This is my first report to you as President of our Academy. We had an outstanding meeting this past October in Denver with great attendance at all of our events! Your Board of Trustees accomplished quite a lot.

Let’s talk about growth for a moment. Currently, we have over ten thousand fellows present in eighty six countries. In Denver, the Board of Trustees approved a new Trustee District by splitting Africa off from our first Trustee District, which includes Europe and the Middle East. I’m proud to introduce our new Trustee for Africa, Dr. Pankaj Patel, who practices in Nairobi, Kenya. Our Section Chair for North Africa is Dr. Ahmed Adel AbdElHakim, who practices in Alexandria, Egypt. We look forward to developing a strong presence in Africa, with increased membership and programs helping underserved populations. Our new leadership in Africa is well positioned to accomplish this. Their contact information is available from our Executive Director, Loralie Lowder and is on our web page.

We also approved a continued presence and membership in the FDI. This will ensure our continued international representation and an international presence for all of our members. As always, elections were held at our annual meeting. I am pleased to introduce you to your new Vice President, Dr. Cheri Newman, who practices in Warren, Michigan. She was previously the Trustee for Region 4. Dr. Ghabi Kaspo will now take over as the new Trustee for that District, and practices in Troy, Michigan.

Our mid-year meeting will be held in April in Seattle. Committee members from the Board have been assigned and have already begun their work via e-mail meetings. I’m looking forward to a productive year as we are starting strong and have done a lot so far. Dan Castagna, myself and Loralie Lowder, our Executive Director, were in Las Vegas for a day to finally close up Judith Kozal’s office. Judith for the past four years has been responsible for Awards, New Fellow Certificates and ribbons. Loralie will now take this function to our central office; and has already set up to do this with no interruption. Awards and certificates will be sent to Section Chairs in a timely manner. Section Chairs — please give Loralie thirty days’ notice for your awards and certificates so that she can get everything to you in plenty of time for your event. Judith has decided to fully retire and we packed up all of the Academy’s records, supplies and paperwork. We loaded thirty-three boxes into Loralie’s van for transportation back to the central office in Logan, Utah. We all wish Judith a happy and healthy retirement. She served our Academy for over forty years and she will be missed by all!

On that same trip, Dan Castagna and I re-established contact with the Pierre Fauchard Museum at the College of Southern Nevada. Carole Brew is the person in charge of the Museum, and is also the Director of the Dental Assisting program there. The museum is quite complete and is definitely worth a visit. We also, along with Carole, visited two exhibits of the museum at the University of Nevada Las Vegas Dental School. These exhibits are examples of early 1900s and mid-20th century dental operatories. We are in the process of finalizing our agreement with the College of Southern Nevada to ensure the continued operation of the Museum, which is visited by groups of elementary school students, entering dental hygiene and dental assisting students, and other interested parties.

On a personal note, I participated in the Seattle King County Clinic at the end of October. I was very proud to see there were over thirty Washington PFA members who helped out and participated in the clinic. It is always gratifying to see our Fellows helping out, either through an organized program such as a clinic, reduced fees in their own offices, mission trips to other countries, volunteering through their local dental societies, or participating in our own program, Serve our Vets. As you all volunteer your services, look around at some of your younger colleagues. Are they members of the PFA? If not, why not propose them for membership? Volunteerism and Leadership go hand in hand. Let’s recognize these dentists with Fellowship in our Academy!

Well, that’s about it from Seattle. We actually have a partly sunny day today (rare this fall!) and I am going to mow the lawn! I wish you and all your families, staff and patients a happy holiday season and a healthy and happy New Year!

Sincerely,

—Dr. Barry Feder
President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy
I had the pleasure of being a guest at the Japan Section of the Academy on October 1st and 2nd in Hiroshima. Because of the historic region I was visiting, I took my wife, Bec, and younger children, Sophie (14) and Henry (10). Region Trustee, Dr. Armyl Bañez and his wife, Dr. Myrna Bañez, were also present. We were welcomed by the Section leaders in Japan, including Chairman Yamagami and incoming Chair Yamamoto. A number of former Chairmen and their wives were present at a traditional Japanese dinner to introduce us to local customs, and we were very fortunate to try local cuisine and drinks. Our hosts were generous and the cry of “kampai” was resounding as we got to know each other.

