PRESENT’S MESSAGE
To the Board of Regents and all the Fellows I convey my humble thanks for the honour and privilege of being your President for the 2005-2006 term.

As we all know, this Honour Society works to attend to the dental needs of the underprivileged peoples of the world. Our focus is on education and in some instances, in treatment. Unfortunately, the demand is overwhelming. We can only do what we can. Many worthy projects cannot be handled for we do not have the financial resources.

As you know we have set up a system whereby half of our donations to the ADI Foundation are invested so as to provide future income. The other half of our donation dollars are used for our core projects. There are some Academy Sections that have their own individual organizations.

If all Fellows were to annually donate an additional $100, or equivalent, to their various sectional Foundations, it would provide some $260,000 yearly for our projects and programmes. That would enable us to really make a difference. And, due to our low overhead, every dollar expended achieves that much more.

As the world’s religions’ holiday season approaches, I wish you all the Blessings and Happiness and to all a very happy, prosperous and safe New Year.

10th Australasian Section Convocation
At the Australian Dental Congress the Academy held its 10th Australasian Section Convocation and Induction of new Fellows, attended by the President of the Academy (Dr. Yip Wing Kong of Singapore and his wife Helene), the President-elect (Dr. Rex Fortescue of Canada) and the Executive Director (Dr. Robert Ramus of the USA and his wife Janet). It was a great privilege to be able to present a most outstanding group of candidates to the President of the Academy. The activities of the new Fellows covered almost the entire dental spectrum from international, national and regional levels, in research, teaching, philanthropic activities and above all, in leadership. The fact that those within this group reflected such high achievement within the profession was obvious and this was expressed by our international visitors. It was with pride that their comments were accepted as a reflection of the quality of the membership of our Section.

Some 100 Fellows and guests enjoyed the view out over the River Torrens right in the heart of Adelaide. Music from a string quartette created a warm ambience. The convocation began with the traditional procession with the ADI flag carried by Rex Fortescue, the Australian flag carried by Kerry Eupene, the US flag carried by Zephie Cerny and the New Zealand flag carried by Roger Dennett. Past Regent Graham Mount acted as Marshall and called the meeting to order.

The President greeted all present. He gave a short and interesting speech on the affairs and activities of the
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ADI worldwide. He then called upon the Regent, who presented his report and the financial statement for the last eighteen months since the Convocation in Sydney in September of 2003.

The John Booth “Dentist of the Year” Award followed. This was presented to incoming Fellow, Dr. Paul Kotala of Sydney. This award has been made possible through the philanthropy of the late Dr. John Booth’s family who created an endowment in his name. Mrs. Kathy Booth was present and made a very personal presentation to Paul. Kathy spoke movingly about the interests of her late husband and how the activities of Dr. Paul Kotala reminded her of him. A short PowerPoint presentation was shown showcasing some aspects of Dr. Kotala’s dental aid projects in the Nambak region of Laos.

Following these presentations, the formal induction of 28 new Fellows took place. The President called upon the candidates to note the significance of their induction and the intentions of the Academy. The Orator then presented the Oath of the Academy to which the candidates agreed. The President then formally inducted each one with the Academy Key. They were then formally photographed receiving the President’s congratulations. Each candidate then moved on to the Executive Director, Dr. Ramus to receive their certificate and finally to the Regent, Dr. Hession to receive the lapel rosette.

Dr. Bill O’Reilly, our new Fellow and ADA Federal President was invited to the stage to respond on behalf of all the new Fellows and express their pleasure at being so honored. He gave a passionate and moving response, speaking highly of the reputation gained by the Academy through its educational and humanitarian projects which help those residing in countries with a lower standard of living than ours.

