“IT IS A MATTER OF COMMUNICATION”

The gift of expressing ourselves is a valued part of our existence. One of the factors that has changed my Southern U.S. thinking was working with the Japan Section to help establish a library at the dental school in Hanoi, Vietnam. Quite often I said one thing that was being understood as another, even to the point of being offensive. One of my dear friends even said to me in constructive criticism, “Sometimes I do not understand what you are saying.” Being north of the Mason Dixon line (dividing the South from the Northern U.S.) probably did not help him any. We still must keep working at it since the goal is worth the journey.

To be certain, it is a matter of communication, working out our thoughts and presenting them in a unified way. Often we have re-think and say it again.

To our advantage, the ADI has a group of really committed individual officers who are seeking ways to promote our goals to the world. The differences in our background and heritage must be strengthening factors as long as we keep open our discussion with a unified spirit.

The initiation of two important steps will help our ADI even more.

One of the strongest additions to our Academy has been the Vice Regent’s. With their help and commitment, we will bring the ADI’s prestigious activities to the visible local level. The Vice Regent may be one of the most important additions to the organization that we have had. Along with correspondence from the Regents and other noteworthy bulletins, you should be more informed about what your ADI is doing and how you can help.

The other tremendous step forward has been the formation of a Public Relations Committee, appointed to enhance our image to our Fellows and to the people around us. With this group working with all diligence, hopefully, we will not hear a possible candidate say, “I do not know about the Academy of Dentistry International”. It will be

Dr. Larry A. Williams, ADI President
The common desire we all have of making ADI the strongest and most generous of all the honorary philanthropic dental organizations will be realized if we are able to cast off some outdated structures and begin the new century with the implementation of a new paradigm for our dues collection.

The Board would like to emphasize the need to begin following the new adopted bylaw resolutions that require each Section/Regent to see that dues are collected and sent to the Central Office by April of each year.

Because of the hard work and willingness of many members to sacrifice their time and money, we will succeed and encourage others to join us.

Donald T. Brown, D.D.S., M.S.  
Vice-President for Finance and Administration

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President 2001-2002

FROM THE DESK OF  
THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow:

On October 10, 2001 at its annual meeting, the Board of Regents passed a resolution to increase all Section/Regency dues, bringing them into conformation throughout the entire membership of the ADI.

There is a strong desire among the ADI leadership to maintain financial viability of the organization in order to function effectively and assure future growth that allows generous funding for our international giving.

It has been a very long time since any changes in the dues structures were made. Discussions have ranged from a single dues rate for all to a complete reorganization of the different dues tiers that have been assembled together over the years. Clearly, inconsistencies in dues ranging from 0 to 80 U.S. dollars per year led to difficulties and forced a few to carry the many.

Realizing that some Sections/Regencies are able to pay the higher dues rate ($80) and some are able to pay more now than they could in the past, the Board set a maximum of $80 per year. The increase will be 50 per cent phased over two years. Thus, there will be a twenty-five per cent increase the first year and twenty-five per cent increase the next year. This allows the necessary small increase to be phased in as easily as possible for all members.

The ADI Board clearly understands the challenge in changing the dues structure that has been part of our organization for many years. Different Sections/Regencies have operated this way and it will take courageous forward think-
The Canada Section of the Academy of Dentistry International held its annual Convocation and Induction Ceremony at the Hotel Inter-Continental Montreal on May 27th, 2002. Thirty-two Canadian dentists were inducted as well as four United States dentists. This induction took place to an assembled audience of over 100 Fellows, spouses and guests. The ceremonies were officiated by Past-President Dr. Evan Goodman in the absence of ADI President Dr. Larry Williams. In addition to the officiating officer, there were the two Canadian Regents and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Section, The Executive-Director as well as the President-Elect, the Vice–President for Finance, and the Regent from the North-East US section.

A Master Piper from the Black Watch of Canada Regiment led the platform party into the hall. Concluding the Induction Ceremony, Dr. Ralph Y. Barolet received the ADI Hillenbrand Award. The Respondent of the Class of 2002, Dr. Marie Dagenais, thanked the Academy for its trust in the class and gave an inspiring message to the new Fellows.

The HILLENBRAND AWARD
Ralph Y. Barolet, B. Sc., B. S. Engineering (Chemical), D. D. S., M. S. D.

Dr. Ralph Y. Barolet is a 1970 graduate of the Université de Montréal and a 1972 graduate of Indiana University (Indianapolis) with a Master of Dental Science (M.S.D.) in addition to his dental degree (D.D.S.).

Prior to his entrance to dental school, Dr. Barolet earned bachelor degrees in Science and Chemical Engineering with considerable experience in corporate business. From 1972 to 1987 he rose through the academic ranks to full professor at Université Laval, Quebec. In 1981 he was a dental faculty visiting professor at the Université de Rennes, France, University of Alberta (Edmonton) and McGill University, Montreal. He then served as Dean and professor of the Faculty of Dentistry, McGill University from 1987 to 1994. Concurrently he was visiting professor, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago from 1993 to 1995. He then fully retired from academia.

