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An International Dental Honor Organization

From the Desk of the President

Dr. Cheri S. Newman

Greetings to all of our Fellows around the world. We are now over 11,000 strong in 83 different countries and we continue to grow. As I travel to different areas, I see the common threads of professionalism, ethics and leadership in all of our Fellows.

As stated in the last issue of Dental World, one focus for the year is finding commonality between dental organizations. We have made strides in that area. In February, the Executive Committee attended a leadership meeting at the American Dental Association (ADA) Headquarters in Chicago. The American Dental Association was represented by its President, Dr. Jeff Cole, Dr. Chad Gehani (the ADA President-elect), Dr Kathleen O'Loughlin (the ADA Executive Director), and the Senior Director, Practice Institute, Dr. Jim Willey. The goal of the meeting was to rebuild our relationship with the ADA, to discuss a potential joint venture with an emerging speakers series and to secure a long-term contract for the back cover of the ADA Annual Meeting preliminary program. The meeting was successful and a good step towards strengthening our mutual relationship. While in Chicago, we also attended the ICD/ACD luncheon. After the luncheon we met with the organizers, and our Academy will now be included in this event going forward.

Meeting of the Officers of the Pierre Fauchard Academy at the American Dental Association building in Chicago. L to R: Ms. Loralie Lowder (Executive Director), Dr. Cheri Newman (President), Dr. Jerry Dushkin (Vice President), Dr. Dan Castagna (Treasurer) and Dr. Terry Brewick (President-elect).

In March, our Board held its mid-year meeting in Dusseldorf, Germany. This meeting was held in conjunction with the IDS meeting in Cologne. It was a busy schedule. One day was committed to strategic planning. As a result of our meeting, we have updated our mission statement to the following: "To recognize and develop outstanding leadership in our profession internationally." The addition of the word 'internationally' is very important. We are an international honor organization and it is vital to the Fellowship of all Sections across the world be included in all conversations. At our Annual Meeting this year in September, we will continue to work on the four strategies of our plan: Governance, Communication, Leadership Development and Management Succession Planning.

As always, the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees represent all Fellows of the Academy. Please let us know of any concerns, ideas and events and communicate these with the PFA central office located in our International Headquarters.

Respectfully submitted,

—Dr. Cheri Newman
President of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy

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From the Desk of the
President-Elect

Dr. Terry Brewick

At the time of writing this article I have just returned from Germany where the Board of Trustees and Officers of the Academy met for our mid-year Board Meeting. It is only within the last few years that the Board has been having full meetings twice each year. These two meetings have been very beneficial in accomplishing the work of the Academy. At the meeting in Germany, we held a strategic planning session where we began refining our mission statement. The new mission statement is very similar to the previous one in that it revolves around the key word 'Leadership.' The new mission statement will be adopted at our Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA in September 2019. The strategic planning session was led and organized by our Region 8 Australasia Trustee, Dr. Deb Cockrell. I would personally like to thank Deb for her advance planning for this meeting and for leading the Board in refining our mission statement. The other leader I would like to thank is our European Region 1 Trustee, Dr. Samireh (Sami) Nikolakakos, for her leadership in executing dinners, lodging, meeting spaces and the Installation of New Fellows. Thanks to Sami, our Board was able to meet the President of the German Dental Association.

In February it was my honor, together with Dr. Cheri Newman and all of our Executive Team, to attend a meeting with Dr. Kathleen O'Loughlin and Dr. Jeff Cole, respectively, the Executive Director and President of the American Dental Association. During the Chicago Midwinter Dental Meeting, I attended a breakfast organized by our new Illinois Section Chair, Dr. Paul Obrock, who will be reorganizing the Illinois Section. We will be depending on Paul's leadership for this reorganization of the Illinois Section and during my year as President I will be holding our mid-year meeting in Chicago to help Paul in his efforts. At the beginning of April, I will be traveling to Phoenix, AZ to attend the Western Dental Experience and speak at the ACD/ICD/PFA Luncheon. Our new Arizona Section Chair, Dr. Ray Tanaka, is a leader in Arizona and at the Kois Center in Seattle, WA. I look forward to seeing the progress of both the Illinois Section and the Arizona Sections through our new Section Chairs.