Dr. Wing-Kong Yip announced the composition of the new committee for the Australasian Section of the Academy, to hold office until the next Convocation in Sydney in March of 2007. The Committee is comprised of:

Reg Hession, Regent
Brent Stanley, Vice-Regent
Roger Dennett, Secretary/Treasurer
David Thomson, Membership Qld
Peter Aldritt, Membership Qld
Andrew Cattermole Membership Vic
Simon Shanahan, Membership WA

The last formal activity of the Convocation was performed with the President formally inducting Reg Hession as Regent for a second term.
The President-elect then gave a short and most entertaining speech, given that he is a graduate of Sydney University who has resided in Canada for most of his career. He then pronounced the benediction and invited all present to enjoy the cocktails and nibbles provided in the foyer. Accompanied by the string quartette the official party then retreated from the stage.

Australasian Class of 2005

Dr. Andrew Barnes  
Dr. John Bergman  
Dr. Carmelo Bonanno  
Dr. Anthony Coates  
Dr. David Curnow  
Dr. Dominic Faraone  
Dr. David Figdor  
Dr. Adrian Gaffney  
Dr. Susan Gaffney  
Dr. Stephen Gibbons  
Dr. Graham Hall  
Prof. Roger Hall  
Dr. Vlad Hardi  
Dr. Paul Kotala  
Dr. Ian Lemmey  
Dr. David Mann  
Dr. Ian McInnes  
Dr. Richard Mountstephens  
Dr. William (Bill) O’Reilly  
Dr. John Pearman  
Dr. Ross Reid  
Prof. Lindsay Richards  
Dr. Jonathon Rogers  
Dr. Soni Stephen  
Prof. Lawrence Walsh  
Dr. William (Bill) Winspear  
Dr. Jeffrey Young
Working Together to improve Global Oral Health

Much of the success of the ADI is due to the fact that recognition of a dentist’s outstanding service to our profession usually acts as a catalyst to encourage even greater involvement. This thought occurred to me while I was attending the Asia Pacific Dental Congress and business meetings of the Asia Pacific Dental Federation (APDF) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in late May.

In the midst of a hectic schedule of meetings among 23 of the 27 national dental association members of the APDF, I had the privilege of being present when international president, Dr, Yip Wing Kong presided at the induction of 18 new Fellows into the Academy. There was the usual excitement as family and friends gathered to witness conferring of fellowships by the Academy and Dr. Yip reminded the inductees of the importance of maintaining the momentum they had established in their efforts to improve oral health in the Asia Pacific region. He made it clear that membership in the Academy has its obligations.

I began to think about the many dentists I had been meeting with over the past few days. They included the president of the FDI, Dr, Heung-Ryul Yoon from Korea, the Executive Director of the FDI, Dr, JT Barnard from the FDI’s head office in France, FDI council members Dr. T.C. Wong from Hong Kong and Dr. David Thomson from Australia and the council and delegates of the APDF. I realized that most of these people were, indeed, ADI Fellows. This was confirmed later by research on the excellent ADI website, www.adint.org.

In the APDF meetings and congress, we had discussed topics ranging from the need for better access to treatment for the high number of oral cancer victims in Pakistan, to ways to increase the availability of continuing dental education in the region. Advocacy for wider availability of effective and affordable fluoride toothpaste was also an important topic. Congress presentations discussed tobacco control, access to care for seniors, infection control procedures and rebuilding after the tsunami. Academy Fellows were involved in all these activities and doing their best to share knowledge and co-operate in achieving the Academy’s mission with the available resources. Opportunities were identified for the FDI, APFD and individual national dental associations to assist in dealing with these issues.

I had the opportunity to speak to a number of Malaysian dentists who told me that preventive and education programs in the rural areas have contributed to the decline in the caries rate. By contrast, in the urban areas dental disease has not been controlled, possibly, they felt, because of lifestyles and the health priorities and attitudes of people living in the cities. I hope the new Malaysian Academy Fellows will take up the challenge of President Yip by working through ADI and any other like minded dental organizations to continue their efforts to improve the situation. No single group is equipped to provide solutions to all our problems. Only by sharing our abilities and resources can dental organizations hope to make measurable advancements in world oral health.