During his academic career he has been a member, fellow and officer in 13 scientific and professional associations and principal author of 32 publications including the design of the International Directory of Dental Schools on the Academy’s Web Site. He has made over 56 presentations worldwide. His international recognition as author, lecturer and clinician has enhanced the stature of the Academy and by association its Fellowship.

All these talents, international and academic experiences he brought to his appointment as secretary/treasurer of the Canada Section of the Academy of Dentistry International in 1988. This was the year the Academy relocated to Washington, DC, USA with a new Executive Director. He was instrumental in the reorganization of the operations of the Canada Section. He was the continuity in the finances and convocation planning during the terms of the various Section Regents.

He was instrumental in assisting the Academy’s central office automation and devising various modifications of the fellowship fees and international dues fee schedules. He served on various committees and elected first as Vice-President for Education, then Vice-President for Finance and Administration, President-elect and Academy President from 1993 to 1999. As President, Immediate Past President to the present he has been associate editor of the International Communicator. This newsletter is now received in more than 60 countries plus other institutions, agencies and libraries.

His representation of the Academy and the dental profession worldwide has elevated this Academy as a most highly respected international honorific organization. As a Past President of the Academy and Secretary/Treasurer of the Canada Section, Dr. Ralph Y. Barolet is presented to receive the Hillenbrand Award that recognizes an Academy Fellow who has contributed significantly to this Academy, Dental Profession and Public Service.
FELLOWSHIP HONOR ROLL

UNITED STATES
Dr. James B. Manning
Brookfield, New Hampshire
Dr. Raymond K. Martin
Mansfield, Massachusetts
Dr. Steven R. Olmos
La Mesa, California
Dr. John C. Pfefferle
Raleigh, North Carolina

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Dr. Leonardo M. Abelardo
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Theresa A. Bankey
Oakville, Ontario
Dr. Gloria Baranowski
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Deborah E. Battrum
Kelowna, British Columbia
Dr. Jean-Marc Brodeur
Montreal, Quebec

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Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Robin M. Conway
Don Mills, Ontario
Dr. Michel M. Couture
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Marie E. Dagenais
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. J. Richard Emery
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Dr. Elio F. Filice
Hamilton, Ontario
Dr. Paul Germain
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Dr. Daniel P. Kandelman
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. H. W. Klein
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Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Bohdan Kryshtalskyj
Toronto, Ontario
Dr. Maureen E. Lawton
St. Johns, Newfoundland
Dr. Pierre G. Mackay
Montreal, Quebec
Dr. Robert D. S. Munce
Burlington, Ontario
Dr. Jon Perlus
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Dr. David S. Philip
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Dr. Steven Richmond
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Toronto, Ontario
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Dr. Morris H. Wechsler
Montreal, Quebec

2002 CANADA SECTION CONVOCATION
Vienna is a metropolis of fascinating diversity and the host venue for the fall 2002 FDI World Dental Congress. The Academy of Dentistry International (ADI) has nearly 3,000 Fellows who belong to over 60 of the FDI’s 182 member Dental Associations.

The Internet facilitates this year’s registration and participation in the World Dental Congress. As in the past, because of time constraints and money exchange rates, individual ADI Fellows must register and arrange for their own housing.

For the 2002 World Dental Congress’s prospectus and program contact:

FDI World Dental Congress *
13, Chemin du Levant
L’Avant Centre
F – 01210 Ferney – Voltaire FRANCE
Phone: +33 450 4050 50
Fax: + 33 450 55 55
E-mail: Izerella@fdiworldental.org
Web site: fdiworldental.org *

The ADI’s events will be headquartered at:

Marriott Vienna Hotel
Parkring 12 a
Vienna 1010 AUSTRIA
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FDI/ADI RESERVATION FORM
2002 CONVOCATION & LUNCHEON
September 30, 2002
Vienna Marriott Hotel
Austria

SCHEDULE
9:30 a.m. Registration
10:00 a.m. Convocation
11:00 a.m. Induction Ceremony
12:00 Noon Reception
12:30 p.m. Buffet-Luncheon

LUNCHEON-RECEPTION
Number of tickets at $65.00 per guest: ______________________
Buffet Selections include: MEAT, FISH and VEGETARIAN entrees
Make check payable to A.D.I. totals $ ______________________
CONVOCATION CEREMONY / number of guests: ____________
Please print your name as you wish it to appear on the badge
Name: _______________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
City / Country: _______________________________________

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Please return this completed form with all luncheon fees
before September 10, 2002 to:

Academy of Dentistry International
P.O. BOX 307
Hicksville, Ohio 43526-1121 U.S.A.
TEL: (419) 542-0101
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E-Mail: rramus@bright.net

NEW SCHEDULE SET FOR ADA ANNUAL SESSIONS

The schedule for the 2002 ADA Annual Session in New Orleans will include a day of pre-sessions, four full days of continuing education and three full days of technical exhibits. The scientific program will be held Saturday, October 19 through Tuesday, October 22, with pre-sessions on Friday, October 18. This year’s meeting will offer nearly 200 continuing education courses for dentists, staff and guests to reenergize the dental team and update clinical skills. More than 60 ticketed courses will focus on the hottest issues in dentistry today, including new technologies, team building, aging, women’s issues, finance, esthetics and other issues. In addition, about 130 open sessions will provide an array of educational opportunities. Choices include three two-day in-depth workshops, several one-day courses, half-day sessions and presentations by distinguished speakers.

