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NOTICES

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HELP WANTED

Excellent opportunity available in Northern Alberta with direct non-stop flights from Edmonton. Principal dentist retiring after 30 years. Highly skilled, excellent team already in place with some of the team members with the practice for over a decade. 4 day schedule to fly out of Edmonton. Part ownership/ profit sharing will be offered to the suitable candidate. If interested, please respond to rural.ab.dental@gmail.com

Excellent opportunity for a nearly retired dentist who wishes to work very reduced hours preferably every Wednesday and Mon-Fri 8-4 when Dr Bereznicki-Szyling is away. This arrangement is very flexible. Please contact Dr Bereznicki-Szyling at 780 488 2822

Dentist Required to work in First Nations communities in Alberta with all travel costs covered and all equipment and supplies provided. An experienced dental assistant is also provided and dentists are paid 45% of production within 2 business days of finishing their trips. Please contact Ann Roy 613-818-5350 ann_c_roy@yahoo.ca

Associate Dentist Wanted: Solo practice in Spruce Grove, AB is seeking associate dentist with minimum 2 years practical experience to join in. Hours to be worked are negotiable but current patient demand is for evenings, Fridays and Saturdays, especially during the building phase of the associateship. Schedule can be as busy or as light as needed (full flexibility). Practice does most phases of general dentistry, some surgery, and offers sedation. To apply please e-mail CV to dentposition@shaw.ca.

Part Time Associate Wanted Are you looking for extra income or extra days to supplement your current position? If so, we are looking for a new associate to join our practice on a permanent part-time bases with a very strong possibility of becoming a permanent full time position in the new year. Currently we are seeking someone who can work Wednesdays 1-9 PM and Sundays 10-6PM. There will be addition days available to work in the month of December if interested due to dentists' holidays in December. Kindly email your resume to Dr. Ken Quon at kenquon@telusplanet.net.

EQUIPMENT/OFFICE FOR SALE

For Sale – 4 op dental office in SW Edmonton, prime office location. Dentalez and Adec equipment. Turnkey office, no charts, dentist

relocating. \$30,000.00. Please email contact number is interested to office4sale@airsurfer.ca

Edmonton Dental Assistants Association

The Edmonton Dental Assistants Association has operated a **complimentary** Employment Registry service since 1968 to help area employers find suitable staff. Dentists, self-employed Dental Hygienists and Denturists may contact the EDAA and utilize this service as an efficient and effective way to fill staff openings. Many employers prefer to hire from our registry rather than place a newspaper or online advertisement. This service will save you time and money as well as guarantee that applicants are current members of the EDAA.

The EDAA has members that are Registered Dental Assistants, Dental Receptionists and Dental Hygienists. These members are qualified and available to fill a variety of positions in dental and dentally related work environments.

Employers may contact the EDAA by phone/fax 780-987-2022 or email: edaa@interbaun.com

New users will be asked to read, sign and return an Employer Statement of Understanding that outlines EDAA policies in regard to use of our registry. Once this form is received we will open a file for that employer. A request form may then be sent to the EDAA anytime the employer has a position to fill. The form provides us with details of the position and the qualification required to fill that position. We will post the job on our registry and send the employer our current list of members available and looking for work. The employer may contact anyone on the list that matches in qualifications and types of position required and ask that individual to send them a resume or attend an interview. EDAA members that are not on the list we send to the employer are also able to access the job postings and apply directly to the employer if they are interested and have qualifications that match what the employer has requested.