Fellow Burton Conrad of Nova Scotia, Canada was elected to the position of President-Elect of the Federation Dentaire Internationale at its Annual Meeting in August. Dr. Conrad maintains a practice in general dentistry in Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Native American Project Underway

The USA Section of ADI has developed the “Native American Project” through the efforts of several of its members. During 2004 a team of three doctors, Larry Cox, Robert Calcagno and Robert Wong, went to Montezuma Creek in Utah to not only act as a fact finding mission but also to help provide needed services. They worked for a week with the Navajo Indian Tribe to help alleviate some of the back load of patients needing dental care.

Dr. Cox, Past President of ADI, returned earlier this year to continue the project. It is anticipated that we will be sending up to four teams a year to Utah. This will be an excellent opportunity for members that are looking for a project to participate in. All specialties are needed and we are presently formalizing a schedule for 2006-7. Many of us are often asked “What about helping those in need at home?” Well, here’s an opportunity to do something domesticaly with fellow academy members. Those members interested in volunteering or would like further information please contact Dr. Robert Wong at 201 837-9070 or fax information to 201 837-9865.
Local Dentists and Businesses Rally for Katrina Relief

Dr. Raymond Skowronski, Jr., a general dentist in Sterling Heights, Michigan spoke with his colleague in Baton Rouge, Dr. Robert Westerman to see how the rescue operation was progressing. Dr. Westerman informed him they needed water and medications and setting Dr. Ray into motion.

Dr. Skowronski contacted Culligan and other water distributors only to find it could be a week or more before something could be done. Culligan gave him the name of a distributor in Napoleon, Ohio, a Mr. Lynn Wachtman who wanted to assist with an immediate response. Dr. Ray and his office manager, Mary Arondoski coordinated the effort to have Lynn leave for Baton Rouge within two hours of their call, loaded with 2,376 gallon containers and two pallets of half liter containers. Dr. Ray personally guaranteed payment for the water at cost plus diesel fuel for the trip. Mr. Wachtman arrived in Baton Rouge at 9:30 am and met with Lori from Dr. Westerman’s office to unload half of the water, reload with supplies and medications and was redirected to Jefferson Memorial Hospital in New Orleans with a police escort.

On Friday, Dr. Ray contacted his sister Dr. Annette, a general dentist in Shelby Twp. And together they collected forty thousand dollars from colleagues in dentistry, medicine, private business and family. The average contribution was $1000 to send supplies from Patterson Dental and Sullivan-Schein. Kelly at Patterson Dental and Jennifer and Dave at Sullivan-Schein set up separate accounts at almost cost to distribute supplies from their southern warehouses for immediate deployment. At four o’clock on Friday, Lori at Dr. Westerman’s office said they needed defibrillators, masks, gloves and medications. Dr. Ray approved an order for supplies only on the word of all the donors. The order was placed and shipment expedited.

To worsen matters, the shipment was delayed until Tuesday and with sick children and adults in shelters without medications, time was of the essence. A contact from Lynn, who is also an Ohio State Senator, led to a contact late Sunday evening. Matt Gardener from the Cardinal Corporation who has a pharmaceutical warehouse in Jacksonville, Mississippi agreed to ship antibiotics, insulin, albuterol and other medications to The Medicine Shoppe, a pharmacy in Gonzales, Louisiana.

The supplies reached Dr. Shree LeBlanc on Labor Day Monday. Dr. LeBlanc began distributing antibiotics and insulin immediately to extremely ill patients in private shelters which were not receiving Red Cross assistance.

The stories they heard over the phone that weekend will never be forgotten said Dr. Ray and Dr. Annette. They were absolutely heart wrenching. We are fortunate to have such close colleagues that trusted our instinct with Lori and Dr. Westerman’s direction to immediately provide help for people in critical need.