The annual meeting of the Japan Section was well supported. Dr. Bañez and I attended the meeting, including inducting four new Fellows into the Academy and awarding two scholarships to penultimate year dental students. A formal dinner of celebration followed with appropriate toasts. This was memorable and collegiality was the theme of the evening. The following day, we toured Peace Park, the site of the Hiroshima atomic bomb blast in 1945. It was an eerie location which was beautifully represented. Bec, the children and I were awed by the museum and ground zero. It was, to us, a site of massive significance and challenge. We then went to Kure, the site of major Japanese shipbuilding and especially during World War II. We enjoyed a typical submariner’s lunch and our hosts showed us around the ship museum. Our experience in Hiroshima was thoroughly interesting and we are grateful for the perfect hospitality shown by our hosts and Fellows of the Japan and Korean Sections of the Academy.

In late October, Bec and I flew to Denver, Colorado, for the annual meeting of the Academy. It is a busy time with the executive meeting on day one to ensure the Board meeting progresses well and that all data needed is available. The full Board meets on the second day and this was a productive meeting for the Academy. The focus at present is on Bylaws (which have been re-written) and finances. As reported recently, the Academy is now in a healthy state financially and this allows more support for projects helping the needy around the world. Reports from these projects will become more of a feature of this newsletter. A major change was to create a new Region. Africa has been “split” from Region 1 and processes are in place to get this Region functioning. Finances have been set aside to allow this to proceed and the executive has appointed Dr. Pankaj Patel from Egypt as the new Trustee for Region 11.

The Section caucus on day three was the best attended I can recall. Our executive officer, Loralie Lowder, managed a terrific session of information, sharing information and fielding questions and suggestions from the Trustees and Section Chairs who were present. It was extremely productive and the information gathered will be used to help grow the Academy and its functions and systems.

The Annual Luncheon was also well attended and saw the awarding of the Elmer Best Award for an outstanding international (non-USA) dentist to Professor Mark Bartold of Australia. Dr. Carol Summerhayes was awarded the Pierre Fauchard gold medal as the outstanding USA dentist. Dr. Kevin Roach of Canada was awarded a Distinguished Service Award for outstanding service to the Academy. There were also model section awards and induction of a number of dentists into the Academy. The function progressed well and was a credit to the meeting hosts, Loralie Lowder and Terry Brewick. We were hosted at a brunch by Region 10 Trustee Terry Brewick and his partner, Rick. I must say their house and garden were superb and a wonderful venue. Bloody Marys accompanied brunch and left us.
Well that went fast. My year as president is over and your new President is Dr. Barry Feder. My dad used to say that the older we are the faster time goes by. He was right. It seemed that when I was in grade school, summer vacation went on for ages. Now of course it seems to fly by as quickly as an evening out with friends.

I hope something was accomplished during my tenure. I don’t think much of what I did will show up as any great earth shattering changes for the Academy. Most of you won’t really notice any changes. Our logo is the same and our publications are pretty much the same as well. I did focus on the systems we use in the day to day running of the Academy. To paraphrase a President of the US from the last century, “The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good people to do what they want done, and self-restraint enough to keep from meddling with them while they do it.” I’ve tried to run my office that way over the past many years and have been blessed with a great staff. I think you will find that PFA has great people running it. Our Executive Director, Loralie Lowder, has grown into the position in significant ways. I don’t know how many times she contacted me early in my term with questions about some item. Often, my response was, “I don’t know, you’re the Executive Director. Decide.” The emails changed to letting me know what she had done. Any Executive Director of an organization like ours is in a tough spot. The leadership is constantly changing and with it, leadership style. I hope, and indeed know, that our Executive Director is doing a great job on all our behalf. Fellows sometimes forget that there are time zones involved with correspondence. There are also cultural differences in terms of what is an appropriate time for response. If the Central Office doesn’t get back to you within ten or twelve hours, it doesn’t mean they don’t value your membership. They might still be home. They might have already left. The office might be closed.

