Happy 2008 to everyone. 2007 has come to a close and ADI has accomplished many things this past year. Our Annual Meeting in San Francisco with all of the ADI officers, Regents and Vice-Regents was very successful along with the induction of the New Fellows—it is a rewarding experience to sit at a Board Meeting surrounded by dentists from all around the world.

The inductions in Dubai also went extremely well. Our thanks to Drs. Robert Ramus, Khalid Almas, Gerhard Seeberger and Reg Hession for making this possible. Italy was another rousing success—thank you Drs. Gerhard Seeberger and Giancarlo Couch for your generous hospitality to me, Dr. Ramon Baez and Dr. Thomas Brink. Thank you to the spouses for making San Francisco, Dubai and Italy truly outstanding for ADI. Thank you to the spouses for making San Francisco, Dubai and Italy truly outstanding for ADI. Without your voluntary efforts, the Academy would not be what it is today. Our gratitude and well wishes for the New Year to our Executive Director, Dr. Robert Ramus, and our Secretary, Mrs. Stephanie Wilhelm, for their excellent coordination and management of the organization. Finally, please take a moment to remember the service contributions of two great ADI presidents, who passed away in 2007, Drs. James Vernetti and Lawrence Cox and offer a special prayer for their families.

With the commencement of the New Year, ADI looks forward to working toward the following goals and a very bright future:

In 2008, we look forward to increasing the number of ADI fellowship inductees and honoring our dentist colleagues for their accomplishments with the gift of Fellowship.

In 2008, we look forward to the appointment of additional leadership in the European Sections that will increase representation of more of the European countries. We are grateful for the efforts of Drs. Reg Hession, Rex Fortescue, Don Brown and Gerhard Seeberger on behalf of the European Sections.

In 2008, it is our hope that more ADI fellows and dental students will be involved in the many ADI outreach programs throughout the world—let us connect them with ADI and the world. The experience is so beneficial for the individual as well as the health of the world society.

In 2008, the ADI officers will serve as ambassadors to facilitate the ADI message of humanitarianism and education by attending as many convocations within the year as possible.

These are some of the goals for the year of 2008 and it is my wish that the ADI membership will enjoy every moment that is spent obtaining their completion.

That being said, I’d like to complete my message with a brief story. At a recent meeting for another organization, myself and three other ADI fellows and 5 nonmembers were seated at the dinner table. ADI was mentioned during our conversation. Someone asked for the fellows to talk further about ADI. After a brief description of the mission and goals of the organization and fellowship, one nonmember turned to me and said, “This is too great an organization for me not to have known about it—how do I learn more?” Needless to say this dentist has received a follow-up letter from the Academy’s central office.

As a final note, please plan on attending our ADI Annual Board Meeting and Convocation in Stockholm, Sweden this year in conjunction with the FDI meeting, September 24-27, 2008.

I hope to see you soon. Please nominate dentists for fellowship in the Academy of Dentistry International by giving the names and contact information to the ADI central office and please copy to your Regent and to Dr. Frank Faunce who has graciously accepted the ADI Membership Chair position. Thank you, Dr. Faunce, for accepting the position and congratulations on the completion of an excellent term of office this past year as ADI President.

~ Dr. Susan B. Bishop
ADI President
The Canadian Section Annual Convocation was celebrated May 24, 2007 at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge, Jasper, Alberta, Canada. Undoubtedly the most spectacular of any venue the Academy has been privileged to visit, Jasper Park boasts unparalleled scenery, majestic mountains and wandering wildlife.

Past President Dr. Ralph Barolet presented a history of the Academy for the Fellows-Elect. Highlighted was the role the Canadian Section has played in the growth and development of the Academy. Officers of the Academy present for the Convocation ceremony were introduced and the Orientation program was adjourned for the reception. The reception provided time for renewal of old acquaintances, developing new friendships and fellowship for all participants and guests.

ADI President, Dr. Frank Faunce presided over the induction ceremony, assisted by Regents Drs. Don Stewart and Hank Klein; Vice-Regent Neil Gajjar; Past Presidents, Drs. Ralph Barolet and Rex Fortescue; and the Executive Director, Dr. Robert Ramus. Honorary Fellowship was bestowed on Mr. John T. Patterson prior to the induction of an outstanding 2007 honors class. The ceremony concluded with remarks from the Class Respondent, Dr. Peter Doig.