Drs. Elliott and Sazima Honored

The ADI Executive Committee designated a $5000 contribution to the USS Midway dental clinic restoration project. The contribution will enable a plaque to be placed in the restored dental clinic honoring the service of Dr. Robert W. Elliott Jr., and Dr. Henry J. Sazima.

RADM USNDC Elliott, prior to his retirement was Chief of Navy Dental Corps. The late Dr. Elliott served as ADI President from 1993-1995.

RADM USNDC Sazima retired from US Navy Dental Corps in 1988 at which time he became Executive Director of the Academy, a position he held until his “second” retirement in June of 2000.

Earlier this year editor James Schnieder, ADI Foundation Member Larry Farrell and Executive Director and Mrs. Robert Ramus paid a visit to Dr. Sazima at the Arleigh Burke Pavilion in McLean Virginia.

ADI Vice-President Roger Tibbetts is participating in the restoration and has indicated that the clinic will be utilized for continuing education when completed.
Geneva, 31 May 2005 - The FDI World Dental Federation and the World Health Organization are today launching a jointly developed guide for dentists and dental associations. They do this to mark today’s World No Tobacco Day dedicated to the role of health professionals in tobacco control.

Tobacco induced oral diseases contribute significantly to the global oral disease burden. Tobacco is risk factor for oral cancer, adult periodontal diseases, and congenital defects such as cleft lip and palate in children whose mother smokes during pregnancy. Tobacco use suppresses the immune system’s response to oral infection, retards healing following oral surgical and accidental wounding, promotes periodontal degeneration in diabetics and adversely affects the cardiovascular system. The dentist and the dental team are important key persons in tobacco prevention and may use the numerous effects of tobacco on oral health in motivating patients to quit the use of tobacco.

“It is my sincere hope that this guide for dentists and oral health professional organizations will be helpful in increasing awareness and in facilitating tangible engagement in tobacco control on the individual patient level as well as in the broader political context. The FDI is prepared to assist and support the process wherever possible” said Dr. JT Barnard, Executive Director of the FDI on the occasion.

Prof Poul Erik Petersen, Chief of the Oral Health Unit at WHO Headquarters in Geneva, emphasized that “the oral health team worldwide play an important role in preventing that children and adolescents adopt the use of tobacco - either in the form of smoking or chewing tobacco. Oral health professionals and dental associations worldwide are encouraged to use the WHO policies such as the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control for their future work and design national prevention projects jointly with health authorities.

The FDI has always emphasized that helping tobacco users to quit is part of the role of health professionals, including dentists and other oral health professionals. In addition, oral health professional organizations have a responsibility to engage in tobacco control initiatives, including supporting political processes that lead to an environment favorable to health.

The advocacy guide is available from the websites of FDI (www.fdiworldental.org) and WHO (www.who.int/oral_health).

European Section

The European Section held an informal meeting in Cologne, Germany on April 15, 2005 in conjunction with the biennial IDS Meeting.

Two new Fellows were inducted, Dr. Peter van der Schoor, a well known implantologist and Dr. Peter van Strijen, an oral surgeon and scientist. Both of these fine Doctors have much to share and the Academy is honored to now count them as members. Congratulations Gentlemen, and Welcome!

Dr. Peter van der Schoor and Dr. Peter van Strijen

Dr. Bronislavis Janickas from Lithuania was present at the meeting and was awarded “Distinguished Fellow” of the Academy. Dr. Janickas volunteered to be the “liaison officer” in a project in Kaliningrad to be implemented early next year.

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Elected to the Presidency of FDI was Dr. Michèle Aerden of Belgium. Dr. Aerden served two years as President-elect during Dr. Yoon’s term of office. Dr. Aerden became an Honorary Fellow of the Academy when nominated by the ADI European Section and inducted in June of 2004 in Cagliari, Italy.

Fellow Dr. Burton Conrod, Canada, was elected FDI President-elect at the Montreal congress. Dr. Conrod served as CDA President 2000-2001 and had been a member of the FDI Council since 2001.

