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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As you read this November edition of the newsletter, the 50th anniversary celebrations of our Section are now just a memory and part of our history. Elsewhere in this newsletter, there are articles about the International Council meeting in Sydney, the

50th anniversary induction and dinner, and the ICD Young Leaders Program held on Sunday, October 26. Photos of all events have been posted on the website (www.icdsectionviii.org).

With any events such as these, there are many people to thank for their contributions. Firstly, I would like to thank all the Section VIII Fellows and their guests who attended the gala dinner in Sydney on Saturday evening, October 25th. It was wonderful to see so many Fellows involved in the celebration of our 50th anniversary. Those who attended the dinner represented both the past and the future of our Section. It was an amazing gathering. I hope everyone appreciated the significance of being part of the occasion and, most importantly, had a great time! It was obvious on the night that everyone enjoyed catching up with friends, colleagues and our international guests.

We were honoured to have the ICD International Council with us and thank them for all they did to make the occasion even more special. President Joseph Kenneally addressed the audience during the in-

duction ceremony and Secretary-General Jack Hinterman toasted Section VIII at the dinner. Thirteen of the fifteen Sections of ICD sent representatives to the anniversary dinner!

Thank you to David Crum and Clive Ross for initiating and organising the Young Leaders Program that was held on Sunday, October 26th. Thank you to the ADA and NZDA for providing support for the young dentists to attend the forum. The aims of the Young Leaders Program were to foster leadership qualities in younger dentists in our region and to guide ICD in fostering leadership for the future of the dental profession. The program was attended by invited young dentists, Councilors from the ADA and NZDA, and ICD Board members and Councilors. There is more information about the Young Leaders Program in a separate article in this newsletter.

Thank you to the Section VIII Board of Regents for exercising their usual diligence in ensuring the success of the 50th anniversary events. Appreciation is expressed to Clive Ross CNZM for his continual advice on all arrangements related to the International Council meeting and to Rob Butler for his advice on historical matters within our Section. The biggest thank you has to go to our Administrative Officer, Ron Robinson, who did so much behind the scenes in organising and overseeing every detail during the four days of the Council meeting and anniversary events. (Whoever is married to that guy should be thanking her lucky stars!)

The Shangri-La Hotel as a venue played a crucial role in the staging of the anniversary events. I also want to publicly thank the Event Coordinator of the

Shangri-La Hotel, Baron Wills, who did everything he could to ensure the success of the ICD functions held at the hotel. He went beyond the call of duty in our interest. The hotel staff were professional and helpful during all ICD events. The hotel's "Make Me a Chef" session was sensational from the reports of those who attended!

Congratulations to the fifty-nine new Fellows who were inducted as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations in Sydney. It was fitting that so many new Fellows chose to be inducted in Sydney, making it the largest induction in the history of our Section.

Congratulations to our newest Honorary Life Members - Robert Butler of Victoria, Dick Cook AM of Western Australia and Peter Noblet AM of South Australia. This is well deserved recognition for their contributions to our Section over many years.

At the March 2015 Board meeting in Brisbane, the officers of the Australian Board of Regents will change over. As this is the last newsletter during my term of Presidency, I would like to say that it has been a privilege to serve as Section President for the 2013-2015 term. I commend the Section VIII Board of Regents for their dedication to the ideals of the International College of Dentists and wish the incoming officers all the very best for the future of the Australasian Section.

Jackie Robinson, President

Registrar's Report



Vale Fellows

We were sorry to learn of the passing of Fellows John Bergman (VIC), Peter Hooton (NSW), Jules Keiser (NZ), Charles Savage (NSW) and of Past President, Spryos Halikis AM. Our deepest condolences go to their families. There is a memorial tribute to Spryos Halikis AM in this newsletter.

New Fellows Inducted in Sydney

There were 59 new Fellows inducted in Sydney as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations of our Section.

Sue Anderson (WA)	Michael Jonas (NSW)
Kathryn Ayers (NZ)	John Kaidonis (SA)
John Barbat (NSW)	Ben Keith (VIC)
Andrew Barry (NSW)	Kaye Kendall (QLD)
Laurence Bourke (QLD)	Gilbert Labour (QLD)
Malcolm Bourne (NSW)	Lynette Loreck (WA)
Michael Bowler (NSW)	Gary Mack (WA)
Anthony Burges (NSW)	George Manos (SA)
Gordon Burt (VIC)	Andrew McNaught (NSW)
Alfred Calavassy (NSW)	Anthony Naim (NSW)
Heather Cameron (NSW)	Alan Nerwich (NSW)
Arun Chandu (VIC)	William O'Connor (NZ)
Cheryl Chapple (NSW)	John Pearman (NSW)
Martin Cherry (NSW)	Catherine Prineas (NSW)
Fleur Creeper (WA)	Anthony Robertson (VIC)
Ron Czerneckyj (SA)	Nigel Rock (NSW)
Daniel De Angelis (SA)	Michael Schenberg (VIC)
Robert Delcanho (WA)	Juliette Scott (NSW)
Susie Dracopoulos (NSW)	Amelita Simpson (NSW)
Grant Duncan (SA)	Shanti Sivanewaran (NSW)
Ayman Ellakwa (NSW)	Martin Suthers (NSW)
Richard Evans (ACT)	Christine Wallace (NSW)
Daniel Farmer (SA)	Peter Waltham (VIC)
Matthew Fracaro (QLD)	Robert A Watson (NSW)
Pamela Gower (NSW)	Martin Webb (QLD)
Kogulan Gunaratnam (NSW)	Frank Welten (WA)
Martin J Hall (VIC)	Yee Sang Welten (WA)
Nick Hocking (NSW)	Tim Wigmore (TAS)
Howard Holmes (WA)	Sue-Ching Yeoh (WA)
Amanda Johnston (NZ)	

Congratulations to these new Fellows.

New Honorary Life Members

Congratulations to our newest Honorary Life Members - Dr Robert Butler (VIC), Dr Dick Cook AM (WA) and Dr Peter Noblet AM (SA). Honorary Life Membership was conferred in Sydney as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations of our Section.

