denis J. Hagarty (QLD), Brian M. Henderson (WA), William E. Joyce (TAS), John F. Lavis, AM (SA), John Rattray (VIC), and N. Stuart Walmsley (SA).

August 2008 INDUCTION AND DINNER IN MELBOURNE

A very special evening was enjoyed by Fellows in Melbourne in August at the time of the ADA Victorian Branch conference and the ADIA Exhibition. Nineteen new Fellows were inducted at a ceremony held at the Athenaeum Club the evening of Friday, August 22. The induction ceremony preceded a dinner attended by 80 Fellows and guests. Invited speakers David Goldsmith, Andrew Heggie and Jamie Robertson shared their inspiring experiences with humanitarian dental projects overseas.

New Fellows inducted in Melbourne were:

Anders Blomberg, Prosthodontist, Townsville (QLD)
Stan Boyatzis, Periodontist, Sydney (NSW)
Andrew Brostek, General Practitioner, Noranda (WA)
Patrick Creagh, Prosthodontist, Toombul (QLD)
Stephen Dahlstrom, Endodontist, ACT
David Goldsmith, General Practitioner, Ballarat (VIC)
Mark Gryst, Specialist in Special Needs Dentistry, Adelaide (SA)
Don Highfield, General Practitioner, Camberwell (VIC)

Inducted in absentia were:

John Arvier, OAM, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon, Brisbane (QLD)
Brian Bishop, General Practitioners, Mt Lawley (WA)
Russell Lain, Staff Specialist, Sydney Dental Hospital (NSW)
Anthony Leperere, Practice Limited to Anaesthesia and Sedation (WA)

Honorary Fellowship

Honorary Fellowship within the International College is conferred upon individuals of outstanding achievement in or for benefactions or contributions towards promotion of the dental profession. Honorary Fellowship is only conferred after careful investigation has revealed the person is fully worthy of such high honour. The person must have rendered conspicuous service to the cause of dental science or have furthered its public appreciation.

There are two Honorary Fellows within the Australasian Section of ICD and at the August induction in Melbourne, the Board was pleased to confer a third Honorary Fellowship for Professor Eric Reynolds, AO, Professor of Dental Science and Head, School of Dental Science, The University of Melbourne.

August 2008 Melbourne Inductees
September 2008 INDUCTION AND LUNCHEON IN NEW ZEALAND

The Australasian Section of the International College of Dentists hosted an induction ceremony and luncheon at the Millenium Hotel in Rotorua on Saturday, 13 September as part of the New Zealand Dental Association Biennial Conference. The function was attended by more than 40 Fellows and guests with President, Dr. Braham Pearlman and International Councillor, Dr. Clive Ross CNZM presiding. Eleven new Fellows were inducted.

New Fellows inducted were:
Denis Beale, General Practice (Invercargill)
Pamela Dalgliesh, Professional Services Manager for Dentsply (Australia)
Bernadette Drummond, Paediatric Dentist and Academic (University of Otago)
Robert Gibbs, Specialist Hospital Dentistry (Auckland)
Patrick Jackman, Special Needs Dentistry (Brisbane, Australia)
Howard Mace, Hospital Dentistry (Auckland)
Zac Morse, Independent Consultant (Suva, Fiji)
Graham Symes, General Practice (Wellington)
Ken Taylor, General Practice (Auckland)
Graeme Ting, Special Needs Dentistry (Auckland)
Hugh Trengrove, Prosthodontist (New Zealand Defence Force)

September 2008 New Zealand Inductees

PROJECT SUPPORT

At the Section VIII Board of Regents meeting held in August, there was consensus that our Section wishes to support dental projects that achieve sustainable improved oral health outcomes in communities within the Australasian Section. It was agreed that the objectives we wish to achieve can most effectively be achieved at this time by focusing on support for the struggling Dental Schools in the South Pacific Region.

Towards that end, approval was given to provide support for:

a. Education of Dr. Arpana Devi

This sponsorship facilitates achieving the objective of supporting the South Pacific Dental Schools by assisting with establishing endodontic training at the Dental School in Fiji. Dr. Devi was awarded an “ICD, Australasian Section, Education Grant” to assist with his endodontic education at the University of Western Australia. Dr. Devi will return to Fiji at the completion of his studies.

b. Dental School in Papua, New Guinea

An “ICD (Australasian Section) PNG Travel Fellowship” was awarded to John Kulu to support his dental education over the next four years within the PNG Dental School.

Oral Health Education Program in Nepal

Over the past few years Section VIII has provided support for establishment of an oral health education program organized by Sandra Meilubers in Nepal. The Board of Regents agreed to continue to provide support for this program over the next three years.

Donations for Project Support

The 2007 notices for Fellowship renewals included the opportunity to make donations for humanitarian dental projects supported by the Australasian Section. Fellows generously donated more than $2,500 with their Fellowship renewals.
Announced in our acceptance of the mandate the International College of Dentists, Philippines Section, Inc., Section IX, we have lofty and noble objectives for our organization. Modesty aside, despite the odds, particularly serious economic difficulties not only nationwide, but worldwide as well, we proved equal to the challenges of the times.

Being in the academe for more than half of my life, it is my belief that the acquisition of knowledge is the key to success of every professional. With minimal resources, we were successful in bringing in representations from eighteen (18) Dental Schools nationwide, who are in charge of teaching clinical subjects, for a one-day workshop for the improvement of dental education in our country. The topic was “Bridging Theory with Clinical Practice”, with the objective to standardize the teaching of dentistry nationwide. This will enable our graduates to be globally at par in practice with their colleagues internationally and to give better dental service to our countrymen. We have invited experts in education and dentistry from the University of the Philippines, our state university. Commonalities in the behavior of students and faculty members were discussed. Sharing of the problems encountered by the teachers from different schools were threshed out and solutions were formulated.