Australian Fellow Dr. David Thomson continues to serve as an FDI Councillor and also as a member of the Finance Committee.

New Zealand Fellow and Australasia Section Vice-Regent, Dr. Brent Stanley is the FDI Treasurer and Chairman of the FDI Finance Committee.

USA Fellow, Dr. Greg Chadwick was elected Speaker of the FDI Parliament. Dr. Chadwick is a Past-president of the American Dental Association.

FDI Executive Director, Dr. JT Barnard of course, is a long-time ADI Fellow and remains very supportive of ADI programs.

The Academy is most proud of the Fellows who hold leadership positions in the FDI and will continue to support them and the Federation.
As we entered the year 2005, new challenges were encountered by the Academy of Dentistry International Republic of the Philippines Section. In this part of the world we were able to focus on the important goals that the Academy strives for in spite of limited financial resources.

With the sudden demise of ADI President Virgilio A. Alcazaren in July 2004, Vice-President Brenda S. Dey was installed as President and was able to position the Academy at the forefront of continuing education for dental academicians and professional dentists in the country.

Turning back to the activities at the closing of the year 2004, two lecturers from the medical profession, Dr. Nemuel S. Fajutagana and Dr. Edwin Bolastig were given the floor to enlighten the ADI members on “Preparation of Instructional Materials” and “Health Sector Reform Agenda of the Department of Health and Its Implication to Dentists.” during the Second and Third Quarterly Meetings.

Membership development took the front seat as new and younger Fellows were inducted during the 14th Biennial Convocation on February 6, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency, Manila. ADI Philippine Section demanded the best from these Fellows in their contribution to dentistry by presentation of their research and study papers in their line of specialization. These elected Fellows were: Dr. Christina Aurea G. Garcia, Pediatric Dentistry; Dr. Elmer Jesus T. Escoto, Surgery; Dr. Jose Manuel R. Rivera, Orthodontics; Dr. Vivian C. Virata, Periodontics.

Five Active members were also presented with Dr. Maria Jonna D. Godoy as coordinator. These are: Dr. Isabel Campos-Bustos; Dr. Pearly P. Lim; Dr. Maria Jonna D. Godoy; Dr. Armin G. Segarra and Dr. Iluminada I. Viloria.

During the Convocation, the Philippine Section was honored to hear the inspirational message sent by Dr. Wing-Kong Yip, International President. Another luminary in the field of dentistry to honor our Convocation as guest speaker was the Honorable Leonor Tripon who inducted the following new officers of ADI Philippine Section for the 2005-2007 term:

Fellow Antonio A. Baldezar, President
Fellow Ermelinda Galang, President-elect
Fellow Aida H. Salcedo, Vice-President
Fellow Elisa G. Puzon, Secretary
Fellow Marilou Sembrano Asst. Secretary
Fellow Ricardo M. Amador, Treasurer
Fellow Marilyn Leung, Asst. Treasurer
Fellow Norma Tiu, Auditor
Fellow Rosie A. Salazar, PRO
Fellow Irma L. Parajas, Director
Fellow Ma. Teresa J. Amador, Director
Fellow Natividad M. Granada, Director
Fellow Brenda Dey, Imm. Past President
Fellow Diampo J. Lim, Regent
Fellow Natividad Gervasio, Vice-Regent

Newly Inducted Fellows L-R: Drs. Rivera, Virata, Garcia, and Escoto
Another significant event in this 14th biennial convocation was the conferment of Life Membership by President Brenda Dey to Fellow Alegria Zita and Fellow Saturnino E. Guevara for their continuous support of ADI.

It is worthy to note that Fellow Sofronio San Juan was unanimously selected by the ADI Executive Committee for the ADI Award of Distinction to be presented in Montreal, Canada on August 24, 2005 at the ADI Annual Meeting and International Convocation.