Dr Robert J Butler became a Fellow of Section VIII in 1990. He served on the Board continuously for 14 years from 1995 to 2008. Initially Rob served as a Regent on the Board. In 1998 he was appointed as Registrar. Subsequently, Rob held the positions of Vice-President, President and Immediate Past President before departing the Board in 2008. During his time on the Board Rob was instrumental in revising the Section ByLaws. He also initiated a timely compilation of the history of Section VIII while early Section VIII Board members were available to give accounts of the early history.

Dr Richard Cook AM became a Fellow of Section VIII in 1990. He served on the Board continuously for 14 years from 2000 to 2013. After serving as Regent, Dick became the Editor of the Section newsletter and served in that capacity for six years. He

subsequently served as President and as Immediate Past President before departing the Board in 2013.

Dr Peter Noblet AM became a Fellow of Section VIII in 1992. He served on the Board for 11 years from 2002 to 2012. After serving as a Regent, Peter took on the role of Treasurer in 2008 and served in that position until he departed the Board in 2012. Peter was instrumental in improving accounting processes and introduced regular audits of ICD accounts. He was influential in driving the Section VIII focus on support for oral health projects in under served areas within our Region.

2014 Queen's Birthday Honours

Congratulations to ICD Section VIII Fellow Colin Twelfree on his well deserved recognition in the 2014 Queen's Birthday Honours.

Honours for Professor Mark Bartold AM

Congratulations to Professor Mark Bartold AM of the University of Adelaide. In May Mark received the IADR Straumann Award for periodontal regenerative medicine. In September he was made a Life Member of the American Academy of Periodontology at the Academy's centenary meeting. Mark is the first Australian to be made a life member of the AAP.

Future Section VIII Inductions

The next Section VIII induction ceremony will be held in Brisbane on the evening of 27 March 2015 at the time of the ADA Congress. Please pencil this date in your diary! Details will be circulated to all members in early January.

Tom Tseng, Registrar

Positions on Board of Regents

Expressions of interest are sought from Fellows for future positions on the Section VIII Board of Regents. If interested, please send an email stating why you wish to serve on the Board and a brief CV to admin@icdsectionviii.org by 22 December 2014.

In Memory of Dr Spyros Halikis AM

It was with deep sorrow that we learned of the passing of Dr Spyros Halikis AM on September 4 at the age of 89. Born in Greece, he emigrated to the USA as a child, studied science at Pennsylvania State University and served in the US Navy in World War II. Spyros migrated to Australia in 1947 and gained his BDS degree from the University of Queensland in 1953.

He served as the ADA WA President 1972 - 1973. As well, he served many years on the ADA Federal Council &, in 1986, became the first WA dentist to be elected Federal President.

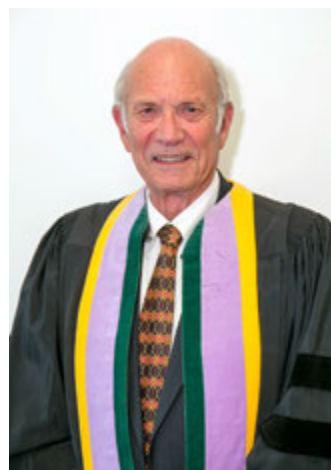
Dr Halikis was a pillar of the Greek community in Western Australia. He helped establish the Hellenic Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (HACCI) in Western Australia and served as the foundation President.

Spyros was inducted into the International College of Dentists in 1980 and was made an Honorary Life Member of ICD in 1996. He served on the Section VIII Board of Regents from 1982 to 1998. During his time on the Board, he served as Regent, as Vice-President, as President and as Past President. Our deepest condolences are given to his wife, Maria and family.



1995 Board of Regents, Australasian Section, ICD
(L to R): Neil Henry AM, Geoff Hall AM, Robert Butler, Spyros Halikis AM (President), William Chalmers, ADA Congress President Dinah Fitzgerald, Don Heffron CBE, Syd Dobbin AM, L Peter Ryan, Tom Speed

International Councilor's Report



The International Council of ICD held its 2014 annual meeting in Sydney on October 24-25 as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations of Section VIII (Australasia). Dr Joseph Kenneally presided as International President Elect, with apologies received from President Dr Woong Yang of Korea. Representatives

from 13 of the 15 current Sections of ICD, representing more than 120 countries, were in attendance.



**Council Executive Meeting
Section VIII Board Meeting, October 23**



Council Executive: Dr Joseph Kenneally (USA), President Elect; Prof Phillip Dowell (UK), Vice-President; Dr Clive Ross CNZM (New Zealand), Treasurer; Dr Dov Sydney (Israel), Editor/Director of Communications; Dr Jack Hinterman (USA), Secretary-General

The three days of Council events began on Thursday morning, October 23 with a meeting of the Council Executive. Following the Executive meeting, the Section VIII Board joined the Council Executive members for lunch. The members of the Executive then joined the Section VIII Board meeting for discussions. Dov Sydney outlined the results of the latest survey of Fellows on “connectivity” conducted by the Council Office. More than 1000 Fellows responded to the survey with the highest percentage of responses per Section coming from Section VIII (33% of our Fellows responded).

Jack Hinterman described changes in the College over the past five years, plans for a web based directory of Fellows, an educational initiative on infection control and issues with ICD development in Africa. Jack noted the need for ICD to present “one face to the world” while respecting diversity across Sections.

Joe Kenneally commented, on the Section 8 draft strategic plan and strategic planning at Council level. Phillip Dowell shared information about the ICD Global Visionary Fund and ideas about evidence based allocation of funding for humanitarian projects.

Council Executive, Board members and partners enjoyed dinner together on Thursday evening at Sails Restaurant, McMahon’s Point.

Council Meeting, October 24-25

Section VIII Immediate Past President, Dr David Thomson (QLD), was invited to act as speaker for the Council meeting. This was the first Council meeting at which there was a speaker and David added significantly to the efficient running of the meeting.

