**President's Message**

**Synchronicity**

As President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, I have a privileged bird’s-eye view of the affairs of the Academy, and I am delighted to witness the path toward synchronicity within our ranks. Every day brings news of progress from various segments of the Academy. The progress that is occurring is inspired by the Academy’s Mission Statement, enacted by the autonomous Sections, and facilitated by the structure created by PFA governance. The recent formation of two new PFA Sections, the collaboration of the Academy Fellows with the Foundation grant projects, and the implementation of a long-term strategic plan by the Executive Board with the Central Office are but a few examples of what PFA can achieve by the harmonious utilization of the various wings that exist within the Academy.

The recent inauguration of the Latvian and Romanian Sections is a shining example of how the various divisions of the Academy function together to strengthen and expand the Academy. As Latvian and Romanian dentists began to flourish, the dream of becoming affiliated with the greatest dental honor society in the world transformed into a reality. By following the “chain of command” of regional Trustee to Executive Board to Central Office, two new dynamic Sections were created. The excitement and dedication shown by the Latvian and Romanian Sections is infectious, and the quality of Fellows that fill their rosters is superseded by none. The Eastern European nations are on our radar screen and should provide lifeblood to the Academy for years to come.

The many wonderful and glorious services provided to needy populations by the PFA Foundation continues to reap goodwill around the globe. A recent Foundation grant given to the Chilean Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy enabled these Academy Fellows to provide much-needed dental care to the inhabitants of Easter Island. As the Academy’s President, I was given the honor by the Chilenos to give praise and gratitude to the Foundation for the funding they provided for this philanthropic mission. Although the Academy and Foundation are separate entities, we are “joined at the hip” and have a symbiotic relationship. Foundation President Kevin Roach and Executive Director Jennifer Teale are focused on their mission of global benevolence and, as expected, they have maintained an open and transparent relationship with the Academy.

As the global economy treads perilously in the realm of uncertainty, the Executive Board and Central Office are maintaining vigilance and are preparing sound economic contingency strategies that are reflective and responsive to any possible turn of events. Obviously, the most prudent path is evaluation of the status quo to seek areas where cost cutting can occur in hopes of building our reserves. Enhancing operational efficiency is also a sound step toward economic stability, and this efficiency can be accomplished through long-term budgetary planning that incorporates continuity between presidential terms. To maintain and continue the Academy’s glories of the past and present, austerity measures may need to be taken; however, this prudent path is the only one that can be taken by a responsible leadership. To place the sizzle before the steak would be injudicious and in total disregard of the Fellowship. Current implementations will bear fruit in the future and ensure that we have a healthy and vibrant Academy for generations to come.

It is with great regret and sadness that I announce the retirement of the Academy’s executive director, Mrs. Judith Kozal. After 55 years in the dental profession and 35 years of dedicated service to the Pierre Fauchard Academy, Mrs. Kozal, affectionately known by Fellows around the world as Mother Judith, has decided to step down. We, the Executive Board, have the task of seeking a replacement for an irreplaceable icon and have formulated a strategy to perform with due diligence in this matter. We are grateful that Mrs. Kozal has agreed to remain on board as a consultant to ensure a smooth transition. We are investigating all possible alternatives for filling the Academy’s executive director position and will keep the Fellowship informed as events progress.

—Dr. Joseph C. Harris
President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

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From the Desk of the President-Elect

Dr. Ernesto Acuña

The Pierre Fauchard Academy aims to promote and raise standards and practices of the art and science of the dental profession worldwide. One way it does that is through the publication of the Dental Abstracts journal, which gathers the best in dental literature, informs dental professionals on the latest techniques, and shares ideas for improving our profession.

Being part of this honorable international organization not only means that we are distinguished by the merits we have achieved within the Society or the roles we have held within the Academy leadership but also by how our actions strengthen the growth of the PFA throughout the world.

We must maintain the ideals of our predecessors and pass them on to future generations of young colleagues. It is our moral obligation to nurture them with these ideals. As an international institution that embraces globalization, we must seek a closer relationship between the regions and sections that are part of the Academy by providing scientific and social activities and opportunities for participation by younger colleagues.

—DR. ERNESTO ACUÑA
President-Elect of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the Vice President

Dr. Daniel Castagna

PFA: Awards for the Outstanding in Our Profession

As your Pierre Fauchard Academy Vice President, one of my primary duties is to chair the Awards Committee (as per the Academy’s bylaws). This Committee oversees the annual awards process, selection, and proper honoree recognition.

Within our Academy’s constitution and bylaws are seven stated objectives. Objective number three states that we are to encourage, through annual awards, outstanding contributions to the art and science of dentistry and service to the profession.

Thus the Academy’s awards help fulfill our founder Dr. Elmer Best’s vision and legacy for this honorary service organization. In the last Dental World issue, I reported a summary of all the Academy’s recognized awards.

For my report in this Dental World issue, I want to highlight the Pierre Fauchard Academy Gold Medal. The Gold Medal is awarded annually to a person who has made outstanding contributions to the progress and standing of the dental profession.
The Awards Committee solicits and receives nominations for this award from two sources: a committee of the past Gold Medal recipients or the Academy’s current Board of Trustees. (Please note: All Academy fellows are encouraged to bring strong candidates to the attention of any past Gold Medal recipients or the Board of Trustees.)

The following qualifications are required for Gold Medal consideration:

- Candidates must have a dental degree or its equivalent
- Candidates must reside in the United States
- Candidates must exhibit a commitment and dedication to the needs of the dental profession
- Candidates must exhibit service and merit above recognized standards

After the initial nomination is made and a PFA Fellow’s supporting letter is received, further supporting documentation will be solicited by the Awards Committee if needed.