Corollary to the faculty development, we have our student leadership program. The student leaders met with the ICD officers for the planning of a big Congress for the dental students nationwide. The ICD Fellows led by the Chairman for the Student Leadership Training Program and President-Elect Fellow Ma. Rosario A. Damatac and currently ICD President Maria Teresa D. Amador delivered lectures on leadership at Centro Escolar University. ICD Fellows present were Fellows Victor Damatac and Ma. Jona Godoy.

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The other projects for the year 2008 likewise proved very fruitful.

The partnership of the ICD with GK, Gawad Kalinga, an NGO (non-governmental organization) whose main objective is to build a community among the underprivileged citizens of our country making them self-sufficient, has the following accomplishments for the year 2008:

1. The module that will be used by the healthcare volunteers for the oral health survey has been revised and is now ready for distribution. This was through the efforts of Fellow Irma Parajas, an expert in public health service.

2. The immediate oral health needs of the healthcare volunteers were completed last October. This includes preoperative management like oral prophylaxis, restorative and surgical treatment and finally prosthodontic restorations, maxillary and mandibular complete and partial dentures. The end in view of this practice is to make the healthcare volunteers presentable serving as models to the community. This was all done in the Quezon City Dental Society Dental Clinic as the GK Dental Clinic is still in the building process.

3. A partnership between ICD and PDA, (Philippine Dental Association), was created. The objective of this partnership is to avail of the services of the dentists nationwide to man all the GK dental clinic nationwide. The PDA has 118 chapters nationwide. The members of this chapter will provide dental services on a rotation basis in every GK dental clinic. The ICD Fellows together with the PDA officers will coordinate with the GK officials regarding the manpower of every GK dental clinic.

4. The ICD officers have surveyed and designed the construction of the dental clinic in Towerville, GK community in San Jose Bulacan. This is a pilot project of ICD. Only roofs and walls have been constructed at the moment due to financial constraints. It is the hope of the ICD, Philippine Section, Inc. to get some support from the ICD mother organization. It is noteworthy to mention that Fellow Felipe Gonzales donated 3 hectares of land to the GK community in Bataan.

5. Another project accomplished by this administration was the management of the oral care needs of the care givers in an orphanage, the Missionaries of Charities, founded by Mother Teresa. There are 25 caregivers who were treated and had prosthetic restorations.

One of the objectives of the ICD, mother organization is an increase in membership. For this year we have accepted and inducted eight (8) new Fellows with leadership potentials to our section.

We had an annual convention held at the Traders Hotel on January 2008. The guest speaker for the affair was Honorable Ramon A. Ilagan, Mayor of the Municipality of Cainta. A public servant himself from the time he started as news reporter from the well-renowned television network, ABS-CBN. He delivered an inspiring message about public service.
On April 27, 2008, the ICD Philippines Section, Inc. held the 36th B.B. Erana Memorial Lecture for our First President-Elect International College of Dentists.

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On our Second Quarterly Seminar, our guest speaker was Mr. Jaime Dyliaco, held at Alba’s Restaurant in Quezon City last July 28, 2008. A very sought-after speaker, he lectured on the benefits of alternative medicine. The Fellows had a grand time inquiring about alternative treatment for common systemic diseases.

On the Third Quarterly Meeting last October 27, 2008, we had the election of new Fellows and officers of ICD. Highlighting the affair was a costume party for a better camaraderie among the Fellows. Prizes were given to those with authentic costumes.

Monthly board meetings are done on the third week of the month to thresh out plans and projects for this year’s administration.

As the year ended, we at the ICD Philippines Section IX, would like to think that we were able to accomplish the plans and activities laid down at the commencement of our term with the approval of the other members of the Board.

Thank you very much for giving me the rare opportunity to serve through ICD.

As I turn over the reigns of leadership to the incoming officers for the Year 2009, I am aware of the more difficult environment they shall tackle, with the present worsening economic and financial crisis worldwide.

However, we can rest assured that the Filipinos, with our innate patience, resilience and cooperation of the Fellows and officers of the ICD Philippines Section, nothing is impossible. I wish success to the future leaders of the ICD Philippines Section.

The successful programs have been achieved mainly through the remarkable and zealous cooperation of each member, directed by the officers who were passionate and determined to keep up to the ideals of our ICD. With profound gratitude, I congratulate the members and agencies who have ever been part of our programs and most especially the officers who generously and selflessly made ICD a part of their lives.

To be invited to become a Fellow of the International College of Dentists is already a very high honor in itself, but to be elected President of this prestigious institution is a big privilege for which one should be grateful enough. I feel honored and privileged to have been given both the opportunity to become a Fellow and President of the ICD Philippines Section, Inc. for 2009.

Truly, my predecessors are hard acts to follow. They have laid down the foundation that keeps this organization what it is now, and for this the challenge is really great. I believe that there are three letters C’s that we must focus on in 2009 to continue with the college’s vision and mission, and to be able to react rightfully to the challenges that presently confront us.
President Megarbane’s message at the opening of the Scientific Program at the Section’s Yearly Meeting on November 29, 2008.

President’s Message

I would like to express my gratitude to my colleagues for their trust in electing me to the presidency of this prestigious organization and to congratulate all the previous officers for their achievements.

We are at a time in our evolution when we must choose whether we let the external forces shape dentistry in the future or if we have the confidence to shape our own future.

If we have a look at the program of most dental meetings, we will notice a definite tendency toward topics focused on aesthetic and implant dentistry with an emphasis on soft and hard tissue regeneration, these topics being supplemented by another tendency toward fast delivery and quick profit.

Then a question could be raised, “Why and how are we reaching clinical conditions requesting such advanced therapy?” Excluding congenital problems and injuries, the only appropriate answer would be the practice of dentistry. Indeed misdiagnosis, mistreatment and miscoordination are the major causes for tooth loss. There is enough evidence to ascertain that implant dentistry is not the alternative or the substitute to traditional dentistry, but moreover could be the mean and only the mean in diminishing the rate of tooth loss as well as the way to maintain sound teeth and natural dentition on a long-term basis.

