Academy President’s Letter

How can we be so blessed? The ADI is growing and being recognized worldwide as a serving and giving organization; one that truly cares about dentistry for all people and recognition of its fellows. One important recurring question, the answer to which I want to emphasize again to you must be stated: “You may not see what we are doing, but your Officers are working diligently for the ADI goals.” The individual, not the ADI, is shouldering all the travel, room and board of your leaders. This strong commitment is often a burden, but accepted by each one, so we can commit to more projects in the 62 countries we represent. (That number will be increasing.)

Being slightly self-serving, but hopefully exhibiting farsighted strength, we have agreed to appoint a new and exciting committee. This committee will bring our hard working ADI some significantly needed recognition. The Publicity (or Public Relations) Committee will concentrate its efforts to let you, as fellows and the people of your section or regency, see more of what we are doing worldwide.

The Kansas City meeting was challenging and extremely productive even though many of the foreign Regents who had committed to be present were forced to change plans due to recent events and effects on international travel. We are always stronger to have every section of our ADI represented. That is our goal.

Our Executive Director, Dr. Robert Ramus and his Administrative Assistant, Stephanie Wilhelm are desperately trying to handle your requests for new fellow packets, as well as current membership lists. I ask you to help us by completing all the information, supplying additional help where possible, and being patient. We have so much for which to be thankful. A supportive note, card or e-mail would be a way you can say thanks to a guy for so much work for so little pay and who carries on a full-time practice as well.

An excellent new grant application form is being used even as you read this newsletter. This form will help us to use the money contributed to the ADI Foundation to the fullest extent of the ADI goals. Thanks to Dr. Larry Cox and Dr. Don Brown for initiating this effort. Your Board will expand on this form. We want to support qualified projects but never to spend your contributions without a firm handle on where it will do the most good.

One light note that has surfaced that I might share with you. When Larry Cox, your President-elect and I went salmon fishing in Michigan, Blair, our guide, wanted to be sure we could communicate without confusion should the fishing get intense. So he named me Larry #1 and Cox, Larry #2. Since Dr. Cox and Blair are personal friends, I recommended Dr. Cox be #1 and I would be #2. Nothing doing! What Blair had said stood. Dr. Cox then made sure we knew that he had never been #2 in his life. We had a good laugh, but the system stuck. Now, we have an excellent addition to our ADI family. Mr. Larry Farrell, an executive of the Butler Company and vice-president of the ADI Foundation, has been adopted; you guessed it, as Larry #3. What a great family of people!

Besides #3, we have Dr. David Alexander of Block Drug Company, Dr. C. Yolanda Bonta of Colgate Palmolive,
Dr. Nels Ewoldsen of GC America, Dr. Jim Hull of Proctor and Gamble and Dr. Steven Jefferies of Dentsply International. All have been offering excellent suggestions and support to our ADI Foundation. We are forever indebted to Dr. Jim Harrell, a master organizer and leader, for his help in making the Foundation what will certainly become the finest service organization in dentistry.

In closing, I must give recognition to Dr. Evan Goodman for his leadership of many years that culminated last year as President. He is now shifting out of high gear but, hopefully, will continue to lead in our ADI family. Thanks Evan!

To the new fellows as well as the older fellows, remember this is your organization. We need you! We want your help and suggestions! We want your qualified friends to be our new Fellows in New Orleans. Let us hear from you!! May you be blessed!!

Dr. Larry Williams, President

USA and International Convocation in Kansas City Kansas City Marriott Hotel Downtown

The USA Section held its Annual Meeting and hosted the International Convocation in Kansas City, Missouri on Thursday, October 11, 2001. A feature of the meeting was a Continuing Education Program presented by Dr. Karl Leinfelder. Attendees could earn four hours of CE credit and the program was open to all Fellows and Fellows-Elect. Dr. Leinfelder spoke on many new claims that have been made regarding major advancements in dental restorative materials. Most of this information unfortunately has been based upon laboratory or in vitro testing. More recently however, the results of well-controlled clinical studies have been made available to the profession. Such information is considerably more important to the practitioner.

The area of greatest change within restorative dentistry has been Esthetic Restorative Materials. In his presentation, Dr. Leinfelder discussed the clinical performances of these materials and indication for their uses in private practice. Particular emphasis was placed on the clinical evaluation of the new polymer substitutes for porcelain; substitutes for amalgam including condensable posterior composite resins; modified (conservative) cavity preparations and insertion techniques; latest developments in dentin adhesives; and newest concepts in light curing systems.

The Academy expresses its appreciation to Dr. Steve Jefferies, ADI Foundation Board Member for procuring the program with Dr. Leinfelder, and gratefully acknowledges the generous support of Dentsply International in making it possible.

On Wednesday evening, October 10, a welcome cocktail reception was held. The Convocation was held on Thursday afternoon followed by Reception and Gala Banquet that evening.

ADI Contributes to Relief Fund

The Academy, on behalf of the 2001 Honors Class made a $1000 contribution to the ADA New York City Disaster Relief Fund. ADI President Dr. Larry A. Williams presented the check to ADA officials at the close of the ADA House of Delegates.

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- Prof. Wilfred Rotich Lesan  
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- Dr. G. Mark Yarbrough  
  Albuquerque, New Mexico
President Williams and Immediate Past President Goodman share a special moment at the banquet.

Dr. Evan B. Goodman (L) presents a plaque to Retiring Regent Dr. Joe C. H. Cho

(L. to R.) Drs. A. Chohyeb, M. Ancona, K. Poleson & S. Bishop

Past President Tanaka swears in 2001-2002 Officers
HONORS COURT

INTERNATIONAL DENTIST OF THE YEAR

Citation for Ramon Baez

Dr. Ramon J. Baez received his DDS degree from the Javeriana University Dental School in Bogotá, Colombia and his Master of Public Health from the School of Public Health University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston, Texas. He worked for several years at the American Dental Association where he was Director of the Division of Evaluation and Standards Development for the Council on Dental Materials and Devices.

In 1980 he joined the faculty of the dental school at the university of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, where he is now Associate Professor with Tenure in the Departments of General Dentistry and Community Dentistry. He is also a member of the Graduate Faculty of the School of Biomedical Sciences at UTHSCSA. Dr. Baez has well over 50 published articles in the literature and serves as a reviewer for the Pan American Health Organization and Book reviewer for the American Dental Association. He has made over 100 international lecture presentations and a like number of local, state and national presentations.

Dr. Baez serves as Consultant to the Council on Scientific Affairs of the ADA and is Consultant to the World Health Organization Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office.

Dr. Baez has served as Vice-President of the United States Mexico Border Health Association and as Co-President of the University Conference Group and the Oral health Technical Section of the USMBHA. He has served on the Advisory Committee on International Issues of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. He is currently serving on the South Texas Health Research Center and the Advisory Board of the Hispanic Information Network.

Dr. Baez is also Head of the World Health Organization Collaborating Center in Oral Health. He is a member of various professional organizations and is currently President of the Hispanic Dental Association.

Mr. President, it is an honor and my privilege to present Dr. Ramon J. Baez as the 2001 recipient of the International Dentist of the Year.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Citation for Marjolein V. Ancona

Born in The Netherlands, Dr. Marjolein V. Ancona received her dental degree from the University of Kentucky and practices general dentistry in Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Ancona was at a local church service in 1995 when she heard a call to provide urgently needed dental care for Romanian orphans. She made her first visit to Romania in the fall of 1995 and found countless children with no parents, living in unimaginable poverty with nonexistent dental care. The scenes left an indelible imprint in Dr. Ancona’s mind. She has since made five more trips to Romania providing care in schools, orphanages and the disabled children’s hospital in Palelish. Last year Dr. Ancona not only established and supplied dental clinics in Arad and Timisoara, she trained local dentists to use the equipment and now those local dentists volunteer one day a week to keep up the children’s dental care. How better can one fulfill the mission of this Academy to share knowledge, serve the dental health needs and improve the quality of life throughout the world.

In 1998 Dr. Ancona was one of ten delegates from Ohio who represented the USA in Israel at the All Nation’s Convocation. Over 200 nations were represented at the convocation and Dr. Ancona was approached by many nations requesting that she bring a dental team to help their country’s poor children.

Dr. Ancona’s volunteerism is well known; last year she was asked if she would provide care for inhabitants of the Cairo, Egypt city dump. Having already volunteered her time in Romania and Belize and providing care to the Tara Mahara Indians in El Manzano, Mexico, she immediately accepted the challenge. For two weeks in March of
last year Dr. Ancona provided basic dental care debride-
ment, cleanings, fillings and extractions for Egyptian citi-
zens in the most squalid of living conditions, the Cairo
city dump. She is now planning a return visit next April.

In the altruistic spirit of this Academy, Dr. Ancona
provides her own airfare and covers all her own expenses
when volunteering her time. Not only have foreign coun-
tries benefitted from Dr. Ancona’s altruism but her own
community as well. She serves on the Board of a commu-
nity rescue center in Cincinnati and for Nehemiah Par-
tners, a group of business people in the U.S. who fund mis-
sion groups. She also volunteers her time with women
and girls who have experienced domestic violence.

