PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear ADI Fellows:

It is with great pleasure that I begin my year as President of Academy of Dentistry International. Dr. Larry Cox has been an able mentor for many years and I will try to keep this Academy on the positive course he and his predecessors have established. I am always amazed at the unselfish devotion of the officers and regents and the level of excellence of our new fellows.

This Academy has never been on a more positive track than now. We have entered a new age utilizing telecommunications to include all of our board members in the meetings. Our world-wide projects are continuing in Vietnam, Cambodia, Guatemala, Mexico, Bangladesh and the US. We support missionaries and developing dental schools. Our Australian and Japanese sections have been providing instruction and training on-site in Vietnam and supplied these schools with books and equipment. A project by our Vietnamese-American fellows provided much needed books for the Dental Schools in Vietnam. The strength of our individual sections compliments the Academy. Each one such as Canada, Austral-Asia, Japan, European, Philippine and the United States contribute greatly to the overall success.

We have been fortunate to have a strong corporate presence on our Foundation Board, which is chaired by Dr. Jim Harrell and Mr. Larry Farrell of the Sunstar Butler Co. Larry has put together a group of executives from the dental corporate sector that includes Dr. Steve Jefferies of Dentsply, Kent Fletcher G.C. America, Dr. Yolanta Bonta, Colgate and Dr. Jim Hall, Proctor & Gamble.

These corporate partners have provided expertise, materials and time to help produce brochures, provide speakers for our continuing education programs and this year have implemented a matching funds program for our foundation. We owe these men and women our deepest gratitude and I encourage you to stop at their commercial exhibits and tell them thank you.

We are going to try to communicate with all of you more frequently this year. Several projects will be available for you to participate in that will benefit the Academy and you.

The Medjet assistance program will be a valuable program that ADI members in the US and Canada can enroll in and be protected during their travels.

The charitable remainder trusts project can potentially grow our Foundation and provide a tax advantage to many members who would like to give more to the Foundation.

It is important for Fellows to nominate qualified dentists for membership to help our Academy to grow and, more importantly, help the Foundation grow.

I ask for your support and advice. We are all excited about the path we are on now. I encourage all of you to participate actively in this wonderful organization.

God bless,
Donald T. Brown, D.D.S., M.S.
ADI Foundation Grants

The Academy of Dentistry International Foundation Board of Directors assembled in San Francisco on October 23, 2003 for its annual meeting. The Secretary gave a report of income by pledges, donations, memorials, matching funds and unrestricted contributions.

Grants were given during the 2002-2003 year to the Thousand Smiles Foundation, Native American Project, International Hands in Service, Union Gospel Mission Dental Clinic, HVO Moldova Clinic, ADI European Section ART Project and the International Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons Foundation.

New Communications System Inaugurated

The Academy Board of Regents unveiled a new era in its International meeting capabilities during the San Francisco meeting this past October. The meeting was the first to utilize the teleconferencing equipment the Board authorized at its Annual Meeting in Sydney.

After having initial difficulties assembling, connecting and getting the parties online, the meeting showed the capability of the Board to meet without the necessity of long range travel. During the meeting, which was physically conducted in the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Vice-Presidents Wing-Kong Yip of Singapore and Peter Hanedoes of Holland and Don Stewart of Canada were able to participate from their private offices. At various times during the meeting calls were placed to USA members also unable to be present for their comments and input.

President Donald T. Brown expressed his pleasure with the ease at which outside participants took part in the meeting. “Never again will we have to worry about having a quorum present” was Dr. Brown’s comment following the meeting.

Indeed the fiscal ramifications alone made the equipment investment pay big dividends after its first use. Teleconferencing will remain an important component of the Academy’s future meetings.

Lifetime Achievements Award given to Professor Dr. Dragoslav Djukanovic

Professor Dr. Dragoslav Djukanovic from Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro (previously Yugoslavia) was presented with The Annual Award for Lifetime Achievements by the Serbian Medical Society. The Serbian Medical Society was established in 1872 and is the oldest medical society in the Balkan region. It represents over 25,000 physicians and dentists and gave only one such award in 2003.

Professor Djukanovic is full Professor for Periodontology and Oral Medicine at several dental schools. He has published over 20 books and texts and has over 300 scientific and professional papers in the literature. He has lectured on five continents and for many years he was vice-chairman and chairman of the FDI Scientific Committee. In that capacity he organized the Scientific program for more than ten FDI World Dental Congresses.