On a personal note I would like to extend my sincere condolences to Dr. Charles Eller on the passing of his wife Gloria. Dr. Eller was the Pierre Fauchard Academy's President for 2008-2009. He is currently a Trustee for the Foundation of Oral Health of the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

I look forward to continuing to work with everyone and to supporting our Academy and Fellows.

In Fellowship,

—Dr. Terry Brewick
President-elect of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the
Vice President

Dr. Jerry L. Dushkin

Our Fellows are the leaders of the dental profession. We must continue recognizing and disseminating that fact to the profession and to the public. Our Fellows are not stagnant. They continue to give back to our profession, their communities and to society. It is the mission of the Pierre Fauchard Academy to recognize and grow leaders in the dental profession, their communities and society. We cannot recognize what we are unaware of. Please send all updates to the Central Office. You are the leaders of our profession and we want that fact known. It will encourage others to follow in your footsteps and will give us and our Academy a stronger more robust professional identity. You shall be able to count on me to further strengthen our organization so that each fellow feels proud to belong.

Our Section Chairs have been asked to contact organizations to have this information published. Many of our own Fellows work on these publications and can help. Yes, we want to grow our Academy and retain all our Fellows. By publicly recognizing the accomplishments of our members, we encourage our Fellows to continue giving back and help them find the future dentists who will do the same. This will ensure the respected future of our noble profession and the largest overall benefactor of this will be the public which we serve.

Sincerely,

—Dr. Jerry L. Dushkin
Vice President of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the
Immediate Past President

Dr. Rick Sawers

Greetings from Dusseldorf where we have just completed the mid-year meeting of the Academy in parallel with the IDS meeting in Cologne. The full Board met in committees first, after which a half day of Strategic Planning was undertaken under the guidance of Dr. Deb Cockrell, our Trustee for Australasia. The purpose of our meeting was to re-examine our mission, vision and strategic pillars and to see if the actions of the Academy members reflected these. We have clarified our purpose, and the process will continue in San Francisco towards an updated strategic plan for the next five years.

The meeting of the full Board was excellent, with input from the committees allowing full and informed debate. The increasing number of Fellows in our Academy reflects the energy and dedication of the board members and the willingness of our International office team to implement Board recommendations. There were a few activities within the city of Dusseldorf, arranged by our European Trustee, Dr. Sami Nikolakakos. She was able to arrange the meeting and venue for us at a location that provided us with excellent accommodation at a reasonable price, despite the massive IDS dental meeting occurring several kilometers away in Cologne. The IDS meeting attracts 2,500 exhibitors in five halls, and by the second day more than 200,000 delegates had attended and there were still three days to go! It is truly a meeting of immense proportions and an amazing experience. The board is grateful to Sami for her energy in developing both the site and the meeting for us. She did a great job for the Academy.

By the time you read this, the Australasian meeting will have occurred. This meeting is held in conjunction with the Australian Dental Association bi-annual Congress in my home city of Adelaide. This is always a great meeting, intimate compared to the IDS in Cologne, and our induction breakfast is well attended. Our Academy is the supporter of the "emerging lecturer program" through financial support from Region VIII. During this program, a number of younger lecturers present to the ADAAUS delegates to gain experience and skills in front of a large audience, with the added bonus of a cash prize for winners. This will be the fourth time the occasion has occurred. It is well regarded by the ADAAUS, such that it is now part of the main program of the Congress and will be positioned between presentations by two keynote lecturers. We are excited by the support from the Australian Dental Association.

In June, I will be attending the UK Section meeting. This will be a revitalization of the Section, as it has languished in recent years. I look forward to this meeting and the induction of new UK Fellows. It promises to be a really great meeting. I hope that those of you close to London will attend that meeting and that many of you will attend the San Francisco meeting as well as your local Section meetings. My term will finish in San Francisco in September. That is approaching so fast. I am not ready for it as I have loved being part of the Academy Board of Trustees. I hope you will consider becoming more involved in your Academy. We need you to join us in steering the Pierre Fauchard Academy into the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Rick Sawers,
Immediate Past President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the Executive Director

Loralie Lowder

In the next few months thousands of dental students will be graduating and entering the field of Dentistry as our future leaders. Each year in the US and Canada alone there are over 6,000 new dentists entering the profession. Now expand that vision around the world, with new dentists in Africa, Asia, Australasia, Europe, Latin America, Mexico, South America and the Middle East. What a spectacular vision that is, to imagine all of those young, enthusiastic, and determined graduates joining a profession that is so loved.