Mr. President, it is an honor and a privilege to
present Dr. Marjolein V. Ancona to receive the Academy’s
2001 Humanitarian Award.

AWARD OF DISTINCTION
Citation for Karl F. Leinfelder

Dr. Karl F. Leinfelder, a native of Wisconsin earned
both his Doctor of Dental Surgery and Master of
Science (Dental Materials) degrees from
Marquette University. After serving for eight years on the
faculty at Marquette, he joined the faculty at the Univer-
sity of North Carolina School of Dentistry where he at-
tained the rank of Professor and Director of Biomaterials
Clinical Research in the Dental Research Center.

In 1983, he joined the School of Dentistry at the
University of Alabama and is the recipient there of the Jo-
seph Volker Chair. He also served as Chairman of the
Department of Biomaterials until 1994. Presently he holds
positions at both universities, adjunct professor at Univer-
sity of North Carolina and Professor Emeritus at the Uni-
versity of Alabama.

Dr. Leinfelder is the recipient of many prestigious
awards, among them the 1995 George Hollenbeck Award,
the 1997 Norton Ross award for outstanding clinical re-
search and the American College of Prosthodontists Dis-
tinguished Lecturer Award in 1998. Dr. Leinfelder cur-
tently serves as Associate Editor of the Journal of the
American Dental Association and as a Dental Materials
Research Consultant for numerous companies. Dr.
Leinfelder has published over 225 papers on restorative
materials; authored more than 150 scientific presentations,
a textbook on restorative materials and has lectured na-
tionally and internationally on Clinical Biomaterials.

Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to present
Dr. Karl F. Leinfelder to receive the 2001 Award of Dis-
tinction.
HONORARY FELLOWSHIP
Citation for Alice DeForest

Alice DeForest has devoted 25 years to directing and managing dental associations in the United States. For the past 15 years, from 1986 to the present, she has served as the Executive Director of the American Academy of Periodontology, a seventy-five hundred (7500) member Society of Periodontists. In this capacity, she directs the Academy’s Central Office in Chicago, oversees all Academy publications and programs, supervises a staff of 40 and manages a $10 million budget.

Prior to her Academy position, Mrs. DeForest worked for the American Dental Association for nearly 11 years, from 1976 to 1986. At the ADA, she directed accreditation for specialty education programs in the United States, hospital dentistry programs and several strategic planning initiatives.

Mrs. DeForest earned a baccalaureate degree in political science from Trinity College and a Masters degree in sociology from Tufts University. She has also achieved certification in association management (CAE) from the American Society of Association Executives.

Originally from New York, Mrs. DeForest has resided in Chicago for 30 years with her husband Paul who is a professor of political science at Illinois Institute of Technology. Mr. President, for her eminent service to dentistry and in honor of her promotion and advancement of the dental profession, I am pleased to present Mrs. Alice DeForest for Honorary Fellowship in the Academy of Dentistry International.

USA Section North West
Regent’s Report

Dr. Kathryn Poleson of Camas, Washington has combined her leadership position in both the Academy of Dentistry International and the Academy of General Dentistry to activate the continuing dental education in the Northwest region. The AGD Glide Path program will also “usher” dental students to continuing their education during their clinical dental practice.

The second annual Dr. William W. Howard Memorial Lecture will be held on March 7, and 8, 2002 sponsored by the AGD of Oregon. Also the Univ. of Washington will hold their Dr. William W. Howard Lecture in Seattle on May 31, 2002.

Scheduled to speak in the 2002 Continuing education schedule are:

Dr. Cherilyn Sheets in Portland/Vancouver
Dr. Terry T. Tanaka in Seattle
Dr. Karl Leinfelder to be announced

For more information and the details of future Northwest Region programs you can contact Dr. Poleson at Fax: + (360) 253-4846 or E-mail: kptd@juno.com
A Call to Service/Balancing the Books
(2001 Class Response)

In the wake of recent events it is appropriate to focus attention on globalism and the effects of technology. With each new technology it seems the world becomes a little smaller. Each new technology brings the potential to create wealth and wealth can create power; power to do good, power to do evil.

In concert with Academy of Dentistry International’s mission statement, let us affirm that true wealth is not as much a measure of what we have, as it is a measure of how little we need. The most valuable technologies are those, which make wealth for all. Technology, which fails to improve lives of the rich and the poor alike, is potentially dangerous.

Also today, it’s appropriate to remember those upon whom valuable technologies were used recently as weapons. We remember, as well, all who fell in the wake of that destruction.

Especially now, the Academy’s work in Belize, Brazil, Mexico, Zimbabwe, Vietnam, and India; programs such as “Bridging the Gap”, “Salud y Paz”, and “Thousand Smiles” must shine as points of light illuminating the human spirit. These programs make the world smaller through sharing gifts of health and education with sustained actions.

My comments tonight, titled “A Call to Service/Balancing the Books” addresses both action and sustainability.

Several years ago, a dental group from Nebraska visited a site in Honduras where 700 children had been enrolled in a new sponsored care program.

Upon arriving we found things incredibly organized. Seven hundred medical records complete with immunization dates, medical histories and 700 blank dental charts lay before us. Patients had been triaged into Class I (apparently good dental health), Class II (some caries evident) and Class III (severe problems). There were 418 Class III patients.

As we stood wondering who’d gone to all this trouble, in walked Dr. Hans Dethlefs, a recent med school graduate. He’d prepared well for our arrival even contracting a local carpenter to build wooden dental chairs on adjustable bases. Following the introductions, Hans’ service philosophy, his love for teaching and love for healing became evident. When asked what brought him to Nueva Ocotepeque, Honduras Hans recounted a lengthy recruitment, application/acceptance process leading up to his “three year contract”. As the discussion continued I asked how the sponsoring agency was able to recruit a young, licensed, US physician, when Nebraska College of Dentistry was having a tough time filling vacancies with new dental graduates. “After all, even with student loan forgiveness” I said, “entry teaching positions only pay enough to meet living expenses.”

“Apparently your sponsoring agency has a loan forgiveness program”, I surmised.

After a short silence Hans said ”Yes, something like that”. “I am here on a debt forgiveness plan, but the plan I’m on doesn’t have anything to do with money”.

All of a sudden the phrase balancing the Books went way beyond dollars and cents issues.

A few years ago, my son Evan needed to reprioritize certain responsibilities so I told him we’d be going to Honduras where he’d work over a propane burner scrubbing dental instruments and monitoring a pressure cooker converted into a steam autoclave. “It’s important that you to pay attention to what you’re doing” I told him “these pressure cookers can explode and dental instruments make nasty flesh wounds”.

I’m betting sometime early in the blood borne pathogen class or afterwards during the Hepatitis A/B vaccinations, Evan began to realize certain responsibilities were serious. After 10 days in Honduras he came home completely changed. He did not share the details of his most recent “call to service”, but he voluntarily joined me again this past summer in Honduras.

Much of my job with GC America involves travel. Savings accrue through purchasing non-upgradeable, economy class tickets. Some of those funds get transferred to the dental mission budget. I thank GC America for answering that “call to service” assisting travel for those who would otherwise not be able to make the trip. Equally impressive are the dentists, dental students, hygienists and assistants who maintain, “the trip’s more meaningful if I...
have to raise my own funds.” Lawrence Meskin quantified dentists’ generosity in a recent editorial. His numbers suggest that generosity in the dental profession is both substantial and pandemic. Functions such as tonight’s ceremony suggest that generosity is not only pandemic but also contagious.

I avoid asking volunteers what called them to service. After all, it’s personal. Another reason I don’t ask is because it’s often obvious. Volunteers answer “calls to service” out of love. They volunteer because they love what they do and they love sharing what they do with others. I am convinced that the Academy of Dentistry International continues to grow tonight because of the love dentist’s hold for their profession. It’s one way to say “thanks” for getting to do a job we love.

So I leave you tonight with my contention that “calls to service” are based on love. Love comes in many forms and is exchanged many ways. The value of love is infinite yet it’s available for free. The harder we work to give it away, the faster it accumulates. Love sustains us. In the end, the love you take will equal the love you make. Balancing the books is automatic whenever love’s audited.

I’m thankful to be part of a profession that I love and I’m thankful to have a wife who understands. And, I’m grateful to ADI for allowing me to share these thoughts of love and service with you tonight.

Dr. Nels Ewoldsen

USA REGENTS HONORED

USA North Central Regent, Dr. Susan Bordenave-Bishop and USA Northwest Regent, Dr. Kathryn L. Poleson were inducted into the American College of Dentists at ceremonies held in Kansas City, Missouri during the American Dental Associations Annual Meeting. This is a well deserved honor for both doctors and is a reflection of the individuals serving the Academy of Dentistry International in leadership positions.

OBITUARIES

Dr. Wynn M. Matsumura, of San Francisco California USA, Chairman of the California Chapter of the South West Regency of the Academy of Dentistry enjoyed challenges in life and enjoyed a variety of hobbies, which included Japanese language, magic, dance and many different and challenging sports. He suffered a fatal accident while scuba diving in Sonoma County at Timber Cove, CA. He went diving (alone) for abalone on Monday, August 27th. His body was recovered at Timber Cove boat landing on Tuesday morning. The body arrived home on August 3, 2001. Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at the Buddhist church of San Francisco, California.

