

KHYBER COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY

Dr Mohammad Ismail Qamar, Anesthetist, Khyber College of Dentistry retired on 5 January 2009 after attaining the age of superannuation.

He joined the college on 3 August 1987 when Oral & Maxillofacial Surgical Unit with operation theater, private rooms and wards was established. Thus he was the first medical graduate who joined the regular staff of Dentistry. (Till then dental surgeons used to join the medical colleges and hospitals).

Dr Ismail Qamar has pleasant manners. He is very capable anesthetist and served the college with devotion for nearly 21 years.

He is a good singer, and some of his admirers say that he can produce analgesic effect by singing before the patient.

On 6 January 2009 he joined Sardar Begum Dental College and Hospital, of course as anesthetist (and not as singer). There he has joined his old colleagues who after retirement from Khyber College of Dentistry have joined flourishing and reputable. Sardar Begum Dental College which was founded by late Prof Muhammad Kabir in memory of his mother. Surgeon Muhammad Kabir was teacher and examiner for BDS and MDS examinations.

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CONVOCATION 2008

A grand convocation ceremony was held at Liaquat University of Medicine and Health Sciences, Jamshoro in November 2008. It was addressed by Mrs Fahmida Mirza, Speaker, National Assembly of Pakistan who happens to be a graduate from the same institution, Syed Qaim Ali Shah, Chief Minister of Sindh, and other dignitaries attended the function. Medals and degrees were awarded to the recipients. Chief organizer of the function was Prof Rafiq Memon, Dean, Institute of Dentistry, Jamshoro.

EARNED MDS

Prof Rafiq Memon, Dean, Institute of Dentistry, Jamshoro is the first lucky one to have been awarded the degree of MDS in Operative Dentistry from the ISRA University, Hyderabad. Earlier ISRA University was allowed to conduct postgraduate examination in Operation Dentistry and Oral Pathology by the competent authorities including PMDC.

APPOINTED

Dr Abdul Ghani Pathan, Associate Professor has been appointed Head of Operative Dentistry.

BORN

Mrs Sanam Baloch has been blessed with a son.

OBITUARIES

Mr Shamsuddin Kazi, husband of Mrs Amtul Qayoom, dental surgeon, Social Security Hospital, passed away peacefully in Hyderabad.

Husband of Musarat Jafri, lady dentist died in road traffic accident abroad.

May the departed souls rest in eternal peace in Heaven.

(Report filed by Dr Hatim Jatoi)

U.S.A NEWS

GREATER NEW YORK DENTAL MEETING 2008

The 84th Annual session of Greater New York Dental meeting was held in New York from November 28th-December 3rd, 2008. The meeting was most successful event in its 84th year history. With total attendance of 57,854 it was declared the largest dental meeting and Exposition in the United States. The total registration included 17,710 dentists and remaining were dental hygienists. Dental assistants, administrative staff, dental technicians, guests, dental students, dental hygiene students. Dental assistant students and department of Commerce. All programs were held at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, New York City. One week long program covered almost each and every aspect of dentistry with special emphasis on Aesthetic dentistry and Implants dentistry and innovations in different specialties in dentistry. The meeting was an international event. Participation from more than 115 countries participated. The state of the art, trade exhibition was best of its time. Drs Mujeeb Minhas from Saudi Arabia, Dr. Saleem Vohrajee from Pakistan and many other Pakistani-American dentists attended the meeting from USA. The 2009 meeting would be held from November 27-December, 2, 2009. Further information can be obtained from www.gnydm.com

19th Annual Implant Symposium

“Implant Treatment Options to Maximize Clinical Outcomes and patient satisfaction”.

