

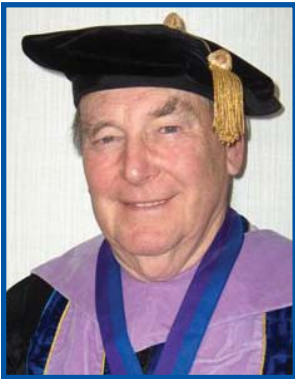


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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Reg Hession

It is my pleasure to write to you as the new President of the Academy. As you are aware, Past-President Susan Bishop completed her term of Office in the last months of 2008, following the Annual Board of Regents Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden and the USA Section Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, USA.

During the past year the Academy has consolidated its position as a global entity, by developing its base on the European continent through the formation of (at this stage), four new Sections. These represent the British Isles, Northern Europe, Southern Europe and Eastern Europe, with the Regents heading each being Drs Peter Swiss (UK), Philippe Rusca (Switzerland), Gerhard Seeberger (Italy) and Vladimir Sadovski (Russia), respectively. Each of the new Regents took their places at the Board Meeting in Stockholm, making it a truly representative gathering of Fellows. There are between 850 and 900 million people living in "Greater Europe", with a concomitant number of dental practitioners to serve their needs. This should be reflected within ADI as a growth in the number of its European Fellows, providing an enrichment of input for the Academy.

In the 35 years since its formation, ADI has developed from its North American roots, to become a positive presence worldwide. Its largesse in providing education through courses and dental libraries as well as education and clinical treatment for communities in under-developed countries is well known. What is not generally recognized is the work undertaken by a number of groups which are supported by the ADI Foundation (under the Chairmanship of Dr Don Brown), to assist those who are in dire need of dental assistance in both *non-industrialised* and *industrialized* countries throughout the world. These latter are the people who are perceived to have fallen through the various social security "safety nets" within industrialized countries.

Thus even those who are domiciled in countries which have advanced systems of health care may still be "at risk" and it is through the good offices of ADI, its Foundation and a multitude of other groups, that the deficit in health care throughout the world is minimized.

I am most conscious of the fact that we have entered a period of growing economic uncertainty. Some years ago I had the privilege to read the book "Future Shock" (Alvin Tofler), within which the theme suggested that although change is inevitable, if it is gradual it allows most to adapt to altered conditions. Contrary to this, if it is sudden, dismay and disarray follows. It seems that the economic markets of the world have reacted predictably and the losses in employment security for many, have added to the impact of rapid change.

Of course, this doesn't bode well for groups such as ADI, as we need much goodwill and through it the funding to continue our role in doing what we do best. On reflection, I certainly appear to have drawn the short straw in accepting the task ahead, however good sense and experience reminds me that problems are there to be solved. Whereas our capability to solve macro-economic problems is as incompetent as it appears to be for powers far greater than those possessed by us, we do have the ability to solve the micro-economics of our particular situation and this will be at the forefront of the minds of your Executive and International Board of Regents throughout this year.

In short, we have a very good Academy, which is composed of people of substance worldwide. Whatever happens relative to the issues over which we have no real control, there are some which we can control. It is with this thought that I leave you, complemented by a statement which is often used "Down Under" -

When the going gets tough, the tough get going!

Hang in there Fellows,

and **GO ADI.**

Reg Hession
President.



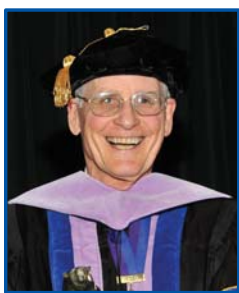
CANADIAN SECTION ANNUAL MEETING AND CONVOCATION

The ADI Canadian Section met in Toronto, Ontario, Canada April 10, 2008 at the venerable old Royal York Hotel.

Past President and Secretary-Treasurer for the Canadian Section, Dr. Ralph Barolet led the attendees through a slide show history and introduction to the Academy. A special guest present was Dr. Deborah Stymiest, President of the Canadian Dental Association and ADI Fellow.

The convocation ceremony commenced at the conclusion of the formal banquet meal savored and enjoyed by all. A highlight of the evening was the presentation of Honourary Fellowships to Mr. Irwin W. Fefergrad, Dr. Asbörn Jokstad and Ms. Eva Young. As respondent for the class, Dr. Larry Levin delivered a very inspiring message.

Mr. Irwin Fefergrad is the Registrar of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario. Dr. Asbörn Jokstad is the Professor and Head of Prosthodontics at the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry. Ms. Eva Young has been invaluable to the Dental Industry for over 37 years and active with the Dentistry Canada Fund.



Dr. Donald A. Stewart

Dr. Don Stewart was recognized for his many years of leadership as Regent for the Canadian Section with the presentation of a crystal bear figurine. Don has been the driving force responsible for the growth and development of the Section for many years. It is because of Don's diligence and efforts that the Section has been able to hold an annual convocation. We thank him

for his dedication to our profession and to organized dentistry.

Response on Behalf of the New Fellows

Mr. President, Distinguished Fellows, Colleagues, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Good Evening.

It is my great pleasure, privilege, and honour to have been asked to speak tonight on behalf of the remarkable dentists being inducted as Fellows of the Academy of Dentistry International.

It's a very humbling experience, to be surrounded, not only by the outstanding individuals in the Class of 2008, but also by the amazing talents, and achievements, of all the Academy members.

The Academy of Dentistry International is a transnational organization devoted to the advancement of dentistry throughout the world, and to the elevation of dental standards through continuing education.

Along with the sponsorship of dental education and service projects, this Academy directly aids in the improvement of the dental and oral health, and the well-being of people, worldwide.

What wonderful goals to embrace as we all seek to make our own personal contributions to society.