Technical exhibits will be open Saturday, October 19 through Monday, October 21. Exhibits will open immediately following the Distinguished Speaker Series general session each morning at 9 a.m. and remain open until 5 p.m. each day.

The annual session Preview, distributed in early May will contain a daily planner to help in planning course attendance, technical exhibit scheduling and special events.
Dr. Jeff Burkes, HVO Trip

Dr. Jeff Burkes, Pittsboro, North Carolina volunteered for the Dentistry Overseas program in Moldova. Dr. Burkes traveled there to teach his specialty, Oral Pathology, a specialty unknown in Moldova.

Dr. Pavel Godoroja, Dean of the School of Dentistry, had arranged for Dr. Burkes to lecture at the dental school, the pediatric hospital, the oncology institute’s pathology department and the head and neck surgery hospital.

One of the highlights of Dr. Burkes’ trip was the time he spent in the Department of Pathology with the Chairman, Dr. Jeremia Zoto and his staff. Dr. Zoto asked Dr. Burkes to make corrections and add a chapter to the revised edition of a textbook on general pathology, which he published in 1997.

The opportunity to lecture and experience the culture of Moldova left an indelible impression on Dr. Burkes and he felt he would like to do more to have a lasting effect on the professors and students with whom he came in contact. Realizing there was a paucity of teaching materials available to them, Dr. Burkes concluded a color atlas of Oral Pathology could be formulated for them to use and because of his academic career of over thirty five years he was able to return home and immediately begin working.

With the assistance of a grant from the ADI Foundation, Dr. Burkes has assembled a textbook of over 200 clinical and microscopic pictures for the university to use. It is Dr. Burkes’ hope that these texts will provide a lasting educational experience for the students and that his efforts will stimulate oral pathology curriculum development in the university.

Dr. Burkes only required a few months time to complete this project. The project will not end there however; it can now be cloned and distributed to other sites for their developing dental schools. Vietnam, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Nepal and Laos are a few examples.

SYMPOSIUM HELPS PREPARE VOLUNTEERS

Dentists with a desire to volunteer overseas can prepare for an international dental experience by attending the ADA’s International Volunteer Symposium Oct 18-19, 2002. This one and one half-day symposium is designed for dentists who are interested in volunteering overseas for the first time as well as veteran international dental volunteers. It will be held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel on Thursday evening, 5:30-9:45 pm and Friday, 7:15 am -5:30 pm.

Drs. Susan Moher Berryman, Murray Dickson, Gary Leff, with ADI Fellows Dr. Stephen Mackler and Dr. Francis G. Serio will discuss the role of volunteers in developing countries, health concerns, effective cross-cultural communication, appropriate interventions within dentistry, techniques for transferring appropriate skills and knowledge to local health care practitioners and a cookbook approach to organizing international volunteer service programs in lectures and interactive sessions.

This registered clinic is presented in cooperation with the Dentistry Overseas Steering Committee of the Council on ADA Sessions and International Programs, a sponsor of Health Volunteers Overseas and is partially underwritten by the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Tickets are $200 in advance. (Advance registration is recommended since attendance is limited to 40 participants.) A Thursday evening reception, breakfast and lunch on Friday are included. (Course code C1)

For more information or to register, call the annual session toll free number, 1-800-232-1432 or contact the ADA directly at:

American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois, 60611-2678 USA
Tel: + (312) 440-2500
Most of us when attending a dental meeting in a major world city try to visit a museum. As we move through the exhibits and objects, occasionally we find a dentally related object. The Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry (NMD) is totally dedicated to the dental profession. Located in the renovated former dental school building of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, the nation’s first dental school, this museum is in the center of Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.

After the initial support of Dr. Harris, organized dentistry, the health care industries, dentists and “friends of dentistry” followed. This Museum’s content continued to increase, be enhanced and exhibited at various scheduled times in association with the Smithsonian Institution. The Academy of Dentistry International has joined with other organizations in the financial and concept support of this most unique museum that contains exhibits for a child to the most sophisticate with extensive knowledge of dentistry, history and the health care professions.

In the NMD there is an obvious emphasis on prevention of dental caries, oral and related disease for the juvenile attendees. The exhibits are from the Etruscans to implants, from primitive instruments to laser scalpels, to the development of specialty dental instruments and equipment. A most illustrative tour of this “our own profession’s museum” is available on a compact disk (CD). This preview CD features several Academy Fellows and honorees. Fellows Dr. Linda C. Niessen, Dr. Clifton O. Dummet, Dr. Harold Slavkin, Dr. Frederick Magaziner, Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni.

The Executive Director, Dr. Robert L. Ramus and Mrs. Janet Ramus with Executive Director Emeritus Dr. Henry J. Sazima were given a personalized museum visit by Joyce A. Prange, CFRE, Associate Director of Development. Dr. Ramus reviewed the organizational support of the museum and Mrs. Ramus (a former educator) viewed the potential impact of the exhibits on the youthful visitors. Ms. Prange in discussion with Dr. Sazima outlined the present and immediate future initiatives of the museum programs and projects to reach a broad and international support and media exposure.