Professor Djukanovic presently is Vice-Dean of his Faculty. Inducted as a Fellow of the Academy in 1994, he is now a Vice-Regent for the ADI European Section.
In the Spotlight

Fellowship in the Academy of Dentistry International is a recognition of a dentist’s outstanding service to his or her profession, community, faith and mankind. Every individual is endowed with special talents and expertise, and how those talents are shared is what makes each individual unique and special. ADI Fellows are oftentimes examples of how one can serve and encourage others to serve using their own particular talents and gifts.

ADI Fellow, T. Bob Davis, DMD (TX) was recently featured on Dallas Channel 8 TV News in several features on quality and conservative dental care. Linda Niesson, DDS from the Baylor College of Dentistry interviewed T. Bob in his office and produced video news features on conservative options for missing tooth replacements, clenching/bruxing damage and mouthguard use, and the many values of the six month recall checkup. The clips are often shown twice a day on Channel 8.

T. Bob epitomizes the spirit of the Academy by utilizing his professional expertise in a humanitarian outreach to the staff and residents of Casa El Hagar, an orphanage in Metamoras, Mexico. For over twenty some years, T. Bob has led annual mission trips to provide an entire range of dental care for Casa El Hagar. Beginning 22 years ago, dental students from the Baylor College of Dentistry joined T. Bob on his mission trips, and in 2003 students from the University of Texas Houston Dental School joined the team. From T. Bob’s initial vision of caring for an orphanage, the mission has grown so that now multiple teams reach over seven different sites.

Dr. Davis has other talents that he also shares with others. He shares his musical talent with the Prestonwood Baptist Church and its choir and T. Bob, the concert pianist, is often featured in weekend community concerts in such diverse places as Hicksville, Ohio and Sheffield, Alabama. These Saturday evening concerts of various repertoire of piano music range from pop, broadway, country/western, classical, patriotic and inspirational. Included is some audience sing along and a good mix of orchestral backup with piano solos. The weekends also include Sunday church worship and praise services. For the retirement banquet honoring Hal Donnell, Executive Director of the Academy of General Dentistry, T. Bob provided dinner music for the occasion and blended together a group of six AGD trustees into a musical tribute to Mr. Donnell.

T. Bob and Volunteer Mission Group

Thanks to the vision and talents of T. Bob Davis dental care is being provided in neighborhoods where it is normally unavailable. Thanks to his musical talent, countless numbers have been entertained and ministered to with music. ADI Fellows, sharing their talents and expertise, promoting the mission of the Academy, have truly made this world better for their fellow man.

Look at the happy smiling faces.
FELLOWSHIP HONOR ROLL

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HONORARY FELLOWSHIP
Mr. George Weber
Ottawa, Ontario

2003 CANADA SECTION HONORS CLASS
CANADIAN SECTION 2003 CONVOCATION

In Jasper, Alberta on Friday, May 23, 2003, the Annual Convocation of Fellows of the Canadian Section of the Academy of Dentistry International (ADI) was held in the Tonquin and Spike Rooms of the Jasper Park Lodge. A total of 22 Fellows, including 1 from the United States, were invested.

Guests who were present included the following ADI Fellows: President of the Canadian Dental Association, Dr. Tom Breneman; the President-Elect of the Canadian Dental Association, Dr. Louis Dube; members of the Executive Council, Dr. Jack Cottrell and Dr. Deborah Stymiest; Dr. Jon Perlus, Past President of the ODA and Dr. Bryun Sigfstead – Past President of the CDA.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of Honorary Fellowship to Mr. George Weber, the Executive Director of the Canadian Dental Association.

The ceremonies were conducted with the presence and assistance of most of the Academy’s executive council and certain of the section regents. They were: President Larry K. Cox II; President-Elect Dr. Donald T. Brown; Past President Dr. Ralph Y. Barolet; Past President Dr. Larry A. Williams; Regent Canada East Dr. Donald A. Stewart; Regent Canada West Dr. Rex E. Fortescue and Executive Director Dr. Robert L. Ramus.

Following dinner, the induction ceremony began with the bagpipes leading the procession of the 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. N. Craig Fedorovich delivered a very inspiring message.

The Academy, on Saturday, September 20, 2003 inducted two additional Canadian Fellows in Sydney, Australia on the occasion of the FDI World Dental Congress. They were: Dr. Roger Ellis and Dr. Eric Reid.