After thorough nominee evaluations, the Awards Committee then recommends a candidate for final approval to the Academy’s Board of Trustees. With the Board approval, the recipient is automatically deemed an Academy Honorary Fellow.

The Gold Medal and its accompanying citation are presented to the invited Honoree and his or her spouse/guest at the PFA Awards Luncheon during the annual Academy meeting, which is held concurrently with the American Dental Association meeting. Last October in Las Vegas, Nevada, Dr. Jed J. Jacobson was the 75th recipient of the Gold Medal.

Academy Fellows, I hope you realize that the Academy’s strength is honoring past leaders in our wonderful profession with the Pierre Fauchard Academy Gold Medal.

Please visit the www.fauchard.org awards page online for more details and names of the 74 past recipients of the Gold Medal. After viewing this list, you will see and become familiar with many “dental legends” and others with outstanding credentials!

As always, please contact me with any issues/concerns you may have for our Academy. I look forward to hearing from any Fellow. As always, thank you for this opportunity to serve our Pierre Fauchard Academy!

—DR. DANIEL CASTAGNA
Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the Immediate Past President

Dear Officers, Trustees, and Fellows,

As the first European Fellow to have served as the PFA’s President, I take special pride and interest in witnessing my native continent’s evolution within the Academy. The recent formation of the Latvian and Romanian Sections are reflective of the Executive Board’s strategic plan for expansion into territories once considered out of the Academy’s scope.

It is no surprise that these two new additions to the Academy’s roster are Eastern European countries. Even though the global economy is faltering, Eastern European countries are progressing in part because of the support they have garnered by belonging to the European Union. The disparity that once existed between east and west is now almost non-existent, thanks to economic liberty and the availability of information. These two facts have had a tremendous effect on the Eastern European dental world, as witnessed by the Fellows who have entered the Academy from Romania and Latvia.

The Latvian Section comprises 14 wonderful ladies, all of who are dedicated to upholding the tradition and mission of the Academy. Dr. Anda Brinkmane was recently named department head of therapeutic dentistry of Rigas Stradinu University, and Dr. Ilze Maldupa presented at the European Association of Dental Public Health Annual Congress. They also are orchestrating a public health project that revolves around dental ailments particular to children who are younger than 12 years.

Thanks to the efforts of PFA Belgium Section Chair Dr. Christaan Colpeart and PFA Romanian Section Chair Dr. Corneliu Armariu, Dean of the University of Ovidius Dental School, the Romanian Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy was created in 2011. The 15 Fellows who make up the Romanian Section are from all segments of the country’s dental community and from all regions of the country. Although entrenched in academics and public health, Romanian Section Chair Dr. Amariei believes that the Academy is best served by an equal cross section of members of the dental community.

Although Poland is not a new Section, it has blossomed into a very strong and influential Section. Poland has 114 Fellows, and its Section Chairman, Dr. Eugeniusz Spiechowicz, was the winner of the Academy’s 2009 Elmer Best Award. Poland is representative of what these new Sections may become.

Fellowship in the Academy is by invitation only. The recent events in Eastern Europe are an indicator of the path that the Academy must take to remain strong and viable in the future. We must be ever vigilant and recruit high-caliber and capable members from the dental ranks. We must keep our eyes open for opportunities to form new Sections, always remembering that no country is too small to become a member of our family. The contributions that can be made and have been made by the smaller Sections is invaluable. As they have learned from us, we can surely learn from them.

—DR. HUBERT OUVRARD
Immediate Past President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy
Greetings! I hope the new year has been good to all of you so far and that you are all well, happy, and motivated to do big things this year!

In my report I would like to tell you about an event that made me think about inspiration and the younger generation that follows us into the profession of dentistry. In December I was invited to the College of Southern Nevada to present The Dr. Richard Adam Kozal Memorial Scholarship to one of the graduating students in the Dental Assistant Program. In addition to presenting the plaque and scholarship check, I was asked to be the guest speaker. Although I felt very honored, I was at a loss as to what I could possibly say to this group of very talented, well-schooled professionals. I worried about the words I might say, and it suddenly came to me that I had spent 53 years of my life totally devoted to dentistry in one way or another! Inspiration!

When it was time for me to step up to the microphone, I totally forgot the “speech” I had written and spoke to the attentive group straight from my heart. I told them how, upon graduation from high school when I was not quite 18 years old, I had no idea what I wanted to do. In 1958, girls did not have all the choices that are available today; you could be a teacher, a nurse, a secretary, a wife (and soon after a mother), or in my case, a nun. Because my forward-thinking parents insisted that I have a career to fall back on, I had to choose something, and by sheer accident I saw a very small article in the daily newspaper announcing the first class of dental assistants at the University of Illinois College of Dentistry. I had no idea what a dental “assistant” might do, because all my childhood dentists worked alone drilling (no high-speed drilling was available then) and mixing their magic fillings and potions, but I applied and became one of 16 young ladies in that very first class. This was the start of a lifelong “love” affair with the profession of dentistry!

As I continued to tell these young people how we wore starched white uniforms, white stockings, and nurse’s oxfords (no scrubs back then), and how proud we were when we received our caps and pins at graduation, they never took their eyes off me. When I told them my first job was with a “lady” dentist, a rare thing in 1959, and that my salary was $50 a week with a take-home pay of $32, they looked at each other in disbelief! I went on to tell them how my husband Richard and I took over the Academy and built it up from a few hundred members whose records were kept in a shoebox to almost 8000 members with a database and a wonderful Web site. At the end of my story, I told them how privileged I felt to have been part of a team of professionals and to have played even a small part in helping people have better dental health and self-esteem. To see the smile on the face of a patient who had not smiled perhaps for years was the greatest reward anyone could have, no matter how small a part you may have played in changing that patient’s life.

