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# Alma Mater

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## President's Message

Dear Friends

It has been a very active and eventful year and with all your support many activities were successfully held.

In January this year 42 members of our association visited Sri Lanka which is a first time out station tour.

Thanks to Dr. Shastry for initiating and arranging the trip.

In February 13th we had organized a Free Full Denture camp at Gundlupet near Mysore. One hundred thirty Full Dentures were delivered to needy people in a record short time of 36 hours. The credit goes to Director of GDCRI Dr. Prithviraj, Dr. Shastry and the technicians led by Mr. Hallikere. There were 150 personnel involved in conducting the camp including Doctors, Post Graduate students and House Surgeons. I heartily thank and congratulate all the participants who made this camp a grand community service project.

This being the last news letter during my time as President I would like to sign off by thanking each one of you for your support and encouragement. Dr. Prithviraj, Dr. Shastry and all the committee members stood by me and were extremely supportive. I sincerely thank all of them.

Lastly but not in the least I would like to record my appreciation to our Editor Dr. Manjunath P. Puranik for bringing out three excellent News letters with detailed account of all our activities. Thanks to you Dr. Puranik.

My thanks go to our dynamic and very active Secretary Dr. Shastry, Dr Ramesh, Joint secretary and treasurer Dr. Ramachandra Prasad for their complete involvement in all our activities.

I would like to wish the incoming team led by Dr. Shankar Aradhya all the best in the coming year. I assure him of all my support in whatever manner possible.

With my very best wishes and regards



**Dr. K. G. Ghorpade**

President

GDCRI Alumni Association

## Dean & Director's Message

At the outset, I would like to extend warm New Year greetings to the staff and students of GDCRI & Alumni Members.

The College Food Fest "Suchi-Ruchi" 2012 was conducted at the Gurusurthy Hall on 17th November 2012. The staff and students participated with zest and enthusiasm. The annual alumni meet "Sparsha" was celebrated with great fervour at the Ramachandra Auditorium on 12th December 2012. A cultural show was put up by the students and it was a memorable day for all the alumni members who attended the function. The college cultural Fest Myth 2012 spanning over a period of 3 days saw enthusiastic involvement of all the staff and students.

Continual efforts are being made to improve the college infrastructure. The high power voltage transformer has been installed, which has solved the problem of voltage fluctuation at the institute. Further, work towards the installation of the elevator in the college is going on in full swing and the civil work of the project is more than half completed.

The Department of Prosthodontics along with the GDCRI alumni association and the Indian Medical Association Gundlupet organized a free Complete Denture Camp at Gundlupet on 9th and 10th February 2013. The team of 110 members (55 doctors and 55 technicians) worked overnight to provide complete denture to 131 patients in a single day. The dentures were processed and delivered at the campsite itself, which is a herculean task. The patients as well as the public really appreciated the service provided at the camp. GDCRI, at this denture camp has improved its own record of providing 108 dentures in one day at Chikkanayakanahalli four years ago.

A number of CDE programmes have been conducted at the institution for the benefit of the staff and students. The Department of Endodontics conducted a CDE program addressing important topics in Endodontics such as rotary and laser endodontics. The Department of Prosthodontics conducted a CDE programme on Zygomatic and Diem 2 concept. For the first time in the country a live surgical demonstration of the Zygomatic and Diem 2 concepts was performed.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to one of the young staff members of GDCRI, Dr. Kiran Kumar, who has become a senate member of the RGUHS by election and not selection. I would like to wish him luck for all his future endeavours. Let us conclude by hoping that the year 2013 brings more laurels to our esteemed institute and GDCRI reaches greater heights and excels in every field.



**Dr D R Prithviraj**

Dean & Director  
GDCRI, Bangalore

## A note from the Editor



I am extremely delighted to present the third issue of Alma Mater.

It has been an eventful year with lot of programmes and memorable events. I had a unique opportunity to interact with esteemed members of the Alumni as an editor.

I am thankful to the President Dr. K G Ghorpade, Hon. Secretary Dr C N Shastry, Treasurer Dr Ramachandra Prasad and all the members of Executive Committee for their valuable support. I am thankful to Dr D R Prithviraj, Dean Cum Director, GDCRI, Bangalore for all the support and guidance.

I thank Mr Nagaraj, Shivasai Graphics for excellent printing. I thank Staff and PG students, Dept. of Public Health Dentistry for their unstinted support throughout my tenure as Editor.

I once again thank all the Alumni members for all the support and co-operation

Dr Manjunath P Puranik

## From the Desk of Honorary Secretary



It was one more eventful year for the Association with a lot of programmes which were aimed at making students participation like meeting the interns, quiz competition, elocution competition, food festival, Prologue-2012 etc.,. We also went for a "Foreign Trip" for the first time. Two important activities of Social cause were also taken up this year under the guidance of The Dean & Director Dr. Prithvi Raj. They were Blood Donation Camp. & Free denture camp at Gundlupet. The free denture camp was conducted in association with IMA, Gundlupet Branch, lead by its president Dr. Chandrachud K N. The "Team GDC" consisting of teaching faculty, PGs, House Surgeons, Technicians & Sr. Technicians led by Sri. Jagadish Hallikere worked overnight to bring genuine smile on the faces of 131 deserving patients, created a history of sorts. Hats off to their hard work & dedication. It was a life time experience to all those who have attended.

I thank our president Dr. K G Ghorpade for his able guidance & advice.

Let us look forward for more & better activities in 2013-14, where in the old boys really look young! ( think of a fashion show!)