Later on October 22, 2003 three more Canadian Fellows were inducted in San Francisco at the time of the ADA Annual Meeting. They were: Dr. Brian Feldman, Dr. Mark Nusinoff and Dr. William Wilson.

D.A. Stewart, Regent

ADI Fellows New Officers Of the Canadian Dental Association

Dr. Louis Dubé, from Sherbrooke, Quebec was installed as President of the Canadian Dental Association and Dr. Jack Cottrell was installed as the new Vice-President during the CDA’s General Assembly, held in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada September 5-6, 2003.

Dr. Dubé is a Fellow of the Academy of Dentistry International and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He received his DMD from the University of Montreal in 1980. Dr. Dubé was an examiner with the Order of Dentists of Quebec and the National Dental Examining Board of Canada. Dr. Dubé maintains a private practice in Sherbrooke, where he lives with his wife Diane.

Dr. Jack Cottrell of Port Perry, Ontario was installed as the Canadian Dental Association’s new Vice-President during the CDA’s September 5-6 General Assembly in Ottawa, Ontario.

Dr. Cottrell is a Fellow of the Academy of Dentistry International, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the International College of Dentists. Dr. Cottrell graduated from the University of Toronto in 1975. He is a past president of the Ontario Dental Association and a member of many dental organizations. He maintains a private practice in Port Perry where he lives with his wife Michelle.

ADI Fellow Elected President of the Association of Prosthodontics of Canada.

Dr. Izchak Barzilay was recently elected president of the Association of Prosthodontics of Canada. The Association represents Canadian prosthodontists at the national level. Prosthodontics is a recognized specialty in Dentistry that encompasses implants, esthetic and reconstructive treatments.

George Weber addresses the Convocation Class
The 9th Australasian Section Convocation was held in the Skyline Room of the Sydney Convention Centre, Darling Harbour on September 20, 2003. Acting Regent, Dr. Graham J. Mount, AM coordinated the event, beginning early in 2002 to assure that the proceedings went smoothly.

A string quartet provided background music while the guests were being seated and then played the martial music for the formal procession which was led by the ADI flag carried by President-Elect Dr. Don Brown. The Australian flag was carried by Dr. Ken Wendon and Dr. Brent Stanley carried the New Zealand flag.

Mr. Armin Roth was inducted as an Honorary Fellow in recognition of his many years of devoted service to the profession. Mrs. Marion Allen made the journey to Sydney in order to present the Kevin R. Allen Award to Dr. Jamie Robertson.

Mrs. Kathy Booth was then called forward to present the “Dentist of the Year” Award to Dr. John McIntyre. This award has been made possible through the philanthropy of the late Dr. John Booth’s family who created an endowment in his name.

Having indicated their acceptance of the ADI pledge, each of the thirty three candidates was then individually inducted into Fellowship in the Academy. President Cox presented each with the Academy key, the Executive Director presented their certificate and Vice-Regent Dr. Reg Hession presented them with the Academy’s lapel rosette. Dr. Don Wilson then gave a response on behalf of the Honors Class and expressed their pleasure at being so honoured.

Following the induction of the new Fellows, the President announced that two International Awards were to be presented to Fellows of the Australasian Section. Dr. John McIntyre of Adelaide was presented the Academy’s Hillenbrand Award, which is one of the most prestigious awards from the Academy. Next, Dr. Callum Durward from Auckland, was recognized for his work in Cambodia with the Award of Distinction.

Prof. Martin Hobdell, San Antonio, Texas, USA was called forward to receive Honorary Fellowship in the USA Section. Prof. Hobdell, who is active in the FDI and is coordinator for the Public Health Graduate Program in Vietnam was unable to accept his award in New Orleans due to his teaching commitment in Vietnam.

Dr. Yasunobu Tsuboi, Chairman of the Japan Section, and Japan Section Regent, Dr. Yasumasa Mitsui then made presentations from the Japan Section. Executive Director, Dr. Robert Ramus was presented the Loader Award in recognition of his efforts on behalf of the Japan Section over the years. Past-president Dr. Larry Williams was presented with the Loader Award in recognition of his contribution to the compilation of the library material that was presented last year to the Vietnamese Chapter of the Academy by the Japan Section.

