

ICD MIDDLE EAST SECTION NEWSLETTER

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Report on 2010 Section Meeting Upcoming 2011 Section Meeting: Riyadh, KSA October 18 District Activities

Report on Section Meeting December 3 and 4, 2010

This year's Section Meeting was held in Beirut at the Riviera Hotel in the presence of the College's President-at-Large Dr Manfred Seidemann.

On December 3rd, the Board of Regents met to discuss Section policy and to plan for further development, including the modification of the Section's By-Laws to be compatible with those of the College. The meeting was followed by an orientation program for new fellows and an induction ceremony with the participation of President Seidemann who delivered the Induction message. Ten colleagues received the honor of fellowship in the College:

From the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Reem Al Banyan, Nasir Al Hamlan,Fahed Al Harbi

From theUnited Arab Emirates: Munir Silwadi

From Oman: Shylesh K.R.

From Lebanon: Roula Haddad Chidiac, Abdallah Dawalibi, Felipe Rezk,

Hani A. Salam, Carina Muhanna Zougheib The evening ended with a banquet which was well attended.

On December 4th, the Section had its full day continuing education program which had as a theme: "**Management of the Dental Problems for the Ageing Population**"

The guest speaker at the meeting was Dr Frauke Muller gerodontology professor and chairperson of removable prosthodontics at the University of Geneva. The other 14 lecturers were fellows of the College from Saudi Arabia and Lebanon. Nearly 150 dentists attended the scientific program. In Memoriam

Dr Levon Karjian



Levon Karjian March 27, 1920- January 8, 2011

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

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



Section Officers and Inductees: seated from left: Regent Al Ehaideb, President Elect Bacho, President Seidemann, Section President Sabri, Section Vice President Talic, Registrar AbouJaoude, Regent Sacy Standing from left: Shylesh K.R., Fahd Al Harbi, Nasir Hamlan, Reem Al Banyan, Munir

Silwady, Abdallah Dawalibi, Carina Mouhanna Zougheib, Roula Haddad Chidiac, Felipe Rezk, Hani Salam

2011 Section Meeting Announcement Mariott Hotel, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia "New Era in Dental Specialties"

This year's Section Meeting will take place on October 18 from 1 to 5PM, and will consists of a half day Scientific Program which will be followed by an induction ceremony at 18:00 and a Gala Dinner. The meeting will take place in conjunction with the Meeting of the Saudi National Guard. Fellows from countries other than the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, who wish to attend should communicate their interest to attend before June 10, 2011.

District News District 1

The first Study Club of this year was held on March 17 and dealt with implant prostheses comparing "Screw Retained versus Cemented Implant Prostheses". Speakers at the meeting were Professor Georges Tehini of the Lebanese University and Dr Gerard Tabourian Jr.

A panel discussion followed the lectures with fellows Georges Tawil and Nadim AbouJaoude joining the speakers for a long and animated interactive discussion Subjects covered ranged from physical changes as a result of screw torquing to problems arising from cement excess elimination.

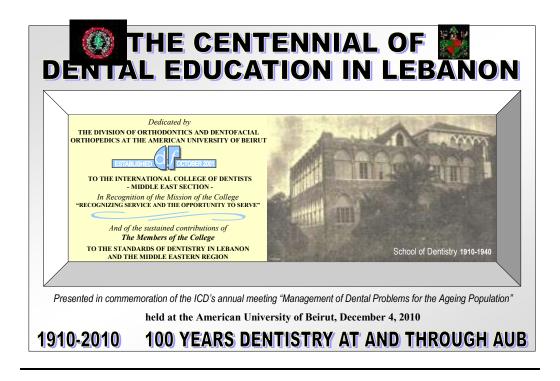




Panel and Audience at Study Club Meeting

<u>Yearly District 1 Meeting</u> <u>Public Service Meeting</u>

Date: Saturday November 19, 2011 Place: Massabki Hotel, Chtaura, Lebanon Title: Improving your Daily Practice **District 1 Receives Plaque of Recognition from American University of Beirut**



District News

District 2

When it comes to Oral Health and Preventive activities Dr. Reem Al Banyan, Consultant Pediatric Dentist, King Abdulaziz Medical City- National Guard Health Affair, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia is one of the active ICD fellows in District 2 –ME Section as she leads a group of Dentists, Dental Hygienists and Dental Assistants in organizing and in participating in different Oral Health and Preventive activities targeting both children and adults, The following summarizes the different activities that have been conducted during the past six months:

World Diabetes Day

In celebration of the World Diabetes Day, and in support of diabetic awareness, the Committee held a "World Diabetes Day" at King Abdulaziz Dental Center, concurrent with the Pediatric Endocrinology, Dirab Dental Clinic, NGCSC Dental Clinic, and Hospital's Housing Compound in MC of National Guard Health Affairs, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia,

**Children Dental Health Month (Pediatric)* Since the Group believes that oral health habits are formed early in life, the event was dedicated to pediatric patients. This was held at the King Abdulaziz Dental Center (KADC) and In-Patient Pediatric Wards. The two-day event was successfully implemented through the following activities:

*Children's corner – some activities for children were done i.e. puzzles, coloring book, model for tooth brushing techniques.



Dr. Reem Al Banayn during the Diabetic Day Workshop

*Healthy food corner – distribution of healthy foods for child patients. *In-patient education – visit to the Pediatric Wards to give bed-side education to each patient including the Pediatric Oncology Ward.

World Down Syndrome Day

Down Syndrome International (DSI) has officially earmarked 21 March as World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD). The date was chosen to signify the uniqueness of Down syndrome in the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome and is used synonymously with Down syndrome. The annual observance of WDSD aims to promote awareness and understanding of Down syndrome and related issues, and to mobilize support and recognition of the dignity, rights and well being of persons with Down syndrome. Thus, the Group coordinated with the Pediatric Clinics to set-up a corner in their clinics during the Down Syndrome Clinic Day where oral health will be discussed with the patients and parents as well.

Fellows in the News

Fellow Nasser AlHamlan was a guest speaker at the 7th Jordanian Orthodontic Congress in Amman, Jordan which took place April 6th and 7th, 2011. The title of his lecture was: "Back to the Future of Self-Ligating Brackets".

Fellow Nabil Talic was promoted to Associate Professor in Orthodontics, College of Dentistry, King Saud University.