The job market is constantly changing and it is nice to know that a local professional association for dental auxiliaries provides you with an easy to use service and maximizes your opportunity of finding a suitable candidate quickly. **Contact the EDAA Employment**

*EDDS HISTORY - Dr. Doug MacDougall's
Address To The Edmonton & District Dental
Society 100th Anniversary Celebration On
September 28, 2013*

I find it difficult to go back to 1964-69 and seek some important issues, specifically related to my years as President. I remember that we met at the Seven Seas Restaurant once a month. The Seven Seas at that time was one of Edmonton's prestige restaurants and when deciding on where to go out for dinner this was always a first choice. It was a Chinese restaurant serving Chinese food. We at that time had about 50 - 55 dentists practicing in Edmonton and we were a close knit group and nearly everyone turned out for our monthly meeting and the Seven Seas accommodated nicely. They always put on a special Chinese New Year Dinner in the middle of January and invited special people in Edmonton to the dinner. I, as President of the Dental Society, was invited and attended with my Secretary and our respective wives. We arrived at the dinner at the specified time and had our choice of round large tables seating 10 people. In the middle of each table were 4 bottles of hard liquor. The Mayor of Edmonton was invited and was the most prestigious guest. The Mayor of Edmonton at that time was William Hawrelak. Well, it turned out that Bill and his wife Pearl were an hour and half late arriving. We and the other guests dipped into the 4 bottles of liquor to pass the time and by the time Bill and Pearl arrived the dinner guests were in a great state of cordiality and conviviality. Bill eventually found his way into my office and we became rather good friends. It was a common occurrence for me to have retired to bed about 11 p.m.; and while at home if the phone rang it would be Bill who was having a discussion about Dentist related matters and a point of contention had arisen and I was the arbitrator. Bill was a very accomplished speaker and he told me that growing up on the farm he spent endless hours driving four horses pulling a plow, a harrow, or disc or binder and to pass the time he would choose a subject and then lecture the horses on that subject and so he developed the ability to speak spontaneously on any subject.

In the early 60's the names of Drs. Gilchrist and Bulyea were still on the minds of dentists. Dr. Gilchrist was the first Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Alberta and Dr. Bulyea the second. Dr. Gilchrist had died prior to the sixties but Dr. Bulyea was still a going concern. He attended some of our dental meetings. I always got him a reserved seat at the head table and we had some very interesting discussions. He always apologized for not being a regular attendee but his art lessons occurred on the same evening as our dental society meeting and he couldn't miss that. He continued

at that life well into his nineties.

Dr. Scott Hamilton was our third Dean and he was truly a dedicated and accomplished professional. He considered a part time teaching position in the Faculty to be a privilege and if you abused that privilege your appointment was terminated. Prior to my appointment to the staff I was invited to have lunch with Dr. Scott Hamilton and Dr. Hector Maclean who was about to succeed Dr. Hamilton as Dean. The lunch was at the Seven seas. Well, I must have received their approval and began my teaching career which went on for 29 years. Dr. Maclean was a great leader in our profession and under his guidance and administration the Faculty developed into one of the most prestigious in North America

Two problems faced our profession in the 60's. One was the matter of fluoridation of the water supplies in Alberta. Several important politicians in the government of the time were deadly opposed to fluoridation. Well we had a Professor of Pedodontics in the Faculty of Dentistry, Dr. Cosmo Castaldi, who was an aggressive dynamic personality and he went to Premier Ernest Manning in his office and after a couple of sessions Premier Manning decided Alberta would have fluoridation. The necessary legislation making it possible was passed in spite of some continued opposition. The other problem that arose was the request of dental technicians to be recognized as denturists - to be allowed to serve patients in Alberta with full dentures. This legislation eventually passed. I was in the visitor's gallery and the Minister of Health (Dr. Ross) commented after the vote "you'll be sorry". I don't think they ever were. My good friend Dr. Alan Fee, Professor of Prosthetics at the U of A was appointed to the Board of the Denturists organization and he and the representatives from government and the public were appalled at the lack of ethical and professional attitude expressed at their meetings.

Well when I started Dentistry in the fall of 1936 at the University of Toronto we had two good restorative materials - amalgam and gold, and here we are into the 21st century and we still have 2 good restorative materials - amalgam and gold. Unfortunately, I'll bet 90 of you don't know how to use this material effectively and perhaps a lot of the other 10 won't put forth the effort required. I have many patients that I see occasionally who are still engaging mastication with the gold inlays I put in their mouths 55 years ago.

Well, now I have made myself unpopular. I'd better sit down.

Thank you. Dr. Doug MacDougall