"Till then Keep Smiling"

Dr. C N Shastry

## ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

### Food Fest 2012-Suchi Ruchi !!

A day off from the busy schedule treating patients to satisfying all the taste buds. It was annual food fest organised by the Alumni Association of GDCRI Bangalore on 17th Nov 2012 in Gurusurthy Hall. Delicious food was prepared by students , teachers & the alumni themselves. The GDCRI family had great day enjoying the food, participating in the games, pampering themselves with tatoos & mehendi & dedicating roses to their beloved. The day ended with every one asking for more such fests!!



### SPARSHA 2012 -12th December 2012

GDC Alumni day was celebrated with a formal function graced by the chief guest Prof.Rajdeep Manwani and the President and members of GDCRI Alumni Association at Dr S.Ramachandra Auditorium, GDCRI, Bangalore. Inspiring words of Prof Rajdeep added a spark to our lives. The day did not just end there. It was followed by cultural programme comprising dances, songs &skits customised completely for alumni members which made us all relive the retro days. It was a day of reminiscing old memories, remembering the good old college days and catching up with one another for all alumni members!!



### Sri Lanka Trip

For the first time GDCRI Alumni Association arranged a foreign tour from January 23rd to 27th, 2013. It was 4 day's & 4 nights' joy full

"Sri Lankan Tour". It was a large group of 42 members consisting of alumni & their family. The group visited Candy, Nuvarelia, Bentota & Colombo, the famous Tooth relic temple, the Hanuman temple, Ramboda falls, Elephant Orphanage etc., It was a great experience.





## CDE ROUNDUP

### *CDE Programme on the Zygomatic and Diem-2 concept 22nd January 2013*

A continuing dental education programme was conducted by the Department of Prosthodontics along with the GDCRI alumni association and the Biomet-3i Implant manufacturers. This was the first time ever that such a programme with a live surgical and prosthetic demo was performed in the country. Dr. Jeevan Aiyappa explained the basics of Zygoma Dental implants and performed the surgery. The prosthetic phase was demonstrated by Dr. D. R Prithviraj, Dean and Director GDCRI. The programme was attended by about 200 delegates.



### *CDE Programme on Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics - 16th February 2013*

A CDE programme was conducted by the Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics, G.D.C.R.I., Bangalore. The topics focused on the recent advancement in materials, Equipments and various trends in the treatment modalities in Conservative Dentistry, Endodontics and Aesthetic Dentistry. Also Dr. D R Prithviraj, Director and Dean, Dr A.R Pradeep, Dean of faculty, RGUHS, Dr Kiran Kumar N senate member were felicitated by Dr. M Kala, Professor and HOD, Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics. The CDE programme was attended by post graduate students from various colleges and general practitioners. Dr. M. Kala, professor and HOD, Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics with the presenters Dr. Subbiya and Dr. Krithika Datta.



### *Installation of high power Voltage transformer : 24th December 2012*

Work has been completed with respect to installation of the high power voltage transformer and the formal installation was done on 24th December 2012. The completion of this project has solved the problem of voltage fluctuation in the college and has thus been a major step in the improvement of the college infrastructure.



### *MYTH 2013 ~ 31st January - 2nd February 2013*

The Annual Intra College Cultural Fest was held on 31st January to 2nd February 2013, a 3-day program organised by the final BDS students. All the UGs, Post graduate students and staff took active part in this annual cultural extravaganza.

Competitions included dance, singing, literary events, paper dressing, cooking without fire, mad-ads and style act!! MYTH ended on a high note with the team FALCONS(2nd BDS) winning the best cultural team award and team PHOENIX(1st BDS) winning the spirit of participation award.



## Free Complete Denture Camp (9th and 10th February 2013)



A denture camp was conducted by the Department of Prosthodontics, along with the GDCRI Alumni Association and the Indian Medical Association Gundlupet. About 130 complete dentures were made and delivered over an extremely short span of two days. The successful conductance of the camp required tremendous efforts starting from the transport of all the materials and manpower to the campsite and an immense team work at the campsite to complete the project in time. A team of dedicated doctors and dental laboratory technicians along with the other auxiliary staff worked together in perfect unison to make it possible to achieve this herculean task over such a short time period. The follow-up for the patients was also done after 1 week to attend to the complaints of the patients. Indeed, GDCRI broke its own record of the denture camp conducted 4 years ago with better efficiency, team work and dedication towards providing this novel surface to the underprivileged population at their doorstep.



## Hearty Congratulations

DR. Kiran Kumar, Reader in Department of Conservative & Endodontics, GDCRI Bangalore elected for the prestigious position of a senate member in Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka. With this achievement he had added a golden feather to the GDC CAP!!



Dr Chandrakala, Lecturer, Dept of Oral Pathology won best scientific poster at the national conference of IAOMP 2012 at Goa

## Young Achievers

### XVII NATIONAL IAPHD CONFERENCE AT CHENNAI 2012

- Best Paper-Dr.M.S.Rana, Dr. Ashwini S Biradar (III Year Post Graduate Students, Dept of Public Health Dentistry)
- Best Scientific Poster-Dr.Anuradha S Bandiwadekar (II Year Post Graduate Student, Dept of Public Health Dentistry)
- Best Poster-Dr. Shivam Kapoor (I Year Post Graduate Student, Dept of Public Health Dentistry)

### National Level Maruti Suzuki, Colours Of Youth 2012

- Sona. Gajanan. Therathil, 3rd BDS student was selected for the south zonals and was in top 6 contestants in western solo dance category of south zone- India held in IIM-B!!!

### 17th IDA-Dentsply Student Clinician Programme held on 22nd February 2013 at Kolkata

- Srigowri Muralidar, Final year BDS Student received participation certificate and 1 year membership for Student Clinician American Dental association for her presentation-“Green Dentistry-Good for you and the Earth”.