I would like to welcome our new Trustee District, the eleventh, Africa. There has been discussion for some time on adding the continent to our organization and with planning, budget items and leadership established, the Board of Trustees approved the formation of the district. I’m sure we all wish Dr. Patel well as he develops the region. Sounds like another area where finding a good person will result in letting them amaze us with their ideas and success.

I tried over the last year to not write a travelogue of my meetings with your Fellows. We have an amazing group of people that are Fellows. They truly inspire awe. If I didn’t attend your event and was invited, I again apologize. I tried to organize officer travel according to need and distance to travel. If you had an officer visit recently, I tried to spread the attendance around to those that hadn’t had a visit recently. Your turn will come up again soon I’m soon.

So I’m off. I think two more articles to go. I’m still happy to hear from you!

Sincerely,

—MIKE SCHAFAUSER
Immediate Past President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy
he annual meeting in Denver was very successful. I am pleased to take on the new position as Vice President, honored and look forward to serving the Academy as a member of the Executive Committee. The duties of the Vice President include chairing the Awards Committee. Three awards are presented at the Awards Luncheon each year: The Gold Medal Award, The Elmer Best Award and the Trade and Industry Award. Our committee has already begun working on future recipients.

The Section Chair Caucus was held on Saturday, October 22nd. This year the attendance hit a record high. The Executive Director, Loralie Lowder, works hard to make this meeting informative and beneficial for attendees. All who attended were able to share ideas and learn about events and projects going on in different regions of the Academy. The morning also included training on using the website and bulk emailing. I hope you will make it a point to attend the Section Chair Caucus next year in Atlanta.

This year the Pierre Fauchard Academy, in conjunction with the Oral Health Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, will work to present a Section Chair Project. The goals and objectives are as follows: to build relationships to strengthen the region and provide future growth; to increase knowledge of the website for better communication; to create continuing education programs; to discuss and develop methods of recruitment of new fellows for section growth; and, to educate section chairs on grant proposals for the Foundation. The meeting will be hosted by the Michigan Section and will be held at the end of March. Another area that the Board continues to work on is the strategic plan that was implemented in November, 2014. It is a 5-year plan and includes the following: 1. Formally re-define the relationship between PFA and its components; 2. Formally redefine the relationship between the Academy and the PFA Foundation; 3. Create selection criteria for fellows and induction approaches that allow local flexibility; 4. Enrich the mechanisms of communication within the Academy to allow for better leader to leader and peer to peer connection; 5. Strengthen relationships within the dental community; 6. Make the Academy’s brand and fellowship highly desirable to students and the dental community; and, 7. Create a means for early identification of potential Fellows and leaders. This continued plan will help strengthen and build the Academy for the future.

Lastly, Judith Kozal will be retiring at the end of the year. Many thanks to her for years of service to the Academy. We wish her well.

Sincerely,

—Cheri S. Newman
Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy

From the Desk of the Executive Director

“Our mission as Fellows in the Pierre Fauchard Academy is to recognize and grow leaders in the dental profession, their communities and society.” In 2014 the Board of Trustees participated in a strategic planning session, and it was during this session that the mission statement above was developed. The PFA has seen many changes throughout the years and has consistently grown and progressed. Professional standards laid the groundwork for the beginning of the Academy. This attracted outstanding dental researchers and teachers to its ranks, and led to a continuing role in fostering dental science. Imagine if the PFA did not exist because Dr. Best did not dare to begin.

It is our responsibility to dare to begin and dare to do good things in this world. Recognizing and growing leaders in the dental profession and their communities and society is a great way to start, following the example of great men and women before us. The Academy is named after Pierre Fauchard of France (1678-1761), who is recognized as the “Father of Modern Dentistry” for raising dentistry to a profession. He wrote a book named “Le Chirurgien Dentiste au Traite des Dents,” which was the first true textbook of dentistry. Another great example of a pioneer that made the choice to dare to begin his career in the dental profession.
This year the Board of Trustees took the step forward to approve the creation of Region 11, Africa, which was unanimously approved in October 2016. We are confident in our new Region 11 Trustee, Dr. Pankaj Patel, and in his ability to build Africa into a very successful Region. Dr. Ahmed Abdel Hakim will assist in this growth as the first Section Chair for Africa. I was honored to meet both of these dentists in Denver at the PFA 80th Annual Meeting, and delighted to also able to meet Dr. Patel’s wife, Dr. Nira Patel, who is also a fellow of PFA.