All of us wear so many different hats, and strive to make a contribution in so many different areas: Family, Religion, Dental Practice, Teaching, Leaders in organized dentistry, Community service, Charitable work, Coaching sports, Mentoring, the list goes on and on.

It is a constant struggle to balance all the disparate aspect of our lives. And yet we never stop trying. This room is filled with people who never tire of giving back to society.

'From those to whom much is given, much is expected.' Isn't that a powerful statement that speaks to all of us?

We start our journey in dentistry, not really aware, of what we have been given, by our families, our friends, and by society. How fortunate we are to be in Canada.

As we mature and grow, we come to realize the remarkable gifts that we have been given. One of the most significant is the gift to be able to help others. The Academy of Dentistry International is a vehicle, that will support and allow us to continue, this helping tradition.

Mentoring is a very powerful force.

Many of us mentor younger dentists by being supportive and helpful, along their journey. We can set an example of how an individual can make a difference, and how taking the first step, is crucial to effecting change.

What is the barrier to change? Is it complexity? Is it not caring enough? No, the most important element, is being supported in taking the first step. You don't have to have it all figured out, to start on the road to making a contribution.

By helping someone take that first step, by mentoring, you are encouraging them to grow in their life and they will join you on the journey, and together we can make tremendous changes for the better.

By inviting us to join the Academy as Fellows, in effect, the Academy itself is mentoring us, and modeling



behavior that inspires all of us to reach for ever higher ideals.

Whether you choose to make your contribution through education, leadership or philanthropy, you have all made a difference, in the lives of many people, and will continue to do so.

It is an expression of our humanity, that drives us, to continue to try and make the world a better place, through whatever contributions we are able to make.

Ladies and gentlemen, on behalf of all the new Fellows gathered here this evening, I want to thank the Academy of Dentistry International, for the wonderful honour you have bestowed upon us.

Thank you very much.

Dr. Larry Levin



Dr. Ralph Barolet, ADI Past President and Canada Section Secretary presents Dr. Stewart with a small token of appreciation for all he has done for ADI

Canada Section Fellowship Honor Roll

<p>Honourary Fellowships Mr. Irwin W. Fefergrad Dr. Asbörn Jokstad Ms. Eva Young</p> <p>Fellowship USA Dr. Stephen R. John San Mateo, California</p> <p>Canada Dr. Duncan Y. Brown Calgary, Alberta Dr. Trevor A. Chin Quee Ottawa, Ontario Dr. Sheldon A. Cooper Toronto, Ontario Dr. David S. Cornell Brampton, Ontario</p>	<p>Dr. Randa Diwan Toronto, Ontario Dr. Paul M. Eisner Oakville, Ontario Dr. Jack Fingrut Toronto, Ontario Dr. Steven Jay Fremeth Ottawa, Ontario Dr. Lawrence I. Gaum Mississauga, Ontario Dr. John N. Gloag Vancouver, British Columbia Dr. George G. Grayson Windsor, Ontario Dr. Donna M. Green St. Thomas, Ontario</p>	<p>Dr. Harry F. Höediono Kitchener, Ontario Dr. Peter Hong Toronto, Ontario Dr. Peter R. Kearney West Vancouver, British Columbia Dr. Karim Lalani New Westminster, British Columbia Dr. Larry Levin Hamilton, Ontario Dr. Steven Andrew Malo Simcoe, Ontario Dr. Rollin Masayuki Matsui Richmond Hill, Ontario</p>	<p>Dr. Leland R. McFadden Winnipeg, Manitoba Dr. Andrew S. Moncarz Toronto, Ontario Dr. Oliver C. Pin Harry St. Kitchener, Ontario Dr. Vageesh Kumar Sabharwal Woodbridge, Ontario Dr. Omar Sarhan Mississauga, Ontario Dr. Amil B. Shapka St. Paul, Alberta Dr. Jonathan I. Skuba Edmonton, Alberta Dr. Valerie Fay Stavro Toronto, Ontario</p>	<p>Dr. Ian W. Tester St. Catharines, Ontario Dr. J. Lynn Tomkins Toronto, Ontario Dr. Robin Vincelli Montréal West, Québec Dr. Arnold E. Weingarten Downsview, Ontario Dr. Arthur T. Worth Thamesville, Ontario Dr. John P. Zarb Toronto, Ontario Dr. Daniel J. Zeiter Hamilton, Ontario</p>
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Central American Section Convocation

Dr. Ernesto Acuña, Central America Regent hosted the first convocation in Mexico. The event was held October 30 2008 at the University Club, Mexico City. Dr. Susan Bishop, President; Dr. Ramon Baez, Vice-President for Education and Dr. Robert Ramus, Executive Director joined Dr. Acuña investing 19 new Fellows into the Academy. The Honors Class consisted of 17 Fellows, 1 Honorary Fellow and 1 Associate Fellow.

Immediately following the convocation ceremonies, an elegant dinner was served for the convocation members, officers and guests. New friendships were made and old friendships were renewed as we dined on the delicious fare.



*Dr. Erardo Weihmann, Honorary Fellow
and Dr. Susan Bishop, President*

Honorary Fellowship

Dr. Erardo Weihmann

Associate Fellowship

Dra. Claudia Barrera Uribe

Presentation of Honors Class

Dr. Octavio Acevedo Rubio

Dr. Antonio Bello Roch

Dr. Ramon Braojos Zapien

Dr. Cesar Camon Alarcon

Dra. Rosa Maria Dantuz

Dr. Jaime Edelson Tishman

Dr. Joaquin Gonzalez Campdera

Dr. Adrian Leon Gomez

Dra Clara Ludeña Espinosa

Dra. Laura L. Llado R.

Dr. Ralf Mueller Haas

Dr. Federico Perez Diez

Dra. Sheilla del Carmen Roa Gonzalez

Dra. Laura Karemh Sainz Franco.