A visit to the NMD will expand your appreciation of our profession and evolution to our present state of the art. The CD viewing experience in lieu of a museum visit will present an opportunity to support this “our professions” museum. Past and present benefactors can be noted on the labeled-brick walk way, plaques on the entrance wall, or listed on the lobby walls.

If you wish to “Preserve the Past, Assure the Future” and agree with former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. C. Everett Koop “There is no health without oral health” then contact the NDS. You may pave a way to dental history by obtaining an “engraved” brick for $100 that will be permanently displayed in the courtyard entrance at the Museum’s entrance. An embossed personalized plaque may be obtained for $500 to be permanently displayed on a courtyard well. For order forms etc. contact:

National Museum of Dentistry
31 South Greene Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201-1504 USA
www.dentalmuseum-umaryland.edu
+(410) 706-0600

For additional detailed information on the NMD contact Joyce A. Prange, CFRE at: jprange@dentalmuseum.umaryland.edu.

Look for the NMD display booth at the ADA and Regional Meeting exhibits and plan to attend the February 2003 Chicago ADI mid-winter breakfast where Ms. Prange will be the breakfast speaker.
The New York Marriott Marquis hotel was the venue for the annual Academy breakfast hosted by the North-East Regency Regent Dr. John A. del Campo. The theme for this breakfast meeting was “Grill the Experts for Breakfast”. Based on the fact that there will be growing numbers of dentists retiring, the Hill Kindy Group Inc presented the program on practice transition to prepare for emerging market in practice transitions and sales.

Mary Ann Kindy is widely recognized as one of the most effective practice management consultants and personal coaches. She brought over twenty years of experience, has lectured in the United States and Canada and has written numerous articles in dental publications. Derek Hill’s background includes studies and degrees in the areas of philosophy, social work business accounting. A Chartered Accountant he has been active in the healthcare environment with twenty years as a consultant, lecturer, accountant and public speaker.

This team concentrated on the needs of the transitioning client with emphasis on value and tax driven strategies. They presented a unique opportunity for the attendees to ask the experts on their own and future practice circumstances. This again presented the ADI Fellows, their family and guests attending Greater New York Dental Meeting the opportunity to avail themselves of an outstanding continuing dental education program, the collegiality of Academy Fellows and to meet with the Academy leadership……not to mention to get in some pre-holiday shopping.

Since its mid-1970’s incorporation, the Academy of Dentistry International and later its Foundation have supported established Volunteer projects and programs. Almost since its beginning the Rotary International’s “1000 Smiles” was supported both in funds and participating health care professionals. Past ADI President Dr. Terry T. Tanaka and now his daughter Fellow Dr. Kathryn Tanaka have guided this Southern California based activity that has been enhanced by its alliance with the Academy. Dr. Tanaka supported by Rotary International’s worldwide networking and prestige, annually raises funds and seek other larger donations/contributions of equipment and supplies.

The ADI and other like minded organizations have generously supported the 1000 Smiles Mission Clinic in Ensenada, B.C. Mexico and Costa Rico The is organization prepared the oral cavity and dentition for the surgical repair of cleft lips and palates for needy children with maxillo-facial deformities.

A newly remodeled clinic opened in May 2002 including 6 completed dental operatories donated by the Joseph Drown Foundation and ADEC. This remodeled clinic in Ensenada will have its Grand Opening in August, 2002.
AUSTRALASIAN SECTION REPORT

Acting Regent Graham J. Mount assumed the leadership of the Section and announced a “Kiwi” convocation in Auckland in September 2002 and another in September 2003 coincident with World Dental Congress of the FDI. The past winner of the Kevin R Allen Award, Dr. Durwood, reports good progress with several Australian dentists prepared to support this project plus materials and equipment from his fellow New Zealanders.

In cooperation with the International College of Dentists, a Fellow of the Australasian Section was sent to Samoa. A program to enhance the islands’ dento-alveolar surgery service is proposed. Even more projects are contemplated. The list of proposals for 2002 include:

1. Vietnam
   1.1 Support the new dental School in Can Tho. Text and Journals to be sent in support.
   1.2 Teacher Exchange from Can Tho. Teachers in Can Tho require support to come to Australia. Australian Fellows Hien Ngo and Dr. Graham Mount will attend the meeting in Ho Chi Minh City in June to further assess their needs.
   1.3 Fellow John MacIntyre will continue his exploration of the South East Asia region by visiting Laos.
   1.4 Research in Can Tho to assess the fluoride levels in the food and water. Request laboratory equipment to support fluoride research.

2. Cambodia
   2.1 Calhum Durwood has reported positive results and requests further support.

Progress in East Timor: Fellow Dr. Bob van Doussa is involved in the reconstruction of East Timor. He is head of the Australian Government funded East Timor National Oral Health Program. The partnership between this project and the Adelaide Dental School is working well. There are 15 dental nurses (therapists) already trained under the Interim Dentistry program and an additional 15 dental nurses recruited with the primary focus on prevention etc. utilizing the Atraumatic Restoration Treatment (ART) technique and relief of pain procedures. The Australasian section will continue to observe and enhance the oral health of this remote location.