As new things begin, inevitably other things will change. Another big change for PFA is the retirement of Mrs. Judith Kozal. Judith has been involved with the PFA for nearly 40 years and is now embarking on her new adventure called retirement. Thank you, Judith, for your dedication to and love for the PFA.

The PFA 80th annual meeting was fantastic. I was so happy to see so many Section Chairs attend the Section Chair caucus. I think it was one of our largest turn outs, including many Section Chairs that traveled from outside the US. We had a great Q & A session that gave the Section Chairs the opportunity to ask questions and get input and ideas from other Section Chairs. As I mentioned, Judith has fully retired. This will mean that from now on all certificates and plaques, awards, etc. will be coming directly from the central office. All Section Chairs will need to send new fellow applications and award requests to the Central Office no later than 30 days prior to the induction.

I look forward to an exciting and productive year in 2017. In 2016, we inducted more than 270 new Fellows and I hope to see as many or more in the coming year. We have a strong Board of Trustees that is working very diligently to continue the growth and success of the PFA. Our Section Chairs are involved and thriving in their sections, the communication between the Section Chairs and the central office has been very beneficial. I want to wish you all happy holidays and a wonderful New Year. Holidays are a wonderful time to be with friends, family and loved ones. A time to reflect on the year and to be reminded of all we have to be grateful for.

Warm wishes,

—LORALIE LOWDER
Executive Director of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy

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The 2016 Annual Meeting of the Pierre Fauchard Academy was held in Denver, CO, USA in October, in conjunction with the American Dental Association Meeting. Our Annual Meeting was very well attended by Fellows from many Sections around the world. This year’s meeting included the President’s reception on the Friday evening that included drinks, hors d’oeuvres, a wonderful jazz pianist and a magnificent view of the Rocky Mountains from the highest floor in the Hyatt Regency hotel. The Annual Awards Luncheon was held the next day on Saturday, October November 7th.

During the Annual Awards Luncheon, Dr. Barry Feder of Washington State was elected as President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, Dr. Rick Sawers of Australia was elected as President-elect, and Dr. Cheri S. Newman was elected as Vice President – at the same time retiring from her position as the PFA Trustee for Region 4. The incoming trustee for Region 4 is Dr. Ghabi Kaspo, and the new Trustee for the new Region 11 (Africa) is Dr. Pankaj Patel of Kenya. In addition, Dr. Ahmed Abdel Hakim of Egypt is the first Section Chair for Africa.

Model Section Awards were received by Ontario and the Western Provinces in Canada, Costa Rica, Kenya, The Philippines, Poland, and in the USA in Colorado, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Virginia. During the Annual Meeting, new Fellows from Colorado and Kansas were inducted. The new Fellows from Colorado are Drs. Preet Clair, Debra Gander, Tiffany Manzo-Jenkins, Jeffrey Kahl, Carolyn Kittel, Mark Leedy, Kenneth LeVos, Jesus Machado, Ian McLean, Eric Medilavilla, Sarah Parsons, Darcy Rehn, James Urbaniak and Sean Whalen. The new Fellows from Kansas are Drs. Robert H. Dakin Jr., Lawrence H. Davis, John T. Fales Jr., Craig W. Herre, Mark A. Herzog, Lucynda J. Raben, Brett A. Roufs, Cynthia E. Sehrwood, Jason E. Wagle and Antoine E. Wakis. Congratulations to all of our new Fellows!

The Pierre Fauchard Academy presents the Fauchard Gold Medal, Elmer S. Best Memorial Award, Presidential Award of Excellence and the Dental Trade and Industry Award of Recognition annually during the Annual Awards Luncheon.