Professor Tran Van Truong, Chairman Vietnamese Chapter and Dr. Hien Ngo were invited to the stage. Prof. Van Truong presented Dr. Ngo with an award in recognition of over ten years of assistance to their chapter. Dr. Ngo is now a Vice Chairman of the Vietnamese Dental Association and Chairman of their Scientific Sub-committee. His able assistance has very much appreciated in that country.

The last item of the Convocation was to have the President announce the new Executive Committee of the Australasian Section. Holding office and serving until the next Convocation, due to be held in Adelaide in March 2005 are: Dr. Reg Hession, Regent; Dr. Roger Dennett, Secretary/Treasurer; and Directors Dr. Rob Bower, Dr. Neil Henry, Dr. David Houghton, Dr. Brent Stanley and Dr. David Thomson. The President then formally installed Dr. as Regent and presented him with the Regent’s Medallion.

Accompanied by the string quartet, the official party retreated to enjoy the cocktails and nibbles at the reception.
FDI World Dental Congress - Sydney, Australia

The FDI World Dental Congress convened in Sydney in September 2003 with ADI Fellow and Australasian Regent, Dr. Reg Hession as the General Chairman. Reg did a masterful job of coordinating the Local Organizing Committee, the staff of the Australian Dental Association, FDI staff and the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre. The Congress went off without a hitch and it was a masterpiece of planning. Congratulations indeed to Dr. Hession for a job well done.

ADI Fellows were involved from top to bottom in the Sydney Congress, and right at the top was the installation of Dr. Heung-Ryul Yoon as President of the FDI World Dental Federation. Dr. Yoon, as most know, was the Founder and Chairman of the ADI Korea Chapter. He has maintained his Fellowship in the ADI and has established and funded the “ADI Blue Cloud Award” which is awarded periodically to ADI Fellows for meritorious service. Dr. Yoon has dedicated his term of office to “Stop Tobacco” as the major step to improving public health worldwide.

ADI Fellow Dr. Kathryn Kell (USA), Chairman of the Congress & Education Committee and her team put together an outstanding scientific program. Of particular importance to USA dentists is the fact that the FDI is now an ADA CERP approved provider and attendance at any session will now have ADA CERP credit given.

ADI Fellow Dr. Callum Durward (NZ), addressing the World Dental Development Forum, detailed the application of the Basic Package of Oral Care in east Timor and Cambodia. Dr. Durward was awarded the inaugural Kevin R. Allen Award by the Australasian Section to assist him with his work in Cambodia and Timor.

A formal resolution from the World Dental Development Forum urged the FDI to reduce congress expenses on social events and to spend more on development issues instead. The new FDI President, Dr. Yoon, announced at the opening ceremony that development would be one of the priorities during his two-year term. It is clear that the mission of ADI and the commitment of the FDI now mesh “to promote optimal oral and general health for all peoples”.

2003 AUSTRALASIAN SECTION HONORS CLASS

AUSTRALASIA
Dr. Karin Alexander
Dr. Andrew Cautley
Dr. Zephie Cerny
Dr. Stephen Chen
Dr. Deborah Cockrell
Dr. Stephen Cottrell
Dr. Leonard Crocombe
Dr. David Crum
Dr. Pamela Dalgliesh
Dr. Neil Ewart
Dr. Chris Griffiths
Dr. Ronald Hambleton

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Dr. John Highfield
Dr. Catherine Lloyd
Dr. Roderick Marshall
Dr. Ian Meyers
Dr. Peter Munt
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Dr. Simon Shanahan
Dr. David Sykes

Dr. Thomas Tseng
Dr. Brian Wheeler
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Dr. Milicent Woon
Dr. Phillippe Zimet

JAPAN
Dr. Yasutomo Konishi

HONF KONG
Dr. Danny Low

NEPAL
Dr. Neil Pande

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP
Mr. Armin Roth
Prof. Martin Hobdell
2003 USA SECTION CONVOCATION

The Annual USA Section Convocation was begun in Oriental style with the Tuesday evening Welcoming Reception held at the Marine’s Memorial Club in San Francisco. The evening featured music, dancing, good food, fellowship, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. The welcoming reception has become a popular event and will be continued at the next annual convocation in Orlando in September of 2004.

On Wednesday morning Officers and members of the Board of Regents were on hand to greet the Fellows-Elect, their families and guests at the registration and hospitality area which was ably staffed by spouses of ADI officers and Convocation Committee.