Dr. Roger Melkonian of Daniels, West Virginia, USA died suddenly in his sleep in the morning of October 21, 2001 at the age of 54. Born March 16, 1947 in Brooklyn, NY, Dr. Melkonian graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University School of Dentistry in 1971. While in military service, he was Director of Dental Services in Wagner, South Dakota, and honorably discharged after attaining the rank of Lt. Commander, U.S. Navy. He later became the Clinical Director of Indian Health Services at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas.

He became an Associate Professor at Emory University School of Dentistry’s Department of Medicine and Radiology. In 1987 he focused his practice in the field of Cranio-Mandibular Disorders, TMJ Orthopedics, Oral Medicine and Radiology. He attained international recognition as an expert in pain management and lectured extensively in the U.S, Europe and Japan.

His wife, Dr. Cheryl Melkonian, her children Chelsea and Christian Vargo, his children Jeff Melkonian and his daughter Wendy Melkonian survive him.

Dr. Carlton H. Williams of Southern California died in February 2000. He was recipient of the 1984 Academy’s “international Dentist of the Year” award. He was a former speaker of the general assembly and past President of the FDI World Dental Federation.
In Toronto, Ontario, on Thursday April 19, 2001, the Annual Convocation of Fellows of the Canadian Section of the Academy of Dentistry International was held in the Imperial Room of the Royal York Hotel. A total of 51 Fellows, including 3 from the United States, were invested. They included: Dr. Charles Balaban, Dr. Donna M. Brode, Dr. Arlene P. Dagys, Dr. Jack G. Dale, Dr. Gerald L Dushkin, Dr. Richard K. Easton, Dr. Fred Eckhaus, Dr. Monique M. Fitch, Dr. Stephen G. J. Fitch, Dr. Douglas Fleming, Dr. Mel Gardner, Dr. Gary D. Glassman, Dr. Bruce Glazer, Dr. Morris M. Gourgi, Dr. Michael A. Hakem, Dr. Kenneth Hershenfield, Dr. Ira D. Hoffman, Dr. Norman E. Ironstone, Dr. David A. Isen, Dr. James F. Jeffs, Dr. Gordon W. Jones, Dr. Gregory L. Konotopetz, Dr. Peter D. Lamantia, Dr. Cary Letkemann, Dr. Paul C. Levin, Dr. Mitchell Levine, Dr. Norman Levine, Dr. Anthony Liscio, Dr. Eric Luks, Dr. Antonio Mancuso, Dr. Peter W.C. Markle, Dr. Gordon M. Organ, Dr. Michael W. Patri, Dr. Edmund Peters, Dr. Frank Pomposo, Dr. David J. Psutka, Dr. Franklin Pulver, Dr. David L. Rogers, Dr. Paul Emile Rossouw, Dr. Bruce L. Rubin, Dr. Philip Shedletsky, Dr. Harold Short, Dr. Lawrence Sirota, Dr. Peter T. Tonisson, Dr. William Peter Trainor, Dr. Jack Wasserman, Dr. Gerald Zeit, Dr. Ronald Zokol, Dr. James R. Heise, Dr. Nupur Narain Heise and Dr. Carol Murdoch-Kinch.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of honor awards to two A.D.I. Fellows. Dr. Ronald A. Anco received the Hillenbrand Award and Dr. George A. Zarb that of Distinguished Fellow.

The ceremonies were conducted with the presence and assistance of most of the Academy’s Executive Council and several of the Section Regents. They were: President Evan B. Goodman; President-Elect Larry A. Williams; Vice-President Larry K. Cox, II; Past President Ralph Y. Barolet; Regent Canada East, Dr. Donald A. Stewart; Regent Canada West, Dr. Rex Fortescue; Regent U.S.A. Section South Central: Dr. Donald T. Brown and Regent U.S.A. North Central Dr. Susan B. Bishop and Executive Director Dr. Robert L. Ramus.

Following dinner, the induction ceremony began with the bagpiper leading the procession of officers to the dais. Once more the informal dinner arrangement allowed our officers to directly socialize with the inductees and their families and set the stage for the serious formal indoctrination of Fellows. As respondent for the class, Dr. Jack Dale delivered a very pertinent and inspiring challenge for Canadians — have a pride and faith in their country—and included a quote from Dr. Sidney Smith “to observe the strong bonds that are being woven across boundaries by professional organizations acting without government suggestion, support or direction”... organizations such as, The Academy of Dentistry International. Rita Bauer, who heads the photography department at the University of Toronto Dental School, produced a beautiful photographic chronicle of the evening’s events. An invitation is extended to all Fellows to join the executive officers in inducting a new class of Fellow in Montreal at the time of the combined Les Journées Dentaires Internationales du Québec / Canadian Dental Association Convention celebrating the CDA’S 100th anniversary, from May 25 to 29, 2002. The evening ceremonies will be conducted on Monday May 27, 2002 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Inter-Continental Hotel in Montreal.
Mr. President, Distinguished Fellows of the Induction Party, Colleagues and Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I am exceedingly proud to be invited to speak on behalf of the Canada Honors Class of 2001 and on behalf of my professional colleagues, I say, “We are proud to be honored with Fellowship in The Academy of Dentistry International, and we are most grateful to our sponsors for making it possible.”

We are particularly proud to become members of the Canada Section of The Academy of Dentistry International. Throughout my career, I have had the privilege of representing Canada in many different countries, and I have had the opportunity to learn some lessons about our country.

First there is the lesson that we should have a more abiding ...a more passionate pride and faith in Canada. There is the propensity of Canadians to indulge in introspection and to take a rather dark ...if not a grim view of Canada and her future.

In a recent issue of Saturday Night there appeared a poem about those who served in World War II entitled, “Their Canada: Their Highest Honour Was Their Country” written by Flight Lieutenant Don MacMillan. The poem opens on somber note. It does not; I hasten to add one,

There is no such thing as Canada.

There is, he said, a place that’s marked on maps and I’ll admit it bears the name of Canada ... But there it stops.

It is no more, no less, than just a name borrowed from the Indians

We have no literature; no art; no music;

Nothing to distinguish from others of this world.

No sense of national being;

Not even a Canadian type.

I sometimes fear that out of our doubts about Canada and Canadians we may develop a sense of uncertainty with respect to her national purpose and a sense of frustration with respect to what we can do in helping to fashion national goals and objectives. Perhaps we are not a nation. Perhaps we are merely a series of communities stretched across a vast continent.

There are those who refer to Canada as a colony of Great Britain. Others speak of her as an appendage to the United States. Others bewail her lack of art, her lack of culture and, above all, her lack of unity.

It is well for a nation to take stock of it and to evaluate its strengths and weaknesses. That is a manifestation of both honesty and modesty. While a mood of smug satisfaction may make us complacent about the present and unconcerned about the future, an over-emphasis of our shortcomings may be equally fraught with danger.

I plead that we should have a more abiding pride and faith in our country. Pessimism and frustration are unworthy of the courage and sacrifice of Canadian youth in two world wars. The poem from which I have quoted ends, as I have intimated, on a more triumphant note:

The listener thought, and looked around

And saw the men who’d fought in foreign skies and never turned

Or sought to break off an engagement;

Been volunteers for where the fight was thickest;

At first you need a spirit; that they had. On the civilian side, the record of Canadians is distinctive and, in many instances, unique. In 1867, less than four million persons set themselves to the task of building Canada. Within a generation, the New Dominion extended from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The continent was soon girded by railroads. Natural resources were then discovered, developed, processed and exported. Our forefathers, within social and spiritual ideals, established churches, schools, colleges and universities. Professions, nurtured at first by the Old Country, soon began to stand on their own feet by prescribing high standards and by training recruits who, with experience, take no second place in any part of the world.

In industry and commerce, Canada, has made gigantic strides and stands first in many areas. Despite our anxiety about nationality, it may be stated, as an historic fact, that Canada’s maintenance of the balance between sectional and national interests has not been, to say the least, insignificant. It should not be forgotten that the Dominion of Canada has not been subjected to a revolution or civil war.

We have our differences in Canada and we have our disagreements. We should examine the differences and seek to resolve the disagreements. Canada’s attainments, since 1867 in peace and in war, should afford us hope and vision. I would not be in favor of eradicating the differences among the various sections of Canada. It would be disastrous for our national welfare to endeavor to create a uniform pattern and mould for all Canadians. The very genius of our democratic way of life is diversity in unity ...the opportunity for the individual to fulfill the destiny of his own value and dignity while he accords comparable opportunities to his fellow citizens. The striking of the balance between diversity and unity is not an easy task, but I
have a conviction that it can be achieved in this far-flung federation of Canada. The centripetal forces are stronger than the centrifugal forces.

There is compelling example …our men and women in uniform during two world wars. They did not enlist as citizens of Ontario, Nova Scotia, or Manitoba, or any other province, or as English-speaking Canadians, or as French-speaking Canadians, or as old Canadians or as Canadians. They fought under one banner …that of Canada, and as Canadians.