I also told them what a beautiful life my soul mate and partner, Richard, and I had and how we shared our love of and dedication to our profession. I encouraged them to devote themselves to their patients, because those patients would remember them as the person who comforted them when they were in pain or afraid.

After my speech, each graduate came to thank me for sharing my experiences with them and said they always would remember what I told them. I was very touched by their words, and I came to realize that every one of us who is involved in and dedicated to the profession of dentistry has not just the ability but the power to inspire the younger generation of dentists, dental assistants, and dental hygienists—those just entering our profession and those who will come later. Each one of us needs to tell our professional life stories and experiences to those who look to us for guidance. I encourage all of our Officers, Trustees, Section Chairs, Fellows, and especially our Life Fellows who have so much to share to inspire a young dentist or dental student, assistant, or hygienist to dedicate himself or herself to our worthy profession and fall in love with it as I did so many years ago.

Wishing you all good things—

—Judith D. Kozal
Executive Director of the Pierre Fauchard Academy
The 75th anniversary year, which was a landmark in PFA’s history, was truly international in scope. We made a great effort to document and report on the many activities of this anniversary in Dental World. It has been a real honor to be aboard this great organization at such a monumental time. A lot of change also is ahead as the profession becomes linked even more through digital communications and social media, which is changing the landscape of publishing. I would love to hear from you about your ideas for articles, historical topics, and features you would like to see on the Fauchard.org Web site.

From the Desk of the Editor

Mark D. Stanley

Elmer S. Best Award to Be Given in 2012

The Pierre Fauchard Academy is pleased to announce that Dr. Burton Conrod of Nova Scotia has been named the 2012 winner of the Academy’s prestigious Elmer S. Best Award. This Award is named after the founder of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, which was established in 1936 and celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2011.

Dr. Conrod has served as president of the Cape Breton Island Dental Society (1979), the Nova Scotia Dental Association (1989), The Canadian Dental Association (2000-2001), and the World Dental Federation (2007-2009). He holds fellowships in the Pierre Fauchard Academy, the International College of Dentists, the Academy of Dentists International, and the American College of Dentists.

Dr. Conrod’s commitment and dedication to the profession is reflected by his many prestigious recognitions, which include the Dalhousie University Outstanding Alumnus Award in 2000, the Nova Scotia Dental Association Philip S. Christie Award for Distinguished Service in 2002, the Pierre Fauchard Academy Distinguished Service Award in 2006, The Canadian Dental Association Medal of Honor in 2010, and honorary membership in the American Dental Association in 2010. Details of the presentation will be provided in a future issue of Dental World.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Dr. Amariei of Romania

Dr. Corneliu Amariei will receive the esteemed PFA Distinguished Service Award at the Academy’s Annual Meeting in San Francisco in October 2012. Dr. Amariei is presently the Dean of Ovidius University Constanta Dental School and has had a long and outstanding career in dentistry. At various times during his career, Dr. Amariei held positions with the Romanian Ministry of Health, as well as serving as primary coordinator of dentistry in the CF Department of Constanta. He has been on the dental faculty of the Institute of Medicine and Pharmacy in Iasi, Romania, and held many other positions.

Dr. Kim of Korea

As the Dental Dean of Ovidius University Constanta Dental School, Dr. Amariei took bold steps to change admission policies and the school’s curriculum. His actions are beginning to shape the policies of other universities throughout Romania, and the values of ethics, mentorship, and education reflected in his initiatives mirror those of the Academy.

Dr. Jong-Won Kim of Seoul, Korea, will be the recipient of the PFA’s prestigious Distinguished Service Award in 2012.

Dr. Kim received his DDS degree from Seoul National University in 1961 and later received his MSD and PhD degrees from the same institution. He served as President of the Korean Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons in 1989, and in 1996 he was elected President of the Asian Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons.

In 2003, Dr. Kim became the Section Chairman of the Pierre Fauchard Academy’s Korean section. Dr. Kim had always been bewildered by the lack of cohesion among dental professionals in Asia and

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was determined to use his tenure as Section Chair to initiate a fraternal atmosphere in the region. He reached out to the Japanese Fellows and formed a bond that remains strong to this day. All PFA functions in Japan are attended by representatives of Korea and vice versa. This network has resulted in the interchange of a wealth of information and has set a fine example for PFA Sections around the world.

In recognition of the unity of the two Sections, Dr. Kim and Dr. Kim Hong Ki were named honorary members of the Japanese Section, and Drs. Yoshio Kande and Toshio Morioka of Japan were given honorary Fellowship in the Korean section.

In appreciation of his foresight and effort, Dr. Kim will be presented with the Distinguished Service Award at the next PFA meeting in Korea.

An act of goodness is of itself an act of happiness. No reward coming after the event can compare with the sweet reward that went with it. —Maurice Maeterlinck
From the Desk of the Foundation President

Dear Fellows,

In my editorial in the January/February issue of Dental World, I wrote about the loss of Past President Dr. Larry Barrett and his generosity toward so many causes that were dear to him, including our Foundation, and how he “walked the talk.” Shortly before that issue went to print, I received word of his $15,000 Legacy Gift to the Foundation. Well done, my friend, and thank you for continuing to raise the bar for the rest of us! My wish for 2012 is that more Fellows would consider the tax implications of settling their estates and include a Legacy Gift to the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy in their wills. For more information on contributing a Foundation Legacy Gift, contact Jennifer Teale, Executive Director at teale@fauchard.org.