The Pierre Fauchard Academy presents an award to these graduating students, the Senior Student Certificate of Merit. This award is given to one student from each accredited school throughout the world, based on submissions. The student is chosen by the Dean of the Dental School and the awards committee from the school. The criteria that is used to determine the student awardee is as follows: "This award should go to an outstanding and deserving individual who has exhibited leadership, and through his or her accomplishments has demonstrated dedication to the advancement of "Dental Literature." Perhaps accomplishments in this area could be considered in the process of selection. The recipient should be from the current graduating class and someone who, in the judgment of you and your Awards Committee, has excelled in the academic and clinical aspects of your program."

As I was thinking about the future of dentistry, I came upon a very interesting report called "Future of Dentistry." This report was developed by a large group of individuals, selected for participation because of their knowledge, expertise and commitment to the welfare of the dental profession and the public it serves. Throughout the preparation of this report, the creative effort was conducted with great independence. The ideas expressed therein are not necessarily those of, nor endorsed by, the American Dental Association. Chapter 2 in the report contains 'Vision and Recommendations.' The report stated: 'To guide the development of policy recommendations, members of the Future of Dentistry project adopted the following statement of vision and guiding principles.' The Vision Statement and Guiding Principles of the report follow:

*"**Vision Statement:** Improved health and quality of life for all through optimal oral health.*

Guiding Principles:

1. Improving the health of the public in a socially responsible and culturally competent manner is the primary goal of the dental profession and will remain dentistry's central focus.

2. The profession must continue its commitment to the adoption of appropriate science-based practices so essential to the future of dentistry.

3. A strong educational system is critical to the future of dentistry.

4. An aggressive approach to health promotion, disease prevention, and access to appropriate care will improve oral health and quality of life.

5. Closer collaboration among all health professions will contribute to achieving dentistry's primary goal of improving the health of the public.

6. The dental profession must develop a global perspective and an action plan to fulfill its responsibility as part of the world community".

Source: American Dental Association. Future of Dentistry. Chicago: American Dental Association, Health Policy Resources Center:2001.

The report noted that health care research, education and delivery will encompass both anticipated and unanticipated changes that the dental profession needs to be in a position to effectively and rapidly respond to. Further, the importance of the dental profession taking a leadership role for the society's oral health was highlighted in the report.

Our current students will become the future of Dentistry, and as practicing or retired dentists that are part of an honor organization such as the Pierre Fauchard Academy, I encourage you to seek out current students and new dentists and to be a resource for them as they begin to navigate the dental profession. Help to mentor and encourage them to strengthen and expand dentistry's reach.

Sincerely,

—Loralie Lowder
Executive Director of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

Annual Meeting of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

The Officers and Trustees of the Pierre Fauchard Academy cordially invite you to attend our 83rd Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, which is being held September 6 through 8, 2019 at the Intercontinental Hotel.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm PFA President's Reception

Dr. Cheri Newman, PFA President, invites you to please join us for this reception to meet and greet the Officers, Trustees and Fellows from around the world.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019
11:30 am - 2:30 pm PFA Awards Luncheon
Check-in begins at 11:30 am
Meet and Greet 11:30 am - 12:15 pm
Luncheon will start promptly at 12:30 pm

At this signature event, we will be honoring those who have achieved great things for dentistry. Dr. Patricia Blanton will receive the Fauchard Gold Medal, Dr. Denis Forest will receive the Elmer S. Best Award, and Burkhart Dental will receive our Dental Trade and Industry Award. We will also welcome New Fellows and present our Model Section Awards.

Please join Fellows from around the world at this function.
($75 per person on or before July 1, 2019, $105 per person after July 1, 2019)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019
7:00 am - 11:00 am Section Chair Caucus

The objective of the Annual Section Chair Caucus is to provide Section Chairs with as much information about the Academy as possible, to provide them with the tools to enable Section officers to run their operations effectively, to have them interact with their peers, Academy officers and Trustees, and to generate within each of them enthusiasm for the Academy and their tasks as leaders in the Academy. All Section Chairs or Section Chair-elects are encouraged to attend the Caucus and the Awards Luncheon.* We also encourage Fellows attending the ADA to attend the Luncheon.