Dr. Israel Speckman Borg

Dr. Rolando Velasco

Dr. Heriberto Vera Hermosillo



*Back Row L-R Dr. Heriberto Vera, Dr. Ernesto Acuña,
Dr. Armando Hernandez and Dr. Ramon Baez. Front
Row L-R Mrs. Laura Acuña, Dr. Susan Bishop,
Mrs. Janet Ramus and Dr. Robert Ramus*



"Fellows-Elect listen to the Academy Orientation"

2008 Central America Honors Class



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Robert L. Ramus, DDS
Executive Director



ADI-RP Section Activities

Dr. Diampo J. Lim, Regent ADI Philippines Sections reports the RP Section is not dormant, but rather active and vibrant despite of economic problems! This is evidenced by the regular meetings and activities of their section. The RP Section holds quarterly meetings in addition to four regular Board Meetings and two Regional Multi-Specialty Symposiums.

On February 27, 2008, the ADI-RP Section celebrated its 31st Anniversary at Lamoiyan Compound in Paranaque City. In addition to their Annual Business Meeting, they also provided two scientific seminars. *“Neuromuscular Dysfunction of the Stomatognathic System and Internal Derangement of the Temporomandibular Joint: Diagnosis and Treatment Modalities.”* Presented by Dr. Stavros Papaconstantinou, former Clinical Assistant Professor in Orthodontics at Loyola University. Dr. Regina B. Santos-Morales, a Diplomate of the American Academy of Periodontology and a former Clinical Instructor and Full-time lecturer, Department of Periodontics, University of Pennsylvania presented: *“The Amazing World of Periodontics and Implant Dentistry-The Hidden Beauty of Periodontal Plastic Surgery.”*



Hands-On-Workshop, Davao City on “Crown Lengthening Procedures” Dr. Marie Antonietle R. Veluz doing the actual demonstration.

The 2nd Regional Multi-Specialty Symposium and Hands-On Workshop was held on August 17-18, 2008 in cooperation with the Davao Medical School Foundation. Lecturers were members of the ADI-RP Section renowned in their field of specialty: **Dr. Jose Manuel Rivera** “Avoiding Orthodontic Errors through Proper Case Analysis and Treatment Planning”; **Dr. Armin G. Segarra and Dr. Michelle C. Sunico** “Single Visit Post and Crown Restorations”; **Dr. Ma. Cristina L. Estrada** “Evaluation and Management of Impacted Lower Wisdom Teeth”; **Dr. Marie Antoniette R. Veluz** “Crown Lengthening Procedures”; **Dr. Elaine Margaret P. del Rosario** “One Sitting Root Canal Therapy”; **Dr. Balbino B. Villanueva** “Troubleshooting During Denture Delivery”

The ADI-RP Section is looking forward and planning their 16th Biennial Convocation and their 32nd Anniversary of their Section!



June 18, 2008 President, Ermelinda Sabater-Galang endorses the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) document to Secretary Dr. Michelle Sunico.

At the 1st Quarterly Meeting on May 21, 2008, the RP Section was pleased to announce its registry with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 13, 2008 and its registry with the Bureau of Internal Revenue on May 20. Guest Lecturers included Dr. Jose R. Bernardo speaking on *“Hyperbaric Treatment for Stroke, Parkinson’s Disease and other Diseases.”* ADI Fellow, **Dr. Marie Antoniette R. Veluz**, presented *“Crown Lengthening Procedures.”*



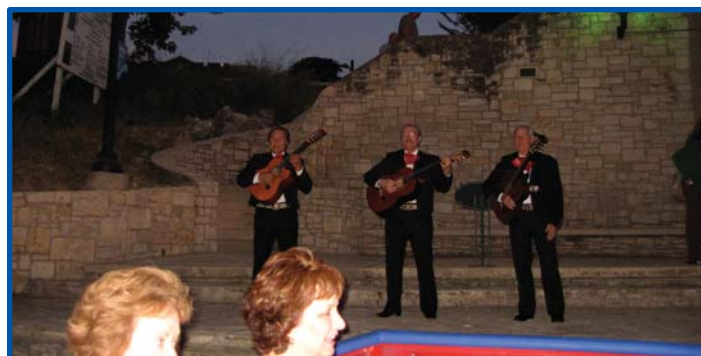
Participants of 2nd Multi-Specialty Symposium at Davao Medical School Foundation, Davao City

USA Section Convocation

The USA Section held its annual convocation in San Antonio, Texas on October 15, 2008 prior to the American Dental Association Annual Convention.



The Tuesday evening welcoming reception event was a riverboat dinner cruise on the San Antonio River. A mariachi band provided music and entertainment for the participants on the boats while they enjoyed the dinner.



Dr. Howard Cooper

The Wednesday morning Education program focused on Disaster Response and Access to Care. The panel featured Dr. Howard Cooper (IL) who went to Louisiana with the DMORT WMD (Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Team - Weapons of Mass Destruction) team following Hurricane Katrina. Dr. Don Brown (LA) whose home and office were affected by Katrina added his personal experience of the devastation. Dr. Ramon Baez, & Dr. T. Bob Davis (TX) and Dr. John del Campo (NY) discussed how they involve dental students in volunteer missions. The session ended with question and answer time regarding access to care

The Color Guard Unit from the University of Texas San Antonio Health Sciences Police Department opened the afternoon convocation. ADI President Dr. Susan B. Bishop was the presiding officer and welcomed the Fellow-Elects and the Honorees to the 34th USA Section Convocation.



*Dr. Jeffrey P. Okeson,
International Dentist of the Year*

Unable to attend the ADI Annual Convocation in Stockholm, Sweden, three individuals were presented with their awards in San Antonio. Dr. Jeffrey P. Okeson, Professor, Chair of the Department of Oral Health Science and Director of the Orofacial Pain Center, University of Kentucky Dental School was presented the International Dentist of the Year Award. Dr. Earl G. Freymiller, Professor and Chairman of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and Chief, Dental Service at UCLA Medical Center was given the Humanitarian Award.