The 2014 Council meeting included a Council strategic planning session on Saturday morning. Strategic focus for the Council is on global growth, including new Sections/Regions in countries not currently represented; humanitarian service; Fellowship value; financial sustainability achieve goals; and global communication.



Strategic Planning Session facilitated by Susan Forrester of

The diversity of issues and challenges across Sections was evident throughout the discussions. Initiatives of particular importance to the College at this time include the web based database project, the Global Visionary Fund, a proposed OSAP collaboration (education on infection control) and Diamond Sponsorships.

Election of Council Executive

At the conclusion of the Council meeting, the newly elected Council Executive members were announced and sworn into office:

President	Dr Joseph Kenneally (USA)
President Elect	Prof Phillip Dowell (UK)
Vice-President	Dr Rajesh Chandna (India)
Treasurer	Dr Richard Smith (USA)
Editor	Dr Dov Sydney (Israel),

Dr Jack Hinterman (USA) continues in his four year term as Secretary-General.



Council Executive

(L-R): Jack Hinterman, Dov Sydney, Joseph Kenneally, Phillip Dowell, Rajesh Chandna, Richard Smith



Speaker David Thomson presents the gavel of office to incoming President, Joseph Kenneally

During the two days of Council meetings, partners of Councilors enjoyed a number of tours arranged for them - a Blue Mountains day tour, a harbour cruise and a half day city tour. The Section VIII Board hosted a Welcome Reception for Councilors and their partners on the evening of Friday, October 24 at the Waterfront Restaurant, The Rocks.



**Welcome Reception for International Councilors
The Waterfront Restaurant, The Rocks**

The Council Executive expressed appreciation to the Section VIII Board for the organisation of the 2014 Council meeting and the Section VIII 50th anniversary events in Sydney.

2015 International Council Meeting

The 2015 Council meeting will be held in Dublin, Ireland, 7 - 11 October 2015. The European Section will celebrate its 60th anniversary at that time. Visit www.icd2015.ie for more information.

Clive Ross CNZM, International Councilor

PROJECT SUPPORT

Project Grants Supported by Our Section

Our Fellows continue to generously support oral health projects in under served communities within our region by making donations with their membership renewals. Fellows donated almost \$12,000 towards oral health projects with their 2013 membership renewals. As at mid-October, with their 2014 membership renewals, Fellows have donated a total of \$6,950! This could be our biggest year yet for donations!

Section VIII supports the following projects:

- Kimberley Dental Team (John Owen)
- Community Outreach Dental Program (University of Adelaide)
- Smiles for the Pacific Dental Program in Fiji (Jonathan Cole)
- ADRF (Ian Myers)
- NZDRF (John Boyens)
- Oral Health Projects in Cambodia (Callum Durward)
- School Oral Health Demonstration Project in Timor Leste (Callum Durward)

- Nepal Thattendande Village School Program (Sandra Meihubers)
- Vietnam Long Tan Preschool Children & Oral Health Education (Colin Twelftree)
- M'Lop Patang Program in Cambodia (Petrina Bowden)

Recipients of the Section Project funding support have provided reports on their 2014 activities.

PROJECT REPORTS

Kimberley Dental Team 2014 Update



With three Kimberley trips in 2014 now completed the service delivery to remote communities this year has been amazing.

We have recently purchased an Isuzu ex Queensland Government Dental Truck, which needs refurbishing, and the necessary stock and equipment dedicated to KDT Southern and have resumed visits to Uniting care West's Tranby Homelessness Service and Tuart Place in Fremantle. KDT is currently speaking with disadvantaged Youth services to see how we can provide a service to these young people

The August 2014 trip saw us visiting towns and communities right across the Kimberley and providing a very high level of dental care to 376 people.

In August, the Kimberley Dental Team provided oral health education and dental services for 376 people, with a total of 1,602 ADA itemised services.

In 2015, KDT teams will focus mainly on children, providing the 2 yearly school visits and ensuring freedom from dental disease in as many children in the region as possible. The majority of visits will be in May and in June with the possibility of a short trip in August.

Jan and John Owen
Kimberley Dental Team
www.kimberleydentalteam.com

Our congratulations to Jan and John who have received the Rotary International award of being named Paul Harris Fellows in recognition of outstanding commitment to the community.

Adelaide Community Outreach Dental Program

We are now entering our 4th year of service to the community and finding that the demand for our services are ever increasing with the external pressures on both long term Australian residents and our new arrivals.

Dental and Oral Health Students attending the clinic are acquiring new knowledge about the diverse nature of many different cultures and the common needs of all people regarding access to appropriate and accessible dental care. This has also opened opportunities for research for Honours projects and Oral health electives for both cohorts of students.

In addition to our connections to the day centres and homeless shelters our relationships are extending further with the Red Cross and Uniting Communities as their commitment and advocacy to asylum seekers increases. The second annual sleep-out for Homelessness and support for our clinic, was hosted by our student body (AUDSS) displaying the commitment our students have for the CODP.



We will again attend the Homeless connect expo which continues to increase our access to the most marginalised in our community. This annual expo enables us to meet and connect with other service providers in this sector and also the recipients of care.

Grants such as ICD are valuable to us as we see the expansion of services, good research and education opportunities as paramount for sustainable futures.

Again my gratitude,

Margie Steffens,
Manager Community Outreach Dental Program

Smiles For The Pacific Dental Project



Dr Kalyan and Dr Joan Lai Chief Dental Officer FIJI

On September 1 2014, the team from Smiles for the Pacific (SFTP) opened the volunteer clinic in Lautoka Hospital FIJI with a lovo dinner outside feeding 120 guests. After 2 years of planning the clinic was commissioned by Dr Brian Whitley oral and maxilla facial surgeon.

We intend to have dental volunteers coming to Lautoka about twice a month to the treatment and training centre. The accent is on imparting knowledge and raising awareness of alternative treatment regimes for the oral health community of Western Fiji, which tends to miss out with most of the action occurring on the eastern side in Suva.