We should take stock and make a spiritual inventory from time to time of the wealth of our diversities. Differences are compatible with national unity. Paradoxical as it may seem, differences may promote national unity. The reconciling of sectional and national interests is not merely, as we often think, a task for governments. How prone are we to leave most of our problems to governments. Opportunity can be found in our professional affairs. We can observe strong bonds that are being woven across boundaries by groups acting without governmental suggestion, support or direction. The ever-growing list is of national organizations, of professions, teachers, churches, agencies, relief organizations, and cultural societies.

In the national and international spheres, vigorous and constructive impulses for a world of decency and order are surging. May we as Canadians capitalize those impulses?

In thought, Faith;
In words, Wisdom;
In deed, Courage;
In life, Service.

So may Canada be great

You may have noticed that these words were not spoken in the year 2001, and … they are not my words. They were the words of …Dr. Sidney Smith, President of the University of Toronto, and they were spoken more than half a century ago.

His lessons still remain today … an inspiration. To quote President Smith again, “We can observe strong bonds that are being woven across boundaries by professional organizations acting without governmental suggestion, support or direction, organizations such as the Academy of Dentistry International. We are proud to be invited to be a part of it.

And so, on behalf of our class of 2001, I say, once again … Thank You. We are proud to share this convocation with Dr. Ron Anco and Dr. George Zarb. “We congratulate you on this very special tribute, it is an honour well deserved.”

Dr. Jack G. Dale
The Asian Pacific Section hosted an ADI Convocation at the FDI World Dental Congress on 26th September 2001 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The meeting was held in the Ballroom of the Legend Hotel. 35 new fellows from Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Brunei Darussalam and Saudi Arabia were inducted at the grand ceremony.

It was most unfortunate that ADI officials from the United States were unable to attend the convocation at the last minute due to the tragedy of September 11th and their absence was keenly felt throughout the ceremony. I am happy to report that in spite of the sad and unforeseen circumstances, the indomitable spirit of the ADI prevailed.

Officiating at the Convocation were Dr. Yip Wing Kong, Vice-President for International Projects, Dr. Wong Yew Cheong, Regent of the Asia Pacific Section, Dr. Lim Chee Shin, Regent-Elect of the Asia Pacific Section, Dr. Yasunobu Tsuboi, Chairman of the Japan Section, Dr. Yasumasa Mitsui, Regent of the Japan Section, Dr. Yoon Heung Ryul, Chairman of the Korea Section, Dr. Colin Wong, Past President and Dr. Henk Schotte of the Netherlands Section.

Another highlight of the meeting was the installation of Dr. Lim Chee Shin as the new Regent of the Asia Pacific Section by the out-going regent, Dr. Wong Yew Cheong.

An elegant ADI Convocation Luncheon followed the Convocation. Dr. Henk Schotte of the Netherlands Section was the guest speaker at the luncheon.

The ceremony saw the conferment of special awards to two very distinguished gentlemen. Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan, a Malaysian ADI fellow, President of the Malaysian Dental Association and the newly installed President of the FDI World Dental Federation was awarded the Roll of Honour of the Asia Pacific Section. Mr. Yeoh Seng Ann, Vice-President of Colgate- Palmolive, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and Brunei was conferred Honorary Fellowship of the Asia Pacific Section. Dr. Yip Wing Kong was also awarded the Blue Cloud Award by Dr. Yoon Heung Ryul, Chairman of the Korea Section.
Convocation of the Asia Pacific Section of the Academy of Dentistry International in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 26 September 2001.
ADI Officials present were Dr. Henk Schotte, Netherlands Section, Dr. Colin Wong, Past President, Dr. Wong Yew Cheong, Asia Pacific Regent, Dr. Yip Wing Kong, Vice-President for International Affairs, Dr. Lim Chee Shin, Chairman, Malaysia Chapter, Dr. Yasunobu Tsuboi, Chairman, Japan Section, Dr. Yasumasa Mitsui, Regent, Japan Section, Dr. Yukio Yamamoto, Past Regent, Japan Section.
Dr. Abdullah Saad Alyahya, shown here being congratulated by Dr. Yip, journeyed from Saudi Arabia to be inducted as an ADI fellow at the Kuala Lumpur Convocation.

ADI Vice-President for International Affairs
recognized by
Federation Dentaire Internationale

Dr. Wing-Kong Yip from Singapore, The Academy’s Vice-President for International Affairs was presented The FDI Merit Award at the recent FDI World Dental Congress held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The FDI Merit Award is presented by the General Assembly of the FDI in recognition of outstanding services to the FDI World Dental Federation. Dr. Jacques Monot, President of the FDI World Dental Federation Presented the award to Dr. Yip, who served many years on the Scientific Council of the FDI. He served as local arrangements chairman for the FDI World Dental Congress in Singapore. Dr. Yip previously served the academy as Regent for the Asia-Pacific Section and as Vice-President for Education.

Dr. Jacques Monot, President of the FDI World Dental Federation, presenting the FDI Merit Award to Dr. Yip.

On October 10, 2001, the Academy’s Board of Regents met at the Kansas City Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri. Highlights of the meeting are summarized below:

- President Goodman’s report included the approved motion that “Each officer attend and officiate in one international Convocation each year, exclusive of the Canada and USA Section Convocations.”

Also the concept of video conferencing of international business meetings was discussed along with the promotion and mentoring of qualified Fellows for leadership and officer positions. Board Meeting may be scheduled during international dental meetings.

In honor of the 2001 Fellowship Class a contribution of $1,000 was made to the ADA’s New York City Relief Fund for the September 11, 2001 victims.

- Officers, Regents, Chairman Reports and Appointment of Vice-Regents worldwide was announced.

Dr. Lim Chee Chin was installed as the new Asian Pacific Regent at the FDI Kuala Lumpur Convocation.

Plans for the February 24, 2002 Mid-Winter Chicago Breakfast meeting featuring Dr. Terry T. Tanaka as speaker were detailed.

The ADI and AGD joint activities with Oregon University and plans for a spring 2002 program will contribute to the ADI Foundation.

Details of the Greater New York City breakfast, November 25, 2001 were announced as were the next Convocation (2002) in New Orleans, LA

- Finance Committee
With reference to annual dues, the Canada Section annual dues will be raised to C$110 from C$100 effective in 2002.

A “fair share” annual dues policy will be phased in over a three year period for all Fellows with an equivalency range of US$15 to $80. Relief for an individual Fellow may be petitioned to the Board of Regents.

- Executive Director’s Report
The Activities of the Central Office were detailed.
Records for the first nine months of 2001 were accepted. The complete fiscal year report and budget for 2002 will be presented at year’s end.

The legal status of the Dental Directory on the Internet is to be ascertained.

The requests for “Retired and Life” fellow status and others removed from the Active fellows list (for non payment of three year’s annual dues) were accepted.

**ADI Foundation Report**

President Harrell’s report can be found in this issue of the Communicator.

**New Business**

A donation of $500 to the American Dental Association Health Foundation was approved.

The June 2002 Board meeting in Palm Beach, FL was discussed. The attendance of all officers and Regents and Vice-Regents is most important.

Past President Dr. Ralph Y. Barolet, currently Secretary/Treasurer of the Canada section will receive the Hillenbrand Award at the Canada Section Convocation in Montreal, Quebec on May 27, 2002.

The Academy of Dentistry International will establish the Dr. Terry T. Tanaka Humanitarian Award to be awarded annually to a senior dental Student who has demonstrated exemplary service to others. The Award will consist of $500 in cash and paid travel and lodging expenses to attend the USA Section Convocation. Deadline for nomination is May 1, 2002.

Outgoing President Dr. Evan Goodman was commended for his outstanding leadership and representation of the ADI worldwide.

**Foundation Board of Directors**

*Kansas City, Missouri*

*October 12, 2001*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Foundation Board President, Dr. James A. Harrell, Sr. called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. Dr. Harrell introduced three new Board members, Dr. Nels Ewoldsen of GC America, Dr. James Hull from Procter and Gamble, and Dr. Roger Tibbetts, USA Regent South West.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Harrell read his report as printed in this issue of the International Communicator newsletter.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the October 13, 2000 meeting in Chicago were approved. The minutes of the June 1, 2001 meeting in Chicago were approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Dr. Ramus presented the September end of month financial statements for the Endowment Fund and the Money Market Asset Checking Account. They hold $87,689.03 and $48,003.81 respectively. The report is accepted.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The design and construction of the grant request form, agreed upon at the June 2001 meeting was reviewed. Various suggestions and recommendations were made regarding the form. A form incorporating some of the recommendations will be sent to the Butler Co. for an attorney’s review.

**GRANT REQUESTS**

A. **Dentures for Success**

A Seattle clinic that provides dentures for homeless persons who are seeking employment. Fellow Dr. Diat Giap directs it. The request for $1,000 was approved.

B. **Thousand Smiles**

The request for the Thousand Smiles Clinic for $10,000 was approved. Dr. Tanaka explained about other sources of funding for the clinic, particularly the Rotary Foundation and their matching grants.