**Section Chairs attending the caucus and at least one other PFA function are eligible to receive a $300 stipend to help offset travel expenses.*

6:30 pm - 10:00 pm President's Dinner

Join us as we celebrate Dr. Cheri Newman's year as President and welcome our incoming President, Dr. Terry Brewick. We hope that you will be able to join us to meet the entire Executive Team, reacquaint with friends, and to celebrate the induction of new Fellows and recipients of Awards at the Annual Luncheon.

Oral Health Protection Program for Vulnerable Indigenous Population of Coto Brus

By Dr. Gustavo Bermúdez Mora

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give"
Winston Churchill

Our group, 'Hands for Health for Costa Rica,' has been working hard for two years with two Ngäbe-Buglé indigenous communities in Coto Brus, a canton located in the province of Puntarenas in the southern part of Costa Rica and next to the border with Panama. These two communities, together numbering around 400 people, live in San Miguel, Sabalito around 16 km from San Vito (the center of the canton of Coto Brus) and in Las Mellizas, Sabalito around 32 km from San Vito.

We know that these indigenous populations are at high risk for oral disease. Following a study by Dr. Montero in 2014, it was reported that 94% of indigenous children experienced dental caries, and indigenous children presented with seven times more caries lesions than nonindigenous children in the same canton.

Our group decided to undertake a long-term project to help these communities. Our primary objective is to promote and protect the oral health of the vulnerable indigenous population of Coto Brus through the provision of general dental services, while teaching good practices that respect their worldview and traditions, integrating education in health for the prevention of oral diseases. Our core team consists of Dr. Pablo Ortiz, Mr. Emmanuel Gómez MSc, Dr. Gustavo Bermúdez, Ms. Ana Cecilia Murillo MSc, and with the support of Dr. Ronald de la Cruz, Dr. Jessie Reyes, Dr. Joseph Ulate, Dr. Carlos Filloy, Dr. Miguel Aguilar, Dr. Nora Chaves, Dr. Rafael Porras, Dr. Michael Montoya, Dr. William Sáenz, Dr. Carlos Faerron, indigenous cultural advisors, volunteer health professionals, dental students, international students, local authorities and teachers of the public schools in the communities.

We developed a plan for key activities, which includes performing dental exams to identify the principal oral problems of the indigenous population of these two communities of Coto Brus. We identify decayed, missing and filled teeth in the primary and permanent dentitions (dmft and DMFT), periodontal condition and the average number of teeth. We determined that we would offer general dental services as indicated, including extractions, prophylaxes, scalings, glass ionomer restorations, composites, amalgams, sealants, pulpotomies and stainless steel crowns in temporary teeth (in some cases), and topical fluoride applications. We have also been studying and describing the principal ngäbe traditions and beliefs about oral health. In addition, we plan to elaborate educational visual materials to demonstrate oral health topics with an intercultural perspective.

During our 2 years of work, we have been visiting the communities and meeting with key leaders within them. We began implementation through education and promotion of oral health, with monthly visits to each of these communities from July to October. These communities are remote and difficult to reach. One of our primary activities has been providing oral health education and instructions to children on oral hygiene. During our visits, we also make a real effort to give the children we meet some recreational and fun time to let them enjoy a nice moment of sharing and playing. It is important that we discuss the efforts of different organizations working together on the principal social determinants that impact the ngäbes´ oral health. We are also training key community leaders in educational topics about oral health, healthy food, and good practices in oral care.

L to R: Dr. Ronald de la Cruz, Dr. Jessie Reyes (PFA Costa Rica Section Chair), Dr. Gustavo Bermudez and Dr. Joseph Ulate.

L to R: Dr. Pablo Ortiz (President of Hands for Health) together with Dr. Gustavo Bermudez Mora (Fellow)

We are grateful for the support and collaboration of the Pierre Fauchard Academy and its Oral Health Foundation. With this project, we have been able to cover settled indigenous families and others who migrate from long distances in Panama. The communities we visit are very thankful and help us in promoting good oral health practices in their communities and with their children. They really appreciate all of our efforts to offer them dental services, educational talks and that we are working hand-in-hand with their cultural advisors. We are also very pleased that other organizations have become involved to strengthen this initiative. The Costa Rica Dental Association (through the social programs "Giving Smiles", "60 and more" and Oral Health National Plan Commission), the Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Costa Rica, the "Bright Smiles, Bright Futures" program of the Colgate-Palmolive company (in Costa Rica), the InterAmerican Center for Global Health (CISG), the Municipality of Coto Brus, the Health Area of Coto Brus CCSS, authorities and teachers of the schools of San Miguel, San Luis and Las Mellizas, the Ngäbe cultural advisors, volunteer dentists, national and international students have all been an essential part of this community approach.

