



News Update Latest Group Activities

At a recent meeting of the Group, it was decided that the HDRG would accept an invitation to host the Autumn Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Lindsay Society for the History of Dentistry. This will be held in Glasgow on Saturday and Sunday 12th and 13th September 1998.

The venue will be the West of Scotland Post Graduate Centre for Dental Education. Normally four speakers present papers on Saturday and Sunday mornings and currently three have agreed to be deliver papers. They are Sir David Mason, Professor David McGowan and James Beaton, Librarian, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow.

Saturday afternoon is usually devoted to a visit to a place of dental/scientific interest, still to be decided and the evening is set aside for an informal dinner. The conference ends with the AGM of the Society around lunch time on Sunday.

As this is the first time the Conference has moved north of the border, the organisers are hoping for a good turn out and extend a warm welcome to non-members to attend some or all of the sessions. Further details will be displayed in the Post Graduate Dental Centre nearer the time.

Since our last newsletter the Group has been joined by Ms Carol Parry, Deputy Archivist, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Glasgow, Ms Lesley Richmond, Deputy Archivist, University of Glasgow and Professor K Moos, Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon, Canniesburn.

The Group has been invited to provide a display illustrating its activities at the forthcoming BDS Jubilee celebrations on 10/11 September 1998. In addition members will present a joint account of 'significant developments that have shaped the Dental School over the past fifty years.'

The Group hope to continue interviewing retired dentists and others who have been connected with the Glasgow Dental Hospital and School. Reminiscences of this nature provides valuable information on the recent past history of dentistry which might otherwise be lost. The MSS of the update to the History of the Glasgow Dental Hospital and School 1879 -1979 is now in the hands of a professional editor prior to being sent to the printers. It is hoped that this will be ready by the Autumn.