Visit to Vietnam: Since 1988 the Academy and the Australasian Section have supported the Dental profession in Vietnam. The first dental school of the four in the country was in Ho Chi Minh City where many of the Fellows worldwide have taught. The Academy has supplied texts and journals for the School’s Library. The next school visited is the newest at Can Tho in the Mekong Delta south of Ho Chi Minh City. The University of Nijmegen, the Netherlands, is already active with the Academy in support of this Faculty of Dentistry.

The dental school in Hanoi was working with the Adelaide Dental School on the fluoride content in the food and water. The fourth dental school visited was in Hue. This was followed by a conference to again present a curriculum on Cariology. More study is to be initiated on the naturally found fluoride with Fellow Prof. Tran van Troung and Dr. Hai, Director and Vice-Director of Odonto-Stomatolgy.

Recommendations:
That the ADI, in conjunction with the Australian Dental Schools, maintain continuing programs in the four Vietnamese Dental Schools and the school in Laos.

That there should be regular visits by lecturers including clinical instruction, support of research projects, and the study of fluoride present, support in the collection of library books and staff exchanges.

AUSTRALIAN HONOURS

Five Fellows of the Australasian Section have just been honoured by their country and I thought it was worth reporting for the Communicator. A bit of background first. Every year people are nominated to a committee set up by the Governor General (the Queen’s representative) with a recommendation that their efforts in the community be recognised. The recommendation comes from a group of their peers and is always kept totally secret. This means that the list is anxiously awaited each time by all who are interested. Even those of us who make a nomination will not know the outcome until the day. Twice a year - on Australia Day (Jan 26th) and the Queen’s birthday weekend (the first weekend in June) a list is released of those recognised and they are well eulogised in the media generally. Later on they will be invited to Government House to accept the Award from the Governor on behalf of the Queen. If she happens to be in town then she herself will hand it over. Thereafter the recipient will place the appropriate letters after their name under all circumstances so they continue to be recognised by the community. Within the General Division of the Order of Australia there are four divisions in the following order -
1. Companion of the Order (AC)

2. Officer of the Order (AO)

3. Member of the Order (AM)

4. Medal of the Order (OAM)

The level at which a person is admitted is decided by the special committee and is based upon the apparent significance of the contribution to the people, the community and the country.

I am very happy to tell you that yesterday - this years Queen’s birthday - there were five dentists listed and this is an all time high. There will generally be one or two on the list but this lot is outstanding, and they are all Fellows of the Academy. Please note that the appropriate letters should hereafter follow their names on all correspondence.

Dr. J. W. Dale AO, 203 Ramsgate Road, Sans Souci, N.S.W. 2219 John Dale was promoted from the order AM to the higher order AO to recognise his continuing high level of commitment to the profession.

Dr. P Colgan AM, The Warehouse, 38 Cliff St., Fremantle, W.A. 6101

Dr. R. D. Story AM, Collins Place, Suite 2, 45 Collins St., Melbourne, Victoria. 3000

Dr. F. T. Widdop AM, 12 Wangara Road, Sandringham, Victoria. 3191

Dr. J. J. Cooney OAM, 148 New South Head Rd., Edgecliff, N.S.W. 2027

I am sure you will agree that this is a notable achievement for each of them individually and that we can take some degree of pleasure from having them so honoured in as much as it tends to show that we invite the “best of the best” to join us in this Academy. I have written to each of them on behalf of this Section to offer our collective congratulations but there may be others who would like to do likewise.

Dr. Graham J. Mount AM
Regent

EUROPEAN SECTION

Vice President Dr. Peter Hanedoes is host for the 2001 ADI/FDI Convocation and Induction ceremony in Vienna Austria. He and the newly established “European Board” have urged each European Fellow to nominate at least one candidate for induction at the September 30, 2002 events at the Vienna Marriott Hotel. A new protocol has the Fellows of the European Section remitting their annual dues to the European Section bank account.

The European Section is now divided into four areas with a Vice-Regent for each sub-region. This has enhanced the identification and nomination of the fellowship candidates from the largest geographic section in the Academy.

It is with regret to report the October 2001 untimely death of Fellow Dr. Henk Borker. He was prominent in National and International Dental Organizations and Treasurer of the European Section.

ASIAN PACIFIC SECTION

Dr. Yip Wing Kong (Singapore), Vice President for International Affairs in concert with the newly installed Regent for the Asian Pacific Section Dr. Lim Chee Shin have announced their future plans for that geographical area. There was an active initiative to identify qualified dentists from Macau to be inducted at the ADI/FDI meeting in Vienna. Dr. Yip Wing Kong is managing the ADI Library Projects for Cambodia and Mongolia to be located at the dental schools in Phnom Penh and Ulaanbaatar.

Together with the national dental associations of Cambodia and Mongolia, and coinciding with their FDI joint meetings the Academy of Dentistry International is planning convocations and induction of qualified dentists for fellowship.

PHILIPPINE SECTION REPORT

The Philippine Section celebrated their Silver Anniversary on February 13, 2002. The guest speaker was the Section’s former Regent Dr. Natividad C. Gervasio. Her topic was “Vanishing Virtues and Values among the Dental Profession.” It was an inspiration to all attendees.