At a time where aesthetic dentistry and the “I want it now” are omnipresent, our patients are asking us to “burn the time” for fast treatment. The question that should be raised is, “Should we not indulge the time (donner du temps an temps) and not exploit the request for fast treatment as a way for fast profit?” “Should we not avoid the rush into the one size fits all solutions instead of respecting patient selection and personalized treatment?” The areas of management and marketing that have spread in all aspects of our
lives should be revisited by the decision makers when it concerns the chapter of health and time should also allow us to judge the criteria of success.

To achieve such tasks, we must have a clear vision based on our fundamental principles and shaped by our values, mission and goals. This vision should influence undergraduate and postgraduate curriculum in universities as well as continuing education for practicing dentistry. Our activities should be focused not only for “the happy few high standard specialists” who have the recipes for “all the others colleague’ problems” but develop with the Lebanese Dental Association and the universities in collaboration with the dental industry a policy and a program to determine our own purpose and professional conduct.

Other Section activities have continued as usual in Lebanon. Four Study Club Meetings were held this year culminating with a full day Scientific Program during the yearly Section Meeting on November 29. The theme for the meeting was “Pink and White Esthetics” with, as a guest speaker, Dr. Mike Cassidy. All other speakers were ICD Fellows and inductees. The meeting was attended by 180 dentists.

Section Report

This past year has seen the active expansion of the Middle East Section throughout the Arab East with the organization of District 2 through the diligent work of the Section’s Officers and the valuable contribution of Vice President Youssif Talic and Regent for District 2, Ali Al Ehaideb. Four new Fellows from Saudi Arabia as well as four from Lebanon, were inducted during the Section Meeting on November 29, bringing the total Fellowship in District 2 to 18. At the Regent’s Meeting in Beirut on November 25, the Section’s Officers decided to designate the Saudi National Guard’s Health Affairs as the seat of District 2.

A first activity for District 2 is planned this spring during the 20th Saudi Dental Society and the 2nd National Guard International Conference and Workshops to be held in Riyadh in Saudi Arabia from the 20th to the 22nd of April. This will be a half day lecture program with all speakers being ICD Fellows, and it will be followed by an Induction ceremony. Both College President Richard Shick and Secretary-General Robert Brady have been invited to attend.

The lecture program was followed by an orientation program, an Induction ceremony and a dinner. The Section also honored two of its Past Presidents and Founding Members, Fellows Charles Tager and Levon Karijan. Each of them received a commemorative plaque.

Along with the continued contribution to the dental library of the Lebanese Dental Association, the Section is also working on a project to translate to Arabic and to dub in Arabic the “Oral Longevity” DVD and pamphlet which were originally put out by the American Dental Association in conjunction with GlaxoSmithKline for distribution to dentists and health institutions in the countries covered by the Section. Copyrights for this project have been obtained from the ADA and the translation and dubbing have been completed. Production for wide scale distribution still awaits the support of the appropriate sponsor. Negotiations are being carried out with two potential sponsors with the hope of launching the distribution during the Riyadh meeting in April.
Fellow Mounir Doumit Heads a National Oral Health Awareness Program in Lebanon

Fellow Mounir Doumit, who is presently Dean of the Dental School of the Lebanese University, has been heading a program in schools throughout Lebanon for the past three years. This very ambitious program is supported by the Ministry of Public Health and the Ministry of Education as well as the World Health Organization. The campaign aims at raising the awareness of children between the ages of six and twelve regarding the importance of good oral hygiene. In its first phase, the program covered 300,000 students in 600 public schools throughout Lebanon. School visits had as an aim checking the children’s teeth for caries, instructing them on good brushing technique, and giving them a fluoride mouth rinse. The children were also given toothbrushes and toothpaste. In order to achieve its aim, a group of 448 volunteer dentists and health aids were trained to do the clinical checks and to teach students proper brushing techniques. The program which is initially planned to run through 2010 aims at increasing the number of students covered each year incrementally. Fluoride rinses were given to 50,000 students last year and the number reached 70,000 this year.

The Oral Awareness Campaign has also as one of its aims the assessment of caries prevalence among students between the ages of 6 and 12. During the 2006-2007 school year, the team checked the teeth of 166,691 students (out of a total of 227,297) in 838 schools out of the overall target of 1134 schools. The project was expanded further to cover most targeted schools in 2007-2008.

The dental program is part of the “medical component” of an overall School Health Program. This “medical” section also includes a yearly physical check-up, a review of immunizations, and referral for treatment and vaccination.

Other components of the program are a “Health Awareness and Education” (includes the introduction of e-learning through school clubs) and an “environmental health and safety in schools” component which aims at introducing a healthy and safe school environment.
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### International Councilor

**Woong Yang**

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### Seminar Schedule and Monthly Meetings in 2008

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**I.C.D. Korea Induction Ceremony and General Meeting.**

Dr. Norinaga Moriyama, International ICD President, visited Seoul, Korea, and made a brief speech about the importance of mutual communication and contribution. Dr. Tsuyoshi Saito, President of ICD Japan Section, and Dr. Yoshinori Satoh, International Councilor for Japan Section, also visited Seoul, Korea.

**I.C.D. Korea Board of Directors’ Meeting**

“National Tooth Transplantation”

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**End of Year I.C. D. Party**

Place: “On” Restaurant near Han River

Ceremonial Ceremony for three Master Fellows
Woong Yang
International Councilor
International College of Dentists

“The Key Way to Solve North Korea’s Deadlock Situation as an ICD Member”
Submitted by Dr. Woong Yang

A few months ago, a South Korean woman traveling to Kum-Kang Mountain was assassinated by a North Korean soldier simply because she unintentionally violated their rule.

After the Korean War, the two super nations, the United States and the Soviet Union, separated Korea into North and South. Even at this time, lots of North Korean people try to escape from North Korea to the South.