Earlier in the year, the Foundation Student Scholarship letters were sent to the deans of U.S. dental schools to request their 2012 nominees. These students must be in the junior year of their program and be sound academically but, more importantly, they must show leadership capabilities through their class/school involvement. Because of the increasing number of worthy grant applications and the recent parallel drop in the return on our investments, the Foundation trustees have lowered the 2012 student scholarship amount to $1000 from $1500. This move was deemed prudent in today’s uncertain financial climate. In spite of this reality, the trustees decided to consider additional international scholarships and asked the Grants and Scholarships Committee to develop a rationale for awarding of this group of scholarships based on the currency value in most of these countries as related to the U.S. dollar. A decision on this issue will be made at our Annual Board Meeting this October in San Francisco for implementation in calendar year 2013.

Our Executive Director’s report in this issue details the successful grant applicants for 2011. I am proud of the diverse and international flavor found in Mrs. Teale’s compilation. Space does not allow me to elaborate, but I want to stress that all the successful grantees are required to file a report to the Foundation by the end of 2012 that details the use of the awarded funds and provides a financial statement and any photos that can be used in future issues of Dental World.

One such report summarizes the 2010 Chilean Section grant. As a young philatelist, I developed a love of geography and a passion for visiting later in life the many fascinating countries whose stamps I was collecting. Thus I was enthralled with the Chilean grant to treat the indigenous population of Easter Island. Although I have traveled to Cusco, Machu Pichu, the Galapagos Islands, and many other South American locales, Easter Island was not one of my destinations, perhaps because it is a 5-hour flight from Santiago. Easter Island, of course, is home to hundreds of “Moai” monolithic human figures carved from rock by Polynesian ancestors between 1250 and 1500.

Almost all Moai have overly large heads that are three fifths the size of their bodies. The tallest stood 33 feet in height and weighed 82 tons. These Moai are chiefly the living faces of deified ancestors. I give my joyous congratulations to Chilean Section Chair Dr. Guillermo M. Zarate and PFA Region 7 Trustee Dr. Francisco O. Campos for arranging a team of endodontists, oral surgeons, and general practitioners, all PFA fellows, to travel to this remote locale and treat the very needy population of 5000 people. Modern comprehensive dentistry in a setting frozen in time speaks volumes to the diversity of Foundation Grants.

—Dr. Kevin L. Roach
President of the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the Foundation Executive Director

Helping Others to Smile: Your Donations at Work

Every week, the Foundation receives many thank-you letters and reports from grant recipients as to how your donations are supporting community projects. In this issue of Dental World, I would like to take the opportunity to share some of that correspondence with you.

Wisconsin Dental Foundation, West Allis, WI

The WDA Foundation’s Donated Dental Services program is a vital resource for disabled, elderly, and medically compromised individuals in Wisconsin. Although the great majority of the treatment is donated, it takes support from many individuals and organizations to keep the program operating. Your support helps bring renewed dental health to thousands of disadvantaged state residents.

Since the DDS program began in 1998, more than $6.8 million in care has been provided to 2399 patients at no cost to the patient. Without the support of generous donors like the Foundation of the Pierre

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Fauchard Academy, many of those individuals likely would go without the dental care they so desperately need.

We are most grateful for your generous support. We simply couldn’t maintain this high level of oral care without you! Thank you.

**Meet Each Need With Dignity,**
**Pacoima, CA**

Thank you for your generous donation toward MEND’s Dental Clinic! Your support is substantial and helps communicate an important message about your partnership in our communities.

This year marks the 40th year of MENDing poverty. MEND continues to operate on three driving forces: responding to our recipients and delivering services in ways that maintain the dignity of all who come, recruiting volunteers in every program, and in our fundraising and public relations activities. This is accomplished while maintaining low overhead so that 95% of MEND’s revenue goes directly to those who are in need.

**South Bay Children’s Health Center,**
**Redondo Beach, CA**

Thank you for the grant to be used for supporting needed dental services through charitable dentistry projects. Words never seem adequate to convey what this means to our clients, who, without the assistance from this grant, might go without necessary dental treatment. Thank you for insuring that children will have healthy, pain-free mouths.

**MAP International,**
**Towson, MD**

On behalf of the children of Bolivia and the impoverished communities in Chilimarca, I want to express our profound gratitude for your commitment to serve and support people in this developing world. We want to assure you that the grant you approved for Bolivia will be used in the most effective and efficient way in order for children to have access to preventive and curative dental health services.

**Dental Lifeline,**
**Denver, CO**

Dental Lifeline Network is especially grateful to you for helping our organization and our volunteers restore oral health to thousands of deserving people who have no other way to receive care.

This year in particular, we truly feel the magnitude of your contribution and involvement. Recently, our Donated Dental Services program reached a milestone of $200 million in donated services to more than 106,000 people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile. We could never have reached this benchmark in the 25-year history of DDS without your support.

We cannot begin to express to you the level of gratitude that we receive from patients in heartfelt letters, e-mails, and calls every day. During a time when people count their blessings, please know that you are included in that count by thousands of patients across the country.

**Ohio State University,**
**Columbus, OH**

The OSU Dental H.O.M.E. Coach is a 3-operatory mobile dental van operated by the Ohio State University College of Dentistry. The grant funding from the Foundation was extremely helpful in assisting our program with the purchase of supplies. The coach providers and staff delivered 9722 procedures through 2830 encounters in 218 days in the Columbus, Ohio, community. Please accept our thanks for your generosity and the recognition of our efforts to make a difference in the lives of underserved children.