C. **Salud y Paz**

Project Salud y Paz is working to assure that adequate medical and dental care is available to the indigenous Mayan Indians of Guatemala. Since March of 2001 fellow Dr. Phil Plunk and his wife JoAn Dwyer have established two medical/dental clinics high in the mountains and have hired local help. The request for $5,000 was approved. It may be possible furnish the clinics with a Cavitron unit as well as a digital x-ray unit available. Another $1,000 grant was approved with the directive that Dr. Plunk apply for a matching Rotary Foundation grant.

D. **Healing the Children**

This project provides dental supplies and equipment for a volunteer clinic in Apastepeque, El Salvador. Application submitted by Fellow Dr. Robert Wong. The request for $2,500 was approved with the directive that Dr. Wong also seeks matching funds from Rotary International.
E. **Moldova Dental School Pathology Project**
This project will provide pathology slides for instruction in the dental school in the Republic of Moldova. Prior to this grant there were no visual aids available. A grant of $1,000 was provided.

F. **Sonrisas Mobile Dental Unit 1**
This project is a mobile dental clinic providing clinical and preventive treatment as well as preventive health education to children and adults in the Dominican Republic. This project will be reexamined by those knowledgeable about it in Canada with a report at the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**
An imitative was discussed for a method for the dental industry to respond to Foundation donors. Butler, Dentsply, Procter & Gamble, Colgate, GC America and others could put together gift packs for various levels of giving to the ADIF.

It was recognized that this would allow the corporate people to not only participate in the Foundation but also to present themselves and their products to the profession. Work on the logistics and specifics of the plan will be required.

The investment policy of the Foundation will be reviewed. The $120,000 Endowment is now down to $87,700. It is noted that ADIF should publicize and stress that the Foundation should be remembered in any estate planning.

The ADI and ADIF are relatively unknown and need to have more publicity. A committee for Public Relations and Marketing should use the AGD, ADA, state and local newsletters for exposure. It was suggested ADI people could provide a Continuing Dental Education Course for the P&G website and have the stipend donated to the Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert L. Ramus, DDS
Secretary

**ADI Foundation President’s Letter**

The ADI Foundation is just beginning to play a vital part in helping some needy people around the world. We must keep in mind the Foundation as much as possible in ways to expand our efforts and become more dedicated to supporting this helpful organization, as well as more ways to raise funds and personal giving. We must also increase our membership in the USA to keep a strong Academy organization that will make the Foundation stronger! One good example concerns last April 2001. The Clark County Dental Society with the Oregon State Academy of General Dentistry directed by Fellow Dr. David Carsten and Regent Dr. Kathryn Poleson arranged for Fellow and Past President Dr. Terry T. Tanaka to speak at their joint meeting. From the contributions received, they sent a check for $7,500 in Dr. Tanaka’s name to the Foundation. Dr. Tanaka and Past President Dr. Colin Wong pledged an additional $10,000 each.

This Kansas City Foundation meeting ends the second year of the three-year Campaign 2000. To date the Foundation has raised $120,000 mainly through the contributions from the Foundation’s Board of Directors and the ADI’s Board of Regents. A Foundation contribution card will be sent to the ADI membership with their annual dues statement.

The Foundation’s Vice-President, Dr. Larry Farrell, has recruited two more corporate members for the Board, Fellow Dr. Nels Ewoldson of the GC America Corporation and Fellow Dr. James Hull of the Proctor and Gamble Corporation. This should assist in our international projects.

The Foundation wants especially to recognize:
1. Honorary Fellow Mr. Larry Farrell for the Butler Corporation’s support of the Foundation meetings for the past several years as well as the annual Academy and its Foundation’s Chicago Dental Society’s Mid-Winter breakfast meeting, and for the Butler Corporation of designing the Foundation’s new brochure
2. Honorary Fellow Niels Hoegh-Guldberg for the Wrigley Company’s publishing the new brochure as well as provision of the facilities in the Chicago Wrigley Building for the Foundation’s spring Executive Council meeting.
4. Dr. C. Yolanda Bonita (Colgate-Palmolive Co,) for her personal monthly contribution to the Foundation.
5. ADI Vice-President Dr. Larry Cox and his committee for developing a standardized request for project funding. This form will assist in the evaluation of funding requests and execution.

On behalf of all those who have benefited from the Foundation’s program and projects, the Foundations Board thanks all for their assistance and contributions. To paraphrase a quote from a USA Presidential inaugural address, “Ask not what the Academy of Dentistry
International can do for you but rather ask what you can do for the Academy of Dentistry International and its Foundation.”

Dr. James A. Harrell, Sr.
ADI Foundation President

Open Memo
To: All ADI Fellows World Wide
From: James A. Harrell, Sr., President
ADI Foundation

Congratulations to all ADI Fellows around the world! You belong to the only honorific international dental organization that I know of in which everyone pays his or her own way to all projects, committees, boards and the Annual meeting, even down to the banquet meals, including all the officers! We are truly a volunteer group right through to the core!

I want to emphasize that we remain as a volunteer group whose main interest is helping others where we can around the world! I know, as well as you do, of organizations that declined by starting travel and hotel reimbursement and officer salaries and spending too much of their resources on themselves. Please do not let this happen to this unique organization with such noble aims!

Let the dues, foundation contributions and the volunteers help as many people as possible! Look what our volunteers have accomplished in Mexico, Brazil, Vietnam, Lithuania, Russia, Bangladesh, Guatemala and many other projects.

Volunteerism stimulates and produces enthusiasm! There are few values in life that are more important than enthusiasm. Emerson once said, “Nothing great was ever achieved without anything for which he has unlimited enthusiasm.” Dale Carnegie says: “Act enthusiastic and you will be enthusiastic.” There is a magazine called “The Catholic Layman” which recently carried the following statement: “Every man is enthusiastic at times! One man may have enthusiasm for thirty minutes another for thirty days. But it is the man who has it for thirty years who makes a success in life!” Henry David Thoreau, a wise early American said: “None are so old as those who have outlived enthusiasm.” Norman Vincent Peale said: “to have enthusiasm, you must act enthusiastic, and think enthusiastic - keep your mind renewed and you will keep enthusiasm going!” “If you would practice the following eleven powerful principles, you will have enthusiasm going for you as long as you live!”

1. Pray big,
2. Think big,
3. Believe big,
4. Dream big,
5. Act big,
6. Work big,
7. Give big,
8. Forgive big,
9. Love big,
10. Live big,
11. Laugh big.

You are indeed lucky to be a member of such a unique group. Please keep your enthusiasm going to support and help those less fortunate people around the world.

We are most pleased that our Vice-President, Mr. Larry Farrell, has added two new corporate members to our Board. Dr. Nels Ewoldsen, of GC America and Dr. James Hall, of Proctor and Gamble have joined our board this past October. We are excited about the possibilities of ways the corporations can be most helpful in some of our foreign projects. We want to especially thank Larry Farrell for having the J. O. Butler Company design our brochure and Niels Höegh-Guldburg for having it published by the Wrigley Company. We also want to thank Niels Höegh-Guldburg and the Wrigley Company for allowing us use their facility in Chicago for our two day executive committee meeting this past June and for their gracious hospitality while we were there.

Thanks to Dr. Larry Cox and his committee for compiling a request form for project funding. The Foundation executive committee approved the new form. Now we have an effective method to evaluate each request and be assured that the funds are going to help the maximum people possible. Please look at this form and send it to anyone requesting funding, it can be found on the website.

Again, many thanks to each one of you for serving and giving.

Ask not what the Academy of Dentistry International can do for you, but rather, what you can do for your Academy of Dentistry International!

Now, for ideas or suggestions for this last year of our Campaign 2000! Let us hear from you.

James A. Harrell, Sr. DDS
ADI Foundation President
AUSTRALASIAN SECTION
REGENT’S VISIT TO SAMOA

Dr. John M. Booth recently had the opportunity of visiting Samoa for a week and took the opportunity to call on the Director of Dental Services, Dr Misi Tuala. The 6 computers the Australasian Section sent along with other organizations are being brought into service. There has been some delay due to the requirement of an uninterrupted power supply. The financing for this comes slowly from government. Dr Bob Yon Doussa will visit in September to give an ART course at the Dental Therapy School and will check further on the computers. The School enrolls 8 students each year for a 3-year course. They can be from any of the Pacific Islands and can go on to a full dental course in Fiji after completing this initial course.

There are only 9 Dentists in Samoa that has a population of 170,000 on mainly 2 large islands. American Samoa is not far away but is a small island with only about 37,000 people. Samoa is a very beautiful country with very friendly people who have a great love for Rugby and Cricket. We did not sight a tourist shop in the whole country. Churches of many denominations have an imposing presence in Samoa. A conch shell is blown at about 6.00pm each evening in the villages indicating a period of prayer and quietness prior to the evening meal.