As we all know, humans’ two big desires are sex drive and willingness to enjoy good food. Good tooth condition is essential. North Korean people’s tooth status is in a terrible situation. Last year, I had a chance to visit Kae-Sung City located in North Korea as the Korean I.C.D. President’s Councilman. I was shocked to see their skinny faces and terrible oral health condition. As a dentist, I think heart to heart treatment will be the best way to contribute to the peaceful unification.

Now I would like to introduce a couple of examples which our ICD members are working on.

1) Our director, Dr. Shin Jeong Cha and his colleagues recently visited Pyong Yang City in North Korea to educate North Korean dentists and hygienists on how to improve their skills and to educate North Korean people on their hygiene care. They also did actual dental treatments on North Korean people.

2) Dr. Kyu Moon Kim recently visited Won-San City to treat North Korean people. They did tooth extractions, fillings and denture constructions.

3) Dr. Hyuk Lee and his colleagues are treating North Korean refugees at the Hanawon Free Dental Clinic in Seoul. Our ICD Korean Section members helped financially and provided actual treatments.

4) Treatment through International cooperation.

I wish sometime in the future that our ICD members will combine together to treat North Korean people and educate North Korean dentists Internationally.

By taking these actions, we can melt their frozen minds step by step because we are the same human beings.

Section Report

The formation of the Youngnam District:
We would like to make the Youngnam District by the end of the next year due to local member’s convenience. Dr. Woong Yang, our I.C.D. International Councilman, will plan to visit Dae Gu City on November 28, 2008 and give a special lecture about the current worldwide I.C.D. situation. We now have six (6) Fellows in the Youngnam area including three (3) newly inducted Fellows (in May at the Induction Ceremony and General Meeting). We are planning on having more members.

I.C.D. Japan Section visit:
Dr. Woong Yang, I.C.D. International Councilman, visited the Japan Section Convocation in Nagoya on May 17th, 2008.

The formation of the I.C.D. members’ Friendship Hiking Program:
Dr. Tae Soo Lee, I.C.D. Korea Section’s Vice President, organized the Korean Section’s Friendship Hiking Program.

Helping Hanawon

The Korean Government established an organization for people who escaped from North Korea to South Korea to adapt themselves in South Korea. They opened a free dental office for women at Hanawon in Bun-dang in 2002 and I.C.D. Korean Section members are working for them. Dr. Yoo Sik Yang and Dr. Won Hee Yoo started at the beginning and now Dr. Shin Jeong Cha and Dr. Hyuk Lee are working there.
Humanitarian Projects

1) North Korea Project. Dr. Shin Jeong Cha and Dr. Hyuk Lee helped the dental treatment at the Hanawon place for the North Korea refugees. Also, Dr. Kyu Moon Kim recently visited Won-San City to treat North Korean people. Also Dr. Shin Jeong Cha visited Pyongyang to educate North Korea’s dentists to improve their skill.

2) Recent Activities of the Smile Charity Fund. Dr. Woong Yang, I.C.D. International Councilman, Dr. Su Ku Lee, Korea Dental Association President and I.C.D. Fellow, Dr. In Hwan Park, Vice President of I.C.D. Korea Section, and Dr. Young Soon Shin, former President of the Seoul City Dental Association, are actively involved as Founders for the Smile Charity Foundation (SCF). Right now, dentists get involved as a nationwide organization for the dental treatment of the handicapped people. The SCF Center opened in the middle of August, 2005. Dr. Woong Yang, Director of the SCF, is actively involved in the establishment of this organization as the Fundraising Director. The main purpose of this Foundation is to help the dental treatment of handicapped people who have financial problems. Currently, about a thousand dentists throughout the nation actively participate in this project by either sending monthly payments to the Foundation, constantly participating in dental scaling projects and participating in a Mobile Dust Collector Project for the reutilization of the disposable used gold and amalgam at dental offices. Also, SK Group, one of the five ‘big business companies in Korea, is helping this organization. Mr. Myoung Bak Lee, Korea’s President, helped greatly for the opening of the SCF Center. Seoul City paid the construction fee and the actual staff salary (anesthesiologist, dentists, hygienist and add-nurse). We paid major portion of patient’s actual treatment fee and arranged nationwide network.

3) International Project. Dr. Heun Taek Jhee is the key person to help Mongol. Our ICD Fellows helped him on his tour to Mongol for the actual treatment and dental education at the Dental School. Dr. Yoo Sik Yang established the formal dental hygienist and scholastic program in Uzbekistan. He is the leader of the Korean Christian Dental Society.

We I.C.D. members can be the core among the dentists, especially with this kind of humanitarian project.
The ICD in Taiwan (TICD) is a highly recognized organization composed of outstanding dentists with high expertise and reputation. Candidates for new Fellows are nominated and evaluated by the Council of TICD and have to be approved by the general assembly of TICD held annually.

In 2008, twelve (12) new Fellows were approved, and inducted on March 30, 2008 at Taipei World Trade Center Club. The Induction Ceremony was witnessed by the International President, Dr. Norinaga Moriyama and Mrs. Moriyama. In addition, the ICD Philippine Councilor, Dr. Primo Gonzales, ICD Japanese Councilor, Dr. Yoshinoru Satoh, and ICD Japanese Treasurer, Dr. Shigeru Isobe, also attended the Convocation. New Fellows were honored to be inducted with International Fellows.

On November 30, 2008, TICD held its Annual General Assembly in Taipei World Trade Center, Nangang Exhibition Hall, with the Association for Dental Sciences, ROC. A symposium on “New Trend of Dental Education” was hosted by TICD. Many International educators were invited as keynote speakers including Dr. Moriyama, ICD Japanese President, Dr. Tsoyoshi Saito, and ICD Japanese Councilor, Dr. Akira Senda. Their experiences on dental education were shared with educators and ICD Fellows in Taiwan. In general, the achievements of TICD in 2008 can be regarded as successful and fruitful.

The Induction Ceremony of newly elected Fellows of 2009 will be held in late May of 2009. International Councilors and Presidents and Officers of Sections of the ICD were invited to attend our Convocation. The date was decided for the convenience of International guests to extend their journey after the Yokohama Council Meeting. We expect many International guests to come and witness the Induction of new Fellows.