**Volunteer Ministry Center,**
**Knoxville, TN**

Please consider this letter the report of the VMC Dental Clinic program for Volunteer Ministry Center. In 2011, the clinic served 633 people in 67 days and provided 1009 procedures including 181 fillings, 433 extractions, and 43 sets of dentures. Our clinic is the only resource in the city for individuals with no income who are in need. We are very grateful to the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard.

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**2012 Grant Applications Are Now Being Accepted**

The Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy was created to provide monetary grants to support projects that benefit the dental profession and the public it serves. Grants are funded through generous donations received from Fellows and friends of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, planned giving, memorials and tributes as well as other corporate and private sources.

Although the Foundation remains flexible enough to consider innovative projects in all areas of dentistry including practice and education, it does place special emphasis on programs that increase access and provide care to the deserving but inadequately served public.

Only non-profit, tax exempt organizations and individuals employed by such organizations, with the exception of student scholarships awards, are eligible to receive Foundation funding. The grant application and detailed information on the program’s requirements is available online at http://www.fauchard.org/foundation/grants.html. For additional information on this program contact Jennifer Teale, Executive Director at teale@fauchard.org.
Foundation News


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Foundation News

Japan

A PFA Student Scholarship was awarded to Mr. Takuma Miura, a fifth-year student, by the Ohu University Faculty of Dentistry in Fukushima on September 28, 2011. In attendance were the faculty members pictured in the photo.

A PFA Student Scholarship was also awarded to Mr. Kousuke Hamajima a fifth-year student, by the Aichi Gakuin University Faculty of Dentistry on September 30, 2011.

A special ceremony commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Osaka Scholarship recipients Mr. Kosuke Hamajima (Aichi-Gakuin University School of Dentistry) and Mr. Takuma Miura (Ohu University School of Dentistry) attended the PFA Japan Section 42nd Annual Meeting in Nagoya, Japan on October 29, 2011.

In closing, I hope you agree that the donations you give to the Foundation have put smiles back on the faces of many, many people worldwide. Thank you ever so much for your generosity.

—Jennifer Teale
Executive Director of the Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy
Dental University was held on November 11, 2011, at the Riga Royal Hotel Osaka. Approximately 860 people attended the ceremony. On this occasion, a Pierre Fauchard Academy Scholarship Award ceremony also was held. Mr. Satoshi Isumi, a fifth-year dental student of the university received the scholarship and certificate from Dr. Keishi Matsumoto, President of PFA Japan Section.

Georgia
Grant Received for Georgia Section’s Mission of Mercy

The seeds for Georgia’s Mission of Mercy project were sown back at our 2009 Leadership Conference. It was wonderful to see that fully one third of our Section (85 Fellows) were very involved in the success of the Georgia Dental Association’s inaugural Mission of Mercy Project (GMOM). Twenty-seven PFA Fellows (plus three spouses of Fellows) held leadership positions on the GMOM Committee. Our Section also got things off the ground financially for GMOM by applying for one of the first grants that was received for the project, a $9000 PFA Foundation Grant.

The event provided free dentistry to adults and children at First Baptist Church Woodstock on August 12 and 13, 2011. More than 2100 patients were treated during this 2-day event, and more than $1.7 million in free care was provided. This event was an excellent opportunity to serve our communities and the Georgia Dental Association and enjoy fellowship. We challenge all of our Fellows to be involved in the next GMOM event, which is targeted to take place in June 2013.

Be not afraid of life. Believe that life is worth living and your belief will help create the fact. — William James
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Good, the more communicated, more abundant grows. —John Milton
Chilean Induction Ceremony

On December 12, 2011, the Chilean Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy held an induction ceremony at the Intercontinental Hotel in Santiago, Chile. Sixty people, including Region 7 Trustee Francisco Omar Campos and Academy President Joe Harris, attended to witness the induction of 14 new Fellows into the Academy.

The program commenced with renditions of the Chilean and American national anthems, followed by a very inspirational message by Chile’s Section Chair Dr. Guillermo Moreno Zarate. The first of two exquisite classical musical interludes was performed by Mr. Felipe Vidal of the Conservatory of Music, Universidad Mayor.

A Special Lifetime Achievement Award was then presented to Dr. Fresia Steinmann Rosemblut for her efforts and dedication to public dental health and projects in Chile.

Drs. Rosa Maria Alarcon, Marcia Antunez Riveros, Gianina Caneppa Martin, Julio Diaz Ramirez, Fernando Escobar Munoz, Alvaro Ferres Garrido, Cristian Harris Riveros, Agustin Hernandez Haz, Olga Ljubetic Gjurancic, Daniza Pecarevic Munoz, Pedro Ramirez Arias, Rafael Romo Echaiz, Georgina Toro Urbina, and Bernardita Zuniga Oliva were then officially taken into the ranks of Fellowship.

President Harris welcomed the new Fellows to the Academy and then gave an overview of the Academy (past, present, and future) and an explanation of what is expected of a Fellow of the Academy.

During the dinner that followed, a PowerPoint presentation was made regarding the PFA Foundation-sponsored philanthropic expedition to Chile’s Easter Island. The participants had arrived just a week before the induction ceremony and were bubbling with enthusiasm and anxious to share tales of the adventure with their colleagues. Easter Island is off the coast of Chile and is accessible by a 5-hour plane ride. Its 5000 inhabitants are serviced by two dentists in clinics provided by the Chilean Rotary Club.

The island residents suffer from many dental ailments, and the prevalence of rampant caries both the adult and adolescent populations is alarming.