Dr. Tuala indicated that a visit from an Oral Surgeon would be very welcome and Dr Yon Doussa is to ascertain what is possible. Any Oral Surgeon in the ADI who might be interested is invited to contact me. It certainly would be a trip to remember.
FROM THE REGENTS DESK

The Convocation in Brisbane on 7th May during the ADA Congress went off very well. We were privileged to have President Evan Goodman from Chicago, Illinois, USA with us to induct the New Fellows. He also addressed us on the International affairs of the ADI. He and his charming wife, Sandi enhanced the standing of the meeting. They both made a big effort to chat with members at the Cocktail Party after the meeting. I have subsequently received a letter from them saying how much they had enjoyed the visit, which was short but did give them time in Cairns and Sydney as well as Brisbane.

A Scottish Piper led the head table party into the room from the St. Andrews Society playing the ‘Flower of Scotland’. He kindly donated his fee to charity. A report from the Regent of our activities since the Perth Convocation followed. Dr Goodman then inducted the following


At the conclusion of this Dr Monica Thomson, representing the New Fellows, spoke a few words of appreciation of the work of the Academy.

KEVIN ALLEN AWARD

The inaugural “Kevin Allen Award” was made to Dr. Callum Durward from Auckland, NZ by Mrs. Marion Allen. Along with a scroll and the $2500.00 from the ADI was a further donation by Mrs. Allen to help with his expenses in attending the Convocation. Dr. Durward then described the work he was doing in setting up a two-year program to train five Pedodontists at the Dental School in Phnom Penh. His presentation highlighted some of the tragic consequences of the Pol Pot Regime but offered hope for the future. The extra finances provided by the award will enhance his work with other Australian and New Zealand dentists who are volunteering and going to Cambodia at their own expense to assist in the course. The Newsletter will keep you up to date as the course progresses.

Mrs. Allen congratulated Dr. Durward on being the inaugural winner of the award. She felt it was the type of program that Kevin would have supported with enthusiasm. She then presented the Australasian Section with a specially commissioned the ADI Flag with a small embroidering indicating it was in memory of Kevin. We thank Marion for this kind gesture which continuing reminder to us of Kevin’s involvement with the ADI.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP TO DR. GRAHAM MOUNT AM

Previous Executives had decided that Life Membership should be awarded to Graham in recognition of his continuing work both as Founder of the Section in 1988, and his Regency, which extended to 1995. Instead of the customary plaque, the Executive decided to give a present to his wife, Mrs. Margaret Mount. Her dedication to the ADI and dentistry is well known to all Fellows and a suitably inscribed Coffee Percolator and two cups were given as a complete surprise to Margaret who responded wonderfully.

Congratulations to Graham on his award, and to Margaret, thanks for her great assistance to him over many years. The Section is indeed indebted to you both for your continuing involvement.

As a matter for the record, Graham Mount has been on the lecture programme at every ADA Dental Congress since he qualified in 1946 and has lectured in 47 countries. He knocks up his 50 later this year when he visits Russian and other Eastern European countries on an extended lecture tour. I doubt if any Australian Dental lecturer comes close to this.
CAMBODIA PROJECT

Callum Durward Pediatric Dentist
New Zealand

Cambodia today faces many problems following three decades of war, genocide and ongoing political unrest. After the Khmer Rouge period, which ended in 1979, a dental workforce of only 34 Assistant-Dentists remained. The dental school reopened in the mid-1980s. There are now about 250 dentists for a population of about 10.5 million people. The dentists are trained at the Faculty of Dentistry in Phnom Penh following a French-based curriculum that teaches the traditional range of dental subjects. Funding of the school is minimal and the overall quality of education low.

A recent survey of 5-8 year old children in Phnom Penh showed an average of 12 decayed teeth per child. Many children suffer pain and chronic infections, and few receive dental treatment. Cambodian dentists have very limited training in pediatric dentistry.

In 1993 a new type of oral health worker was introduced to Cambodia, the Dental Nurse. These auxiliaries are trained in a 6-month course to promote oral health and provide cost-effective basic dental care to the population living in rural areas where there are very few dentists.

In order for Cambodia to continue to develop appropriate oral health services and training to meet the needs of the Cambodian people, improving the knowledge and skills of staff at the Faculty of Dentistry and School for Dental Nurses is a priority. Only a handful of Cambodian dentists have had the opportunity to study abroad. Visiting speakers and conferences have helped in recent years to upgrade current knowledge however there has never been a structured course of postgraduate training in any of the clinical disciplines.

In January 2000 a group of foreign dentists attended the Cambodian Dental Association Conference. Following discussion with the Cambodian dentists the group proposed to help upgrade the knowledge and skills of the teachers at the Faculty of Dentistry by helping to set up 2-year part-time diploma courses in some of the clinical disciplines. The first of the courses to be established was a Diploma of Pediatric Dentistry begun in January 2001.

With support from the ADI Kevin Allen Award, Callum Durward from New Zealand traveled to Cambodia in January to begin teaching the two-year part-time course. Approval had been given by the Ministry of Health and the Faculty of Health Sciences for this first postgraduate course in dentistry to be offered in Cambodia. 10 dentists applied for the course. Five were chosen by a selection panel made up of Dr Suon Phany (Dean of Faculty of Dentistry), Dr Hem Chin (Vice-Dean), and Dr Callum Durward (Pediatric Dentist from New Zealand). The 5 Cambodian dentists chosen were:

1. Dr Poum Sen - Lecturer in Pediatric Dentistry at the Faculty, and one of only 34 dentists to survive the Khmer Rouge years. She is in charge of the children’s clinic at the Faculty and also provides treatment in the Dental Bus donated in 1992 by the Japanese.

2. Dr San Nyiep - Director of the National Dental Nurses School. Dental nurses in Cambodia are primary oral health care workers who live in the rural areas of Cambodia providing simple treatment and running school preventive programs. Dr Nyiep is also one of those 32 dentists.

3. Dr Vorn Vutha - graduated in 1992 in the first class of dentists after training was reestablished, Vutha has also studied pedagogy and assists Dr Poum Sen in teaching pediatric dentistry at the Faculty. He also has a private clinic to help supplement his government salary of $US25 a month.

4. Dr Sem Mono - the youngest in the group. He is employed by an American aid organization that runs a children’s hospital in Siem Reap province (near Angkor Wat). He provides dental care for poor children in the region as well as for the hospital patients. Both Mono’s parents died in the Pol Pot period.

5. Dr Suom Monika - a recent graduate who is now
working for a French aid organization in Phnom Penh where she treats children from poor families and orphans. Monika has a real passion for helping children.

All five dentists speak quite good English thanks to a World Concern English program which has been run at the dental school for over 10 years.

The introductory 2-week course and follow-up in April went well and the practical difficulties were outweighed by the enthusiasm of the students and the delightful children. Children were screened at a local primary school and orphanage, and brought to the dental school for treatment each day. The primary teeth were generally so bad that it was hard sometimes to find teeth worth restoring! Although none of the children had ever received treatment before, it was amazing how well behaved and appreciative they were. Many of these children said they had been in intermittent pain for years but had never been able to afford to go to the dentist.

Over the next 18 months other pediatric dentists from Australia and other countries will be visiting Cambodia to teach parts of the course. More teachers are still needed.

If anyone in ADI were able to donate 4-hole handpieces or funds to purchase some needed items and help with shipping costs, these would be greatly appreciated. For more information you can contact Callum Durward in New Zealand on E-mail at: c.durward@clear.net.nz, or by writing to him at: 20 Sylvan Ave West, Mt Eden, Auckland, New Zealand. Fax: 64-9-623 6495.

The five Cambodian dentists enrolled in the Diploma of Pediatric Dentistry course: Dr. Sem Mono, Dr. Vorn Vutha, Dr. Poum Sen, Dr. San Nyiep and Dr. Suon Monika.

Last year a pediatric clinic was established at the dental school for the first time and equipped with some old equipment. Unfortunately some of the chairs, units and lights were in disrepair and there was little in the way of materials and instruments. Through this new project, most of the equipment has now been repaired and 140kg of donated supplies from NZ has made a big difference. However more help is still needed. For example almost all the hand-pieces in the school are broken.

Apart from stocking the clinic with supplies, the project has also been able to decorate the clinic with some colorful posters made at the Cambodian Dental Nurses School. Some books on Pediatric Dentistry have also been donated for the dentists on the course and for the library.

The five Cambodian dentists enrolled in the Diploma of Pediatric Dentistry course: Dr. Sem Mono, Dr. Vorn Vutha, Dr. Poum Sen, Dr. San Nyiep and Dr. Suon Monika.

The pediatric dental clinic at the Faculty of Dentistry.

Cambodian orphans who receive dental treatment through this project.

This project has been greatly assisted by the support of the ADI (Australasian Regency) through the Kevin Allen Award. If this first course is successful, it is hoped that similar courses in other areas can be conducted with the help of overseas volunteers for the benefit of the Cambodian people.

Dr. Callum Durward
CHILEAN CHAPTER
2000 to 2001
ACTIVITIES COMPLETED

MAY 20, 2000: ORAL HYGIENE PROGRAM
We inculcated habits of oral hygiene to the Children Home, for which the Fellows showed illustrative video about the importance of taking care and cleaning their teeth. Next, children were separated in groups and we showed them brushing technique on a model, then each one of them repeated the technique out in the model and then in their own mouths, using an antibacterial substance.