The morning scientific program was presented by Dr. Cornelis Pameijer and provided through the courtesy of ADI Foundation Board Member, Dr. Steve Jefferies and the Dentsply Corporation. The afternoon Orientation program was presented by Past-President Colin C. Wong who gave the Honors Class the history of the Academy, its mission, goals and activities. Officers and Regents were given an opportunity to be introduced along with others who were present.

Candidates from Canada and Korea made the afternoon convocation an international flavor with a total of 64 candidates inducted into Fellowship. During the convocation ceremony four individuals were recognized for the outstanding contributions to the Academy and their fellow man. Mr. Larry Farrell, Vice-President of the Academy’s Foundation and Vice-President of Sunstar Butler Compa-
2003 U.S.A. SECTION HONORS CLASS
In the News

Dr. Clifton O. Dummett of Los Angeles received the prestigious Callahan Memorial Medal of the Ohio Dental Association during its 2003 Annual Session. Dr. Dummett’s lasting gift to the profession lies in his published works on the history of Afro-American Dentistry, NDAII: The Story of America’s Second National Dental Association.

Dr. Arthur A. Dugoni, ADI Fellow and Dean of the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry, will have the UOP Dental School named in his honor. It will be just the second time a dental school has been named for a dean. On November 8, 2003 the California Dental Association awarded the Dale F. Redig Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Dugoni for his extraordinary contributions to the vision and goals of the CDA.

Dr. Kathryn Poleson was named Dentist of the Year 2003 by the Washington Academy of General Dentistry. Dr. Poleson is Editor of the newsletter WAGD Today. and is currently serving as the Vice-President of Education for the Academy of Dentistry International. She had previously served as the NW Regent from 1999-02.

The Academy of General Dentistry recently held its Annual Meeting in Nashville. Many of the newly elected officers are ADI Fellows. Notably, Dr. John Chandler (TX) was installed as President for the 2003-2004 year. Dr. Tom Howley (PA) is the newly installed President-Elect. Dr. Bruce Buton (OR) was elected as Vice-President. Dr. David Halpern (MD) was elected Secretary and Dr. Robert Roesch (NE) was installed as Speaker of the House. Dr. Roger Winland (OH) was installed as Editor. Dr. Winland was honored in 2003 with a Platinum Pencil Award from the International College of Dentists.

Mr. Harold E. Donnell, Jr. AGD Executive Director retired in December of 2003 after having served AGD for 30 years. In 1995 Mr. Donnell was presented with The Hillenbrand Award by the ADI in recognition of his many contributions to the dental profession.

Dr. James C. Schneider (OH) is a volunteer for the Mobile Dentists, an in-school mobile dental outreach providing dental preventive care for children.

Health Volunteers Overseas (HVO) is pleased to announce that Dr. C. Neil Kay is the new Chair of Dentistry Overseas.

Drs. Joe Lindsay and Michael Guevara are the leaders of Dos Amigos, a Christian Dental/Medical Missions Group that has broken ground and laid the foundation for a future dental and medical clinic in Toledo Settlement, Belize, C.A.

Dr. Izchak Barzilay has been elected president of the Association of Prosthodontics of Canada.

ADI Fellow, RADM Carol Turner, USNDC was installed as the new chief of the Navy Dental Corps on November 7, 2003. Rear Admiral Turner is the first woman to hold the position. The ceremony was held at the National Naval Dental Center in Bethesda, MD.

Rear Adm. Carol Turner, an ADI fellow, salutes in the ceremony installing her as the new chief of Navy Dental Corps.
2004 USA SECTION ANNUAL SESSION

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Tuesday, September 28, 2004
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$100 per ticket

CONVOCATION & DINNER

Wednesday, September 29, 2004
8:00 a.m. Continuing Education Symposium
1:00 p.m. Registration
1:30 p.m. Orientation
4:00 p.m. Convocation
7:00 p.m. Reception
8:00 p.m. Dinner (Black Tie Preferred)

RESERVATIONS

DINNER SELECTION (S): MEAT _______ FISH _______ VEGETARIAN _______

“Welcoming Reception” tickets requested: ___________ X $100 per person = $___________
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Here is an opportunity for every Fellow to get personally involved in an ADI project and help promote the ADI spirit.

We invite you to sponsor a book for the ADI Library Project 2003/2004. Each book, selected from a list of basic dental textbooks, will go to form the nucleus of a much needed dental library at the national dental schools in Mongolia and Cambodia. We appeal to you and all ADI Fellows throughout the world to participate in this worthy cause and contribute generously to the library project.