Class Response

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

It is a great honour and privilege to be asked to say a few words on behalf of the Canada Honours Class of 2007. Together myself and my professional colleagues would like to thank the Academy of Dentistry International for recognizing our efforts and accomplishments in our field. And what a collection of men and women; I feel very humbled to be included in such a group of remarkable dentists, who have contributed to our community in so many ways.

I use the term “community” very deliberately because it is my belief that we as dentists and members of society belong to a number of communities within our professional and private lives. We belong to communities of family, of the city or town in which we reside, of social circles, perhaps of church or other places of worship, of faculty, of alumni, of sports organizations and not least of our profession.

I see the relationship of these communities in my mind as a Venn Diagram, you might remember those diagrams of superimposed circles which have one area that is common to all. I must admit that I had to ask my 11 year old daughter if I had the right name for the diagram. In my mental Venn Diagram I have many circles of differing sizes overlapping in many places. These circles represent the different communities in which I play a roll and common to them all in that one little spot that they all overlap is me.

So what do we do within these various circles of life in which we participate. I would like to paraphrase the late President John F. Kennedy and “ask not what your community can do for you, but what you can do for your community.” We all have skills which we can offer to our communities. Some of your skills are in areas of sport, religion or public service. Activity in these areas are all means by which we give back to our communities.

Tonight the community we celebrate is our professional community, likely one of those big circles in our own personal Venn Diagrams. We live and practice our profession here in Canada in one of the strongest dental communities in the world. We live in a country that provides the vast majority of people access to the type of dental care that is second to none. We have done an admirable albeit not perfect job of providing dental care to our community of Canadians. But there is a greater community to which we as dentists belong and that is a world wide fraternity of people dedicated to improving oral health throughout the world.

Canadians have always been active in reaching outside our borders to provide oral health care to the less fortunate worldwide. Whether it is students providing care in villages in Central America or Maxillofacial surgeons treating the unfortunate in Vietnam, Canadian dentists have always been on the forefront of our
profession. We have dentists active in International Dental Organizations such as this one or the FDI, in fact we now have for the first time a Canadian president of the FDI. These organizations are dedicated to improving knowledge worldwide to improve the oral health of our global community. They do this by improving access to scientific knowledge, to improving education of oral health care providers and by improving access to quality dental care.

So as dentists it is our duty to serve the various communities to which we belong. To share our skills and knowledge with others and with any luck we will leave our communities a little better off for our having been there.

And so, on behalf of the class of 2007 may I say once again that we as a group are humbled by the Academy’s faith in us as dentists and individuals to allow us to accept the obligations and dedication to the ideals and mission of the Academy of Dentistry International.

Thank-you and Good Evening.

Dr. Peter Doig
2007 Class Response
May 24, 2007

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Canada Section Fellowship Honor Roll

- Dr. Donald Anderson
  Vancouver, British Columbia

- Dr. Joel A. Antel
  Winnipeg, Manitoba

- Dr. Brian D. Barrett
  Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

- Dr. Mark D. Bochinski
  Edmonton, Alberta

- Dr. Charles C. Cann
  Cold Lake, Alberta

- Dr. Terry Carlyle
  Edmonton, Alberta

- Dr. Andrew B. Chuchman
  Winnipeg, Manitoba

- Dr. Josephine Sinn Yu Chung
  Burnaby, British Columbia

- Dr. Peter J. Doig
  Dauphin, Manitoba

- Dr. Kevin J. Doyle
  Parksville, British Columbia

- Dr. Raymond Fong
  Vancouver, British Columbia

- Dr. Michael A. Gardner
  Toronto, Ontario

- Dr. Ian G. Graves
  Edmonton, Alberta

- Dr. William Michael Hawrysh
  Mississauga, Ontario

- Dr. Larry K. Hodinsky
  St. Paul, Alberta

- Dr. H.C. Aaron Kim
  Winnipeg, Manitoba

- Dr. Michael S. Lee
  Edmonton, Alberta

- Dr. Filippo Marchello
  Mississauga, Ontario

- Dr. Johann O. Pelech
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  Port Coquitlam, British Columbia

- Dr. Larry Joseph Tenaschuk
  Milton, Ontario

- Dr. Sanjay Uppal
  Cambridge, Ontario

- Dr. Ashok Varma
  Powell River, British Columbia

- Dr. Gordon B. Wong
  Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario

- Dr. David J. Zaparinuk
  Victoria, British Columbia

- Dr. Ron Zohar
  Toronto, Ontario
Convocation in Perú August 16, 2007

*The day the Convocation in Perú was scheduled to take place we received the following email from our South America Regent, Dr. Santiago Sartori:*

I am sending you this e-mail from Lima, Peru. Being a global world you know that a very strong earthquake hit this city and its surroundings (7.8 Richter) yesterday.