AUGUST 20, 2000: CELEBRATION CHILDREN’S DAY
Continuing with the support at the Children Home, we organized a small celebration including some gifts for everyone with tablecloths and pitchers for juice at each table of the Home’s dining room. Several hair dryers for the adolescent youths were donated.

AUGUST 26, 2000: FRIENDSHIP MEETING AT A FELLOW’S HOME
One of the fundamental objectives of our Chapter is to emphasize international friendship. For this reason we organized a lunch at a new Fellow’s home. On that occasion, Peruvian food was served. A Fellow of this nationality was in charge of occasion, which strengthens our bonds with our neighbor nation, Peru.

NOVEMBER 18, 2000: APPLICATION OF SEALANTS AND TOPICAL FLUORIDE
In Consalud’s Institute of Public Health, five clinics with complete equipment and materials were provided for sealant application (Dentsply) at the Children’s Home, as well as the application of topical fluoride (Durafat of Colgate). Fellows were divided into groups of three per clinic, rotated, provided support with attention to and for children that had never been able to receive such care.

DECEMBER 1, 2000: SHIPMENT OF CHRISTMAS CARDS
Just as it has been done since 1996 to date, we sent cards to all the Officers, Regents and Chairmen of the Academy worldwide, the university authorities, union authorities, specialty societies, supporting companies and other Academies (International College of Dentists and Pierre Fauchard). Beautiful expressions to greet the rest of the world and to wish them happiness on these special holidays.

DECEMBER 13, 2000: CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH GIFT FROM A SECRET FRIEND
As a forum for strengthening friendship bonds, a Christmas party took place within the Chilean Chapter. The special dinner for this occasion was held, with the exchange of Christmas gifts (from secret friends). This was real fun when the gifts were delivered from under the Christmas tree. Two beautiful ginger and marzipan houses with Christmas decorations were featured.

JANUARY 25, 2001: FAREWELL OF DR. PLINIO GOMEZ
During the year 2000, we had the pleasure of having the participation of a Peruvian professional who attended all our meetings and actively participated in the activities of service to the community. With this he was able to know of the operation and spirit of our Chapter, which if they accept in Peru could be really useful for them. We offered him a farewell dinner and we gave him a present in memory of our country.

JUNE 28, 2001: THIRD CONVOCATION OF SANTIAGO, CHILE
At the Director Hotel, with the Regent of South American Section present six new Fellows were inducted followed by an elegant dinner. Our Chapter celebrated its fifth year founding anniversary that night. For this reason, we presented and inaugurated a Brass Bell to open these sessions. It has the Academy’s logo and that it will be the symbol of the Chilean Chapter, which will be present at all the meetings of our Chapter. As a remembrance of the occasion, key rings engraved with the Academy’s logo on Chilean native wood were presented.

JULY 4, 2001 COURSE: NEW FOCUSES IN AESTHETIC DENTISTRY AND REHABILITATION OVER IMPLANT
In the Sheraton Hotel Santiago, Dr. Eduardo Anitua Aldecoa, of Vitoria, Spain, presented this course, which had a good number of attendees and the participation of six, supporting dental companies. This is our fifth course of international level being carried out under the continuous education program initiated by the Academy, usually one per year. For this occasion, ink pens with the Academy’s logo and the name of the Chilean Chapter were provided. This idea has been an excellent marketing protocol.

JANUARY 2000 TO SEPTEMBER 2001: CHILEAN CHAPTER NEWS
This monthly Bulletin is our communication and liaison for and with our Fellows. In the above period there were published Editions No 26 to No 47 (22 editions). These
Newsletters are much appreciated by the Fellows and soon we will celebrate four years of publication.

RECOGNITION TO THE CHILEAN CHAPTER
It has been a real pleasure being mentioned, along with the Canada Section, as examples for the provision of information sent the Academy’s Central office and concerning the payment of the Chapter’s Fellow annual dues. We specially thank the Academy’s Central Office for this recognition.

PROJECTS
1. DONATION OF ELECTRIC TOOTH BRUSHES (BRAUN ORAL-B) FOR 14 SPASTIC YOUTHS:
We have in mind to donate 14 electric brushes to spastic youths. These youths are unable, due to their cerebral paralysis, to achieve effective dental brushing. For this reason we have considered this equipment beneficial and facilitating the work of the auxiliary personnel that take care of them or to their relatives who will be able to collaborate in their care. These disabled youths participate daily in craft activities, which has allowed us to verify their serious motor limitations.

2. WORLD DIRECTORY OF DENTISTRY SCHOOLS
To collaborate with the concern of the Academy in the upgrade of Dental Schools/Faculties data of Peru, currently Peru has seven Schools. Not all of them are listed in that Directory. It is suggested that all Sections and Chapters transmit similar updates with complete information to create a current Directory.

Dr. EMILIO PETIT L.
Chairman Chilean Chapter

Philippine Section Report

At the February 2001 biennial meeting and Convocation, two schoolmates met again during their Fellowship induction. The Academy is truly international in name and liaison. Over the years Fellows-elect have chosen to travel to other than their own country for induction.

Fellow Dr. Thomas K. C. Yip of Kowloon, Hong Kong was inducted with Fellow Dr. Marilyn Leung of the Republic of the Philippines. Both are 1975 graduates of the University of the Philippines College of Dentistry. This photo supplied by Fellow Dr. Yip documents the international and collegial nature of the Academy. As has been said many times and years before, “Our Academy is large enough to be international and small enough to be family”.

Dr. Marilyn Alcantara Leung and Dr. Thomas K.C. Yip

Future Academy Meetings

The Academy of Dentistry International Convocation and Inductions take place just before or during major national or international dental meetings. Check with the Central Office for the exact location/venue, date and time for the ADI event you wish to participate.

American Dental Association Annual Sessions
2002 Oct. 19-23, New Orleans, LA
2003 Oct. 25-29, San Francisco, CA

Australian & New Zealand Dental Associations
2002 September, New Zealand
2003 with FDI, , Sydney, Australia
2005 Australian Dental Association, Adelaide

Canadian Dental Association
2002 May 27, Montreal, Quebec

FDI World Dental Congress
2002 1-5 October Vienna, Austria
2003 September Sydney, Australia
It Is Now Time!

When I became the Editor of the International Communicator in the fall of 1988 and even before from 1973-1977 while assigned to the Secretary of Defense in the Pentagon, I was aware and participated in international organized dentistry’s volunteer programs and projects. During 1970 I directed a dental/oral and maxillofacial surgery team in South Vietnam. I was continually impressed with the altruism and humanitarian spirit of the dental profession. I was equally impressed by the lack of coordination within a country or region by these volunteer projects.

While there are “crusades” for dental and specialty treatment of the needy, the civic, religious, humanitarian and military sponsors and participants were and are less than mutually coordinated. It appears that each sponsor and on-site project liaison/clinic director wishes to establish his own “fiefdom”. This lack of coordination of “coordination/liaison” is also evident in international continuing education programs.

Each country’s dental organizations, the F.D.I. and its regional components recognize volunteer or humanitarian projects in one form or other. No one organization or agency has acted or has the resources to act as such a coordinator. Often the responsible agency in the host country is unaware of a project, its length of stay, condition and treatment capability and/or qualifications of the providers. Likewise each project must on an annual, semi regular or episodic basis provide equipment and materials etc. when perhaps some of a project’s requirements could or would be available “in country”. Again the project’s time “in country” is often limited to days, weeks or perhaps a month or two.

Let’s face it; a well-intentioned project shuts down upon the departure of the volunteer team unless the local host agency or, better yet, the host nation’s dental schools are involved. In my experience, host country health care providers hesitate to provide “free care” or have all the necessary qualifications.

I suggest the American and International Colleges of Dentists, the Academy of Dentistry International and Pierre Fauchard Academy form a Council composed of representative of its Foundation and Executive Director of its parent organization. This Council of the Honorific Academies and Colleges Foundations (CHACF) would meet to coordinate or at least act as a “clearing house” and list the volunteer projects of their respective membership.

This CHACF Council could or would:

1. Provide a listing of the national and international volunteer/humanitarian participants and their sponsors.
2. Coordinate the volunteer projects within a country and/or region.
3. Optimize the utilization of clinic equipment and materials already in place.
4. Schedule the projects times “in country” to enhance the continuum of care.
5. Establish a liaison with the appropriate host country agency and/or dental school to assist in the provision of care.
6. Recognize their membership and their sponsor’s participation in volunteer projects.
7. Provide each Foundation’s Board with each other’s volunteer projects and relevant budget.
8. Provide a venue for review and evaluation of other volunteer projects and grant/requests to obtain funding and participants.

This Council (CHACF) should be limited to eight (8) members, each Foundation’s President and corresponding Academy and/or College Executive Director. Ad hoc, non-voting members could be representatives of affiliate organizations by invitation and/or request, e.g. HVO, Rotary Club, FDI, religious agencies etc. Chairmanship of this Council would alternate between Foundation Presidents in order of the founding dates of its parent organization. The current Council President Foundation’s staff would provide staff support.