The Pierre Fauchard Academy Foundation awarded a grant to the Chilean Section of the Academy to provide much-needed services to the islanders. Three endodontists, two maxillofacial surgeons, and four GPs, all Fellows of the Academy, spent 5 days on Easter Island providing dental services to the local population. Access to dental care is a given to most of us, but to the lovely people of Easter Island, the Foundation-funded project was sent by God.

We, the Fellows of the Academy, give a heartfelt congratulation to the Fellows of Chile and the PFA Foundation for a job well done.

The India Section of Pierre Fauchard Academy celebrated its Silver Jubilee in 2011 while the PFA International Section celebrated its Diamond Jubilee (75 years) in Paris on June 16, 2011, where the India Section was represented by the Secretary and three Fellows from India.
The Silver Jubilee celebrations of the PFA India Section started with a CDE Programme at 9:30 AM on Saturday, December 17, 2011 at Dr. A.B. Shetty Memorial Institute of Dental Sciences in Mangalore, India. The CDE Lectures were provided by Prof. Fellow Dr. Reena R. Kumar, who spoke on the topic “Nocturnal Bruxism Demystified” and by Dr. Santosh Ravindran, who spoke on the topic “Preventive Dentistry—The Future and its Profitability.”

The Silver Jubilee 25th Annual Convocation and Awards Ceremony of the PFA India Section was held at Hotel Ocean Pearl, Mangalore, at 6 p.m. PFA India Section Fellowship Certificates were awarded to 43 new inductees by the Chief Guest, Dr. Dibyendu Majumder, Principal of Dr. R. Ahmed Dental College, Kolkatta, and President of the Dental Council of India. The Silver Jubilee December 2011 issue of the Journal of PFA was released by the Guest of Honour, Sri. N. Vinaya Hegde, Chancellor of NITTE University, Mangalore. A monograph on “Radiographic Features of Common Important Benign Jaw Lesions” by Brigadier Prof. Fellow Dr. S.C. Anand VSM (rtd) was released by the Chief Guest.

The Chief Guest presented eight PFA Best Outgoing BDS Student Awards, five PFA International Senior Student Awards, two PG Student Awards, a PFA International Student Undergraduate Certificate of Merit to Ms. R. Chaithanya of Vishnu Dental College, Bhimavaram, a PFA International Certificate of Merit for 2010 to Prof. Dr. A.P. Chitre from Mumbai, and Special Silver Jubilee PFA International Certificates of Merit, in appreciation of 25 years of service to the India Section of PFA, to the Chief Editor, Prof. Fellow Dr. V.P. Jalili, and the Secretary and Treasurer, Prof. Fellow Dr. T. Samraj. One hundred fifty delegates attended the ceremony and the dinner.

—Submitted by Dr. T. Samraj, Secretary, PFA India Section
As part of the Silver Jubilee Celebration of the PFA India Section, an International Conference was jointly organized with the Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopedic Association of Nepal. The Conference took place at Kathmandu, Nepal, November 15-16, 2011. The Conference included 120 participants from four countries with 16 speakers from India, U.A.E., and Bangladesh and 19 speakers from Nepal. A Special Convocation was held the evening of November 15, 2011, at which time seven Fellows from Nepal and six Fellows from India were admitted. The Convocation was followed by an entertainment program and dinner.

The Japan section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy met on the afternoon of October 29, 2011, in the Nagoya Marriott Associa Hotel. It was the 42nd Annual Meeting of the PFA Japan Section. Eighty people were in attendance. Nine new Fellows were inducted into the Academy: Dr. Toshimasa Ouhara, Dr. Toshitsugu Inubushi, Dr. Nobuto Sakamoto, Dr. Hisako Nanasawa, Dr. Jun Hikita, Dr. Masatsugu Nagasaki, Dr. Katuhiko Kuramae, Dr. Yoshiro Fujii (absent), and Dr. Hirokazu Matsuzaki (absent).

PFA International President Dr. Joseph C. Harris and his wife, Ana, along with Past President of the Korean section Dr. Kim Jong Won and his wife, attended the ceremony. The meeting was facilitated by the Executive Chairman, Dr. Yasuo Suga. The Chairman of the meeting, Dr. Minoru Yamamoto, gave an opening address followed by presentations by Japan Section Chair Dr. Keishi

The PFA Japan Section 42nd Annual Meeting in Nagoya, Japan, on October 29, 2011.

New Fellows Induction Ceremony in Nagoya, Japan, on October 29, 2011.

PFA Special Convocation with new PFA Fellows in Kathmandu, Nepal.
Matsumoto and PFA International President Dr. Harris. The President of the ICD Japan, Dr. Megumi Amano, also congratulated the Japan Section. A Changing of the President ceremony was conducted by Dr. Kiyoshi Ohura. Vice-President Dr. Fumio Sato gave the closing address.

A fine scientific lecture and cultural lecture were provided. Dr. Yasunori Sumi from the Division of Oral and Dental Surgery, Department of Advanced Medicine, on the topic of “Coherence Tomography System and Its Clinical Application,” and Mr. Okabe Kain, The Shin-gon Sect Chizan-ha Sect General Affair President and The Osu-kannon pipe master, spoke on the topic of “It lives to the truth.”

The next meeting will take place in Sapporo on September 29, 2012.

On December 8, 2011, the new Romanian Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy held its inaugural meeting at the Intercontinental Hotel. The meeting started with a Scientific Session that consisted of three lectures. Two of the presenters are founding Fellows of the Romanian Section, Drs. Mariana Pacurar and Christina Bortun, and the third speaker was the newly inducted Dr. Veronica Mercut. Dr. Pacurar spoke about orthodontic treatment and its cause and effects on the temporomandibular joint in adolescence and young adults. Dr. Bortun spoke about FEM analyses of strength for complete dentures made by “Eclipse Resin System” and Dr. Mercut ended the session by speaking on the topic of bruxism.