*Dr. Earl G. Freymiller,
Humanitarian Award*



*Dr. Joe Rudé III,
Honorary Fellowship*

Dr. Joe C. Rudé, Professor of Radiology Emory University School of Medicine and Radiologist, Department of Medicine Spalding Regional Medical Center was inducted as an Honorary Fellow. The Honors Class of 2008 was comprised of five student members and forty outstanding Fellows. The Academy was honored as each new Fellow ascended the stage to receive their Fellowship key, certificate and lapel rosette. Dr. Okeson gave the class response to conclude the USA Section induction ceremony.



The evening festivities began with a cocktail reception preceding the gala black tie dinner. Dr. T. Bob Davis, USA Section Regent provided piano interludes during the dinner. Dr. Ramon Baez, ADI Vice-President for Education and his wife Martha joined Dr. Davis to accompany several numbers with the mandolin and castanets much to the delight of the diners.

Dr. Terry Tanaka presented Mr. Vincent Drouin, Senior Dental Student at Loma Linda School of Dentistry, the Terry T. Tanaka Student Humanitarian Award for 2008. The Award is graciously underwritten by the Sunstar Americas Company.

Dr. T. Bob Davis presented the James P. Verneti Award to Mr. Bill Allen for his many years of devoted service to Dr. Davis' annual mission trips.

A rousing round of applause for the guests of honor, the 2008 Honors Class of Fellows, concluded the evening.

The USA Section is looking forward to hosting the ADI Annual Convocation in Honolulu, Hawaii. This will also mark the 35th Anniversary of the Academy. Look for details for the events September 29-October 1, 2009. Available soon at: www.adint.org/meeting-reservations.htm

Fellowship Honors Class

- Dr. Charles M. Allen, Jr. Corpus Christi, Texas
- Dr. Bennett T. Amaechi San Antonio, Texas
- Dr. Ronald C. Auvenshine..... Houston, Texas
- Dr. John T. Baker..... Dallas, Texas
- Dr. Todd M. Baumann Dallas, Texas
- Dr. Wakeshi L. Benson..... Silver Springs, Maryland
- Dr. Scott E. Bonson Slidell, Louisiana
- Dr. Robert C. Brei Tucson, Arizona
- Dr. Lina M. Cárdenas San Antonio, Texas
- Dr. Wiley S. Cozart III..... Brevard, North Carolina
- Dr. Robert B. Davidson..... Elburn, Illinois
- Dr. Michael G. Durbin..... Des Plaines, Illinois
- Dr. Moshtagh R. Farokhi..... Helotes, Texas
- Dr. Lynne S. Gerlach Plano, Texas
- Dr. Leslie E. Grant Glen Arm, Maryland
- Dr. John C. G'Sell St. Louis, Missouri
- Dr. Wade B. Hammer Augusta, Georgia
- Dr. Otice Z. Helmer, Jr. Fort Worth TX, Texas
- Dr. Mark R. Henderson, USAF McConnell AFB, Kansas
- Dr. Sloan W. Hildebrand Dallas, Texas
- Dr. Amanda G. Hoover..... League City, Texas
- Dr. Carlton Horbelt Lakeland, Tennessee
- Dr. Helen S. Kirscher Valparaiso, Indiana
- Dr. Randall A. Kleitz Manchester, Missouri
- Dr. Jun Lim Chicago, Illinois
- Dr. Michael T. Mason Allen, Texas
- Dr. Vincent C. Mayher, Jr. Haddonfield, New Jersey
- Dr. Byron M. McKnight..... Mesquite, Texas
- Dr. Dod David Moore..... Waco, Texas
- Dr. Bruce A. Norkus Rochelle, Illinois
- Dr. Paul E. Obrock Quincy, Illinois
- Dr. Gregory A. Osborne..... San Antonio, Texas
- Dr. Keith Riley Naples, Florida
- Dr. Steven M. Roser..... Atlanta, Georgia
- Dr. Carolyn S. Rudé..... Sandy Springs, Georgia
- Dr. A. Don Shaw..... Groves, Texas
- Dr. J. David Singleton, Jr. San Antonio, Texas
- Dr. Robert M. Thies Tinley Park, Illinois
- Dr. J. David Toney Allen, Texas
- Dr. Connie L. White..... Kansas City, Missouri

Student Membership

Ms. Diane Deng
Mr. Jay Leftwich
Mr. Alex Rouse

Mr. Vincent Drouin
Mr. Justin Nylund

Class Response

October 15, 2008

President Bishop, Distinguished Officers and Fellows of the Academy, Colleagues, Ladies and Gentleman. It is a great honor and privilege to be asked to say a few words on behalf of the newly inducted fellows of the Academy of Dentistry International. On behalf of all of my fellow inductees I wish to thank the Academy for the distinguished honor that you have bestowed upon us. It is certainly a great privilege to be recognized by such a prestigious Academy.

The Academy of Dentistry International was established in 1974 to serve the dental profession and the public. Its goals are to spread knowledge to the world and serve the world's population with the ultimate goal of reducing the disease and suffering of our patients. Personally this is the greatest professional honor that I have received because it comes from an Academy with its primary goal to serve our fellow man. How could it get any better than this? Albert Einstein said "only a life lived in the service to others is worth living".

Looking around this Academy and its membership makes me humble and feel insignificant, and to some extent undeserving of this fellowship and award. When I consider all the members who have contributed so much to so many, it is truly overwhelming. I think of members like Terry Tanaka who has given so much of his time to others. He and wife Naomi and their dental team have traveled for years to Mexico to care for disadvantaged children. This type of service exemplifies the wonderful mission of this Academy, and there are so many other members of this Academy who have served the less fortunate in many different ways.