The political instability over the last 25 years has meant that some services in the dental field are not ideal and too many teeth tend to be removed rather than saved and we hope to contribute to a paradigm shift in this area.

We have a large group of specialist and generalists who are willing to spend a week or ten days in Lautoka treating and training. The operatory in rooms kindly made available by the Ministry of Health Fiji with whom we have an agreement, has sufficient room for training about 6-8 dental personnel.

We would like to acknowledge the help from the NZ dental industry with setting up this clinic and also the ICD for a financial contribution.

Our website is www.smilespacific.co.nz
Jonathan Cole SFTP chairman
jcole@xtra.co.nz

Dental Care in Tonga and Vanuatu

A caries survey of 6 and 12 to children in Tonga has been conducted over the past 15 years. The statistics were analyzed by team member A/Prof. Matthew

Hopcraft. Results confirm the effectiveness of a preventive dentistry program introduced progressively into all Tongan primary schools. The DMFT of 12 year olds reduced from 3.1 to approx. 1.5 over the period, and 6 y o (arriving at school prior to the prevention program) remained fairly static at approx 6.5. Prof. Hopcraft and Dr David Goldsmith also lectured at a 2 day WHO sponsored dental caries workshop at the Tongan National Hospital in Nuku'alofa attended by all the dental staff in Tonga.

Many thanks to ICD for providing 120 WHO ball ended probes for the study which was carried out to current WHO criteria. These probes are available for use by ICD members.



An ex DHSV Dental Van has been sent to Vanuatu to provide a free mobile dental service to villagers on the island of Efate who have no access to dental treatment. With Rotary support, ICD Fellow David Goldsmith stocked and shipped the van to Vanuatu in 2013, and he has worked in the van in March and October this year. Dentists from a private practice in Port Vila use the van on a monthly basis and it is also available for ICD volunteers to use. Thanks to the ICD for providing an excellent petrol generator which allows the van to be used independently on any part of the island.

David Goldsmith

ADRF Community Oral Health Award

The "mum & child oral health project" is a population-based case control study examining maternal and perinatal factors associated with early childhood caries. The specific aims are to (1) determine if maternal demographic, economic, psychosocial and behavioural factors during pregnancy are associated with oral health outcomes of their offspring, (2) examine the association between perinatal factors and early childhood caries, and (3) determine if breastfeeding on its own or through interactions with perinatal factors is protective of early childhood caries.

The study will be carried out among children aged two to four selected from a population-based sample of child care centres in the Adelaide metro and inner regional area. The aims will be achieved by gathering information through a standardised oral epidemiological examination and a parental questionnaire of all participating children. The efficiency of the proposed design will allow for assessment and comparison of maternal and perinatal factors between children suffering from negative oral health outcomes, in particular early childhood caries, and those without negative oral health outcomes. The initial findings of this study will then inform the need and feasibility of a more complex study design.

The first stage of the project consists in selecting child centres from a sampling frame. The second stage of the project consists in inviting parents and children to participate in the project. The third and final stage includes analysis of the data and reporting back to the community. A written summary of the findings will be made available to participating centres and the Department for Child Education and Development. Results of the project will be presented to the scientific community through presentations in conferences/meetings and manuscripts expected to be published in scientific journals.

Gloria Mejia

Cambodia and Timor Lesta One-2-One



Section VIII is supporting the “Cambodia Smile” program over the next three years. The aim is to carry out a demonstration project in collaboration with the MOH and One-2-One Cambodia (a local NGO), to address the rampant Early Childhood Caries problem which exists in all provinces of Cambodia (the national mean dmft at age 6 is 9.0). Ethics approval for the project has been obtained. Interventions will involve integrating the vaccination visits of young children with dental health education (by nurses and midwives) and topical fluoride applications. Children and their families

will be provided with toothbrushes and toothpaste.

In Timor Leste, ICD funds are being used to support the establishment of a demonstration school dental service, to run alongside the Colgate Bright Smiles Bright Futures program. GIC sealants, silver diamine fluoride (for primary tooth caries), and ART restorations will be included. The NGO One-2-One Timor Leste (an international NGO) is working with Dili University and the MOH on this project. Dili University has started a course to train dental therapy students for the first time – and other students have been sent to Indonesia for training. One-2-One is helping with the local training of students. This will generate the future workforce for a school dental service all over the country. The Director of One-2-One in Timor Leste, Dr Fernando Jong, has received some of his dental training in Australia, and is leading this project.

The ICD contribution to the ongoing work in Cambodia and Timor Leste has been invaluable.

Callum Durward

AustBangla Care for Dental - A New Volunteer Dental Program in Bangladesh



Bangladesh is a country with a population of approximately 160 million people, and more than 3700 registered dentists with an average of one dentist per 43,243 people. Rural villagers and urban slum dwellers struggle to access dental care.

Drs Nahid Sayma and Sandra Meihubers have been working with partners and communities in Bangladesh to develop a primary care dental program. Dr Sayma has a dental practice in Sydney and is keen to provide dental support to those in need in her homeland, building on her extensive support network in Bangladesh. After a preliminary visit in 2013, in August 2014 the dentists travelled to Bangladesh to establish the program AustBangla Care for Dental

(ABCD) which had been registered with the Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) as an overseas volunteer program. The implementing partner in Bangladesh is the NGO Forum for Public Health (NGOF) which has been running sanitation and water quality programs throughout the country since 1982 and is keen to support an oral health program.

This approach can be seen as a continuation of the teeth and toilets program model in Nepal. The ABCD program will work in locations where the NGOF has existing sanitation projects, to build on their networks and enhance their existing programs.

Working with a local team of young dentists and their mentor, a total of 677 people received dental examinations and treatment in three dental camps: one in a slum area in Dhaka and two in rural locations. The dental camps focused on school children and their families.

Continuing on from this establishment stage, the program will establish school based toothbrushing and hygiene programs in the slum schools, with regular dental and hygiene instruction camps. Local dental and NGO personnel will be in charge, with overseas volunteer teams providing extra resources once or twice per year, to deliver rural outreach dental care.