New York University College of Dentistry, Department of Periodontology and Implant Dentistry and International Congress of Oral Implantology (ICOI) in collaboration with German and Korean societies of Oral Implantology held its 19th annual Implant symposium on Dec. 12-13, 2008 at New York University College of Dentistry's Saklad auditorium. Professor Dennis Tarnow inaugurated the Implant Symposium and welcomed the participants. Drs Gary Greenstein

(USA), Clark Stanford (USA), Joseph Carpentieri (USA), Homa Zadeh (USA), Tonino Traini (Italy), Maurice Salama (USA), Ady Palti (Germany), Hoon Chang (Korea), Axel Wirthman (Germany), Marius Steigmann (Germany), Sang-Choon Cho (USA) and Dong-Seok Sohn from Korea presented their lectures. The topics covered were, prerequisite for treatment planning implant dentistry. Periodontal Prognostication of Compromised Teeth, Tooth replacement therapy. The Predictability and Esthetics of Restorative Dental Implants. Decision criteria for Implant prostheses, Minimally invasive implant site development, Implant dentistry. From Research to Clinical Results, Current trends, Technologies and Techniques for Esthetic Implant Dentistry, Ultimate esthetics in Implant Dentistry, Interactions between Titanium and Bone-New Insights into the Unique marriage between metal and Biology, Esthetic considerations for Immediate loading. The expanded use of narrow diameter implants, Sinus augmentation with/without bone graft. The trade exhibition was an interesting update on innovative technologies in Implant dentistry.

The Northeastern Society of Periodontists (NESP) meeting November 14th, 2008 New York

“Current Concepts and Future Trends in Periodontology and Implant Dentistry

The NESP winter meeting was held at NY Marriott Marquis Hotel, Broadway, NY city was held to appreciate the current concepts and future trends in periodontology and Implant dentistry. Dr. Henry Salama (USA) presented “The four cornerstones of Esthetic Implant Therapy: Diagnosis and management”. Dr C Nemcovsky (Israel) talked about “Severe periodontal diseases: treat or extract and Implant? That is the question. He made an interesting statement that “teeth have more than fifty years of survival evidence and non of the implant systems had comparable survival rate. So natural teeth should be given a chance. Dr E Machtei (Israel) presented his lecture on “Failures of Dental Implants. Where do we go next?”. He highlighted that the failure rate of different implant systems are much higher than reported and the failure data with companies have not been brought to the profession or public notice. Dr Markus Huerzeler (Germany) had an excellent presentation on, Esthetic Implant therapy. What is the Truth? He also talked about prosthetic and restorative solutions of compromised dentition. Dr Patrice Buonocore, President, NESP thanked all participants and acknowledge the contributions of teach-

ers of periodontology and Implant dentistry. The meeting was a great success.

Successful Pakistani Dental Graduates in USA

Dr Asdaq Khan Khakwani has opened his two new dental offices in New York. Dr Tahir Rasheed Paul, a Pediatric Dentist from Pakistan has opened the doors of his brand new Pediatric Dentistry Office, a state of the art facility for children in San Diego, California. Dr Mian Naeem, a pediatric dentist and graduate of New York University has started a new dental office in Connecticut. Dr Ilyas Sheikh, also a graduate from NYU has started his multidisciplinary dental office in Danbury, Connecticut. Dr Rubina Khatoon has opened her new dental office in Upstate New York, Dr Maqsood Ahmad Chaudhry, a leading Dentist from Virginia has also started his second office in Virginia.

The following recent graduates from NYU and other University have started their jobs as Dental Associates in different cities and states in USA. Drs Rehman Ullah, Azra Saleem, Malik Usman, Nadia Mirza, Zeeshan Salam, Sobia, Rabia. The PODJ wishes great success to all of them in their endeavors.

International Fellowship Program in Advanced Periodontics University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine

The Division of Periodontology offers an intensive full-time one-year periodontology program for International Dentists who want to enhance their knowledge and skills in the field of Periodontology. The fellowship program includes clinical, didactic and research training. The program starts from July 1st each year for twelve months. Applications may be sent any time during the year to the following address; Dr. Khalid Almas, Director, International Fellowship Program in Advanced Periodontics, University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine, 263 Farmington Ave, Farmington, CT 03030. USA. Fax; 860 679 1027, E-mail: almas@uchc.edu or khalidalmas@yahoo.com

Other useful websites for learning opportunities are as following;

www.ada.org
www.ADEA.org

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