By frequent visits and communications, the tie among Asian ICD Sections as well as worldwide Sections will be strengthened.
Important Activities of TICD in 2008
(Reported by the Editor, Dr. Yuh-Yuan Shiau)

1. The Induction Ceremony of new Fellows elected in 2007 was held on March 30th in the Taipei World Trade Center Club. Twelve (12) new Fellows were inducted with the witness of ICD International President, Dr. Moriyama and guests from Asian ICD sections: Dr. Primo Gonzales of Philippines, and Drs. Yoshinori Satoh and Shigeru Isobe from Japan.

2. A Dental Education Forum was held on August 24th. All Dental School Deans and Senior Educators were invited. A conclusion was made that post-graduate professional training is essential to the next generation. A general survey of institutes planning to provide such training will be held under the supervision of the Ministry of Health of Taiwan.

3. The General Assembly of the 2008 TICD was held on November 30th with the election of new Fellows for 2009. Fifteen (15) new Fellows were approved by the General Assembly of the TICD. A “Dental Education Reform” Symposium was also held, and speakers Drs. Norinaga Moriyama, Tsuyoshi Saito and Akira Senda from the Japan Section gave keynote speeches on this topic. Dr. Moriyama was then presented with a plaque of appreciation from Dr. Wan Hong Lan, for his outstanding contribution on the world dental profession and education.

2008 Induction Ceremony, ICD Section 12, Taiwan, on March 30, 2008, with the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Moriyama.

ICD International President, Norinaga Moriyama (fourth from right, seated), the TICD President, Wan Hong Lan (third from right, seated), and Officers share happy moments with the new Fellows of the TICD.
The year 2007 was a year of changes and ups and downs for our region. It began on a sad note with the physical disappearance of Fellow Antonio Finlayson. Tony, as he was known by his friends, was an honorable, enthusiastic, strict, illustrious, ethical, efficient, dedicated and irreproachable professor and general practitioner who distinguished himself by his commitment to his profession: dentistry. Among other things, he was President of the Panamanian Dental Association and Dean of the Dental School of the University of Panama. He left behind his wife Alicia and his three children. His son and one of his daughters are dentists. Our region lost one of its most significant dental leaders, we will miss him.

Without any doubt, the most important and biggest event in the region ever took place on April 17, 2007. For our region there were many firsts on this august occasion! We had an Induction Ceremony, a new Regional Regent recognized, and the honoring of a Master Fellow and Emeritus Regent while counting with the presence of ICD President Donald E. Johnson and the Secretary General for Section IV, Manfred Seidemann. Present at this event were more than 300 persons, among them our region’s Fellows and their spouses plus friends and relatives of those being honored.

This event took place in the most exclusive and elegant private club in the Republic of Panama, the Club Unión. The night ceremonies kicked off with a memorable religious invocation given by Dr. Raúl Orillac followed by a didactic speech from then Section IV Secretary General Manfred Seidemann in regards to the values of our organization and a brief history of the College. Afterwards, then ICD President Donald E. Johnson took the stand to talk about the goals and objectives of the International College of Dentists, about some of the challenges faced by the College and the overall vision of his presidency. At the end of his speech, ICD President Donald Johnson took the opportunity to recognize Fellow Armando Berguido G. (who acted as Master of Ceremony) as the first Councilman of Region 21 and to name him Regent, as well, of this region. At this point, then Fellowship Candidates, Dr. Angel Emilio Campos Baires from Honduras and Dr. Nelson Novarro C. from Panama, were presented individually. A short biography of each was read as Dr. Seidemann presented them with their Fellowship Certificates and President Johnson hooded them with their ICD Keys.

Afterwards, Fellow Juan A. Arias Z. proceeded to talk about the trajectory of until then Regent Alfredo H. Berguido G. and entertain with some personal anecdotes of Dr. Berguido’s life, achievements and personality. Then ICD President Donald E. Johnson explained what the ICD Mastership Award is and why is someone worthy of it, and proceeded to recognize Fellow Alfredo H. Berguido G. as Emeritus Regent of ICD Region 21 and to present him with the Master of the International College of Dentists plaque. Master Fellow Alfredo H. Berguido is the first and so far only Dentist in our region to earn this award.

The ceremony concluded with a toast by Fellow Dennis T. Lindo to the two new Fellows who were inducted and particularly to the new Master Fellow Alfredo H. Berguido G. To conclude the ceremony, the Berguido family invited all present to a buffet to celebrate this unique and most special occasion.

In 1999, the National Institute of Aqueducts and Sewage Systems (IDAAN for its Spanish wording initials) eliminated the presence of fluoride in the national water supply due to a presidential decree. After many bouts and discussions by organized dentistry with the new government, after less than six months, the fluoridation of drinking water was reinstated by a new presidential decree. The interventions of Fellows Eduardo Cabaleiro A. and Armando Berguido G. were pivotal to achieving this second presidential decree. Part of the agreement to pass the second decree included the creation of the Drinking Water Fluoridation Commission, charged with the independent verification of proper potable water fluoridation in the Republic of Panama. Fellows Cabaleiro and Berguido have been part of this Commission since its creation. Since then, on a regular basis inspections are held, visiting the IDAAN headquarters and drinking water treatment plants throughout the country to make sure the appropriate levels of Fluoride are found in the national water supply.

Since Panama is the only nation in Region 21 with more than fifteen Fellows, to further the College’s vision, it was decided to elect directors for the country. In 2008, four Fellows were elected as country directors: Juan R. Morales, III, Eduard Cabaleiro A., Gabriella Eisenmann-Barrios and Manuel F. Ortiz C.\(\)
2008 Convocation of ICD China Region

The latest Convocation of the ICD China, Region 22(a) was held in Chengdu, Sichuan Province on September 5, 2008.

In this Convocation, ICD Vice President Manfred Seidemann, Regent Xuedong Zhou and Professor Xing Wang, the President of the Chinese Stomatologic Association (CSA), officiated the Convocation. Secretary-General Qianming Chen presented it.