The second goal of this Academy is to spread knowledge to the world and perhaps this is where I have had my opportunity. I have been a full time dental educator for more than 35 years. I have had the privilege of providing more than 700 invited lectures to organizations in 45 foreign countries. I have found that people are the same all over the world and that we all hunger for the knowledge to better help our patients. It has always been my hope that the information that I might bring would assist clinicians and educators in ultimately helping their patients. I have had 41 full time residents graduate from our orofacial pain program from 18 different countries and I have watched these individuals return to their



countries and pass their knowledge on to others. It has been my hope that this has helped patients suffer less and this hope has provided me a sense of fulfillment.

Yet I have learned that most knowledge is not created, it is merely passed on. My greatest mentor was Dr. Weldon Bell, an oral surgeon from Dallas. In 1985 I dedicated my first text book to Dr. Bell for all that he had taught me. It is interesting to note that Dr. Bell dedicated his textbook to Dr. Harry Sicher for teaching him the biomechanics of jaw function. And Dr. Sicher dedicated his text book to an Austrian anatomist, Dr. Tandler for the knowledge he had received. And so I have come to learn that knowledge is not owned. It should never be hidden or selfishly possessed. It needs to be passed on so that our profession can advance and expand and ultimately provide better care for our patients. And so it turns out that we stand on the shoulders of the giants who come before us. I am therefore indebted and grateful to Dr. Bell and all who came before him, for where I stand today.

In my 35 years of teaching I have come to appreciate a very special time each year that I can share with my students and colleagues. That time occurs during graduation. Each year I have the opportunity to watch young individuals whom I have come to know for four years as students, walk across a stage, receive a diploma and officially become a dentist. But that is not the part that affects me the most. It is what happens next. After

all the new dentists return to their seats they are asked to stand again and face their faculty and their love ones; mothers, fathers, spouses, and the public and they are asked to repeat the Dentist's Pledge. Perhaps you might remember this. I want to quote a portion of this pledge: "I pledge to accept that my primary responsibility is to my patients, and I shall dedicate myself to render, to the best of my ability, the highest standard of oral health care and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence." At that moment the new dentists recognizes that we dentists have been given a great privilege to assist our fellow man with the disease and suffering that may inflect them in the orofacial structures. Dentistry is truly a service profession. We are here to reduce the suffering of our fellow man because they do not possess the knowledge, nor skills, to do this on their own. This is exactly what this Academy stands for.

I tell my students and clinicians to place the needs of their patients first. Sometimes there is a tendency to put too much emphasis on the business of dentistry and not the patient. When this happens I believe we are at risk of losing sight of the great privileged we have been granted with respect to caring for our fellow man. Dentists are truly blessed and we must never lose sight of our true mission. I close most of my continuing education programs with this simple reminder to the participants. "Do what is best for your patient, not what is best for your practice. If you do this your practice will flourish. For your patients will know that you truly care,



and that is the greatest practice builder you can ever experience.”

In closing I wish to leave you with a thought from George Washington Carver. “How far you go in life depends on you being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because some time in life you will be all of these.”

I wish to personally thank the Academy for giving me an award for doing something I truly love to do, sharing knowledge. On behalf of all the inductees I wish to thank the Academy for the honor you have bestowed upon us. I am sure each inductee recognizes that the

achievements they have accomplished have not been derived by only their efforts. And therefore I am sure each would like to thank the important individuals in their lives that have made this day possible. Since I have the privilege of standing before you, I would like to publicly thank my loving wife of 38 years, Barbara. She has supported me and sacrificed much and I am truly blessed to have such a loving and understanding wife. Thank you Hon.

May God richly bless each of you as you travel through this gift we call life.

Thank you, Jeffrey P Okeson, DMD

Annual Convocation Stockholm, Sweden

The Annual Convocation of the Academy of Dentistry International was held on September 24, 2008 in Stockholm, Sweden.

The Sheraton Stockholm Hotel Ballroom was the venue with President Dr. Susan Bishop the presiding officer. President-Elect Dr. Reg Hession, Vice-President for Finance Dr. Tom Brink, Vice-President of International Affairs, Dr. Diampo Lim and Vice-President for Education Dr. Ramon Baez also officiated at the ceremony

Seventeen new Fellows were inducted into membership. Each new Fellow was warmly welcomed by their respective Regent, Dr. Phillipe Rusca of the Northern European Section; Dr. Vladimir Sadovski of the Eastern European Section and Dr. Gerhard Seeberger of the Southern European Section.

Dr. Donald Stewart, who retired as Regent of the Canadian Section the previous day at the Annual Board

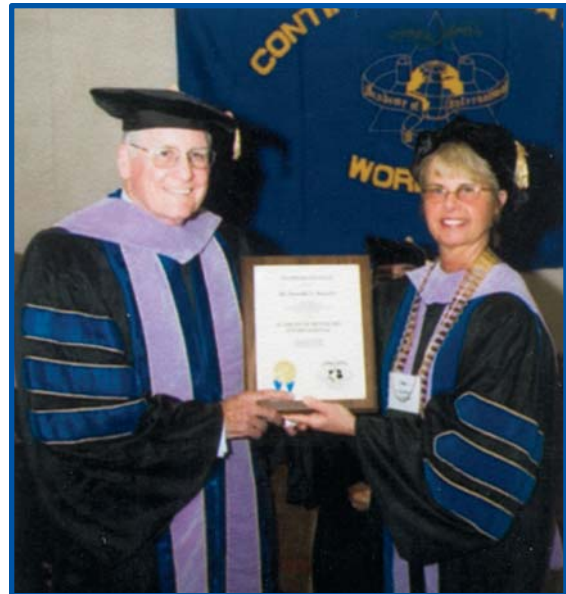
of Regents Meeting was presented with the Academy's Hillenbrand Award. The Hillenbrand Award is presented periodically to a Fellow of the Academy who has demonstrated exceptional devotion to its affairs and its aim of beneficial service to the profession and society.