Once again we express great gratitude to the International College of Dentists for the generous support of this program.

Sandra Meihubers

Vietnam Pre-School and Oral Health Education Program Report

I am pleased to report that this program continues to contribute to the Oral Health of the children and villagers of Long Tan as we have been doing for the last few years. One innovation this year has been the purchase of portable dental equipment financed by our College. This portable equipment has enabled us to travel to the schools to treat the children there rather than transport them to the clinic. This has proved much more efficient and certainly better for the staff of the schools.

Teams have visited Vietnam in January, February, April, May and August this year for one week each. Further trips are planned in October and I will be returning with another team in January. It may be of some interest to Fellows to note that Dr Helen Mc-

Lean led the last trip and she was accompanied by her son, Dr Edward Pitts, who was able to do the real dental work that was beyond the capabilities of us mere orthodontists.



The latest team working with the new equipment

We have also been asked to contribute to an English education program for general nurses during our visits and this will be an added benefit for the people. One reason for this English training is to increase the number of interpreters that will be available for us and English speaking tourists who need treatment while holidaying in Vietnam. The dental personal in the area are very keen to learn from us and this will enable us to maximise our efficiencies and perhaps encourage our approach to prevention to be continued between our visits.

Colin Twelftree OAM

Growth of the M'Lop Tapang Dental Program



The first world, best practice infection control and increasing equipment have resulted in many NGO charities in the region requesting dental treatments in this dental clinic hence expanding the number of children seeking dental treatment. We are able to provide more comprehensive treatments than other outreach dental programs.

In 2014 we had some unexpected equipment expenses when the compressor required replacement. It was purchased primarily with ICD funding. This allowed the clinic to continue treatment rather than close until funding could be raised. Some previous

Australian final year dental student volunteers whom ICD subsidized are returning to M'Lop Tapang as fully qualified volunteer dentists, proving the student program is worth continuing. We are looking forward to our first dental therapist volunteer later this year.

With the increasing numbers of volunteers we have developed dental treatment guidelines. Prioritizing pain treatment and providing some perceived advantage to their visit is essential.

This charity helps many people in the Sihanoukville region. Oral hygiene is a constant challenge in the outreach communities and has become part of the Medical outreach program. There are also young adults who attend the vocational training centers offering older girls and boys the opportunity to train in sewing, cookery/hospitality, and silk screen printing, welding, electrics and wiring, and motor repair. M'Lop Tapang then actively helps them to find fair ethical employment. Their dental health and appearance can improve their employment prospects especially in the growing hospitality industry.

The improved clinical conditions have increased the restorative and preventative procedures performed compared with earlier acute emergency treatments. We have extended the dental services we provide to include any family members of any children under the care of M'Lop Tapang.

The ICD has allowed a networking of NGO dental charities to evolve. We are starting to develop a more coordinated approach to dental volunteers in Cambodia. We still rely on volunteers to provide this much needed treatment.

Petrina Bowden

Maubara Outreach Program - Timor Leste

Timor Leste, formerly East Timor, is the eastern half of the Island of Timor, located 550 kilometres north west of Darwin. Its area is similar to that of Fiji. Timor Leste became independent in May 2002 after four hundred years as a Portugese colony and twenty five years of Indonesian occupation.

The Timor Leste Dental Program was founded in June 2003, when ICD Fellows Sandra Meihubers and David Sheen were invited by the Carmelite Sisters to set up a dental clinic in their health centre in Maubara, on Timor Leste's north coast. The rural location and the

provision of a dedicated space for a dental surgery made this an ideal base for a program aimed at assisting the largely rural Timorese population who have no way of accessing services in Dili, the capital city.

We work in close partnership with the Carmelite Sisters in Maubara, who provide coordination, translation, and accommodation for four to six volunteer dental teams per year. Our Timorese Program Coordinator is Sister Filomena da Costa, who has been with the program since its inception. Since 2010, we have also gained a new partner, the Jesuit Mission in Railaco. Our teams have worked with Father Bong and Sister Rita many times over the past decade and have found inspiration in their dedication to the people in their densely populated area.



The Timor Leste Dental Program is dedicated to supporting the East Timorese people's struggle to become self-reliant. Since 2003 we have worked cooperatively with the Lions Timor Leste Dental Program, coordinated by ICD Fellow Dr Terry Yuen from Adelaide. We have shared a Toyota Troop Carrier 4WD vehicle, essential for our outreach work.

Our Program Coordinator is Dr Blanche Tsetong who works closely with our local partners and the Rotary Liason Officer in Dili, Daryl Mills, who has assisted our program enormously for many years. Our work program and work locations are determined by Sister Filomena and Father Bong who consult with local health and school authorities.

Although relieving suffering and providing restorative work are important parts of our work, a sustainable dental solution requires a focus on prevention and continuity. Hence our most important task is to provide support for the local dental nurses (called oral health therapists in Australia) by way of training, mentoring and provision of essential equipment and materials. All our volunteers self-fund their trip,

each team of 3 to 4 volunteers staying for two weeks. To date we have had more than 46 volunteers from Sydney, country NSW, Victoria, Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory many of whom have returned several times.

Thanks to a generous contribution from the International College of Dentists, Australasian Division, the Chatswood Rotary Club in Sydney and many other supporters we have this year been able to replace our worn out vehicle with a much newer Toyota 4WD vehicle, and replace essential dental equipment.

It is anticipated that a greater role assisting the Timor Leste Ministry of Health in training and mentoring new dental nurses will be required in the coming years. Our cooperation with and support of our Timorese partners, the Ministry of Health, and other NGO's will continue for as long as we are needed.

Dr Blanche Tsetong, Program Coordinator
Dr David Sheen



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ICD 50th Anniversary Celebrations Induction Ceremony & Dinner Saturday, October 25

The Australasian Section of the International College of Dentists (ICD) was officially inaugurated at the ADA Congress in Perth in May 1964. As all Fellows know, the Section celebrated its 50th anniversary in Sydney in October.