In fulfillment of the mission of the ICD, the 38 inductees were granted to the China Region. Among them, there were more relatively young dentists with prominent achievements. Vice President Manfred Seidemann gave a warm address highly praising our Region for the remarkable progress we have made.

Before the Convocation, ICD China Region also held the 2008 Orientation Program. Dr. Seidemann gave a speech of ICD history, and Secretary-General Chen introduced the process of the Formal Convocation.

2008 ICD China Symposium

To strengthen the existing ties of friendship and to share the latest progress in dentistry, we held the 2008 ICD China Symposium on September 5, 2008. Four (4) ICD Fellows were invited to share their excellent lectures at the Symposium. Dr. Manfred Seidemann, from Chile, South America, spoke on “The Ethical Conduct System”, Dr. Qianming Chen spoke on “The Roles of ORAOV1 in Oral Carcinogenesis”, Yan Jin spoke on “Research on Development and Regeneration of the Tooth Root”, and Lihong Ge spoke on “The Progress of Diagnosis, Treatment and Research on Abnormality of Tooth Development in Children”.

2008 ICD Council Meeting

ICD China Region Secretary-General Qianming Chen and his assistant, Yanmin Wang, attended the 2008 ICD Council Meeting on October 14-15 in San Antonio, Texas. During the Council Meeting Dr. Chen gave a lecture about “History, Present, and Prospects of ICD China”.

China was a member of ICD from 1928 when the ICD was built. From 1928 to 1931, Dr. Benjamin K. Wong, from Shanghai, was the Regent for China. From 1931 to 1946, Dr. Robert Gordon Agnew was the ICD China Division’s Regent. From 1925 to 1946, Dr. Agnew served as a Professor at the West China Hospital of Stomatology, Chengdu, Sichuan. From 1947 to 1977, the contact between ICD and China discontinued. There were 17 Fellows in China till 1977.

In 1978, when ICD celebrated their 50th Anniversary, then Secretary-General Frank Kenward visited Guangzhou, China. In
Region 22(a) ~ China


During the Council Meeting we also submitted the Petition Document of Autonomous Section to ICD Central Office.

ICD Fellows fight the Wenchuan Earthquake

On May 12, 2008 the terrible Earthquake happened in Sichuan Province. Immediately the ICD Fellows of China Region took part in the Relief actions at earthquake site.

We received the support actions from brother dental universities and associations, including the ICD central office. We received two phone-calls from ICD Vice President Seidemann to greet us and try to do whatever ICD and he can do to help us.

We appreciate the donations and supports from home and abroad, including ICD central office and Fellows all over the world during the earthquake. Also we welcome any supports during the re-construction from friends at home and abroad.

COLLEGE ENVOY TO CHINA: A BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE

During the past two years, 2009 College President-Elect Manfred Seidemann accepted the invitation from ICD Region 22 China to participate in their annual Convocation and Continuing Education Program. This collaboration is a remarkable example of the real work that The International College of Dentists was created to do.

Dr. Seidemann, at his own expense, traveled some 33 hours from his home in Santiago, Chile to reach Chengdu, China, where ICD Region 22 is located at the West China College of Stomatology, Sichuan University. In 2008, he was accompanied by his daughter, Deborah. He presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Operative Dentistry staff and students regarding preclinical operative dentistry and addressed ICD Fellows during the Granting Ceremony (Convocation). Dr. Seidemann also participated in an official ICD business meeting of the China Region leadership.

Starting with a warm, joyful and friendly reception, the Chinese ICD Fellows treated Dr. Seidemann to wonderful cultural experiences during his stay. One example of Chinese thoughtfulness…during the Granting Ceremony, officials gave speeches first in English and then in Chinese in consideration of the two foreign guests present. The China Region plans to become an autonomous ICD Section, and the International Council has asked Dr. Seidemann to continue to give advice to China during this process.

The individuals involved in these China – Chile exchanges and the international goodwill they have created deserve our recognition. It represents ICD Fellowship at its best.

~ J.V. Hinterman, DDS, ICD Editor

L-R: Xuedong Zhou, Regent of ICD China Region & Dean of the West China College of Stomatology, Sichuan University; ICD Vice-President Manfred Seidemann; Hanzhang Wang, FICD, Past Dean of the West China College of Stomatology, Sichuan University; and, Qianming Chen, Secretary-General of the ICD China Region.

L-R: ICD 2009 President-Elect Manfred Seidemann and his daughter, Deborah (third from left), were invited to China by China Region Secretary-General, Qianming Chen (far right).
M.A. Soofi
Regent
International College of Dentists

MEETING OF THE COLLEGE FELLOWS

A dinner meeting of Fellows of the International College of Dentists was held at Hotel Xin Kuan Lahore on September 30, 2008. It was attended by Fellow Nazia Yazdanie, (Principal de’Montmorency, College of Dentistry, Lahore); Fellow Abida Ijaz, Head of the Department of Dentistry, Children Complex Hospital; Fellow Jamshed Khilji, Fellow Shauja uD Din Qureshi; Fellow Sh. Ijaz Ahmed; Fellow Brigadier Shabbir Ahmed and Fellow Muhammad Arshad. Many young dentists also attended the dinner meeting where Professor Dr. M. A. Soofi, Regent and Chairperson, PFA, was in chair.