I came to Lima because today we are going to have Convocation, not yet confirmed, since all educational activities have been suspended.

The worst place is actually in the south of Lima, in a city called Pisco. Almost 80% of the houses were destroyed, 400 people died and 2,000 are waiting for some kind of assistance. Roads have been seriously damaged and only a few vehicles are able to reach this area. Helicopters are being used but at this point no extra physicians or any kind of help has arrived. TV images are very sad and show desperate people requesting for help. One of the problems is that this is an area of extreme poverty the houses are not made in concrete and this caused them to fall.

In Lima, were I am now, few people died but anyway there is a lot of damage. Half an hour before the earthquake I was traveling by taxi to meet a Mexican dentist in a hotel near the Pacific coast. The road through which I traveled is now closed since a lot of stones fell from the surrounding mountain. I saw surfers in the coast and since the sea went into the beach nearly 100 meters they where thrown into the land, surf boards destroyed but fortunately no one injured. These surfers will never forget this experience, neither will I.

The hotel where I was drinking a coffee was evacuated. After an hour and a half my friend started his lecture and half an hour later an emergency message was receive. The building had to be evacuated because of the risk of Tsunami.

I went to sleep late in the evening and believe or not I slept. At this time, 10 am I am waiting for some news about the ADI Convocation, we will see if we can help in any way.

~ Dr. Santiago Sartori  
Regent, South American Section

The Convocation took place and our Academy has six new Fellows. Dr. Juan Enrique Bazán, Peruvian Chairman, organized the whole ceremony and it was an opportunity to meet the family of the inductees.

Dr. Plinio Gómez  
Dr. Marco Mendoza  
Dr. Jose Rojas  
Dr. Eduardo Sanchez Toro  
Dr. Luciano Soldevilla  
Dr. Tania Trujillo

The activities of the Academy in Perú, bringing some hope to very poor areas of the jungle and the compromise that the new Fellows showed were recognized by the South America Regent, Dr. Sartori in his speech.
Finally I looked at myself and decided that “someone” was me. So in March of 2001 I left my home and work in the U.S. and moved to Guatemala to serve the indigenous Maya of Guatemala fulltime. I have been there ever since. To date our five clinics have documented over 95,000 patient visits and we estimate over US$6,000,000 in medical services have been provided for the Quiche Maya since we opened the clinics. Our project, “Proyecto Salud y Paz” translates to “Project Health and Peace” in English.

Dr. Paul Kotala
Humanitarian Award

Paul Kotala is a graduate in both science and dental surgery from the University of Sydney. His early years following graduation were spent in his own very successful private dental practice.

Throughout this time, this work within the Australian Dental Association caused him to be elected to high office. This included that of Treasurer of the New South Wales Branch and Membership of the Organising Committee of the Annual World Dental Congress of the Fédération Dentaire Internationale, held in Sydney, Australia in the year 2003.

Following a period of travel throughout the world, particularly in South East Asia, he recognized the lack of opportunity for the peoples who live therein, to maintain good health. In particular, the paucity of facilities and infrastructure available to populations at large was clearly evident.

Dr. Phillip Plunk
International Dentist of the Year Award

Dr. Phil Plunk received his DDS degree from the University of Texas, Dental Branch, Houston in 1977 and in 1992 received a Master of Theological Studies from Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

Dr. Plunk was in private practice from 1977 to 1994 when he became full time Clinical Director for the Texas Department of Criminal Corrections.

Since 1985 Dr. Plunk had been making short term volunteer medical mission trips to Guatemala and other areas of the western hemisphere. Once or twice a year he would leave his practice for one or two weeks at a time and travel with medical teams to areas desperately in need of medical care. Now as Paul Harvey would say: “Here in Phil’s own words are the rest of the story”.