Dr. Russ Ladwa of Ealing, London, England was presented with the Academy's Award of Distinction. The Award of Distinction is presently periodically to an individual who has distinguished themselves in the field of continuing dental education. Dr. Ladwa is in general practice and is currently serving as Chairman of the Education Committee at the Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK), Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Immediately following the ceremony, the newly inducted Fellows were the guests of honor at the convocation luncheon.



Dr. Raja, Dr. Chaudhry and Dr. Shaikh



Dr. Donald Stewart is presented the Hillenbrand Award by President Susan Bishop

Fellowship Honor Roll

ARMENIA

Dr. Ashot Gaspar Gevorgyan
Dr. Vahagn Perji Kirakosyan

AZERBAIJAN

Dr. Zohrab Islam Garayev

BELARUS

Dr. Liudmila Nikolaevna Dedova

GEORGIA

Prof. Dr. Giorgi Menabde

ITALY

Dr. Nicolas Francois Arnould
Dr. Gianfranco Semez

KAZAKSTAN

Prof. Dr. Maksut Temirbayev

KENYA

Dr. Avinash Kaur Sharma
Dr. Sanjeev J. Sharma

PAKISTAN

Dr. Dildar Hussain Chaudhry
Dr. Ahsan Saleem Raja
Dr. Bilal Ahmed Shaikh

POLAND

Prof. Elzbieta Mierzwinska-Nastalska

RUSSIA

Prof. Solomon A. Rabinovich
Dr. Dmitry Trunin

UKRAINE

Dr. Alexey Pavlenko

Awards

Dr. Donald A. Stewart The Hillenbrand Award

Dr. Rasikkumar Ladwa The Award of Distinction



NEW REGENTS TAKE POSITIONS ON BOARD OF REGENTS



Dr. Emilio Petit was installed as the new Regent for the South American Section. Dr. Petit, Founder and longtime Chairman of the Chile ADI Chapter. He succeeds retiring Regent, Dr. Santiago Sartori.

Dr. Petit has been very active with the Dental School at the University of Chile. He is a former Academic in the Prosthesis Department and a Coordinator of Graduates School. He also served as Director for the Dental College of Chile.

He has served in the military as an Officer of the Chile Army, President of his local Rotary Club and also of his District, President of the Chile Society Prosthesis and Oral Rehabilitation. He founded the Journal of Chile Society Prosthesis and Oral Rehabilitation.

Emilio maintains a private practice in Santiago specializing in Oral Rehabilitation and Implantology. He is a member of the Chile Society of Oral Implantology and the Chile Society of Prosthesis and Oral Rehabilitation.



Dr. Philippe Rusca Lausanne, Switzerland was installed as Regent, Northern European Section, at the ADI Annual Meeting held in Stockholm, Sweden. Dr. Rusca was appointed in 2008 as Interim Regent for the newly formed Northern European Section.

Dr. Rusca received his Doctorate in dentistry from the University of Berne and maintains a private practice in Fribourg. He has served from 1983-1991 as Vice-President, President and Past-President of the Fribourg Dental

Association.

On the national level Philippe is a member of the Swiss Dental Association SSO, serving as Vice-President its Board. He also serves as President of the Health Political Commission of the SSO.

Dr. Rusca is active internationally as well, currently a Delegate of the SSO for international affairs and Delegate to the European Regional Organization and the Council of European Dentists. He is the current General Secretary of the European Regional Organization. He also serves as a member of the FDI Organizational Structure Task Team and the FDI Relocation Task Team.



Dr. Peter B. F. Swiss, West Sussex, U.K. was installed as Regent, British Isles Section at the ADI Annual Meeting. He also, had been appointed Acting Regent in 2008 following the reorganization of the European Section.

Dr. Swiss has been an active participant in organized dentistry since receiving his B.D.S. from Guy's Hospital Dental School in 1966. He was a British Dental Association Council Member for 18 years and served as President of the BDA in 2001-2002. Peter is a former editor of *FDI World* and is currently Chairman of the FDI Ethics Committee.

Dr. Swiss devotes a multitude of time to numerous charitable and benevolent organizations and his church.



Dr. Vladimir V. Sadovski, Moscow was installed as Regent, Eastern European Section at the ADI Annual Meeting in Stockholm. He too, had been appointed as an Acting Regent in 2007.

Dr. Sadovski received his dental and Ph.D. degrees from the State Medical Institute of Khabarovsk, Dental Faculty.

Vladimir is currently Vice-President of the Russian Dental Association. He has served on the RDA Board since 1992 and from 1996 -2006 was Secretary-General. He is the Russian delegate to the FDI General Assembly and the European Regional Organization.



Dr. Gerhard K. Seeberger, Cagliari, Italy was installed as Regent for the Southern European Section at the Stockholm meeting. Dr. Seeberger had been appointed as Acting Regent in 2007.

Dr. Seeberger studied medicine and surgery at the Universita Pravia, Italy and then obtained his Dental training at the Julius-Maximilian-Universitat Wurzburg. Since 1986 he has been in private practice in Cagliari

He is a member of the Italian Society for Osseointegration, European Association for Osseointegration, Italian Prosthodontic Academy. He is the Immediate Past-President of the Italian Dental Association (AIO) and President-Elect of the European Regional Organization (ERO) of the FDI.

Gerhard is a founding member and Immediate Past-President of the Bavarian Study Club of Periodontology and a Disciplinary Board Member of the Centres of Laser in Dentistry and Dermatology. He is an Honorary Member of the Chicago Dental Society.