Fellow and Regent M. A. Soofi explained the concept of the International College of Dentists. This organization seeks selfless workers in Dental Specialties to help humanity and to encourage dental research for the prosperity and development of dentistry. Regent Soofi said, “To be a Fellow of [the] ICD is an honour which is conferred upon on the basis of [the] personal qualities of a dental surgeon and his devotion to dentistry and his practical approach to the cause and progress of dentistry.” The Regent is obliged to offer the Fellowship to such a dedicated dentist. He continued, “The effort of the person in the way of serving the dental profession and sacrifices for the interest of the society, which he perform[s] general operation and share[s] scientific knowledge with others for the purpose of profession and he keeps himself disciplined for the glory of dentistry.” Fellow Soofi said such young people are chosen for this honour. He said that the members have to pay an annual fee to the ICD regularly and this is social spirit to the international organization because no organization can run without funds and over and above only after paying the regular fee the Fellow becomes entitled to write the FICD with his original degrees. If he failed to pay the annual fee as prescribed by the International College of Dentists for three consecutive years, principally, his name cannot remain active in the roster of the College. He said the ICD is a not for profit gain organization; this is an organization of honour and is run on the basis of contribution in the form of donations and annual fee payments. So the Fellows are advised to contribute regularly as conscientious persons. Dr. Soofi explained the method of getting bank drafts and he mentioned letters issued by the College. It is an easy job to pay by draft or money and send to the College in proper way or to Dr. Soofi.

“THE FIVE-DAY COURSE ON IMPLANT AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY”

The Pakistan Academy of Implant Dentistry in collaboration with the Tatum Implant Institute (USA, UK and France) conducted ‘A Systematic Five-Day Course on Implant and Reconstructive Surgery’ on November 22-26, 2008 at Multan-Pakistan inaugurated by International College of Dentists Regent Professor Dr. M. A. Soofi.

Regent Professor Dr. M. A. Soofi, patron of the Pakistan Academy of Implant Dentistry, in his concluding speech appreciated the efforts of Dr. Mehmood Qureshi, the President of the Academy and...
Professor Dr. O. Hilt Tatum who has traveled a long way from America to give his life career experience of implant dentistry to the dental surgeons of Pakistan and other countries. The Academy conducted the Five-Day Course of Implant and Reconstructive Surgery in a very good place at Bakhtawar Hospital Multan. The course was a great opportunity for Pakistani learners and others during the last year and during the Five-Day Course at Multan. The course was based upon an overview of oral implantology, including introducing implantology to patients and placement of implant with bone manipulation in maxilla and mandible with modern surgical techniques. Later on, Professor Tatum showed his work on implant prosthodontics, sinus lift, augmentation and sinus surgery and onlay bone grafting techniques. The main objects of the teaching was natural implant restoration in a suitable alveolar bone. He also discussed vascularization sinus grafting. The participants included dentists from the Middle East, Ireland, USA, Baluchistan, NWFP, Sindh, Punjab and elsewhere.

Dr. Soofi appreciated the participants and said that this new science is an advancement in the art and science of dentistry for the health of the population and has become necessity. He said that this course has provided the outstanding opportunity to the dental specialists to meet each other and to greet each other. It was a great endeavour and exchange of the goodwill and given good feelings of friendship. Professor Soofi said that he made a survey regarding the course from each individual with a question, “Are you competent to insert implants in the suitable alveolar bone independently or not?” Some answered in the negative and some said they have learning confidence.

On the basis of such, Professor Soofi urged upon the Government of Punjab, Higher Commission, that they should create a chair of implant dentistry along with perio-oral surgery in each teaching institution and the competent teacher may be invited from abroad to introduce this course to the new generation. Pakistan is a developing nation, we should not be behind. We should also include laser application dentistry in this department. There is no such teacher in any government or private institution who could guide and train dental surgeons in this modern implant science. Dr. Mahmood Qureshi is a private practitioner and had gained confidence to perform this surgery. Professor Soofi said that most Pakistani institutions are lacking teachers, professors and associate professors because the teachers are not provided equivalent pay facilities like that in the private institutions. So there is need to arrange some workshops, seminars, courses and discussion on implantology and a trainee should be given a chance to operate and insert an implant in the presence of teachers. Professor Soofi appreciated the administration of Bakhtawar Hospital that they carried out plastic surgery in a very befitting way in a position of private institution and are working very well.

At the end, course certificates were given to the candidates by Dr. O. Hilt Tatum, Dr. Mahmood Qureshi and Professor Dr. M. A. Soofi. Dr. Soofi also asked the dental surgeons to come forward and work for the Promotion and Fellowship Award. During this visit he too visited the Dental College at Nishtar Hospital Multan.

Fellows of the ICD, Section 20, Region 24: with Regent Soofi (front row, third from right).
Since its beginning in 1997, the ICD Vietnam Section in Ho Chi Minh City has always been involved in Continuing Education and Oral Health Promotion activities. Every year, in April, the Dental Scientific Meeting, organized by the Faculty of Odonto-Stomatlogy in cooperation with the ICD Section in Ho Chi Minh City, is a traditional scientific forum for dental professionals from all over Vietnam, to update knowledge and keep up with the latest advances in technologies. The Editor Board of the the journal entitled “Update in Dentistry” with two issues a year is mainly composed by ICD members.

In recent years there has been a gradual decrease in the number of active members due to retirement and health reasons. At the present, there remains seventeen members still involved in Dental Education and Scientific Activities in the whole of Vietnam. Some ICD members are holding key positions in the dental profession in Vietnam and were able to make valuable contributions to promote dentistry in Vietnam (by alphabetical order of first name):

- Dr. Bui Que Duong: Former Head of Department of Endodontics
- Dr. Truong Manh Dung: Dean of the University of Odonto-Stomatlogy in Hanoi
- A/Professor Trinh Dinh Hai: Director of the Institute of Odonto-Stomatlogy in Ha Noi
- Dr. Huynh Dai Hai: Director of the Hospital of Odonto-Stomatlogy in HCM City

- Professor Hoang Tu Hung: Dean of the Faculty of Odonto-Stomatlogy and Vice President
- Dr. Ngo Dong Khanh: Vice Director of the National Hospital of Odonto-Stomatlogy at HCM
- Dr. Huynh Ahn Lan: Former Vice Dean and Head of the Department of Oral Pathology
- Professor Tran van Truong: Former Dean of the University of Odonto-Stomatlogy in Hanoi and President of the Vietnam Odonto-Stomatlogical Association

In this report, we wish to focus on a major project in education which is the course leading to the Certificate on Dental Public Health organized under the coordination of Professor Martin Hobdell with the active contribution of Dr. Eugenio Beltran as main instructor. This is the third course on Dental Public Health organized under HVO and was made possible thanks to the support of Dentistry Overseas and the USA Section of ICD.