We are helping to improve the oral health of these two communities, and achieving results through understanding and education. It is rewarding work. Parallel to this project we are going to start a second project focused on educational workshops in collaboration with the FDI World Dental Federation and another project with UNICEF Costa Rica and other non-governmental organizations such as Costa Rica Indígena. We are determined to expand intercultural and community approaches to benefit as many indigenous peoples in as many territories as we can. Our purpose is to meet the oral health needs as a right for everyone in all areas of Costa Rica.

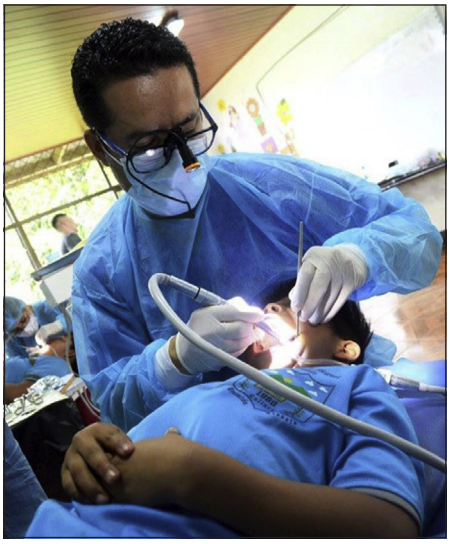
Challenges never end, but team work makes the difference!

Sincerely,

—Dr. Gustavo Bermudez Mora
Fellow in the Costa Rica Section

Teaching community leaders and parents about oral health and oral hygiene

Teaching the children about oral health and oral hygiene



Providing dental treatment

2019 Grant Application Due March 1 – June 1, 2019

The Oral Health Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy will be accepting Grant Applications March 1 – June 1, 2019, for projects to be completed in 2020.

Since 1995, the Foundation has supported over 600 grants and $4,500,000 towards helping hundreds of thousands of people worldwide. Grants are funded through generous donations received from Fellows and friends of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, memorials, corporate and private sources.

Although the Foundation remains flexible enough to consider innovative projects in all areas of oral health, it does not place special emphasis on programs that increase access and provide care to the deserving but inadequately served public. Emphasis for funding will be given to those worthy grants applications where the Foundation support will have the greatest impact on the success of the program supported by the grant.

Grants are awarded up to the following amounts:

- $5,000 (US dollars) for Pierre Fauchard Academy Section programs under the section's control and in which a significant number of Fellows participate.
- $10,00 (US dollars) for service projects that provide increased access to dental care for the public in need.

Tax exempt status is required to receive Foundation funding. Please submit a copy of your Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(3) or 509(a) if appropriate. For non-USA applicants, please submit the tax-exempt status of your organization.

The Grant application and detailed information on the program's requirements is available online at www.foundationpda.org. For additional information, please contact Jennifer Teale, Executive Director of the Foundation, at jteale@foundationpfa.org.

The 4Cs to Successful Governance

by Dr. Armyl C. Bañez

It has been almost four years since I was appointed as a trustee of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, representing the Asian region. The journey has been fulfilling and inspiring, for the most part. This role has given me more reasons to believe in our capacity as dentists— we are not only able to deal with dental issues, we are also able to uplift lives through the programs and missions we are involved in as Fellows of our Academy. The tasks may seem daunting at first. Attracting new Fellows and making the Academy known throughout the dental world are serious goals that need proper planning, dedication, and commitment. We are succeeding, with active Fellows who have become partners in progress, and I am happy to report that we are attracting more Fellows in Asia. Together, we are reaching every goal we pledged to accomplish.

You may ask, how did we achieve this? We now have a personal formula I call "4Cs to Successful Governance." The 4Cs are Communication, Cooperation, Coordination and Control. These represent our end goals: To recognize and grow leaders in the dental profession, their communities, and society; and, that we become agents of change for the progression of our practice. When I accepted the position of Trustee in 2015, I knew I had to start with the first C, **Communication**. I had to go out there to be able to fully bring our message across to potential future Fellows, so that dentists and dental associations would join us. It was important to convey our objectives and intent, our goals and vision. We need to be heard to empower our members. As we gather like-minded individuals who join our Academy, we encourage them to **Cooperate** and to participate in our activities for the advancement of dentistry.