Dr. Neil J. Gajjar, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada was appointed Regent for the Canadian Section succeeding the retiring Regent, Dr. Don Stewart. Prior to his appointment, Dr. Gajjar served as Vice-Regent for East Canada.

Dr. Gajjar obtained his degree from Howard University College of Dentistry in 1999. He has completed several mini-residencies and has been in private practice since 2002. He is also a Clinical Instructor in Oral Diagnosis and Radiology at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry.

Neil is a member of the American Dental Association, the Canadian Dental Association, the Academy of General Dentistry and is a Past-President of the Ontario Academy of General Dentistry. He is currently a member of the Dental Education Council of the Academy of General Dentistry.

Dr. Gajjar is a Master of the Academy of General Dentistry and is a Fellow of the Academy, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the International College of Dentists.

The Board of Regents of the Academy of Dentistry International has been greatly enriched by the expertise of the newly installed Regents. They represent the spirit of the Academy in its aims and mission and in the words of another international organization, Rotary International, they give "Service above Self".



SOUTH AMERICA SECTION Recife Brazil Convocation March 13, 2008

South American section Regent, Dr. Santiago Sartori conducted a convocation induction ceremony for the Brazil Chapter. The newly inducted Fellows are:

- Dr. Geraldo Alves Vasconcelos Filho**
- Dr. Elayne Cavalcanti Soares**
- Dr. Fernando Luiz Tavares Vieira**
- Dr. Geraldo Bosco Lindoso Couto**
- Dr. Phylp Nakomechnyj Neto**
- Dr. Roberto Vianna**
- Dr. Deo Costa Ramos**
- Dr. Avilmar Passos Galvão**

CHILEAN CHAPTER

The Chilean Chapter after 12 years of leadership, initiated by the Founder and Chairman Dr. Emilio Petit López, has a new Chairman. **Dr. Eduardo Rodríguez Arellano** was installed as the new Chilean Chapter Chairman. Dr. Petit, who assumed the position of Regent, South America Section, presented the Official Chairman's Medallion to Dr. Rodríguez at a ceremony June 28, 2008.



Dr. Petit (l) and Dr. Eduardo Rodriguez Arellano (r).

Paraguay Chapter Convocation April 30, 2008

Asunción – Paraguay - Dr. Emilio Petit Vice Regent presided over the Paraguay Chapter Convocation in which four new Fellows were inducted. Allowing closer ties of friendship, the Chapter was given a newsletter book of the “The Chilean Chapter News” which included all editions. A Gold Pin of The Academy

of Dentistry International was presented to Dr. Víctor Raul Vera Vierci Chairman Paraguay Chapter. The new Fellows inducted were:

- Dr. Raul Cubilla** **Dr. Ezequiel Gómez**
- Dr. Humberto Corbeta** **Dr. Raul M. Vera**



From left to right: Dr. Raul Cubilla, Dr. Ezequiel Gómez, Dr. Raul M. Vera, Dr. Emilio Petit, Dr. Víctor Raul Vera, Dr. Humberto Corbeta and Dr. Luis Gonzalez .

Dr. Emilio Petit, Vice Regent, gave ADI Certificate to Dr. Humberto Corbeta. Back Dr. Víctor Raul Vera. Chairman Paraguay Chapter .



From left to right : Dr. Víctor Raul Vera Vierci Chairman of Paraguay Chapter. Dr. Emilio Petit López Vice Regent South America Section and Chairman Chilean Chapter .



IN THE NEWS

The Academy of General Dentistry, a 35,000 member organization of general dentists held its 2008 Annual Meeting at the Disney Resort in Orlando, Florida. The meeting was noteworthy for the number of ADI Fellows who are Officers, Trustees and Directors of the Academy.



Paula S. Jones, DDS, FADI became the first female president of the Academy of General Dentistry when she took office on Sunday, July 20, 2008. Her passionate acceptance speech during the House of Delegates session spoke about the AGD's historical beginning, current advocacy efforts, and more. Her message to attendees was to celebrate AGD history, even as she changed it.



Vincent C. Mayer, Jr., DMD, MAGD became the Immediate Past President, having served as Vice-President, President-Elect and President the previous three years.



David F. Halpern, DMD, FAGD assumed the office of President-Elect, having been elected Vice-President the previous year.



Fares M. Elaias, DDS, JD, FAGD was elected Vice-President. Other ADI Fellows serving on the AGD Executive Council are **Linda J. Edgar, DDS, MAGD, Secretary**; **Roger D. Winland, DDS, MS, MAGD, Editor**; and **Howard R. Gamble, DMD, FAGD, Speaker of the House**.



Dr. Edgar



Dr. Winland



Dr. Gamble

ADI is well represented on the AGD Board of Trustees by ADI Fellows: **Maria A. Smith, DMD, John C. Comisi, DDS, Richard D. Knowlton, DMD, Manuel A. Cordero, DDS, Sami M. Ghareeb, DDS, Mohamadnazar F. Harunani, DDS, Gary E. Heyamoto, DDS, Michael R. Thompson, DDS, and Antonio Mancuso, DDS.**

Also serving as AGD Regional Directors are ADI Fellows: **Elizabeth A. Clemente, DDS, Connie White, DDS, Hans P. Guter, DDS, Susan Bordenave-Bishop, DMD, Guy M. Hanson, DDS, James H. Thompson, DDS, Elio F. Felice, DDS, Hank W. Klein, DMD, Doug W. Bogan, DDS and Patrick P. Shepherd, DDS.**

The AGD concept of continuing dental education was the inspiration for AGD Past-President, **Dr. Albert Wasserman** in 1974 when he founded the ADI. The Academy's often quoted motto became, "World Understanding - Through Education". It is no coincidence that so many AGD members have become Honored Fellows of ADI.