An all inclusive, international listing of volunteer projects at the inception of the Council would not nor will it ever be available given the “independent” nature of the individual volunteer dentist and sponsoring organization. However some sort of coordination is necessary if not mandatory and appropriate to conserve and make the most of limited resources. Especially after the New York Twin Towers tragedy on September 11, 2001, the world is now more joined together than ever.

An Academy and College Foundation Council’s time has come!

Henry J. Sazima, DDS
Executive Director and Editor Emeritus.
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

PROJECT GUATEMALA

Fellow Dr. Phil Plunk has diagnosed many patients’ carious teeth in his 23 years as a dentist. However nothing in North Texas comes as close to the neglected teeth and mouths he has seen in war-torn Guatemala. The only relief from pain and infection is when some medical/dental or mission team pays a visit.

After 16 years of weeklong trips to treat Guatemalans, Dr. Plunk will set up two clinics for free dental and medical care in this country. Dr. Plunk and his wife, JoAn Dwyer, a longtime social worker, leave their home in Allen for a two year stay at a Mayan village called Camanchi and another city on the edge of Quetaltenango, the country’s second largest city. The Mayan are the indigenous people of Guatemala, nearly all are impoverished with some having the highest level of illiteracy. Many of who suffered greatly during the recently ended 36-year civil war.

This program is affiliated with the United Methodist Church. The couple with a skeleton crew will renovate vacant buildings into clinics. They will assemble the donated equipment and prepare to train local dentists and medical intern and hold classes in nutrition, dental and prenatal care, The couple’s church, Northaven United Methodist, has donated $30,000 for the clinics and an additional $7,000 through other sources including the Academy of Dentistry international’s Foundation. A minimal amount of $120,000 is the estimated requirement.

The short-term goal is to expand dental services. The long-term goal is to interest local and other dentists, physicians and paramedics in the next few years to serve the communities to visit and provide treatment on a regular basis. Dr. Plunk practiced in Amarillo, Texas before moving to Dallas where he practiced within the state prison system. Ms. Dwyer is the executive director of the new Beginning Center woman’s shelter in Garland, Texas.

CANADIAN FELLOW WINS TEACHING AWARD

The University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry recently awarded the Bruce A. Hord Master Teaching Award, Dr. Izchak Barzilay. The award is given each year to recognize teaching excellence at the Faculty of Dentistry. Dr. Barzilay is also the past recipient of multiple awards including, the Tyman Award (American Academy of Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics), Prosthodontics Research Award (International Association for Dental Research), Buonocore Award (American Association for Dental Research Rochester Chapter), the Essay Award (American College of Prosthodontics) and the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants Best Paper 1996.

Dr. Izchak Barzilay is currently Head, Division of Prosthodontics and Restorative Dentistry at Mount Sinai Hospital and is an Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry. Dr. Barzilay maintains a private practice in Toronto limited to Prosthodontics and Implant Dentistry.

DR. JIM SHOSENBERG ELECTED RCDC PRESIDENT

Dr. James W. Shosenberg has been elected to a two-year term as President of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada – Le College des Chirurgiens Dentists du Canada. Dr. Shosenberg, editor of the Ontario Dentist — the Ontario Dental Association Journal — since 1987, was installed as the new President of the Royal College following the council meeting in Montreal on September 9, 2001. The Royal College consists of the various dental specialties, the Dental Regulatory Authorities, the Executive and Registrar Emeritus.

Over the past decade, Dr. Shosenberg has published more than 200 articles, editorials and scientific papers, including one full length book, “The Rise of the Ontario Dental Association: 125 Years of Organized Dentistry.”

Dr. Shosenberg is a fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada, Fellow of the International College of Dentists, the Academy of Dentistry International, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Canadian Institute of Certified Administrative Managers. He is also a Fellow of the International Napoleonic Society and a Member de La Société Française de l’Histoire Napoleonienne.
IN THE NEWS

Dr. Marsden Bell (New Zealand) was presented with the Distinguished Service Award by the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons at their recent international meeting.

Dr. Marcia Boyd (Canada) is the Regent for Regency 8 of the American College of Dentists.

Dr. Jeffrey Burkes (USA) is the chief dental consultant, office of the chief medical examiner of New York City, N.Y. He is coordinating the dental identification efforts for the N.Y. Police and forensic teams following the September 11, 2001 World Trade Center tragedy.

Dr. D. Gregory Chadwick (USA) was installed as President of the American Dental Association at its October Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri. He previously served as ADA President-Elect and as the ADA Trustee for District 16.

Dr. William Chase (USA) is President of the Michigan dental Association.

Dr. John D. Chandler (USA) is the 2001-2002 Vice President of the Academy of General Dentistry.

Dr. Eric Curtis (USA) is a member of the editorial board of the Journal of the American College of Dentists.

Dr. Kenneth E. Follmar, Sr. (USA) is President of the American College of Dentists.

Dr. George Freeman (Canada) presented a program on “Restorative Dentistry” in November 2001 to the Chicago Dental Society. He is a past President of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry. He is the director of postgraduate programs in esthetic dentistry at the University of Missouri (Kansas City), SUNY Buffalo, the University of Minnesota (Minneapolis), Baylor College of dentistry and the Eastman Dental Center.

Dr. Thomas A. Howley (USA) is the Secretary of the Academy of General Dentistry for 2001-2002.

Dr. Bruce Hutchinson (USA) is Speaker of the Virginia Dental Association House of Delegates.

Dr. Dushanka V. Kleinman (USA) is the first woman to serve as the Chief Dental Officer of the U.S. Public Health Service. Rear Admiral Kleinman will oversee the Public health dental programs and professional affairs for the office of the Surgeon General and the Department of Health and Human Services. She will continue as Deputy Director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, Bethesda Maryland and as Assistant Surgeon General.
Dr. Bohdan Kuzyk (Canada) is a life member of the American Society of Dentistry for Children.

Dr. Charles Mandel (USA) of Hollywood Florida was named the Miami-Dade County Health Department’s the “Dentist of the Year” for his dedication and volunteer contributions that greatly assist those persons who have no means of receiving much needed dental care. Each year, the Miami-Dade County Health Department hosts an event that celebrates the many volunteer and partner successes and allows the department the opportunity to acknowledge the unselfish efforts of the many people who work jointly with us on public health issues. The reception, hosted by Baptist Health Systems, took place on Monday, June 4, 2001, at the Baptist Hospital Auditorium.

Dr. Graham Mount AM (Australia) was awarded Life Membership in recognition of his work as founder and Regent of the Australasia Section from 1988 to 1995. Since 1946 Dr. Mount has lectured in over 50 countries worldwide. Mrs. Margaret Mount was also honored for her extraordinary dedication to this Academy and dentistry.

Dr. Lloyd O’Brien (Australia) has been awarded an AO in Australia for his great service to the dental profession in the areas of professional development, training and education. He is a Past president of the Victoria branch of the Australian Dental Association (ADA) and more recently Past President of the Australian Dental Council.

Dr. Robert T. Ragan (USA) is Past President of the American College of Dentists.

Dr. Robert E. Roesch (USA) is the 2001-2002 Speaker of the House of the Academy of General Dentistry.

Dr. Eugene Sekiguchi (USA) the American Dental Association trustee for District 13 will chair a task force addressing the wastewater issue. It will propose a comprehensive plan of action, based on scientific research, concerning the dental waste mercury in wastewater treatment plants.

Dr. Margaret H. Seward (United Kingdom) is a member of the editorial board of the American College of Dentists.

Dr. Charles L. Siroky (USA) was elected Trustee of the American Association of Endodontists Foundation; He has served on numerous ADA councils and is a former president of the Arizona State Dental Association, which has twice named him “Dentist of the Year” in 1987 and 2000.

Dr. Roger W. Trifflhauser (USA) is the current Vice President of the American College of Dentists. He has been named the Special Assistant for Intercounty Affairs by the New York State Governor.

Dr. James P. Vernetti (USA) will be one of the torchbearers who will carry the Olympic flame across the United States for the 2002 Winter Games. Coronado Mayor Tom Smisek nominated past ADI President Dr. Vernetti for his lifetime of service to Coronado through his dental practice and volunteerism.

Dr. James L. Walsh (Canada) currently is serving as the Immediate Past President of the Academy of General Dentistry for 2001-2002.

Dr. Jean Williams (USA) completed her year as President of the Indiana Dental Association. She is the first woman elected to that office.

Dr. Roger D. Winland (USA) will be Editor of the Academy of General Dentistry Publication for 2001-2002.

Dr. Howard Zuckerman (USA) is President of the Academy of General Dentistry for 2001-2002.

Kathy Brisley-Sedon, (USA) and Alexandra Ukmar (USA), Both ADI Fellows in Ohio, were recently Awarded the Academy of General Dentistry’s prestigious Mastership Award. The convocation ceremony was held at the AGD Annual Meeting in New York City last July.
RESERVATION FORM
2002 Mid-Winter Breakfast Meeting
February 24, 2002
Chicago Marriott Downtown Hotel
540 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611 USA

SCHEDULE
7:30 a.m. Registration
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Program

Dr. Terry Y. Tanaka, Featured Speaker

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