The Fauchard Gold Medal is one of the most prestigious awards in dentistry, and is presented annually to a dentist residing in the United States who has demonstrated outstanding contributions to the progress and standing of the dental profession and has truly exhibited service and merit about recognized standards. The 80th Pierre Fauchard Academy Gold Medal was presented to Dr. Carol G. Summerhays, a San Diego-based general dentist who was installed as President of the American Dental Association.

Dr. Summerhays graduated from the University of San Francisco with a B.S. in Biology and earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the Ostrow School of Dentistry at the University of Southern California in 1978. She attended dental school on a full scholarship through the Armed Forces Health Professions program. Dr. Summerhays served four years on active duty in the Navy Dental Corps and 11 years on inactive duty, rising to the rank of Lieutenant. She started full time private practice in 1982. Some of her past positions include past president of the California Dental Association, and Board member of The Dentists Insurance Company as well as the California Dental Association Foundation.

She has held positions with the Academy of General Dentistry and was also a Board member for 10 years at the Pankey Institute. Dr. Summerhays served as the Thirteenth District trustee of the American Dental Association. ADA committee appointments have included Compensation, Governance, Pension, and the FDI delegation. ADA trustee liaison appointments included the New Dentist Committee, the Council on Government Affairs, and the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs. Dr. Summerhays served as an at-large member of the Strategic Planning Committee for four years with an additional two years as trustee, and as
and her husband of 32 years, Soames, have two sons, Giles and Bryce.

The Elmer S. Best Memorial Award, named in memory of the founder of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, is awarded to a member of the dental profession from outside the United States who has made distinguished contributions of international significance to dentistry. The recipient of the 2016 Elmer S. Best Award is Professor Peter Mark Bartold of Australia.

Professor Mark Bartold received his Bachelor of Dental Surgery from the University of Adelaide in 1979. He received his Bachelor of Science in Dentistry with First Class Honours in 1980 and in 1983 graduated Doctor of Philosophy. He qualified for Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in the Special Stream of Periodontics in 1991. In 1996, Professor Bartold also qualified for the degree of Doctor of Dental Science on the basis of a collection of his published research papers.

After completing his PhD in 1983 he spent two years as a postdoctoral scientist at the University of Washington, Seattle and then returned to Adelaide, Australia in 1985 to complete his specialty training in Periodontology. In 1992 he moved to Queensland to take up the Chair in Periodontology at the University of Queensland and remained in that position until 2002 when he returned to Adelaide to take up an appointment as Professor of Periodontics and Director of the Colgate Australian Clinical Dental Research Centre at the University of Adelaide.

Professor Bartold is the Immediate Past-President of the International Academy of Periodontology and a past president of many professional organizations including the ANZ Division of the IADR, the Asian Pacific Society of Periodontology, the IADR Periodontal Research Group and the Division of Periodontics of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons. He is currently Chairman of the Board of the Australian Periodontology Research Foundation, a Board member of the International Academy of Periodontology, and Honorary Editor and Board Member of the Asian Pacific Society of Periodontology. In 2004 he was awarded membership of the Order of Australia for his contributions to periodontal research and education.

Professor Bartold’s research interests are focused on the use of periodontal stem cells and fabrication of bioactive scaffolds for periodontal regeneration, the relationship between rheumatoid arthritis and periodontal inflammation. Professor Bartold has authored over 250 scientific articles, and holds four patents arising from his research work. He has received numerous awards for his education and research contributions including membership of the Order of Australia, Honorary Life Membership of the American Academy of Periodontology (2014),
the Straumann/IADR Award for Periodontal Regenerative Medicine (2014) and the IADR Distinguished Scientist Award for Research in Periodontal Disease (2015).

Professor Bartold is a member of the editorial board of 8 international dental journals, an Associate Editor of the Journal of Periodontal Research and Editor of the Australian Dental Journal. He is a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, the Academy of Dentistry International and the International College of Dentists. He also has a life outside of dentistry where he has been married to his wife Mary for 37 years, and has three adult children. His interests include travelling and gardening and he still enjoys water-skiing at age 60!