The 50th anniversary celebrations culminated with an induction ceremony and gala dinner held in the grand ballroom of the Shangri-La Hotel on Saturday evening, October 25. There were more than 300 Fellows and guests in attendance. Fellows from New Zealand, from every state and territory in Australia and from Singapore travelled to Sydney for the occasion. We were also honoured to have many representatives from the International Council with us on the evening.



Grand ballroom, Shangri-La Hotel

The evening began with pre-dinner drinks and canapés. It was evident as Fellows and guests started arriving that a highlight of the evening would be catching up with friends, colleagues and international guests.





Apologies for the evening were received from the Section Immediate Past President, David Thomson and from the Immediate Past President of ICD, Woong Yang of Korea.

Following the pre-dinner drinks, the formal part of the evening began. The Section VIII President, Dr Jackie Robinson, welcomed everyone and noted the broad spectrum represented by those in attendance, from The Honorable Dr Derek Freeman who was inducted in 1964 at the first Section VIII induction ceremony in Perth to invited young dentists from New Zealand and Australia.



The President's welcome featured a number of special guests in the audience. Before Section VIII was officially inaugurated as an autonomous Section in 1964, Australian and New Zealand Fellows played a significant role in the College. Australia and New Zealand sat in Section 29. There were two long serving Australian Fellows as Regents of Section 29: Gilbert Henderson and Alan Grainger. Alan Grainger later served as the inaugural President of Section VIII. Alan's nephew, Jim Grainger, is a current Fellow from New South Wales and was in attendance at the dinner.



Jim Grainger, Tony McLaughlan, Tom Tseng, Phil Crocker

Present also were two Fellows who have been Section VIII Fellows for more than 40 years (since the early 70s) - Bernard Lilienthal and Peter Barnard. But the longest serving Fellow of our Section at the dinner was The Honorable Dr Derek Freeman who, as noted above, was one of the Fellows inducted in 1964 in Perth at the first induction ceremony of Section VIII. Derek then became a member of the first Board of Regents formed for Section VIII in 1971. He served on the Board for 14 years until 1985 and was Section President from 1978 to 1982. Derek is now - very appropriately - an Honorary Life Member of Section VIII.



Derek Freeman AM



Peter Barnard AM

Other Honorary Life Members at the dinner were Tom Speed from New Zealand and Peter Ryan AM from Queensland.



Rick Sawers, Nonie Hall, Tom Speed

Apologies were received from Honorary Life Member, Dr Syd Dobbin AM. In addition to being an Honorary Life Member, Syd is currently the only Master (MICD) in Section VIII. In the 50 year history of Section VIII, we have had four Masters in our Section - Richard Setright, Gordon Rowell, Syd Dobbin and Geoff Hall. Sadly Geoff Hall passed away last year. We were very pleased that Nonie Hall came from Adelaide to be part of our 50th anniversary celebrations.

A number of Presidents were in attendance at the dinner. Firstly, the ICD International President, Joseph Kenneally of the USA was present. Two of our Section Past Presidents, Rob Butler from Victoria and Dick Cook from Western Australia; John Boyens, President of the NZDA; Karin Alexander, President of the ADA and Deb Cockrell, President of ADA NSW. The CEOs of both the ADA and NZDA attended the dinner - Robert Boyd-Boland and David Crum, who of course is also one of our Board members.



Karin Alexander, Robert Grima, Rob Butler



Deb Cockrell, Michael Buchanan, Michael Bowler

We also warmly welcomed Gordon Anderson of Henry Schein-Halas to the dinner. Henry Schein-Halas is a Diamond Sponsor of the International College of Dentists. Diamond sponsorships have enabled the Council Office to enhance communications across the globe with all Fellows over the past few years.

Special mention was made of the number of project leaders at the dinner - Petrina Bowden, David Goldsmith, Sandra Meihubers, our Treasurer John Owen, David Sheen, Graham Toulmin and Colin Twelfree. They inspire us with their commitment and leadership in striving to improve oral health in under served communities. Their stories are shared through our

Section VIII newsletters thanks to our Editor, Jenny Smyth and are shared with Fellows throughout the world thanks to the Editor of The Globe, Dov Sydney.



Sandra Meihubers & John Cooney AM

Importantly, at the dinner were a number of young dentists from New Zealand and from across Australia who represent the future of our Section as well as the future of our profession. These young leaders were also invited to attend a special forum on Sunday, October 26. There is a separate article in this newsletter about the Young Leaders Program.



Following the President's welcome, the International President, Dr Joseph Kenneally, addressed the audience. He congratulated Section VIII on its 50th anniversary and commended the Section on its leadership and commitment to humanitarian projects. Dr Kenneally highlighted some of the projects led by Fellows of Section VIII. He also welcomed and congratulated the new Fellows being inducted. Joe later presented Jackie with a commemorative poster of the Section VIII 50th anniversary and made smaller versions of the poster available to all Fellows in attendance. He also presented the new ICD flag to the Section.



50th Anniversary gift from the International Council

The Section VIII Registrar, Dr Tom Tseng, conducted the induction ceremony. 59 new Fellows chose to be inducted at the time of the 50th anniversary celebrations, which made this the largest induction ceremony in the history of the Section. The names of the 59 new Fellows inducted are given in the Registrar's report in this newsletter.



Registrar, Dr Tom Tseng



New Fellow, Dr Katie Ayers, New Zealand

The Section VIII International Councilor, Dr Clive Ross CNZM, concluded the induction ceremony by awarding Honorary Life Membership to Rob Butler of Victoria and Dick Cook AM of Western Australia in recognition of their long years of service on the Section VIII Board. Dr Peter Noblet AM was also awarded Honorary Life Membership but was not able to attend the dinner.



Honorary Life Member, Robert Butler



Honorary Life Member, Dick Cook AM

Dinner commenced with a toast to Section VIII by ICD Secretary-General, Dr Jack Hinterman.