Presently the Philippine Section has 53 Fellows and 19 active members. The Philippine Section has strictly followed a 2-year probationary period for active members who are required to present a lecture and submit a publishable article as a prerequisite to being elevated as Fellow.

Submitted: Ma. Christina Lagaya-Estrada, DDM
SOUTH AMERICAN SECTION REPORT

Regent Dr. Walter Lieber Bielli continues to energize the component chapters of the South America Section. He along with chapter chairman have their plans coordinated for the near future. They include:

- Argentina: Chairman Dr. Juan Mac Hannaford planned an Induction ceremony that had to be cancelled due to national economic-political conditions.
- Brazil: Chairman Dr. Carlos Mundstock is planning an Induction ceremony for later this year.
- Chile: Chairman Dr. Emilio Petit has planned continuing education programs and preventive dental projects for regional schools
- Ecuador, Chairman Dr. Francisco Caldas Morales is preparing a continuing education agenda.
- Paraguay: Chairman Dr. Victor Vera Vierci has planned an Induction ceremony later this year.
- Peru: Chairman Dr. Mariano Flores Rubio is planning a near future induction ceremony.
- Uruguay: Chairman Dr. Santiago Sartori has initiated programs in preventive dentistry in schools along with providing mouth guards to prevent sports injuries.

In November of this year ADI Past Present Dr. Terry T. Tanaka will visit Uruguay and Chile to lecture on his multifaceted dental specialty.

NEWSLETTER UPDATE - SALUD Y PAZ

Much has happened since we last reported in the “Communicator”. We do indeed have a new roof on the clinic at Camanchaj thanks to an incredible construction team from Iowa. Come on rainy season, we’re ready for you!! Juan Pablo Ajanel, the president of the national church here, used to tell people we had to bring our umbrellas inside the building to stay dry, (especially in the dental clinic!). The 220-v electricity is also finally hooked up at the Camanchaj clinic to run the dental equipment.

Now we can begin to do restorative work—fillings, and also cleanings, along with the extractions. “Rellenos” (you thought those were something to eat) are pretty interesting work, but they take about 4 times as long as extractions. Last week we saw several teenagers with cavities in the front top teeth who, of course, wanted fillings. The composite filling looks like a new tooth. They were very pleased. Unfortunately, they have at least 5-6 more cavities each that they need to come back for. It’s really great to save those teeth! But it’s cut the number of patients we can see in a day.

We received a wonderful gift right after Christmas from our friend Jim Maitland. It was a Doppler Fetal Monitor/Stethoscope. (Was that on your list?) It has enabled our doctor, Dra. Diana Castillo, to monitor how the babies are doing. One of our most important goals is prenatal care and monitoring for our young mothers.

We continue to see chronic illnesses and conditions in the clinics. This past Thursday, at Urbina, Dra. Castillo aspirated a cyst, full of dark brown liquid, on top of a man’s head that had been there 8 years!

Thank you, thank you, thank you to the people who responded to our plea for lenses and frames. I can now order and start having clinics again. Another most important (actually everything is important) item we need is sunglasses. There is a young woman in Alaska, Jeannie, who is writing a grant for us. Also, Renee Barber’s Brownie Troop has collected 70 pair of children’s sunglasses, which will be distributed in May. (When you collect for us, make sure they are UV protected.)

All the Guatemalan Methodist missionaries had a meeting yesterday with the Executive Committee of the National Methodist Church. There are 7 of us now in the country. All are VIM (Volunteers in Mission) volunteers except one, Judith Feaster, who has been a missionary for the past 12 years in Mexico, as well as Guatemala. Her specialty is Christian Education. In addition, there is a couple, Chuck and Irene Skala, who work in two orphanages, in one during the week and the other on the weekend. They made a year’s commitment and will leave in November. A young couple from Florida, Bill and Suzanne Smith, came two months ago. They are assisting Carla Gonzales, the VIM coordinator. They’re here for an indefinite time. And of course us. Our original commitment was for two years. There is so much work to do; we’re thinking it will probably be longer. That depends on continued support—both monetary and moral. We definitely need both!

A personal note——Our friend and nurse, Rebecca, found us a house in Canton Cantel, just a few kilometers
from Xela (Quetzaltenango). It’s HUGE! We like it because of the extra room to host guests and the “running room” for the monster dog, Rompe. The first week we were here, 3 interpreters stayed with us, and the following week, a volunteer from Oregon was here (more about her later). We’ve also had church here, 46 people that night! (I told you it was big.) It’s basically the same cost as the apartment we were in, and we have hot water in the kitchen sink! Now that’s luxury!

Another of the most important things. ——We now offer individual education to our patients, but it is brief and a one-time verbal presentation relating to the presenting illness. We know from our limited experience that probably 75% of the illnesses we treat in the Urbana clinic and 90% in the Camanchaj clinic are preventable. Education in nutrition, hygiene, prenatal care, early childhood development, treatment and preparation of food (all fruits and vegetables must be disinfected prior to eating), sanitation, etc. is the key to prevention. Margie Groshong, a nurse with wings and a halo, who lives on a farm in Oregon, is coming to work with us and begin the “community health education” program she has named “Es Mejor Prevenir que Curar” (It is better to prevent than cure.) She will raise the funds for her project, which will be a component of Proyecto Salud y Paz. She returns to Guatemala in July to begin. The first step is to identify and recruit 10-12 women leaders in various villages (aldeas) around Camanchaj. The next step is to conduct a weeklong training (the first of 3) for these women, who will go back to their villages and teach other women. Our nurse, Rebecca Yac, is her assistant and consultant for the project. Rebecca speaks both Spanish and Quiche. (Most of the people who live around Camanchaj speak only Quiche.) Another answer to a prayer. Isn’t God amazing?