Then **Coordination** happens, and we move towards fulfilling our targets. We coordinate with each Section Chair to gain information on the progress of projects and other activities that need our support, as well as any concerns that need to be addressed. When these three Cs have been accomplished, we now have **Control** over the things that we want to achieve—our targets, our mission, and our vision. Although there may be some things that we cannot change, we still have control over how we will react to certain situations. And that is to remain optimistic, no matter what; a trait that a good leader must imbibe. To govern is to remain **Committed**. This I must say is the ultimate C that we should all instill in ourselves. As members of the Academy, we must give our 101% effort into our tasks to enable us to inspire our fellow dentists across the world to not only promote oral health care, but to also promote a long-lasting, sustainable impact on the profession and the societies where we exist. Last year was truly been a fruitful year for the Academy. I believe 2019 has more great things in store for us. Together, we can do this.

In November 2018, our Section held a pleasant and very productive visit with Dr. Cheri Newman (President of PFA), and Ms. Loralie Lowder (Executive Director of PFA). We held a very important business meeting, during which the executive team of the Mexican Section had the opportunity to present the plans and goals for our Section. We were honored to have Dr. Cheri Newman and Ms. Loralie Lowder preside over our Induction Ceremony, which was held on November 16, 2018. The event was arranged and organized by Dr. Ernesto Acuña (Past President of PFA) and Dr. Federico Pérez Díez (Section Chair for Mexico). During this ceremony, Dr. Cheri Newman administered the oath to our new Fellows and our Executive Director, Ms. Loralie Lowder, registered and oriented our new and existing Fellows.

L to R: Dr. Federico Pérez Díez (Section Chair for Mexico) together with Dr. Ernesto Acuña (Past President of PFA).

Dr. Cheri Newman addressing our new Fellows.

Back Row: New Fellows in the Mexico Section. Front row L to R: Dr. Federico Pérez Díez (Section Chair for Mexico), Dr. Ernesto Acuña (Past President of PFA), Dr. Cheri Newman (President of PFA) and Ms. Loralie Lowder (Executive Director).

Section News

Mexico continued

At "Club Asturiano" in Mexico City, a good number of Fellows and their families gathered to welcome 10 new Fellows who have distinguished themselves by achieving high standards in their professional practice, as well as in teaching and helping through humanitarian service in the communities where they live. Congratulations to our new Fellows: Drs. Rafael Arriaga Moreno, Ramón Eduardo Carranza Fernández, Jesús Mario Herrera Rivadeneyra, Sergio Ariosto Hernández Delgado, Edgard Hernández Gutiérrez, Cynthia Navarro Parra, Jorge Fernando Pérez Rueda, Rogelio Hugo Ramírez Delgado, Jorge H. Villarreal Rodríguez and Roberto A. Wuotto Díaz Ceballos. After the ceremony, a toast with delicious hors d'oevres was enjoyed by all participants. We welcome our new Fellows to our Academy.

Sincerely,

—Dr. Federico Pérez Díez
Section Chair for Mexico

Fellows together with their family members at the event.

Fellows together with Dr. Federico Pérez Díez, enjoying their long-time friendship.

L to R: Mr. Mueller (Honorary Fellow), Dr. Federico Pérez Díez (Section Chair for Mexico), Dr. Cheri Newman (President of PFA), Mr. Graber (Honorary Fellow) and Ms. Loralie Lowder (Executive Director of PFA).

Section News

Myanmar

The Myanmar Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy held its Third Induction Ceremony on January 25, 2019 at the Lotte Hotel in Yangon. A welcome dinner was organized by Dr. Ba Myntt (Section Chair for Myanmar) and all Fellows. The ceremony was held in conjunction with the Myanmar Dental Conference, and was also supported by Dr. Thien Kyu, President of the Myanmar Dental Association. During our meeting, eleven new Fellows were inducted. Congratulations to our new Fellows!

Respectfully submitted,

—Dr. Ba Myntt
Section Chair for Myanmar

Congratulations to our new Fellow.