Following on the tremendous success of the two ADI Library Projects in Vietnam in 2000 and 2002, the Board of Regents at its Annual meeting in New Orleans, has decided to extend the library Project to the dental schools of the University of Cambodia in Phnom Penh and the National Medical University of Mongolia in Ulaanbaatar.

The Mongolian Dental School was previously under the sphere of influence of the Soviet Union. The facilities at the dental school are very basic and Spartan, although the enthusiasm and spirit of the students and staff more than make up for their lack of modern amenities.

There are very few dental textbooks and most of the rather old bound journals were either in Russian or Japanese. It would be a golden opportunity for the Academy to play an important role in dental education in Mongolia by providing them with some of the first English dental textbooks available in the country.

This would give our Mongolian colleagues an opportunity to have access to some of the vast amount of information available in the English dental literature.

The situation in Cambodia is equally desperate. You will recall that most of the educated intelligentsia; doctors, teachers, administrators, including dental educators and all kinds of textbooks, reference books and journals were killed and destroyed during the Khmer Rouge regime.

The dental school in Phnom Penh is currently being re-organized. There are few experienced dental educators, most of them relatively young. Clinical and library facilities are very meager. It would be a tremendous help to the school if the ADI could provide teachers and students with a set of good basic dental texts.

Unlike the Vietnam library projects, which were funded by a generous grant of $5,000 from the ADI Japan Section and by donations from the American-Vietnamese Dental Association, we propose to raise $5,000 for each of the library projects by appealing to the fellowship at large to donate $100 each towards the purchase of textbooks for the projects.

Each participant literally adopts a textbook from our list of selected books. The Academy will acknowledge each and every one of the participating fellows and their respective ADI Sections/Chapters by placing a specially printed ADI Library Project book label in the book they have donated. In addition, the list of donors will be published in the International Communicator upon completion of the project.

We appeal to you and all ADI Fellows throughout the world to sponsor a book in the ADI Library Project and help us make a difference for our colleagues in Mongolia and Cambodia.

Sincerely,

Wing-Kong Yip
President-Elect
Dr. Chau Ngoc Lam passed away on March 2, 2004. He was 67 years of age. He was married to Mary Tuyet Nguyen Lam. Dr. Lam was a skilled dentist with many years of practice. His education and training were international and varied. He received Physics, Chemistry and Biology Degrees, a French Teaching degree, and the Diploma of Dental Surgeon from the University of Saigon. His oral Surgery Residency was at Madigan General Hospital in Tacoma, Washington, and his Dental Staff Officers’ training was at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas. He received his Doctor of Medical Dentistry from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He began his many years of dental practice in Saigon. During his years in Saigon, Dr. Lam was a teacher of French as well as a Clinical Professor at the School of Medical Dentistry. He was drafted into the Republic of Viet Nam Armed Forces, where he served as a Dental Officer, was promoted to Lt. Colonel, and became the Chief of the Dental Service for the Republic of Viet Nam Armed Forces. During the Viet Nam War he was the recipient of numerous medals including the Campaign, Service, Technical, Good Conduct, Honor, Air Force and Navy Medals.

Following the collapse of the Republic of Viet Nam, he came to America, earned his second Doctorate in Dentistry and returned to the practice of dentistry. He was employed by the Jefferson County Health Department as a Dentist from 1977 to his passing. From 1985 to his retirement in 2000 he was in charge of the Western Dental Clinic. He was a Fellow of the Academy of Dentistry International, A Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, and a Fellow of the International College of Dentists. He had other professional and civic affiliations. Dr. Lam served as President of the Republic of Viet Nam Armed Forces Dental Alumni Association and was a member of the Faculty Council in Exile, Faculty of Dental Medicine, University of Saigon. Dr. Lam was a fluent linguist; he spoke and wrote in Vietnamese, English and French.

He is survived by his wife Tuyet N. Lam, mother Hue T. Ngo, sister Mai N. Lam, brother Giao Lam, aunt Quan Lam and many other relatives and friends.

Dr. Chau Lam was a compassionate dentist, loving husband, son, brother and friend. He will be missed.