“What bothered me with each of those trips was that each one had a final day, a final hour, a final patient we could treat. It also meant that at that final time, someone, many times it was me, had to walk up to the line of people still waiting in hope of being seen, then look a real person straight in the eye and say, “I’m sorry, we can’t see you, we have to go”. The look in those people’s eyes made it very hard to close the door and leave. At the final team meeting we would all sit around and say the same thing, “Why? Why can’t someone do something, why can’t someone come here and open these clinics full time? These people are in such need!”
Upon reflection, he decided to find a way to deal with the problem. A first step was to locate a position in dentistry where he could work intermittently, thus allowing periods for travel to areas of need. The next step was to create a facility whereby his endeavours could work under the umbrella of a charity. The last step towards success was for him to convince others to provide support, for him to take dentistry to the people where the need appeared to be greatest, Laos.

Since his humble beginnings as an itinerant dentist traveling throughout the province of Nambak, Laos, he has provided dental services to the local people. Until recently, this has always been in the open, either adjacent to the Nambak Hospital, or following rudimentary travel by vehicle or foot to outlying villages using portable equipment.

Following a grant from the Academy, he has succeeded to “Move Mountains” within the bureaucracy of a communist country in converting a ruined building adjacent to the Nambak Hospital to a Dental Clinic. Therefore, allowing for treatment utilizing non-portable dental equipment. A plaque installed within recognizes the role of the Academy in its development.

Mr. President, it is an honour and a privilege for me to present to you Dr. Paul Kotala, for the receipt of the 2007 Academy of Dentistry International Humanitarian Award.

Dr. Jack Rudd
Award of Distinction

Dr. Billy Jack Rudd is a 1965 graduate of the University of Missouri at Kansas City Dental School. He then practiced general dentistry in Lubbock, Texas. While on a church mission to Belize in early 2000, Dr. Rudd worked with the Minister of Health to develop a dental plan for the Belize school system. From that experience he went on to practice, teach and evaluate oral health care in Gambia, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Mongolia, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sierra Leone and Zambia, where he finally settled in late 2001.

Dr. Rudd founded Teethsavers International, a non-profit organization dedicated to caring for children of developing countries. The plan is to educate a few people from each country who can then care for and educate their own people. The vast numbers of children unable to receive any sort of dental care in these countries is overwhelming. New techniques of providing dental care and new methods of education have been developed by Teethsavers to facilitate these goals in the absence of classrooms and normal dental equipment.

The mission statement for Teethsavers International is: “Teach simple and inexpensive preventative dental care for children in order to prevent future infection and weakness of their whole body”. And the Teethsavers motto is: “Teach a Few to Teach Many”. The Zambia Six Year Molar Focus School trains students from Southern Africa to provide oral health education and treatment for their fellow countrymen. Atraumatic Restorative Treatment and periodontal disease treatment are provided to children in their own villages and schools.

Since the beginning of the program in 2004, 75,459 children in grades 1-4 have received oral health instructions with a toothbrush and screening. Of these, 9,345 were treated with ART sealants, 9,538 with ART restorations and 6,801 for periodontal disease. An additional 23,369 older children and 15,907 adults were only taught oral health techniques.

Dr. Patrick J. Ferrillo
Honorary Fellowship

Patrick J. Ferrillo, Jr. received his DDS degree from Baylor College of Dentistry in 1976. He immediately enrolled in the Advanced Education Program in Endodontics at Baylor College of Dentistry during which time he served as Graduate Student Instructor in Endodontics. Receiving his certificate in Endodontics in 1978 he became Clinical Assistant Professor, Endodontics at Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine and in September of 1979, Section Head of Endodontics.

In September of 1986 Dr. Ferrillo was appointed Acting Dean of Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine and in November 1987 was named Dean, a position he held until leaving in September of 2002 when he became Dean at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Dental Medicine. In July 2003 Dean Ferrillo was named Vice Provost for Division of Health Sciences, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. In July of 2006 Dr. Ferrillo was named Dean of the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, University of the Pacific.

Dean Ferrillo has served on councils, committees and Boards for the American Dental Education Association, the Commission on Dental Accreditation, the American Dental Association, Oral Health America, the International College of Dentists, the Illinois State Dental Society, and the Veterans Administration to name a only a few.