The Dental Trade and Industry Award of Recognition was established in 1994 and may be presented annually to honor an outstanding leader in the field for distinguished contributions to dentistry from a dental industry perspective. The 2016 Dental Trade and Industry Award recipient is the Quintessence International Publishing Group, which provides the latest scientific and clinical information in formats designed to meet the varying needs of the dental community: books, journals, DVDs, CD-ROMs, and symposia. Dental practitioners, researchers and student all have come to rely on Quintessence for timely articles, for clearly written and superbly illustrated books, and for symposia by world-renowned experts. As dentist everywhere have come to expect, the Quintessence name represents a commitment to quality that is unsurpassed in the dental publishing world.

Founded in 1949 in Berlin, Germany, the company initially published only German-language journals and books in dentistry. The first English-language journal, Quintessence International, was
launched in 1969 shortly before the opening of the US office in Chicago in 1973. Dr. h.c. Walter Haase led the company in the early years of its development and his son, Dr. med dent h.c. Horst-Wolfgang Haase is still active in the business, working with his son, Christian Haase.

Today, the company has publishing houses in 14 countries and licensing partners in another 7 countries. Publication partners oversee the translation of Quintessence books and journals into more than 15 languages. Additionally, Quintessence regularly sponsors continuing education seminars in various parts of the world, ranging from small-scale workshops to large international congresses that attract more than 50,000 participants. Meeting the needs of both the beginning dental student and the experienced practitioner, the company has published 61 professional journals; more than 1,500 book titles; and over 300 videos, DVDs, CD-ROMs, and multimedia programs worldwide by more than 3,000 authors.

The Dental Trade and Industry award was presented in Poznan, Poland to Quintessence Publishing. Dr. Frank Braun, the Trustee for Europe and Dr. Barry Feder, president elect (at the time), presented the award to Christian Wolfgang Haase, son of Dr. Horst-Wolfgang Haase.

It is with great pride and honor that the PFA Region 9 - Asia Philippine Section hosted another International Convocation this year during the 38th APDC at the beautiful city of Hong Kong, one of the famous vacation destinations here in Asia. The convocation was held on June 18, 2016 at the Renaissance Hong Kong Harbour View Hotel. Following the successful Bangkok Thailand Convocation which inducted 16 new fellows from the Philippines, Region 9 Trustee Dr. Armyl C. Bañez brought a total of 29 inductees to Hong Kong. Among them were 23 new Fellows from The Philippines, Dr. Zeehan Qamar from Pakistan, Dr. George W. S. Cheng from Taiwan, and Drs. Tai Chuen Foo, Kenny Lau, Sigmund Leung and Michael Mui from Hong Kong.

**Report on the 2016 International Convocation in Region 9 – Asia**

**L to R:** Dr. Armyl C. Bañez (Trustee Region 9), Dr. Mike Schafhauser (President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy), Dr. Myrna G. Bañez (PFA Fellow), Dr. Mari Claire dela Rosa (new Fellow), Dr. Oligario G. Clemente, Jr. (Section Chair for The Philippines) and Dr. Rick Sawers (Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy).
The occasion was graced by Dr. Mike Schafhauser (President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy) together with his wife Susan, Dr. Richard Sawers of Australia (Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy) together with his wife Rebecca, Fellow Jeffrey Tsang who was Chair of the Organizing Committee for the 38th APDC in Hong Kong, Dr. Olegario G. Clemente, Jr. (Section Chair for The Philippines) and former Philippine Section Chair Dr. Hermogenes Villareal. True to PFA’s goal of selecting and inducting outstanding dentists with the highest ethical, moral and professional standards, President Schafhauser commended the efforts of Region 9 - Asia Trustee Bañez in bringing in new Fellows.

In his speech, Dr. Schafhauser reiterated the importance of each and every support the new and old Fellows would give in order to achieve the Academy’s mission, contribute to its success and fulfill its activities to sustain the continued growth of the Academy. His short but emphatic message was met with a loud applause from about fifty attendees and the atmosphere of camaraderie and fellowship continued throughout dinner and later in the evening. Even after the event, there was an overwhelming welcome of the Filipino-PFA Fellows to Drs. Schafhauser and Sawers who were like celebrities of old with new Fellows lining up to have their pictures taken. Photos would show the discipline, eagerness as well as the enthusiasm of everyone as they waited in line.