For this year, the main agenda of ADI Philippine Section, is the Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Provider in collaboration with Professional Regulation Commission for advancement of dental profession. ADI Philippine Section can achieve this aspiration through commitment, communication and cooperation among dental school academicians and professional dentists in the country. The ADI Fellows play a significant role in molding the future of Philippine dentistry. This is our challenge and commitment to the Academy.
Asia-Pacific Section Convocation

Dr. Lim Chee Shin, Regent for the Asia-Pacific Section was host for the May 27th ADI Convocation held during the Asia-Pacific Dental Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The Officiates Dr. Yip Wing Kong, ADI President; Dr. Lim Chee Shin, Regent; Dr. Yim Kai Kee, Convocation Marshall; Dr. Eugene Chan, Chairman Hong Kong Chapter; Dr. Johnson Yip, Chairman Macau Chapter and Dr. Robert Ramus, ADI Executive Director inducted 19 new fellows.

Congratulations to Regent Lim Chee Shin and his committee for the wonderful and efficient organization of the Convocation and the hospitality extended to visitors and guests.

Special guests attending the ceremony were Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan, FDI Past President of Kuala Lumpur and Dr. Burton Conrad, FDI Councillor from Nova Scotia, Canada.

2005 Malaysia Fellowship Class

Dr. Abu Razali bin Saini  Dr. Chan Yuen Kwong  Dr. Goh Siew Kim
Dr. Goon Yong Por  Dr. Kathiravan Purmal  Dr. Khoo Heng Hoon
Dr. Lim Chiew Wooi  Dr. Lim Sin Keat  Dr. Mohammed Akram bin Mohd. Anur
Dr. Naresh Kumar A/L Shantilal Jechand  Dr. Neoh Gim Bok  Dr. Ng Mei Ching
Dr. Ng Woan Tyng  Dr. Shiamala Samy  Dr. Soh Choon Sen
Dr. Tan Boon Teck  Dr. Tan YU Joo  Dr. Venu Gopal A/L M.K. Pillai
Dr. William C W Yung
The Cambodia Section held a Convocation April 23, 2005. The Phnom Penh Hotel was the venue for the induction of fourteen new Fellows bringing the number of Fellows in the Chapter to a total of forty two (42).

Chapter Chairman and Under-secretary of State for Health, Prof. Hem Chhin welcomed the candidates, dignitaries and guests to the Convocation. Academy President, Dr. Yip Wing Kong expressed his pleasure at being present to officiate for the induction of such an outstanding group of candidates.

The ceremony was highlighted by the keynote address given by H.E. Dr. Ing Phirun, Cambodia Secretary of State for Health.

Fellowship Honour Roll

| Dr. Keat Lysan       | Dr. Prak Vanny       |
| Dr. Keam Born        | Dr. Prak Sok Heng    |
| Dr. Nou Ratana       | Dr. Hak Sihan        |
| Dr. Pen Yon          | Dr. Liv Pheng        |
| Dr. Ly Thin          | Dr. Pen Mardy        |
| Dr. Yin Sihan        | Dr. Tan Hakeleng     |
| Dr. Chhim Thadarann  | Dr. Chan Sokhom      |

The Convocation team in addition to President Yip included: Dr. Someth Hong, Prof. Tieng Oun, Dr. Sok Chea, Prof. Hem Chhin, Prof. Suon Phany and Prof. Tuy Thel.

Following the convocation group photo, the day’s events concluded with a reception where the new Fellows were congratulated and welcomed.

President Wing-Kong Yip presided over the book presentation ceremony in Phnom Penh to mark the completion of the Cambodia ADI Library Project. The presentation was held on December 5th. At the ceremony the ADI presented a total of 143 dental and health science textbooks to the Faculty of Dentistry, National Health Science University of Cambodia.

Elsevier has very generously given the project a 30% discount on the books that we purchased and has also very graciously donated 22 additional dental textbooks and 41 other health science titles to the projects. The Academy is indeed grateful and expresses its deepest appreciation to Elsevier for their continued support of ADI projects.
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