He has numerous publications to his credit and has lectured nationally and internationally. He has participated in numerous conferences and has been the recipient of multiple research grants.
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The Marriott Hotel Dubai was the venue for an International Convocation of the Academy on October 23, 2007. The Convocation was held in conjunction with the FDI World Dental Congress in the exquisite seaside city of Dubai.

President-Elect Dr. Reg Hession served as the Presiding Officer. He was assisted by Fellow, Dr. Khalid Almas; Eastern European Regent, Dr. Vladimir Sadovski and Southern European Regent, Dr. Gerhard Seeberger. Also participating in the induction ceremony were ADI Fellows: Dr. C.P. Giri (Canada), Dr. Robert Patton (Canada), Dr. Yukio Yamamoto (Japan) and the Executive Director, Dr. Robert Ramus (USA).

The twenty-two new Fellows were truly an International group representing the Africa and Middle East Section, the Eastern Europe Section, the Northern Europe Section and the British Isles Section. The Academy was indeed honored by having such an outstanding group of leaders in the dental profession present to accept their Fellowship.

The Convocation Ceremony was followed by a delightful luncheon where the food, fellowship, collegiality and hospitality was enjoyed by all present.
The Italy Convocation of the Academy of Dentistry International was conducted in Cagliari on December 1st, 2007. Cagliari is a well known place in ADI history and so is the Annual Congress of the Associazione Italiana Odontoiatri (Italian Dental Association), since the first Italian ADI convocation was hosted in 2004. In 2006 in Turin also two international colleagues were granted with fellowship. This tradition should be kept once more as Dr. Gerhard Seeberger, AIO President, has become the new Regent of the ADI Southern Europe Section.

Dr. Seeberger arranged the induction ceremony and presented the candidates. He assisted Presiding Officer Dr. Sue Bishop, President of ADI, together with Vice-Presidents Dr. Thomas Brink and Prof. Ramon Baez. Prof. Georg Wilfried Schilli, Professor Emeritus of Freiburg University, Germany was bestowed with Honorary Fellowship. International dentists receiving Fellowship were Dr. H. Todd Cubbon, President-Elect of Chicago Dental Society, CDS, Dr. Hugo Bertagni, Illinois State Dental Society Officer, Dr. Victor Guerrero, President Asociacion Dental Mexicana, ADM and Dr. Sergio Curiel, Professor of Directorio dos Professores de ADM. Distinct colleagues from the Southern Europe Section who were granted Fellowship were Dr. Audrey Camilleri, Delegate of the Malta Dental Association for International Affairs, Prof. Alex Mersel, former FDI Councillor and Delegate of the Israel Dental Association, Prof. Vjekoslav Jerolimov, President of the Croatian Dental Association, and Dr. William Baez, Major of the USAF in Ramstein, Germany.

Italian colleagues deserving Fellowship were Prof. Carlo Fornaini, Professor at Parma University and Liége University, Dr. Enrico Lai, AIO Treasurer, Dr. Giuseppe Badia, AIO Councillor, Dr. Giovanni Moleti, AIO Councillor and Dr. Domenico Del Monaco, AIO Section President Veneto.

The Induction Ceremony was honoured by very distinguished guests as FDI President and ADI Fellow Dr. Burton Conrod, Dr. John Fredricksen, CDS President, AIO President-Elect and ADI Fellow, Dr. Salvatore Rampulla and several International and Italian ADI Fellows.

~ Dr. Gerhard Seeberger
Regent, South Europe Section
The biannual convocation of the Australasian Section affords the opportunity for Fellows and their friends from all over our rather vast Region, to renew acquaintances and to meet with other members of the Academy. As in previous years, we are honoured to welcome distinguished guests from overseas, who represent the senior Officers of the Academy. On this occasion, they will be Dr Rex Fortescue (Immediate Past-President, Canada) and Dr Robert Ramus (Executive Director, USA) accompanied by his wife Janet. In addition, the Australasian Board of Trustees (our local management group), will meet prior to the Convocation of Fellows, to discuss various matters relative to our future activities. I especially wish to mark the many significant contributions by our Fellows, to our profession and to the public weal. This fact is highlighted for me, not only by the work of Fellows of long standing, but by the quality of each new Fellow who is inducted at Convocations of the Academy. It is warming to be a part of such a very special group in ‘Dentistry’. Reg Hession

The Convocation was held in Bayside Gallery at the Sydney Convention Centre, which commands a splendid view over Darling Harbour. Through Newington College, a string quartette was employed to play background music while people were being seated. Once the audience was seated the quartette provided martial music during the formal procession. Finally, they played martial music again during the formal retreat and background music for the Cocktail Party. The group of boys was excellent and represented the school very well. The Convocation was a resounding success with over 135 Fellows and guests in attendance.