Dr. Pankaj Patel, Nairobi, Kenya passed examination and was received by the Dean, for the presentation of Diplomate of the Faculty of General Dental Practice, Royal College of Surgeons, England. Dr. Patel now holds the degree of MFGDP (UK) RCS. Dr. Patel is the ADI Regent, Africa and Middle East Section.



Robert J. Doherty, D.D.S., of White Plains has been elected President Elect of the New York State Dental Association (NYSDA). The association is one of the largest state constituents of the American Dental Association and represents more than 13,000 of the state's dentists. Dr. Doherty will serve as president of the state association in 2010.

Dr. Doherty, an oral surgeon, has been an active participant in organized dentistry. He is a past president of the Ninth District Dental Association, a local component of NYSDA serving counties in the lower Hudson Valley. He was previously a member of the NYSDA Board of Governors and its Executive Committee. He served as chair of the NYSDA Finance, Budget and Audit Committee steering the organization in new directions with a budget surplus in his first year as chair. He also oversaw the consolidation of the association's dues collection process. He has served on the national level as a delegate to the American Dental Association (ADA).

Dr. Doherty is a graduate of New York University and completed a residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery at Bellevue Hospital, New York University Hospital and the Manhattan VA Hospital. He was elected to fellowship in the International College of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy, Academy of Dentistry International, and he served as chairman of the New York Section of the American College of Dentists. He received the NYSDA Distinguished Service Award in 2007 for his contributions to the profession of dentistry in New York.

"There is a destiny that makes us brothers. No one goes his way alone, for all that we send into the lives of others, comes back into our own."

Malcolm



↔ In Memoriam ↔

Dr. Lloyd W. Beamish, Burnaby, BC, Canada, September 4, 2008.

Dr. Albert I. Busch, Chicago, IL, USA October 18, 2008.

Dr. Russell Corio, Rockville, MD, USA August 2, 2008.

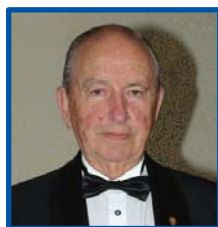
Dr. Curt Gronner, Wheaton, IL, USA March 8, 2008.

Dr. Michael Hagen, Port Dover, ON, Canada, May 28, 2007.

Dr. Bronislavis Janickas, Distinguished Fellow, Lithuania, January 11, 2009.

Dr. Steve Kiltau, North Palm Beach, FL, USA.

Dr. John F. Lavis, Australia, June 26, 2008.



Dr. Walter Lieber Bielli, Uruguay passed away November 13, 2009. Dr. Lieber was born in Montevideo Uruguay on February 10, 1921, In 1960 he became the Dean of Facultad de Odontología Universidad de la Republica. In 2000, he was made Dean of Facultad de Odontología

Universidad Católica del Uruguay. Dr. Lieber could properly be called “Father of the South American Section”. He served for many years as the Regent for South America and during his tenure he established Chapters in Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Brazil and Bolivia. Dr. Lieber was primarily responsible for the development of the International College of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Academy of Dentistry International in Uruguay. In recognition of his dedication to the Academy and to organized dentistry, Dr. Lieber was honored as the International Dentist of the Year in 2002 and with the Award of Distinction in 2005.

Dr. Doug C. Loader, North Balwyn, VIC, Australia.

Dr. Alfred G. Rowell, Australia, September 27, 2007. Dr. Rowell founded The Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in 1965.

Dr. Richard W. Samuel, Circleville, OH, USA December 24, 2007.

Dr. Martin Scanlon, Wilmington, DE, USA July 2008.

Dr. Patrick F. Stranahan, Denver, Colorado, USA November 23, 2008.



Dr. Hueng Ryul Yoon, Korea passed away in Seoul, Korea on June 26, 2008. Dr. Yoon was the Founder and Charter member of the Korean Chapter. He was the donor of the *ADI Blue Cloud Award* which was presented periodically over the years. ADI

recognized Dr. Yoon for his dedication to dentistry with the *Award of Distinction* in 2004. Dr. Yoon was an active member of the FDI. He served as the FDI President 2003 -2005. His legacy will be the stop smoking campaign he initiated and the FDI promoted during his term of office..



Dr. Donald Alfred Stewart Passed away on February 8, 2009 at age 75 in Toronto following a courageous five-year battle with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, a lung disease he was determined to beat—without reducing his quality of life. Born in Toronto,

Don played football, hockey and began a lifelong passion for golf at the Scarborough Golf Club. He graduated in 1957 from the University of Toronto School of Dentistry, maintaining a family tradition, as Don's brother, father, grandfather and great grandfather in Scotland were in the dental profession.

Don was an active volunteer with numerous charities and dental organizations in and outside of North America. It was through diligence and efforts that the Canadian Section of the Academy is now the second largest Section. Don was widely known and highly respected in the dental community and it was a true honor to have been nominated for Fellowship by Don.

Don enjoyed traveling and although he knew it was a potential risk to do so, he did not let his illness deter him from flying around the globe. In September 2008, he and his wife Judy traveled to Spain, France Prague, and then to Stockholm, Sweden for the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Academy's Board of Regents. At the meeting Don resigned from the Board noting his health had become a fulltime endeavor. The next day at the Annual Convocation Don was presented the Academy's Hillenbrand Award, recognizing his innumerable and valuable contributions to the Academy. Don will be dearly missed by his wife Judy and family, as well as friends and colleagues around the world.

ADI Foundation

Dear ADI Fellows:



Dr. Brown

Our Academy of Dentistry International Foundation is very active. We are continuing to raise funds to support our efforts to serve the dental health needs throughout the world. I encourage you to contribute to the ADI Foundation this year. The new Foundation brochure is enclosed for your review.

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Sincerely,

Donald T. Brown, D.D.S., M.S.
ADI Foundation President

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~ Benjamin Disraeli

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