A bit about the Australian couple… they are recruiting medical folks for us for long-term volunteering—one to two months at a time! We need for YOU to think of all the dentists you know; we just need one or two to fill in for Phil when we come to the US for the month of October. We really don’t want to close the dental clinics for that long—too much need! Make an initial contact with us, then send us an email and phone number and we’ll take it from there. (I make it sound simple, huh?) All the equipment is installed and working well… that should be a selling point; they’re not going to be working in a jungle somewhere, they’ll have a place to stay (our house), and an affectionate pet to play with (remember the monster dog, Rompe?). Please, in addition to recruiting dentists, remember us in your prayers. We need your support. Salud y Paz to all of you,

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Fellow Dr. Phil Plunk and the Salud Y Paz project have been supported by the Academy and its Foundation for the past two years.

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IN THE NEWS

**Drs. Peter Bastien** and **William E. Turner** (Canada) received a Certificate in Esthetic Dentistry from the State University of New York at Buffalo, NY. This “diploma” is comparable to those conferred in other specialty disciplines and is the first of its kind.

**Dr. David E. Frost** (U.S.A.) is currently President of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and on the Board of Directors for the Health Volunteers Overseas.

**Dr. Victor J. Lanctis** (Canada) is the 2002-year President of the International College of Dentists.

**Dr. Harvey Levy** (U.S.A.) carried the Olympic Torch from Maryland to Martinsburg, West Virginia on December 20, 2001. The following day Dr. Levy and his daughter were invited guests at the White House where President Bush participated in the Torch relay and greeted the torchbearers and their guests. Dr. Levy was nominated for this honor by the Maryland Academy of General Dentistry, of which Dr. Levy is the Executive Director, for his 25 years of service to the handicapped and other “special patients”.

**Dr. Bill Hoon** (U.S.A.) completed the Hawaiian Ironman Triathlon World Championship on October 6, 2001 in a time of 16 hours, 23 minutes and 12 seconds. This is a race that consists of a 2.4 mile swim followed by a 112 mile bicycle race and concludes with a 26.2 mile run. Dr. Hoon also completed the Dräger Rebreather Specialty SCUBA diving course at Grand Cayman Island on Feb. 7 2002 while attending the PAGD’s Midwinter CE program.

**Dr. Brent Stanley** (New Zealand) was reelected a Councilor of the FDI.

**Dr. Joan Vianetta Qureshi** (U.S.A.) served on the Yankee Dental Congress (27) Scientific and General Arrangements Committee for its 2001 meeting in Boston MA. She was honored at the opening reception for participation in 911 (Emergency Response Telephone Service) volunteerism. She has been nominated for the Massachusetts Dental Society’s House of Delegates and to serve as Treasurer of the Metropolitan District Dental Society. She currently is President of the Woman’s Dental Society of Massachusetts.

**Dr. Ian Watson** (Canada) completed his term as president of the Ontario Society of Endodontists (Nov, 2001). He remains on the O.S.E.’s Executive Board as Past-President.

**Dr. Jeffrey S. Wittmus** (U.S.A.) spent his vacation, summer of 2001, in Armenia. There he treated victims of the earthquake (1991) and orphaned children from the conflict with Azerbaijan. This team of 3 dentists treated over 138 children aged 7-15 years from 6 regions of Armenia and Georgia. These 6 days of dental care treatment were accomplished in a dental clinic provided by the Armenian Dental Society of California [E-mail: ADSC-ORG.org] with the assistance of the Diocese of the Armenian Church, Etchmiadzin.

**Dr. Heung-Ryul Yoon** (Korea) was elected President-Elect, to succeed Dato Dr. A Ratnanesan as FDI President in 2003. Dr. Yoon was the FDI Treasurer until 2001 and is a long-standing FDI Council member. He is the first member of the Korean Dental Association to be elected to this office. Dr. Yoon is Chairman of the ADI’s Korea Chapter.
AUSTRALASIAN REGENT DIES

Dr. John Moss Booth, Regent of the Australasian Section died quietly in his sleep on Tuesday, February 19, 2002 after a prolonged battle with lymphoma. He became the Section Regent at the section convocation in Perth and hosted the convocation in Brisbane in 2001. We all remember him when he last attended the ADI’s annual meetings and convocation in Hawaii.

John was a man for all seasons and brought these many talents to this Academy and the Australasian Section. He earned his LDS and BDS degrees at Manchester, U.K. As an undergraduate, he earned his colours (varsity letter) in hockey and captained the team in 1954 and also lettered in golf. He served in the Royal Army Dental Corps in Hong Kong and while there became the Hong Kong squash champion in 1959. Then he represented the Colony for Golf in 1959 an 1960. Following his active service, he was employed by the British Columbia, Canada government. before he completed a curriculum in Endodontics at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. This follows an ad eundam dental degree (DDS) at the Dental Faculty, University of Toronto. A 10-year period of private practice and part-time teaching followed.