The second part of the meeting was a round table discussion entitled “Dental Medicine and the Global Economic Crisis: American, West-European and East-European Perspectives” moderated by PFA Region 1 Trustee José Dahan, PFA Belgium Section Chairman Christiann Colpaert, and PFA Romanian Section Chairman Dr. Corneliu Amariei.

Following the round table discussion was the induction ceremony for new Fellows: Dr. Veronica Mercut, Dean of the Faculty of Dental Medicine, University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Cluj-Napoca; Dr. Carmen Stela Hanganu, Faculty of Dental Medicine, “Gr. T. Popa” University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Iasi; Associate Professor in the Department of Community Dentistry; Dr. Oleg Dobrovolschi, private practice; Dr. Tiberiu Gheorghie Tomescu, private practice; and Dr. Petrut Gheorghe Tomescu, Vice-President of the Prahova County Dental Council.

The new inductees represent an even mix of the public and private sectors of the Romanian dental community. These separate and functional sectors have steadily evolved since the demise of the Ceausescu communist regime in 1989, and there is no better representation of how the private and public dental institutions have fared since communism than the work of Dr. Armari, of the Faculty of Dental Medicine of Ovidius University Constanta, and Dr. Dobrovolschi, owner of the Donit Association.

The Ovidius University Constanta Social Dental Clinic aids the Romanian dental patient population that lacks the finances
to obtain dental services. The University has three dental clinics totaling 150 chairs. The Romanian dental school system encompasses 6 years of training. The first 2 years are general sciences, while the final 4 years are focused on theoretical and practical dental training. Fifth- and sixth-year dental students are responsible for providing treatment to the patients of the Social Dental Clinics. The vast majority of patients seen at the clinics are geriatric and people in the 5- to 18-year-old age group. Theoretically, all children have government dental insurance; however, the reimbursement rate is so low (100-200 Euros per month for ALL patients served) that very few dentists accept the Bismark system–based social insurance.

Dr. Amariei has dedicated his efforts to maintaining the solvency of the clinics so that these underserved populations will continue to receive top-quality dental work. The University dental program is composed of 300 dental students and 250 dental technician students who undergo 3 years of training. The school also has a dental hygiene program; however, this program is dormant because no potential students apply as a result of the low wages paid to hygienists in Romania.

Forty dental professors and 20 general medicine professors are on staff. Approximately 20% of the school’s dental graduates continue their education to specialize in oral surgery, oral maxillofacial surgery, periodontics, prosthetics, and endodontics. Because of European law, pediatric dentistry and public health are not considered specialties. As a means of maintaining the integrity of the admissions process, Dean Amariei rarely accepts students from outside of Romania.

Dr. Oleg Dobrovolschi is the owner of the Donit Association located in Brasov. This high-tech facility consists of 15 operators that are manned by 14 doctors, many of which are specialists in orthodontics, endodontics, esthetic orthodontics, periodontists, and prosthodontics. All services are provided in the clinic under close collaboration between the entire staff. Dr. Dobrovolschi has the ultimate say in the final treatment plan and sequencing of the treatment; however, it should be noted that the environment is far from dictatorial.

Since it was opened 14 years ago, the Donit Association has treated more than 40,000 patients and placed more than 17,000 implants. Because of its stellar reputation and competitive fees, Donit Association is now at the top of the list for “Dental Tourism” in Europe and has become a destination location for patients from Germany, Ireland, and England.

Dr. Dobrovolschi is also the coordinator of a continuing education course series conducted at the Apollonia Hotel in Brasov, where 360 dental technicians and 127 dentists take practical and theoretical courses once a month for 3 days at 8 hours per day.

Both Drs. Amariei and Dobrovolschi believe that dentistry in Romania is entering a Renaissance period, and both are very proud to be at the forefront of a very bright future.

### Pierre Fauchard Statue Presentation

During the Executive Board Meeting of the Michigan Dental Association on Friday, December 2, 2011, The Michigan Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy presented a bronze statue of Pierre Fauchard to Michigan Dental Association’s President, Dr. Connie Verhagen and Mr. Drew Easton, Executive Director of the MDA. The presentation was made by Dr. Joe Harris, President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy International and by Michigan Section Chair, Dr. Ed Hirsch. PFA Region 4 Trustee Cheri Newman also attended. The statue will be placed in a prominent position in the lobby of the Michigan Dental Association located in Okemos, Michigan.

(L-R) Dr. Connie Verhagen, President of the Michigan Dental Association; Dr. Ed Hirsch, PFA Michigan Section Chair; and Dr. Joseph C. Harris, President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy International. They presented to the Michigan Dental Association a statue of Pierre Fauchard, an 18th century French dentist considered to be the founder of modern dentistry.
On March 10, 2011, the majority of the members of the Utah Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy convened for the Annual Business Meeting, which also serves as the unofficial kickoff of the Utah Dental Association Annual Meeting. Section co-chairs Richard O. Petty and Richard C. Engar were pleased to introduce many distinguished guests, who included past and current Utah Dental Association officers as well as the dean and assistant deans of the new dental school, which would soon open its doors in the Salt Lake City area.

New members inducted included two past Utah Dental Association presidents, J. Jerold Boseman and James Williamson, and an up and coming young dentist, Glenn A. Zeh. Dr. Engar also was pleased to bestow the 2011 PFA Distinguished Dentist award to a well-deserving Dr. Petty, who has served long and effectively as the Utah Section Chair and now Co-Chair.