The course was conducted for two years, with three sessions of one-week each year and field work and self-learning in between. The first session started on January 8th, 2007 with 26 partici-
Region 31 ~ Vietnam

This course and the enthusiastic participation of the students was maintained all along the six sessions of the course.

In December of 2008, a national workshop on Dental Public Health was organized in Da Nang City with the participation of fifty public health dental officers all over Vietnam. They invited keynote speakers: Professor Yupin Songpaisan (Thailand), Professor Yoko Kawaguchi (Japan), Dr. Irene Adyatmanka (Indonesia), Professor Martin Hobdell and Dr. Eugenio Beltran. During this workshop, fifteen scientific reports were presented and recommendations issued to be submitted to the Chief Dental Office in order to raise the effectiveness of current dental public health programs and contribute suggestions for new oral health strategies in Vietnam in the changing socio-economic context. We wish to acknowledge the support of ICD, USA section, for granting their support to this meaningful program which will certainly contribute to and enhance the expertise of our oral health managers and improve the impact of the school-based dental program.

We would like to conclude that the Vietnam ICD Section is dedicated to the betterment of Dental education and practice in Vietnam and acknowledge the continuing support from the International ICD.

Region 30 ~ Iran, Turkey

It is my honor to have had the opportunity to serve the ICD. I am the Past President of the Iranian Dental Association, the Past Executive Director of the Iranian Association of Orthodontists and the former Vice Dean of School of Dentistry, Behshhti University.

Now in Iran, there are eighteen (18) dental schools and more than ten (10) specialties in the academic field of dentistry. We have over 25,000 dentists, including around 2,000 specialists.

The Iranian ICD has continued its growth by adding qualified new members of the dental profession through nominations, screenings and elections in Iran. Only the well-qualified dentist with a good reputation and social services could be included.

The Iranian ICD has gone through many changes in the past few years. We felt the need to revitalize the organization as well as heighten ICD awareness within the Dental Circle; therefore our plans and programs focus on spreading the good will of the ICD; allowing, inspiring and at the same time being able to give the College the image and respect it deserves.

Our main objective of the region is to promote better meritorious dental services and continued progress of the profession of Dentistry for the benefit of Iranian people. We focus on ICD long-term activities as follows:

a. Updating our database to the best of our information from Fellows through reminders and personal phone calls from all over our country, especially e-mails.

b. Developing ICD e-newsletter, by the head office, to promote communication and for the future growth by increasing awareness of the ICD world-over.

c. Holding the Convocation and Scientific Meeting in the summer of 2009 in conjunction with the 49th Annual Congress of the Iranian Dental Association in Tehran, Iran.

d. To formulate continuing education programs.

e. To forge close linkage and cooperation with other honorable Organizations, Institutions and Associations.
The impact of The International College of Dentists in the English-Speaking Caribbean Region has been greatly felt by the dental fraternity and medical professionals during the year 2008 and as such it is not surprising that the Governor-General of Belize has invited me to that lovely Country to announce to the press the nomination of three deserving Belize dentists to the prestigious Fellowship of ICD. The selection was done by the Honorable Governor-General himself following my advice. His selection was influenced by consultation with the Dental Association of Belize. Additionally, I have utilized my position as International Councilor of the ICD to nominate two dentists who have provided exemplary service to the Dental School in Trinidad for the ICD Fellowship, Dr. Ebenezer Scipio, the longest serving staff member, and Professor Puluri Murti, the School’s Dean who has implemented the accreditation of the DDS program with LMC (a link to ADA accreditation).

During 2008 I assisted the University of the West Indies at the Mona Campus in Jamaica to develop a unique curriculum for the new dental school in Jamaica. This dental curriculum will lead to the degree of BMed. Sc., DDS. I have developed this curriculum with the goals and objectives of the ICD in mind and I will require further assistance from the International Council to peer review this curriculum. I hope to get further assistance with regards to accreditation by the authorities responsible in the USA, the UK, Australia, etc.

Recently I was approached by Provost Allan Pensick of the St. Georges University in Grenada to assist with the development of a dental assisting program. I will again have the goals and objectives of the ICD in mind as regards the standards for the dental profession. Through me, the St. Georges University continues to annually sponsor continuing education programs for the Caribbean dentists. ICD International Councilor Mike Suzuki of Canada will participate in a future program.

I congratulate the International Council of the International College of Dentists and the College leadership for the great work that has been done this year.

Region 33 ~ Malaysia

Deputy Regent: Professor Emeritus Dr. Chin Boon Lian

All of our Fellows are members of the Malaysian Dental Association (MDA). The Fellows fully support and actively participate in all programmes of the Association. We are also actively involved in the programmes of Malaysia’s Ministry of Health especially in their promotion of oral care awareness and preventive programmes for the benefit of the public.

A good number of our Fellows are also actively involved in non-governmental organizations throughout Malaysia in helping to promote public awareness to benefit the disabled, disadvantaged and less-fortunate members of the public.

The notable achievements of certain Fellows are as follows:

1) Dr. A. Ratnanesan:
   - Past President, FDI
   - Past President, APRO-APDF
   - Past President, MDA
   - Chairman, ICCDE, APRO-APDF
2) Dr. Khai Kee Yim:
   - Regent ICD Section 20 – Region 33
   - Past President, APRO-APDF
   - Past President, MDA
3) Dr. Chee Shin Lim:
   - Past President, APRO-APDF
   - Past President, MDA
   - Regent, Acad. Dent. Int’l (Malaysian Sec.)
4) Dr. N. Lakshmanan:
   - Past President, MDA
   - Member of FDI Council (Current)
5) Dr. S. Nagarajan:
   - Past President, APRO-APDC
   - Past President, MDA
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