L to R: Dr. Myrna Bañez (Fellow), with dignitaries from the Myanmar Section.

Nepal

The Nepal Section conducted its second Convocation in Hotel Manaslu in Kathmandu, Nepal. Dr. Santosh Man Rajbhandai (Founding Chair for the Nepalese Section) transferred the leadership to the new Section Chair, Dr. Rabindra Man Shrestha. The highlight of the meeting was the induction of twelve new Fellows.

Dr. Santosh Man Rajbhandai (Outgoing Section Chair) and Dr. Rabindra Man Shrestha (Incoming Section Chair, together with Dr. Armyl C. Bañez (Trustee for Region 9) and Dr. Myrna Bañez (Fellow).

New and existing Fellows at the Induction Ceremony.

Section News

The Philippines

The Philippines held its Section Meeting on November 25 at Mydas Hotel in Manila.

Fellows at the Section Meeting in The Philippines.

Fellows and guests at the Section Meeting in The Philippines.

USA

Illinois

The Illinois Section held a Section breakfast meeting on Friday February 22, 2019 in the Chicago Marriott Magnificent Mile on Michigan Avenue, in conjunction with the Chicago Midwinter Meeting. The PFA leadership team was in attendance, together with distinguished guests from the American Dental Association, the Mexico Section of PFA, and the New York and Michigan Sections. During the meeting, Dr. Paul Obrock was installed as the new Section Chair for Illinois by Dr. Cheri Newman (President of PFA) with assistance from Dr. Ghabi Kaspo (Trustee for Region 4). Dr. Obrock is a graduate of the Washington University School of Dental Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri and has been in private practice since 1983 in Quincy, Illinois. He is a member of the American Dental Association, received the Mastership Award from the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) and is a Fellow of the ADI, ACD and ICD. Dr. Obrock serves as a board member of

L to R: Dr. Ghabi Kaspo (Trustee for Region 4), Ms. Loralie Lowder (Executive Director, PFA), Dr. Terry Brewick (President-elect of PFA), Dr. Cheri Newman (President of PFA), Dr. Jerry Dushkin (Vice President of PFA), Dr. Dan Castagna (Treasurer of PFA), Dr. Paul Obrock (new Section Chair for Illinois) and Dr. Federico Pérez Díez (Section Chair for Mexico).

Illinois continued

the Illinois AGD and Central Illinois AGD. He is the founder of Give Kids a Smile - Quincy, a multi-county GKAS that has provided free dental care to over 2000 children and provided nearly $1 million in community value. GKAS-Quincy completed their 13th event in 2019. We look forward to working with Dr. Obrock.

Kansas and Missouri

The Missouri and Kansas Sections of the PFA met on Friday, March 21st 2019 in Kansas City for our Annual Joint Meeting at the Midwest Dental Conference. During this meeting, 6 new Fellows from Missouri and 8 new Fellows from Kansas were inducted by Dr. Hal Hale (Trustee for Region 10) and Dr. Jon Copeland (Section Chair for Missouri). Following the induction ceremony, we held the annual business meeting. During the meeting the Distinguished Dentist Citation was presented to Dr. Vincent Rapini, Immediate Past President of the Missouri Dental Association. In addition, Dr. Hal Hale also received the Dentist of the Year form the KDA and Dr. Jon Copeland received the Young Alumni of the Year Award from the University of Missouri Kansas City SOD Alumni Association. The induction and awards ceremonies were followed by our joint ICD/ACD/PFA Luncheon.

Sincerely,

—Dr. Jon Copeland
Section Chair for Missouri

L to R: Dr. Hal Hale (Trustee for Region 10), Dr. Brett Ferguson (new Missouri Fellow and Past President of the AAOMS) and Dr. Jon Copeland (Section Chair for Missouri).

Dr. Jon Copeland (Section Chair for Missouri) receives the University of Missouri Kansas City SOD Young Alumni of the Year Award for 2019.

Dr. Vincent Rapini receives the Distinguished Dentist Citation from Dr. Bob Butler.

New Fellows of the Kansas and Missouri Sections together with Dr. Hal Hale (Trustee for Region 10), Dr. Jon Copeland (Section Chair for Missouri), Dr. Rob Dakin (Vice Chair for Kansas and the Vice Chair for Missouri.

Dr. Hal Hale (Trustee for Region 10) receives the Dentist of the Year Award from the Kansas Dental Association.

