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**Report on Business Meeting of District 1**

**Beirut, Tuesday January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Riviera Hotel.**



Over 25 fellows and officers attended the meeting in Beirut. In addition to being an occasion to discuss the District's affairs, it was also a moment of social fellowship during the cocktail reception that preceded the meeting.

Treasurer Ibrahim Nasseh gave the financial report, Registrar Nadim AbouJaoude spoke of plans to update the Section's Constitution and By-Laws so they are more in line with those of the College at large. Regent Andre Sacy gave a briefing of planned activities for the year. Activities will include study club meetings as well as a District 1 meeting outside Beirut aimed at being a public service activity. A long period of discussion followed in which fellows had the chance to voice their opinion and give suggestions and proposals for better participation by fellows at meetings.

### Dubai Meeting with Fellows from the UAE



On the sideline of the AEEDC meeting in Dubai, a meeting was held at the Novotel hotel which grouped officers, fellows from the Emirates and fellows who were speakers at the meeting.

Officers present were President Bacho, Past President Sabri, Registrar AbouJaoude, Treasurer Nasseh, Councilor Haddad.

The meeting was a chance to renew ties with fellows Aisha Sultan, Moaza Tahwara, Sawsan Al Kawas and Munir Silwadi. Future plans were discussed including the possibility of holding a section meeting in Dubai to coincide with the meeting of the International Council. An invitation has since been sent to Secretary General Hinterman and will be put to the Council in September.

## Study Club Meetings

### District 1

#### **Upcoming Study Club Meeting: Thursday April 25 at 6:30 PM**

Our next Study Club Meeting will be at the Rotana Hotel Hazmieh on Thursday April 25. 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Apart from a small presentation on Sensodyne Repair and Protect, our speakers will be:

**Joe Sabbagh: Current Concepts in Adhesive Systems**

**Peter Tawil: Strategies for the Management of Fresh Extraction Sites**

#### **Report on Study Club Meeting of February 28<sup>th</sup>**

District 1's first Study Club was held at the Riviera Hotel in Beirut on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in collaboration with GSK (Sensodyne, Paradontax)

Speakers at the meeting were:

Rima Abdallah: Piezocision; Rapid Orthodontic Tooth Movement

Ramzi Haddad: Mini Implants in Orthodontics

The two presentations were preceded by a brief talk given by Dr Grace Saad on the use of Paradontax as an adjunct in the prevention of periodontal disease.



Rima Abdallah and Ramzi Haddad



General view of the meeting

## **Section Meeting in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia**

The Section Meeting will be held on September 29 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. It will be associated with the Fourth “New Era National Guard Meeting”. This meeting will be divided into a two day scientific Session followed by workshops for two days.

More information on the ICD Meeting itself will be forthcoming.

## **Announcing District 1 Annual Regional Meeting**

scheduled to take place on Saturday November 2, at Tyre, to be confirmed later.

Please reserve the date!

Contact Regent Andre Sacy if you would like to be a speaker at this meeting

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## **Ideas for a Section Humanitarian Project**

### **From the Editor:**

One of the Objectives of the ICD is ***“to encourage and support projects of humanitarian nature”***. Those of you who have had a chance to read the Goals of the College as enumerated in this year’s “The Globe” will have seen that one of these goals is Humanitarianism.

Our Section’s last project in this field was the translation, dubbing and distribution of the ADA produced “Oral Longevity” DVD.

In my constant search for new projects, I have come across two that can be considered, and I would like all fellows who would like to, to comment on them or add ideas of their own.

- 1- Lebanese Food Bank: [www.lebanesefoodbank.com](http://www.lebanesefoodbank.com) this is a local Lebanese institution which helps underprivileged people by providing them with food, by helping them in rehabilitation and even in job placement assistance. It is sponsored by several groups. My suggestion is to see if we would like to contribute to the LFB by donating either dry or canned food on a regular basis, possibly every 3 or 4 months. This would require fellows to plan to donate small amounts of things like rice, lentils, sugar etc... Once we decide to start on this project, we can contact the Food Bank and see what other needs they might have.
- 2- Abeih is a village in the Aley district that was a victim of civil strife and in which reconciliation took place only in October 2011. At this stage, they have started a social welfare program. They have need for volunteers to run a dental dispensary. This is a more demanding commitment but one which is also worth considering. If we have 12 to 15 fellows who are willing to donate time for such a project we can organize it so that essential services can be provided once weekly by 2 fellows for half a day each.

### **Payment of dues**

All fellows can now pay their dues by direct bank transfer. Please make sure to instruct your bank to make the transfer in such a way as to have the full sum due, credited to the Section's account.

Following are the bank details you need to make the transfer:

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Alternatively, dues can be paid in cash or by check to our treasurer Ibrahim Nasseh