**Raising the Bar’ at Yankee Dental Congress**

Yankee Dental Congress 2018 (Yankee) will be held from Jan. 30 to Feb. 1 at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. Yankee, which is known as New England’s largest dental meeting, is sponsored by the Massachusetts Dental Society, in cooperation with the dental societies of Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Nearly 25,000 dental health professionals and guests from around the U.S. are expected to attend the 2018 event. The theme of Yankee 2018 is “Raising the Bar.” According to meeting organizers, this theme exemplifies how dental professionals can find innovative continuing education opportunities for clinical development in the dental field to grow the profession for the future. Among the education highlights, Yankee has teamed up with Pride Institute and Tufts University Dental Continuing Education to offer a nine-day practice management continuum program. The program will kick off with a two-day event at Yankee beginning on Wednesday.

The International Academy for Dental Facial Esthetics (IADFE) holds its 21st annual meeting with the Greater New York Dental Meeting on Monday, Nov. 27. The convocation of awarding fellowships will be held at the historic house designed by Sanford White, which today is called the Harmonie Club, 4 E. 60th St. (between Fifth and Madison avenues.) The ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. Last year’s commencement speaker was the always popular Dr. Gordon Christiansen, who presented to a packed audience. This academy is a blend of dentists, physicians and other professionals involved in enhancing facial esthetics. Last year’s meeting included participants from more than 28 countries. The ceremony concludes with the academy’s traditional cup toasting in celebration of the awarding of fellowships. To learn about the IADFE, contact Dr. David L. Hoexter at (312) 355-0049 or drdavidly@gmail.com or Dr. George Freedman at (905) 553-9169 or info@iadfe.org.

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**Events**

**IADFE to meet during GNYDM**

The International Academy for Dental Facial Esthetics 21st annual meeting is Nov. 27. From left, IADFE leaders and honorees Dr. J. Massad (United States), Prof. E. Lynch (United Kingdom), Dr. G. Christiansen (United States), Dr. N. Nogoro (Japan), Dr. G. Freedman (Canada), Dr. D.L. Hoexter (United States) and Dr. J. Ochoa (Peru). Below: The traditional tossing of mortar boards to celebrate newly conferred fellowships. Photo: Provided by Dr. David L. Hoexter.

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