In 1972 he and his family moved to South Australia to practice and teach. He returned to private practice in Adelaide where John limited his practice to the specialty of Endodontics. He entered the academic, social and sports communities and was an active Rotarian along with membership in several dental and civic communities. John and his wife Kathy enjoyed the family’s three boys, the collegiality of their Australian neighbors and international fellowship of this Academy.

John, a life well lived and service to the dental profession and this Academy well done.

Ave and Salve!

DR. SPOHN DIES

Lexington, KY. Dr. Eric Spohn died March 2, 2002. Dr. Spohn, professor of dentistry at the University of Kentucky dental school, was a consultant to the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation since 1993. He conducted on-site evaluations of allied dental education programs and was instrumental in initiating a Web-based training program for CODA site visitors.

From 1994-2000, Dr. Spohn served on the steering committee for the ADA’s Dentistry Overseas, a division of Health Volunteers Overseas. He volunteered in Haiti and Jamaica, and also conducted site visits to Belize, Nepal, Russia, Yemen and Zimbabwe to determine if those sites would be suitable for a Dentistry Overseas program.

Dr. Eric Spohn was a 1969 Dental School Graduate of the University of Michigan. In 1970 he joined the Department of Restorative Dentistry at the University of Kentucky and held a joint appointment at the College of Allied Health Professions. In the 1970’s he focused his attention on the design and development of innovative programs and supporting media and materials. He also explored the application of computer technology to improve training of dental personnel at home and abroad.

For his outstanding achievements and international scope of his influence on continuing education he received the Award of Distinction at the ADI’s convocation in 1998.

OBITUARIES

Dr. Leonard Bisio - San Francisco, California
Dr. R. B. Allen - Ingateston Essex United Kingdom
Dr. Donald D. Doughty - Coral Gables, Florida

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

RUNNING WITH THE TORCH

Dr. James P. Vernetti (USA), prominent Coronado, California resident and retired dentist was one of the few privileged area residents honored with the responsibility of carrying the 2002 Winter Olympic through San Diego, California on its journey to Salt Lake City, Utah. Dr. Vernetti, a San Diego County Dental Society member and past President (1951), was selected for this honor because of his involvement in his community and his international reputation for using his dental and leadership skills for the betterment of mankind. The Academy of Dentistry International is honored by the achievements and actions of our esteemed Past-President.

Dr. Vernetti Running with the Torch
On Wednesday evening, October 16 from 6 to 9 pm., there will be a cocktail party/reception for all Fellows, Fellows-elect and their guests at the Plimsoll Club. The club is located on the 30th floor of the World Trade Center. The Lafourche Cajun Band will provide music and song. Heavy hors d’oeuvres will be served. The cost will be $80 per person.

The USA Section will host a USA Section and International Convocation and Induction ceremony and Black Tie Gala Dinner on October 17, 2002 at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana, U.S.A. This annual meeting of the Academy will include events before and after the principal activities on Thursday October 17th, 2002. The Registration and Dinner Reservation form can be found in this issue.

On Friday, October 18, there will be a golf outing and fishing trip. Fishing will be with Phil Robichaux’s Saltwater Guide Service. The cost of fishing and transportation will be $165 per person. This does not include the costs for food or licenses. The boats depart at 6:30 am and return by 2:00 pm.

The golf outing will be at the Money Hill Golf and Country Club in Abita Springs, LA. Prizes and lunch will be provided with the golf package plus transportation for the 90-minute trip from New Orleans. The cost for the golf outing, lunch and transportation will be $160.

Plimsoll Reception Tickets @ $80 each
Saltwater Fishing Trip @ $165 each
Money Hill G&C Club Outing @ $160 each

All events must be paid in full no later than September 1st. Make checks out to ADI and send to:

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USA SECTIONS and INTERNATIONAL CONVOCATION 2002

The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, 500 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130 U.S.A. Tel. (504) 525-2500 and Fax. (504) 595-5500 will be the headquarters hotel for the 2002 A.D.I. annual business meeting, Convocation and Black Tie Gala Dinner. The annual business meeting for the Board of Regents will be held Wednesday October 16, 2002 from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. The Thursday, October 17, 2002 Convocation schedule is:

7:30 a.m. Registration
8:30 - 12 Noon Seminar/Symposium
1:30 p.m. Convocation/Orientation
3:30 p.m. Robing of Candidates
4:00 p.m. Convocation Ceremony
7:00 p.m. Reception
8:00 p.m. Banquet Gala

U.S.A. and International Fellows, Fellows-elect and their guests are given preference at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel if this hotel is requested and the A.D.I. affiliation noted on the ADA housing reservation form. A large attendance is anticipated and the Sheraton Hotel is a prime location on Canal Street with its shops and restaurants. International Fellows and Fellows-elect that are non-members of the ADA should contact the ADA directly at:

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Please return this completed form with all dinner fees before September 30, 2002 to:
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