DVI News 2013

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A Digital DVI: Trudi Birger Clinic Completes Transition to Paperless

In 2011, DVI we took the first step when after received a digital, panoramic X-Ray through generous donations from the Kennedy Leigh Charitable Trust, Alpha Omega London, the Rotary Foundation, Rotary Clubs of Jerusalem, Fullerton South, and California, the Alpha Omega Foundation, Manchester Friends of Hebrew University – Dental Section, the Sobell Foundation, and the Brigham Young University Jerusalem Center.

Step 2 of the project was completed in November 2012, with computers and monitors at every dental station, all running the “Doctor” program (the same used by Hadassah hospital). All new treatments are entered into each patient’s electronic file. Funds for these computers were donated by Alpha Omega-London, Brigham Young University Jerusalem Center, and Manchester Friends of Hebrew University – Dental Section.

And finally, Step 3 is also now complete! A digital x-ray machine has been installed, thanks to the Kennedy Leigh Charitable Trust and some generous dentists from Germany. In late June 2013 the digital x-ray was installed and the staff trained to use it. DVI is now state-of-the-art, a shining example for other Israeli dental clinics!

Artists Team Up with Dentists to Raise Funds for DVI

In May, artists Christel Ibsen and Sarah Millet began a 5-month long exhibition at Dental Partners of 5th Avenue, the office of Mark Gross and Andrew Kaplan, in Manhattan. The artists have committed to donating a generous portion of their sales to American Friends of DVI and Operation Smile. To view some of their work, visit www.americanfriendsofdvi.org

Christel Ibsen, Dr. Andrew Kaplan, Sarah Millet, and Dr. Mark Gross celebrate the opening of Shine in May.

Major Donation of Ancient Coins to Aid Fundraising Efforts

This summer, David Hendin, a leading authority on ancient biblical coins, teamed up with Mark Salzberg of Numismatic Guarantee Corporation to provide AFDVI with more than $20,000 worth of ancient Judean Coins. The coins, commonly called “Widow’s Mites” date back to about 100 BCE. AFDVI will be adding the coins to its repertoire of gifts to encourage donations to help the DVI clinic.

DVI Staff learns about new digital system (left). Every dental station now has its own computer running Doctor software (right).
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SAVE THE DATE: Howard Glazer to Lecture for AFDVI, October 24th

AFDVI is pleased to announce that Dr. Howard Glazer will be presenting a lecture in New York City on October 24th, with proceeds benefiting the DVI Clinic. Dr. Glazer is one of the “Leading Clinicians in Continuing Education” according to Dentistry Today, Fellow and Past President of the Academy of General Dentistry, former Assistant Clinical Professor at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and Deputy Chief Forensic Dental Consultant to the Office of Chief Medical Examiner in New York City. Dr. Glazer’s lecture, “What’s Hot and What’s Getting Hotter,” is a program about real dentistry for real people, by a real dentist. Dr. Glazer will present on a variety of materials and techniques that will make your day at the office easier, more productive, and more fun! This lecture will be of use to your entire dental team. For more information about this and other upcoming events hosted by AFDVI, please visit our website at www.AmericanFriendsofDVI.org or send an email to AmericanFriendsofDVI@gmail.com

Cleveland Dentists Host Film Screening, Raise Money & Awareness for DVI

This June, DVI Volunteers Ira Levinsky and Sylvia Kramer hosted Alpha Omega members in the Cleveland area for an evening fundraiser to benefit DVI. The event included a presentation of the documentary film “From Silence to Recognition: Confronting Discrimination in Emory’s Dental School History,” followed by a discussion with the film’s producer, Dr. Perry Brickman. The film documents the culture of anti-Semitism under the leadership of Dean John Buhler during the period from 1948-1961 when an abnormally high percentage of Jewish students failed or were forced to repeat coursework. Dr. Brickman himself “flunked out” of Emory’s dental program, after which he went on to graduate from the University of Tennessee and a successful career as an oral surgeon. More than sixty local dentists and members of the community attended this event, and all of the proceeds have been donated to AFDVI.

New Website Commemorates Life of DVI Founder Zev Birger

Zev Birger, a Holocaust Survivor and ghetto fighter, committed his life to public service and helping the needy. This new website gives a glimpse of his and Trudi’s history and their pioneering contribution to the young state of Israel, which serves an example of optimism and revival from ashes. Please visit: www.zevbirger.com. The Birger family has asked that donations in memory of Zev be made to the DVI Clinic via AFDVI.

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