Following the inductions and presentations, Dr. Engar turned the podium over to Dr. Richard Buchanan, who introduced his associate deans of what is now to be called the Roseman University College of Dental Medicine, nee the University of Southern Nevada School of Dentistry, which was scheduled to begin instruction of its first freshman class in August 2011. The Utah Section of the PFA was privileged to be the first organization to receive a firsthand progress report on this dental school.

In May 2011, Dr. Engar and Dr. Gary W. Lowder were pleased to present a scholarship courtesy of the Utah PFA Section to Sam J. Delahunty, a first-year RDEP student who completed his first year of dental school at the University of Utah and will be heading on to Creighton to complete his dental education.

We are celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Georgia Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy this year. Our Georgia Annual Meeting on February 3-5, 2012, will have a beautiful new venue at Chateau Elan.

Karyn Stockwell and I represented the PFA Georgia Section at the 2011 Annual Meeting in Las Vegas. The Section Chair meeting was very informative, and the Presidential Dinner was wonderful. It was an opportunity to meet many dentists from around the world and continue to build and improve our Academy.

Last year, the national Foundation of the PFA provided a scholarship to a dental student at Georgia Health Science University and gave generous support to our Georgia Mission of Mercy program.

Our Georgia section will be able to provide a scholarship to a student and honor one of our GHSU faculties again this year.

Seventeen new Fellows were inducted into PFA Georgia section membership in 2011.

Submitted by PFA Georgia Section Chair Robin Reich and PFA Region 3 Trustee Karyn Stockwell
NEW FELLOWS 2011—USA

ARKANSAS
Dr. Richard T. Phelan
Dr. Paul L. Winborn Jr.
Dr. Amir H. Mehrabi
Dr. Ruby J. Lee
Dr. Cynthia A. Landry
Dr. James W. Borengasser
Dr. Mark R. Bailey

COLORADO
Dr. Donald J. Butlinne
Dr. Janie L. Boyesen
Dr. Quinn Dufurrena
Dr. Nicole M. Ferrara
Dr. Brian S. Gurinsky
Dr. Steven G. Kenney
Dr. Alisson B. Morrison
Dr. Elia M. Najjar
Dr. Rachel M. Norris
Dr. Eric C. Rossov
Dr. Carrie W. Seabury
Dr. Thomas B. Swain

GEORGIA
Dr. Janine Bethea
Dr. Andrew J. Hamilton Jr.
Dr. Henry T. Bradford
Dr. Max J. Cohen
Dr. Amy S. Loden
Dr. Michael T. Duffy
Dr. Ronald J. Laux
Dr. Paym Goudarzi
Dr. Gary DiSanto-Rose

MARYLAND
Dr. Lawrence Katkow
Dr. Michael Bernstein
Dr. Howard M. Cohen
Dr. Howard Fishier

MASSACHUSETTS
Dr. Abol Massih Taherani
Dr. Victoria P. Talebian
Dr. Nicholas T. Papapetros
Dr. Matthew R. Fantasia
Dr. William Muldoon Jr.
Dr. Geraldine C. Garcia-Rogers
Dr. Paul H. Feuerstein

MICHIGAN
Dr. Kevin J. Hale
Dr. Marc L. Dwozsk
Dr. John R. Hoitenga
Dr. Gregory Maxson

MISSOURI
Dr. Gregory K. Johnson

MONTANA
Dr. Jane Gillette

NEW YORK
Dr. Richard Oshrain
Dr. Nick Vittoria
Dr. Ivan Vazquez
Dr. Scott Fireson
Dr. Patricia Haberman
Dr. Gary DiSanto-Rose
Dr. Minerva Patel
Dr. Paym Goudarzi
Dr. Ronald J. Laux
Dr. Jeffrey Arigo
Dr. Ronald S. Tecler
Dr. Fredrick Lacey

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Dr. Roslyn Crisp
Dr. Karen Lanier
Dr. Alicia Rodriguez
Dr. Angela Ruff
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Dr. Ronald D. Venezie

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Dr. Michael T. Duffy
Dr. Jandra Mayer-Ward
Dr. Carrie D. Sessom

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Dr. David Larson
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Dr. Walter J. Machowski Jr.
Dr. Samuel T. McGill

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Dr. Joel Berger
Dr. Robert J. Berkenmeier
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Dr. James B. Munce

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Dr. Paul L. McGowan Jr.
Dr. Gibbs M. Prevost Jr.

WASHINGTON
Dr. Noel S. Root

WISCONSIN
Dr. David Sherrington
Dr. Brian James
Dr. Mark E. Gryst

CANADA
Dr. Aik Thai Yeng
Dr. Mark E. Gryst
Dr. Brian James
Dr. Peter Cathro
Dr. James Dudley
Dr. Bruce Simmons
Dr. Ramesh Balasubramaniam

NEW FELLOWS 2011—INTERNATIONAL

AUSTRALIA
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Dr. Patrick Taylor

CANADA
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Dr. Andrew L. Nethe
Dr. Paul F. Cameron
Dr. Peter E. Jackson
Dr. Nahed Mazloumian
Dr. Francois Payette
Dr. Claude Monette
Dr. Jean-Louis Paiement
Dr. Frank D. Kalamut
Dr. Gerald Smith
Dr. Allen D. Smith
Dr. Peter E. Jackson
Dr. Julian A. Skoog

BRITISH COLUMBIA
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Dr. Mark J. Kortebein
Dr. Jeffrey Michael Nehring
Dr. Michael R. Shmerita
Dr. Patrick J. Tepe
Dr. Chan D. Tan

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Sculpture of Pierre Fauchard in Paris, France.

Be great in act, as you have been in thought. —William Shakespeare
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