The official party included the following:

Rex Fortescue – International Immediate Past-President ADI

Bob Ramus – Executive Director ADI

Reg Hession – Regent, Australasian Section

Roger Dennett – Secretary, Australasian Section and Orator

David Thomson – Marshall

Mark Goodhew

Simon Shanahan

Andrew Cattermole

Marion Allen
was invited to the stage to reply on behalf of all the new Fellows and express their pleasure at being so honoured.

The last activity of the Convocation was to invite Rex Fortescue to announce the composition of the new Committee for the Australasian Section of the Academy, to hold office until the next Convocation, due to be held in Perth in March 2009. Reg Hession informed Rex Fortescue that nominations had been called and the required number of nominations had been received. Office bearers elected for the next period:

Regent: Mark Goodhew
Secretary/Treasurer and Registrar: Roger Dennett
Editor: Eddie Street
Membership Qld: Peter Aldritt
Membership SA: Andrew Cattermole
Membership Vic: Simon Shanahan

Rex Fortescue then formally installed Mark Goodhew, placed the Regent’s Medallion around his neck and wished him and his Committee well for their term in office. The Executive Director, Bob Ramus pronounced the Benediction and invited all new Fellows and officials to assemble after the recession for a formal photograph. He also invited all present to enjoy the cocktail party held in the foyer. Accompanied by the string quartette the official party then recessed.

~ Roger Dennett
Secretary/Treasurer and Registrar

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2007 Australasian Section Honors Class

Brett, Abbott  Stephen Cox OAM  Catherine Groenlund  Hugo Sachs
Harry Akers  John Curtin  Andrew Heap  Graham Sexton
Darryl Andrews  John Davies  Robert Hutton  Paul Taylor OAM
John Arvier, OAM  Malcolm Deall  Errol Kilov  Jonathan Tversky
Prof Peter Barnard OAM  Brett Dorney  Prof Nicky Kirkpatrick  Frank van der Linden
Kendal Binns  Colin Rendell  Geoffrey Knight  David Wiesenfeld
Anders Blomberg  Brian Duncan  Helen McLean  Christopher Wilson
Christopher Callahan  Georges Fast  Christopher Muir  Peter Wong
Igor Cernavin  Rodney Geelan  Raj Pathar
Mark Cordato  Gwendolynn Gill  L. Peter Ryan OAM
In the News

**Dr. Egon Nikolai (Burnaby, Canada)** has been giving international aid for over 40 years to people who have never seen a dentist. He first started volunteering in 1968 traveling to the Vancouver Island’s remote West Coast Nootka Sound. It was accessible only by boat or float plane. The patients were loggers or Indians. A year later he volunteered to travel to Jamaica where the patients were children who were in desperate need of dental help. Dr. Nikolai travels Medical Ministry International. He has traveled to Ecuador, Jamaica, Peru, Nicaragua and Honduras. He not only treats the patients with needs, but more importantly educates them about proper dental care and preventative measures. “My thing is, you can go there and relieve pain, but it’s so important to educate them and try to prevent a lot of these things, and they’re eager to listen to you. . .Education is a big part of my agenda because you can alleviate pain, but you’ve got to educate them so you can prevent things...like pregnancy tumors just by hygiene.”

Excerpts from Burnaby Now article by Erin Hitchcock September 1, 2007

**Dr. Joan Viantha Qureshi (USA-MA)** was awarded a fourth William W. Howard Award (ACE) for Most Improved Newsletter 2007. She is the Editor of the Massachusetts AGD Newsletter Yankee Dentist. She was also awarded the Silver Scroll Division II from the ICD and the AADE Certified Dental Editor (CDE) Award. The Metropolitan District Dental Society—the largest component of the Massachusetts Dental Society has nominated her for the Robert L. Burke, DDS Memorial Volunteer Award.