To R (standing): Dr. Jonathan Vitterbo (Fellow), Dr. Joyce Ambray (Fellow), Dr. Armyl C. Bañez (Trustee Region 9) and Dr. Oligario G. Clemente, Jr. (Section Chair for The Philippines). L to R (seated): Dr. Rick Sawers (Vice President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy), Mrs. Rebecca Sawers, Mrs. Susan Schafhauser and Dr. Mike Schafhauser (President of the Pierre Fauchard Academy).

Our very own Dr. Kevin L. Roach, past president of the Academy in 2003, was presented with the Distinguished Service Citation Certificate. This certificate may be presented to a Fellow of the Academy in appreciation for loyal and dedicated service. The recipient, nominated by the awards committee, must have the unanimous approval of the board of trustees. Dr. Roach also sits on the Board of our Foundation as the Immediate Past President. Among the 14 Model Section Awards presented at the Annual Meeting, Canada took home two of them. Those awards went to the Western Provinces, Section Chair Dr. Mitch Taillon and to Ontario, Section Chair Dr. Aldo Boccia. I accepted the award on behalf of Mitch and Dr. Drew Smith accepted the award on behalf of Aldo.

Sincerely,

—Jerry L. Dushkin
Trustee Region
The Philippine Section headed by its Chairman Olegario G. Clemente, Jr. had a successful ceremony for the handing over from former Section Chair Armyl C. Bañez who is now the Trustee for Region 9 - Asia, and the induction of the new set of elected officers for 2016-2019. This event was held at Avenue Montagne, Midas Hotel & Casino in Manila on July 24, 2016. Although it was a rainy Sunday and typically a family day, 80 Fellows attended the occasion and showed their support for the new Chairman and marked their dedication and respect to the Academy. Among them were the 9 newly inducted Fellows.

In his speech, the new chairman outlined several projects and mentorships as well as scholarships grant, if time and finances will allow. He also hopes to revive and ignite the fire of fellowship among members by updating the directory and opening up the communications among members through all means, including social media, mobile, email and even snail mail.

A well-deserved leadership award was also presented to the outgoing chair, Trustee Armyl C. Bañez, which was met with a resounding applause and appreciation. The day did not end without a lot of photo opportunities and rekindling ties and memories with friends.
Dr. Don Henson was inducted into the Pierre Fauchard Academy during the Tennessee Second District Dental Society meeting in April. Congratulations to Dr. Nadim Jubran, who received the Special Appreciation Award for his service to Dentistry through his leadership on the Tennessee Board of Dentistry, the Southern Regional Testing Agency, and his chairing the Earl Henry Memorial Lecture for several years, in addition to providing excellent dental care to his private practice patients. As a side note, Dr. Earl Henry was the only Tennessee dentist to die as a result of combat during WW II. He went down with the US Indianapolis in the south Pacific, which was a great loss to all.

Sincerely,

—Reuben Pelot
Section Chair for Tennessee
It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Dr. Aldo Boccia, Section Chair for Ontario, Canada. Dr. Boccia dies on October 30, 2016 at the age of 69, after a courageous battle with cancer. Aldo was a proud Italian by birth (Scifelli, Frosinone) and a most proud Canadian (Toronto, Ontario). He loved serving his community and profession, but most of all he loved his wife Peggy and his family and friends. Among his many leadership positions, Aldo served as Ontario Section Chair for many years and PFA Canada had planned to honor him for his years of service with the PFA Award of Merit Certificate at our Canadian Annual Awards and Induction Ceremony to be held in Toronto, May 5, 2017.

Aldo lived a life of philanthropy and service to his dental profession and to his community, in recognition of which he received many awards, among them the “Distinguished Service Award” (CDA), the Governor-General’s “Caring Canadian Award,” and a Paul Harris Fellowship (Level 3). Aldo was a gentle giant in our profession and he will be deeply missed.
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