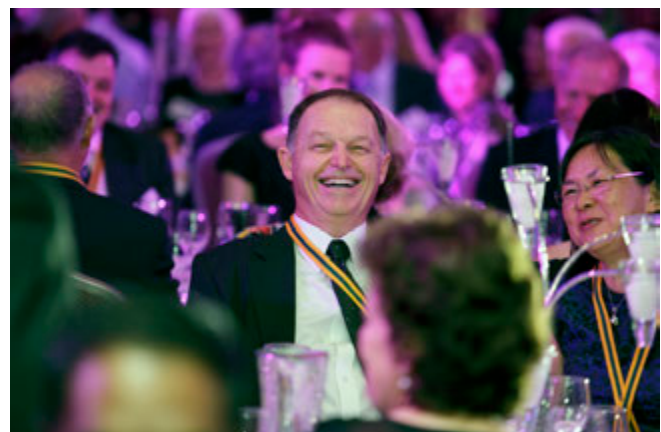
ICD Secretary-General, Dr Jack Hinterman

Dinner entertainment was provided by The Three Waiters who were a big hit with the audience!





The evening concluded with dancing to the vocals of the Sassy Sisters and lots more catching up.





More photos of the 50th anniversary celebrations can be found on the Section VIII website: (<http://www.icdsectionviii.org>). If you have any photos to share, please contact the Admin Officer, Dr Ron Robinson: (admin@icdsectionviii.org).



ICD YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAM

As part of the 50th anniversary events held in Sydney, Section VIII of ICD hosted a Young Leaders Program at the Shangri-La Hotel on Sunday morning, October 26. Section VIII Board members, David Crum and Clive Ross CNZM of New Zealand, initiated and organised the program. The aim of the program was to guide Section VIII in fostering leadership for the future of the dental profession in our region. Information from the session will be incorporated into the Section VIII strategic plan.

The session was attended by invited young dentists from New Zealand and Australia who were sponsored by the New Zealand Dental Association and the Australian Dental Association. Also in attendance were ICD Board members and Councilors and NZDA and ADA Executive members as listed below.

- **Australian Young Dentists:** Dominic Aouad (NSW), Sean Archibald (WA), Noorhan Ayad (QLD), Jonathan Christo (SA), Alastair Farmer (VIC), Audrey Irish (President, Australian Dental Students Association), Leighton Phu (VIC), Nomikos Rakkas (NT)
- **New Zealand Young Dentists:** Katie Ayers, Ellen Johnson, Jonathan Broadbent, Jacob Grieve, Erin Mahoney
- **ICD Section VIII Board:** David Crum, John Owen AM, Jackie Robinson, Ron Robinson, Clive Ross CNZM, Rick Sawers, Jenny Smyth AM, Tom Tseng, Keith Watkins
- **ICD Councilors/Executive:** Christine Benoit (USA), Donna Brode (Canada), Jim Conrardy (USA), Phillip Dowell (UK), Cedric Haddad (Lebanon), Linda Himmelberger (USA), Jack Hinterman (USA), Joseph Kenneally (USA), Frans Kroon (Netherlands), Argirios Pissiotis (Greece), Clive Ross CNZM (New Zealand), Richard Smith (USA), Dov Sydney (Israel), Ying-Kwei Tseng (Taipei)
- **ADA:** Karin Alexander, Deb Cockrell, Shane Fryer, Hugo Sachs
- **NZDA:** John Boyens, David Crum, Susan Gorrie, Bill O'Connor, Amanda Johnston

Journalist, Julie McCrossin, facilitated the session which was designed to be highly interactive with emphasis on hearing what the young dentists had to tell us. Brief presentations, aimed at stimulating discussion, were given by members of the ICD Council Executive:

- Prof Phillip Dowell, ICD President Elect: *There Are No Perfect Leaders*
- Dr Jack Hinterman, ICD Secretary General: *Young Leaders Need Encouraging and Resourcing. The Future of Our Profession Relies on Them*
- Dr Dov Sydney, ICD Editor & Director of Communications: *Leadership Involves Communication That is More than Directing Others*



What Our Young Leaders Told Us

It was encouraging to hear the young leaders at the session express the ideals of our profession. They are motivated to be dentists in order to help people and to work in a profession using technology and their hands. Some of them were influenced to become dentists through dental experiences earlier in life. They are idealistic and want to stay that way. They want to make a difference and they have a holistic view of patient care. They seek a variety of work within the profession which is personally satisfying. The young leaders want to be heard within the profession and want outcomes from professional discussions in which they are involved.



Although the new generation of dentists reflect more ethnic diversity and gender balance compared to previous cohorts of dentists, the young dentists emphasised the common ground of all being dentists.

They recognise the challenges of time constraints in achieving a happy work/life balance, but are confident they will manage given flexible work hours, the use of new technology, support from family and shared responsibility with partners for child care. Income levels from dentistry allow employment of help for home duties and childcare responsibilities.



There is recognition that working part-time may limit career advancement in some work environments. The young dentists are aware of the commercial environment which confronts new graduates. Marketing may attract young dentists to corporate or entrepreneurial environments. Young dentists look to their professional organisations to promote professionalism in all types of dental practices.

The young dentists said that they view themselves as health care providers first and as businessmen/women secondly. They are aware of the financial pressures that may be placed on them, particularly in areas where employment choices are limited due to over supply of dental professionals. The young dentists said that they view themselves as health care providers first and as businessmen/women secondly. They are aware of the financial pressures that may be placed on them, particularly in areas where employment choices are limited due to over supply of dental professionals.

The young leaders seek meaningful mentoring. They respect what more experienced dentists may have to teach them. Although they can access information easily through the internet and social media, the personal interaction with a mentor is more powerful. They want mentors who recognise the difference between guiding and advising versus “telling”. There is a need for female role models within the profession as well as male role models to inspire young dentists.

Meaningful volunteer opportunities are of interest. The young dentists are willing and enthusiastic, but

they do not want to merely be seen as “do gooders”. They want results from their efforts.