Section News

Spotlight on our Fellows

Our fellows are the leaders of the dental profession. They continue to give back to our profession, their communities and to society. Here we acknowledge some of our Fellows and their achievements and leadership.

Dr. Izchak Barzilay – Ontario, Canada

Dr. Barzilay founded and launched the Build Your Smile Dental Foundation - a nonprofit organization providing dental services to underserved communities locally and internationally. Dr Barzilay is the incoming president of the American Prosthodontic Society.

Dr. Devinder Preet Singh - India

Dr. Singh received the Profile of the Month Award from the Indian Dental Association) in 2018 and The Best Orthodontist of the Year Award in 2018 from the Indian Healthcare Awards.

Dr. Dan Haas – Ontario, Canada

In October 2018, at the International Federation of Dental Anaesthesiology Societies conference in Nara, Japan, Dan was presented with that society's highest recognition: the Horace Wells Award. This is the first time a Canadian has received this recognition, which honors international accomplishment in the field of anaesthesiology in dentistry.

Dr. Gary Heyamoto – Washington, USA

Dr. Heyamoto is the Director of Continuing Education for the Washington Academy of General Dentistry as well as its Clinical Director. Gary also serves on the Academy of General Dentistry Foundation Board and with the Washington State Oral Cancer Board. He was recognized by the Snohomish County Dental Society as their "Citizen of the Year for 2018."

Dr. Anthony Lake – Victoria, Australia

Dr. Lake was awarded the Distinguished Service Awards from the University of Adelaide Alumni and the Australian Dental Association (South Australian Branch) in 2017 and was honored as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM). These awards were for his contributions to Forensic Odontology service in Disaster Victim Identification, as a long-term Board member of the Journal of Forensic OdontoStomatogy, past Secretary of the International Organisation in Forensic OdontoStomatology, and for his 47 years of honorary service to the University, the Dental Disciplinary Tribunal and the Australian Dental Association SA Branch.

Dr. Xavier Riaud - France

Dr. Riaud was honored in 2018 with the Knight of the National Order of Merit given by President François Hollande of France. His achievements include 2 books and more than 60 articles published in England, France, Germany, Scotland and the USA) and 6 conferences (5 in France and 1 in Austria). He is an elected member of the European Centre for Research Training and Development (UK). He has been a reviewer 69 times for medical journals (dental or not) in Australia, India, , The Netherlands and USA, and an editorial board member of more than 40 medical journals in India and the USA.

Dr. Jeanne Craig Sinkford – Maryland, USA

Dr. Sinkford was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science Degree from The University of Michigan during its Commencement Ceremony on April 28, 2018. Her citation: Nationally and internationally renowned as a dental educator, administrator, researcher and clinician. Jeanne was the first female Dean of an American dental school and led Howard University College of Dentistry from 1975- 1991. She is a respected educator, academic leader and social justice advocate. She has published more than 100 journal articles, training manuals and reports and is a member of the National Academy of Medicine.

Save the Date

The Canadian Region will hold a 'Dinatoire' and Convocation Ceremony in Montreal, QC on May 26, 2019. This will be held at Hotel Place D'Armes, a landmark building in the historic Old Port of Montreal. For further information, please contact Dr. Lisa Bentley at lisa_bentley@msn.com.

The Annual Meeting and Induction Ceremony of the Idaho Section will be held on June 13, 2019 at the Cottonwood Grille in Boise, ID. For further information please contact Dr. Greg Bentsen at drgjbdds@aol.com.

The Washington Section will hold its Annual Meeting on June 20, 2019.

The 2019 Annual Meeting of the Pierre Fauchard Academy will be held from September 6 – 8, 2019 in conjunction with the FDI and American Dental Association meetings in San Francisco, California. For further information, please contact Ms. Kayla Shoemaker at kaylas.pfa@gmail.com.

The Canadian Region will hold its Canadian Fellowship Luncheon in conjunction with the Canadian Dental Association convention on September 13, 2019 at 11:45 am – 3 pm. The luncheon will be held at the Delta Bessborough Ballroom in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. For further information, please contact Dr. Lisa Bentley at lisa_bentley@msn.com.

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Our mission as Fellows in the Pierre Fauchard Academy is to recognize and grow leaders in the dental profession, their communities and society.

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