Excerpts taken from Eulogy by: Dr. Donald T. Brown

Chau Lam made a deep, lasting impression on many people worldwide during his life filled with service to others. As the leader of the Vietnamese Dental Corps, and as a teacher and mentor he showed his talent for leadership while molding the budding careers of his young colleagues.

He considered himself an American and worked hard to make America better. He helped his fellow Vietnamese dentists to organize and flourish. Throughout all his relationships there was a strong sense of respect and love; which flowed both ways. One couldn’t help but love this man who was so unselfish and humble. He never sought the limelight for himself. All the good work he planned and implemented were for the good of others and he scorned taking credit for himself.

Chau took pride in his many close friendships. He cultivated them like a master gardener. He made it so easy to be his friend because he was the one to call you on the telephone, send photos of your time together and write you the friendly notes.

He was a member in good standing of the most prestigious dental organizations; Academy of Dentistry International (his first love), International College of Dentists, American College of Dentists, Pierre Fauchard Academy, the Vietnamese Dental Association and the American Dental Association.

For many years Chau worked behind the scenes for the Academy of Dentistry International. He took photos at all events. He nominated high quality candidates for Fellowship in ADI. This wonderful group of ADI Fellows made our organization stronger by their unselfish and generous efforts. Chau led them, but they willingly followed and responded magnificently because, they loved and respected him.

Mary has supported him as much as anyone could in all his adventures and in the bouts of illness that they dealt with in the past few years. Without Mary’s strong, loving support, I don’t believe that even with all his talents he could have shared himself as effectively as he did.

His friends will never forget the kind, gentle, unselfish man who stood so proudly yet behaved so humbly. We extend our sympathies to Mary and thank her for sharing him with all of us. His time with us was too short, but the Lord has now gained another angel.
MEDJET ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Dr. Donald T. Brown, President

The Board of ADI has approved an affiliation with MEDJET ASSISTANCE. Have you ever wondered how you would get home if you became ill or injured while traveling? How would you get the proper care you needed? You know how important it is to be close to family support and doctors you know and trust during a medical crisis—particularly if you are far from home.

As a member of their program, if you are injured or become ill and are hospitalized more than 150 miles away from home, virtually anywhere in the world, you will be transported to the hospital of your choice in a private, medically equipped aircraft, attended by a trained medical staff.

The MEDJET ASSISTANCE annual membership program is significantly different from standard trip insurance or platinum card benefits in a number of ways. Please review the following program overview from MEDJET ASSISTANCE. Exclusive Academy of Dentistry International annual rates for membership program are $175 for an individual up to 75 years of age. Family memberships are $275. The Diamond membership is available for individuals from 75-81 years of age for $345 per year.

You may review the MEDJET ASSISTANCE website at www.medjetassistance.com. For more information or to enroll, call MEDJET ASSISTANCE at (800) 963-3538 or fax/mail the form on the following page.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MEDJET ASSISTANCE is worldwide medical evacuation and consultation program that is available to travelers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on an annual membership basis. Short-Term memberships for 7, 14, and 21 days are also available. MEDJET ASSISTANCE transports members who are hospitalized more than 150 miles from home, either in the U.S. or abroad, to the hospital of their choice. Additionally, if a member is hospitalized in their hometown and requires the service of a specialty hospital in the U.S., more than 150 miles away, MEDJET ASSISTANCE will provide air medical transport to that facility. The company utilizes a fleet of state-of-the-art medically equipped aircraft permanently configured as mobile intensive care units, staffed with specially trained physicians, nurses, and respiratory therapists. It also offers medical and legal referrals, monitoring of members’ medical conditions, translation assistance for foreign medical reports, pre-travel medical consultations, and return of mortal remains.

Anyone up to age 75 may become a member of the program for just $195 per year and it covers all costs from bedside to bedside virtually anywhere in the world. Family membership is available which also protects a spouse or partner and up to 5 unmarried dependent children to age 19, or 23 if a full-time student. MEDJET ASSISTANCE offers corporate and Group membership program as well as Diamond membership availability for those ages 75-81. Members are protected for an entire year no matter how many trips they make.