Young dentists have no awareness or knowledge of the International College of Dentists. Understanding of dental organisations such as the NZDA and ADA is limited and often inaccurate unless the young dentists are directly involved with the organisations. The ADA and NZDA are often perceived as existing to protect private dental practice. The advantages of joining the NZDA are seen to include reduced insurance premium, availability of professional resources and informal mentoring with experienced dentists who are not their employers. Young dentists may find it difficult to know how to get involved with the ADA or NZDA.

The NZDA has an active plan to identify and engage a limited number of young dentists. The NZDA President, Dr John Boyens, outlined the NZDA young dentists strategy for those in attendance. The NZDA has employed a Membership Services Manager who is specifically charged with engaging dental students and new dental graduates. All dental students are NZDA members. Each year the NZDA conducts a two day program for final year dental students. The content of the program is based on a survey of final year dental students asking what they would like the program to cover. The NZDA identifies “Outstanding Young Dentists” who serve in that capacity for two year terms and have specific responsibilities.

The young dentists who have been given the opportunity for involvement with the NZDA have a better understanding of the NZDA and are advocates for the organisation. They find it a challenge to engage other young dentists to become more involved in leadership within the profession.

Clearly the younger dentists use different means of communication characteristic of their generation, ie,

Facebook and Twitter. Photos were posted within minutes of the program closing!

Following the session, robust discussion continued over lunch in Cafe Mix at the Shangri-La Hotel.

ICD Strategy

The Section VIII Board will continue its strategic planning at its Board meeting in Brisbane in March 2015. If Section VIII of the International College of Dentists wishes to engage and influence the future leaders of the dental profession in our region, we need to fully reflect on the information given us by the young dentists at the recent ICD Young Leaders Program. Key questions we need to ask ourselves are:

- What is the role we wish ICD to play in developing young leaders within our profession?
- How do we create meaningful engagement of young dentists with ICD?
- How can ICD Fellows effectively assist with development of young dentists in our region?

Fellows who wish to give feedback about this article, may email the Administrative Officer, Dr Ron Robinson, at admin@sectionviii.org or email a Board member. We would like to hear your thoughts!

Jackie Robinson, President

Young Dentist's Perspective on the ICD Young Leaders Program

The 50th Anniversary of the Australasian section of the ICD took place in Sydney, the last weekend of October. The college welcomed young dentists to join in the weekend celebrations, which included a workshop designed to stimulate interest and ideas to help guide the ICD, Australian Dental Association (ADA) and New Zealand Dental Association (NZDA) in fostering leadership for the future of the dental profession. A group of young dentists were invited to attend, five New Zealanders and eight Australians, along with representatives from the ADA, NZDA, the ICD International Council and the ICD Board from the Australasian Section.

Julie McCrossin, a highly talented entertaining presenter, facilitated the session. She kept the session informal with constant feedback and mini-interviews with attendees. Keynote speakers Professor Phillip Dowell, Dr Jack Hinterman and Dr Dov Sydney drew attention to topics such as leadership and communication.

The main themes that were drawn from the session were outlining the differences in the younger generation of dentists making up the workforce, in comparison with the past. There are more females graduating, and it is becoming a more multicultural profession in Australasia. There are more graduating dentists than ever before which has led to different contributing stressors, such as workforce concerns. The change in modes of communication and how to reach young members as opposed to their more senior counterparts has also changed with the introduction of social media.

Practical steps to foster young leaders in the profession for the ICD, NZDA and ADA were established by brainstorming on sheets of paper around the walls. The idea of mentorship programmes encouraging young dentists to participate through social media was considered. Identification of young leaders through awards and giving incentives such as visiting youth conferences along with the inclusion of young representative on task forces will encourage young leaders to choose to step up in the profession. Stepladder approaches with flexible options were also discussed. Providing workshops or conferences to foster youth development in large groups was also considered.

Overall the workshop was a highly stimulating successful event and provided the basis for today's leaders to help foster and grow the development of tomorrow's leaders.

Ellen Johnson, New Zealand
Outstanding Young Dentist Recipient 2013

Honorary Fellows of Section VIII

The Board may confer Honorary Fellowship upon an individual (not necessarily a dentist) who has rendered conspicuous service to the cause of dental science, has contributed to the promotion of the dental profession or has otherwise significantly advanced the dental profession within the Section.

During the 50 years of Section VIII, Honorary Fellowship has been awarded to only six individuals. The first was Sir Asher Joel in 1975. The second was Martin Halas in 1990. There are currently four Honorary Fellows of Section VIII: John Harrington (1995), Peter Lazar AM (2003), Eric Reynolds AO (2008) and Laynesh Gebrehiwot (2013). We were very pleased to have Peter Lazar AM join in the 50th anniversary celebrations in Sydney.

ICD History in the Making

Dr Antonia Scott of New South Wales was inducted into the Australasian Section of the International College of Dentists in 2011. Her daughter, Dr Juliette Scott, was inducted into ICD in Sydney on October 25 as part of the 50th anniversary of the Australasian Section. They are the first mother and daughter Fellows within the Australasian Section of ICD.

Both are graduates of the University of Sydney. Antonia is Head of Discipline, DentoMaxilloFacial Radiology on the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Sydney. Juliette is a Paediatric Dentist in Crows Nest, New South Wales.

There have been a number of father and son Fellows in the Section through the years. The most recent was Andrew Thomson (QLD) who was inducted in 2013. Andrew is the son of Fellow David Thomson (QLD).



Team Robinson

The Board would like to congratulate President Jackie, ably supported by Administrative Officer Ron, for the tremendous amount of work that they did to organize such an outstanding meeting. The International Council Meetings and the gala dinner ran like clockwork. Participants ran out of superlatives in expressing how much they had enjoyed the events.

It was Jackie's vision and determination to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Australasian Section in style that led to such a successful inauguration of new Fellows and recognition of service to the Section. This was followed by a memorable gala dinner. A mixture of ceremony followed by stunning entertainment and fun!

Thank you from all of us.
Jenny Smyth