**Robert J. Doherty, D.D.S., (USA-NY)** of White Plains has been elected Vice President of the New York State Dental Association (NYSDA). The association, a constituent of the American Dental Association, is celebrating its 140th year in 2008 and represents more than 13,000 of the state’s dentists. Dr. Doherty is slated to serve as the association’s president in 2010.

Dr. Doherty, an oral surgeon, is a past president of the Ninth District Dental Association and a recipient of the district’s Medal of Honor. The Ninth District is a local component of NYSDA serving five counties in the lower Hudson Valley. Dr. Doherty 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 and steered the organization in new directions with a budget surplus in his first year as chair and 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 and the Manhattan VA Hospital. He was elected to fellowship in the American College of Dentists, and served as President of the New York Section. He is also a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He received the NYSDA Distinguished Service Award in 2007 for his contributions to the profession of dentistry in New York.
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The ADI Foundation and the Academy graciously acknowledge the generous support given by HJ Bosworth Company and President Mildred Goldstein. HJ Bosworth has printed the new Foundation brochures.

FDI and ADI Share a Vision

The support and collaboration of many organizations in helping the FDI achieve our goals is very important to me as a new president. The ADI is a model FDI member association, playing an integral role in the promotion of optimal oral and general health for all peoples.

The ADI deserves praise on the success achieved on the many ADI international dental development projects, such as improving access to care in Vietnam, Laos, Guatemala and the preventive program in Uruguay. The FDI also appreciates ADI’s support for the ART concept of minimally invasive restorative therapy in areas where there is no access to care.

Furthermore, the FDI recognizes the value of ADI in convincing dentists that much remains to be done to improve world oral health and that dentists can make a difference. Organizations like ADI serve a critical role in recognizing leadership in our profession and motivating dentists to get involved and contribute their time and skills to improve the lives of others - ADI reminds us of our ethical obligations to help others. The FDI applauds your program to recognize dental students with a humanitarian award and to involve them in development projects.

When planning global events such as the upcoming Oral Health of the Americas Conference slated for Lima, Peru in 2008, it is important to build support and raise our profile through networking with our member organizations. This conference will bring together senior government ministers and dental officials from North and South America and the Caribbean to focus on the importance of improving access to oral health care as an integral part of healthcare. Based on the fundamental notion that oral health is a basic human right, the FDI and WHO Pan American Health Organization will design the conference to promote evidence-based tools and best practice models to meet the population’s oral health needs. Our goal is to provide guidance for tangible action that improves oral health on a population basis.

I have attended ADI convocations in various countries and recently in Cagliari, Italy. It is always wonderful to see the renewed commitment to volunteerism that new fellows make, and it is also good to see that the spirit of ADI is healthy and growing around the world. I am looking forward to the symposium on International Oral Health Volunteers jointly organized by the ADI and the FDI in Singapore.

One of the FDI’s strength is in its numbers. This year, at the Dubai Congress, we achieved a membership of more than 190 member associations. The FDI values all its members. We are grateful to have the ADI, who shares the FDI’s vision of leading the world to optimal oral health, on board as an Affiliate Member.

Congratulations on the hard work and success of the ADI through the years. On behalf of the FDI, I wish you a fruitful and prosperous year.

Dr Burton Conrod
FDI President
The Academy of Dentistry International (ADI), RP Section recently celebrated its Pearl Anniversary and 15th Biennial Convocation at the Magellan Hall of Discovery Suites, Ortigas Center, Pasig City. Invited as Guest of Honor and Speaker was the Secretary of the Department of Education, Hon. Jesli A. Lapuz, Jr.

Amongst the affair’s highlights was the Induction of Officers for the year 2007-2009. The new ADI Officers are as follows:

Fellow Ermelinda Sabater-Galang .................... President
Fellow Irma L. Parajas ............................. President-Elect
Fellow Ma. Teresa de Jesus-Amador ....... Vice-President
Fellow Michelle C. Sunico ........................ Secretary
Fellow Cecilia P. Ramos .......................... Assistant Secretary
Fellow Marilyn A. Leung ............................ Treasurer
Fellow Elaine Margaret P. del Rosario . Assistant Treasurer
Fellow Norma A. Tiu .............................. Auditor
Fellow Ricardo M. Amador ........................ PRO
Fellow Elisa G. Puzon ............................. Director
Fellow Marilou H. Sembrano ...................... Director
Fellow Antonio A. Baldemor .... Immediate Past President
Fellow Diamo J. Lim ............................... International Regent
Fellow Natividad C. Gervasio ............. Vice-Regent.