PROGRAM UNIQUENESS:

No travel insurance, standard medical insurance, assistance plan, or platinum card membership offers a protection program as comprehensive and with as few restrictions as MEDJET ASSISTANCE:

- MEDJET ASSISTANCE provides medical evacuation and transport services to the members’ home hospital of choice virtually anywhere in the world...NOT just to the, “nearest appropriate hospital”.
- MEDJET ASSISTANCE is a pre-paid annual membership with no monetary limit to its benefits. Domestic air medical evacuation services normally average $10,000 to $20,000 while international transports can exceed $75,000. As a MEDJET ASSISTANCE member, the annual membership fee is the only expenditure for complete domestic and international protection
- Specialty hospital benefit
- Virtually no pre-existing condition exclusions
- No health questions, no claim forms or deductible for standard membership. Enrollment only requires Name, Address, Phone Number & DOB

THE COMPANY

MEDJET ASSISTANCE is a privately held company, backed by a powerful and reputable investment team with strong ties to the world aviation, finance, government, and real estate. MEDJET ASSISTANCE is responsible for more 63,000 lives within its membership program and maintains a global presence with ICU-equipped air ambulance affiliates around the world representing nearly 100 medically configured aircraft. The program is underwritten by Lloyds of London.

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ENROLLMENT FORM

To enroll in the MEDJET ASSISTANCE annual membership program, complete the information below and call, fax, or mail your enrollment to:

MEDJET ASSISTANCE
P.O. Box 610629
Birmingham, AL 35261-0629
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www.medjetassistance.com

Please enroll me today! Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. □ Dr. □ Rev. □
(Must be under the age of 75)

Family Information

Full Name _______________________________ Spouse_________________________ DOB_______
Address _________________________________
Address _________________________________
City________________ State _____ Zip_____

Child________________ DOB_____

Date of Birth ________/______/_______

Child________________ DOB_____

Child________________ DOB_____

Child________________ DOB_____

Phone (Day) (____) ________________

In addition to yourself, the Family Membership covers your Spouse and five dependent children up to the age of 19 (or up to age 23 if a full-time student). Please list family members name and age.

Phone (Evening) (____) ________________

Annual Membership: Individual □ Family □
(Group Rate) □ $175 □ $275

Payment Information

Diamond membership is available for ages 75-81
Please inquire...

Check (Payable to MEDJET ASSISTANCE)
Visa □ MasterCard □
American Express □ Discover

Card Number:________________________ Exp. ___/___
Name as it appears:________________________

Member benefits are available worldwide when traveling more than 150 miles from your primary residence, but may be limited in countries where U.S. Department of State travel restrictions apply.
This membership is non-refundable and non-transferable.
THIS IS NOT AN INSURANCE POLICY

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USA SECTION ELECTS OFFICERS

This past year of 2003 has been a busy one for all of us. A lot of exciting things occurred in San Francisco at the Annual USA ADI Convocation held prior to the ADA Annual Session. A new ADI section, the USA Section was created as a means to provide dedication to USA business, especially those times when the Annual ADI Board of Regents meeting convenes outside of the USA—every third year. Section officers for the USA Section were elected in San Francisco with myself as Chair, Dr. Thomas Brink as Secretary and Dr. Frank Founce as Treasurer. I will keep you informed about the progress of this newly formed section. Our next meeting will be in New Orleans at the Plimsell Club immediately following the Executive Board Meeting on Friday, June 25th, 2004. Hotel accommodations for this meeting are being reserved at the Marriott in downtown New Orleans. ADI President Dr. Don Brown has arranged that dinner on Friday night will be at Brennan’s Restaurant and on Saturday night at Commander’s Palace. Saturday during the day will be dedicated to whatever tourist activities are the choices of the attendees. Marsha and Don Brown have lots of suggestions for Saturday, which will include Don making golf tee times for interested fellows and spouses. All USA ADI Fellows are invited to this meeting. (Your input about the activities of the new USA section are welcomed at any time and we will discuss these ideas New Orleans.)

Best wishes to all of you for a great rest of 2004 and see you in New Orleans,

Sue Bishop, Chair

2003 Tanaka Award

Dean Brewer, Senior Dental Student at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry is the winner of the 2003 Terry T. Tanaka Student Humanitarian Award. The award was presented at the Gala Banquet on Wednesday, October 22, 2003 by Dr. Terry T. Tanaka. Dr. Tanaka lauded Mr. Brewer for his many accomplishments and dedication to humanitarian care and serving the less fortunate.

The Tanaka Student Humanitarian Award is graciously underwritten by a grant from the Sunstar Butler Company. This is the second year for the award to be given and the response from the Dental School Deans has been overwhelmingly positive. It is comforting to know that altruism and humanitarian service is alive and well in our Dentists of the future.