This was followed by the Investiture and Conferment of Fellowship upon Drs.: Isabel Campos-Bustos; Angela Castro-Centeno; Maria Jona D. Godoy; Pearly L. Lim; Armin G. Segarra; and Iluminada L. Viloria. Inducted as new active members were Dr. Anna Maria C. Dimanlig; Dr. Marie Antoinette R. Veluz; and Dr. Farina A. Vida. The Degree of Master was conferred upon Fellow Natividad C. Gervasio. Life membership was conferred upon Fellow Lucina E. Goitia and Fellow Virginia E. Toledo.
Mr. Friederich A. Herbst
Honorary Fellowship

Friederich A. (or Fred) Herbst was born in Furth, Bavaria, Germany in 1934. His first years in school were spent in Berlin and then in Prague, Czechoslovakia where the family had moved in the early 1940s. Three years after WW II the family was back in Furth, Bavaria.

Siemens Medical Headquarters are located just 15 miles north of Furth, and in those days the first and only choice was to begin a 4 year apprenticeship as a mechanic. During the last two years of this apprenticeship Fred began five years of evening college study followed by examination as a mechanical and electronic engineer before the state board of Bavaria.

His first fulltime job at Siemens Medical was in the research and development laboratory for x-ray tubes which developed the first x-ray tube with a high speed rotating anode. In 1956 Fred joined the dental division as a service engineer. After a few years traveling up and down Germany installing and servicing equipment, the job expanded to train dental dealers, technical and sales personnel in the European countries and later also abroad.

With the introduction of new technologies, hi speed handpieces, panoramic x-rays, CAD/CAM technology and sit down dentistry the task involved more and more contacts with European and overseas dental schools. This extended into more responsibility for marketing and sales, first in Europe, then North and South America, Asia and Australia.

With growing seniority and the title of Senior Executive Vice President for International Sales Fred covered the global market for Siemens Dental Division with sales in excess of three hundred million dollars. Having made many friends and acquaintances all over the world, knowledge of different languages and cultures and traveling many millions of miles, Fred retired after 48 years with Siemens on August 31, 1997.

Unable to let a good man enjoy retirement, The International Dental Manufacturers Association, IDM, elected Fred as its Executive Director, utilizing his numerous international connections, memberships and support in national and supranational professional organizations to coordinate international exhibitions, trade shows, manufacturing standards and to provide level playing fields for the dental industry worldwide.

Fred is an honorary member of the Dental Association of South Africa, the Dental Manufacturers of America. He also serves as a member of the FDI Education Committee.

Dr. Don B. Baynton of Boerne, Texas, USA.
Dr. William C. Carlson of Indian Wells, California, USA passed away November 25, 2007.
Dr. Lawrence Cotman of Farmington Hills, Michigan, USA.
Dr. Paul A. Danziger of North Miami Beach, Florida, USA passed away August 18, 2006.
Dr. J. Michael Hagen of Port Dover, Ontario, Canada passed away May 28, 2007.
Dr. Paul P. Hicks of Texas, USA passed away on March 25, 2007.
Dr. Donald S. Mayes of Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, USA passed away February 5, 2007.
Dr. José E. Medina of Gainesville, Florida, USA passed away July 2007.
Mr. Jardine Neilson, Honorary Fellow of Langley, British Columbia, Canada.
Dr. Walter J. Reuter of Napa, California, USA.
Dr. Armando Simões dos Santos of Lisboa, Portugal.
Dr. Jerome Urken of Langhorne, Pennsylvania, USA passed away February 2, 2007.
Dr. Stanley H. Yanase of Carson, California, USA. Passed away March 29, 2007.
Prof. Dra. Nany Parra Herrera of Chile S.A.
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CONVOCATION & LUNCHEON Wednesday September 24, 2008

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens
10:00 a.m. Orientation
10:30 a.m. Convocation
12:00 p.m. Luncheon
1:00 p.m. Installation of Officers

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