

FROM THE DESK OF THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

It is said that “time flies when you are having fun.” This seems to hold true for us at the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Now that we are nearing the last quarter of the year, we remain committed to achieving more, to aligning our efforts in advancing the dental profession by expanding our reach, and to sharing best practices to strengthen our networks and improve the oral health of the communities we serve.

As the current International President of the Academy, allow me to share with you some of our mid-year highlights. We have aggressively promoted our membership campaign to invite more dental professionals from across our member countries to join us. Trustees have visited areas within their respective regions and attended local events to push for the fulfillment of our targets by encouraging Fellowship and to emphasize our understanding of our professional responsibility to the public. We continue to engage with our members from Europe; the Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, Western, and Central U.S.A regions; Canada; Latin America; Asia; Australasia; and Africa.

We are also continuously recognizing members for their outstanding contributions to the Academy and the profession as a whole. This is through our various awards such as the Hall of Fame; Fellowship Awards; and annual awards that bestow the Fauchard Gold Medal Award, Elmer S. Best Award, Dental Trade Award, and our Award of Excellence. On top of these initiatives, we are making sure that overall and within our Regions we continuously encourage a culture of continued education internally to elevate the character, knowledge, and professional ability of our Fellows. We have our dental literature to keep us updated with recent developments in our practice, as well as activities performed by our Fellows. For the rest of the year, we are also scheduling more meetings to review our plans for the short and long term.

We assure you, there’s more in store for the Academy, more programs to fulfill and more milestones to hit. Our mission remains the same: To recognize and develop outstanding leadership in our profession, internationally. As we are nearing our 90th year, let



Dr. Armyl C. Bañez

us reinforce our targets—to dream more and grow more. There’s no stopping us from moving forward and bringing with us the passionate cause of our founder, Dr. Elmer S. Best, which is to constantly search for knowledge and to raise professional standards.

We continue to pledge our commitment and support for the Pierre Fauchard Academy and its sustainable future—one that would not only benefit us but also, and more importantly, the people who rely on our capabilities to provide them with healthier smiles and lives.

Sincerely,

—DR. ARMYL C. BAÑEZ,
*International President of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy*

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From the Desk of the INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT-ELECT



Dr. Hal E. Hale

Dear Fellows,
As we approach the end of Summer, my thoughts turn to October. At the next Pierre Fauchard Academy Annual Meeting in Houston, I will assume the International Presidency of our beloved Academy. I am humbled by the accomplishments of my immediate predecessors, International Past Presidents Dr. Cheri Newman, Dr. Terry Brewick, and Dr. Armyl Bañez. They have set a very high standard for me to attain, and I will do my best to do so.

As with all organizations, membership must be a top priority. Therefore, my Goal #1 will be to grow the Academy by increasing our membership. There are several components related to the topic of "membership". The first component is obviously recruiting new Fellows. I challenge every Section Chair to establish a goal of seeing that at least 5% of the total number of dentists within the geography of their Section are PFA Fellows. The PFA is an elite dental honor society. We will never choose quantity over quality when it comes to our Fellows. Not every dentist is qualified to be considered for Fellowship. However, seeking the top 5% of dentists for a Section will not result in a lowering of the Academy's high standards regarding Fellowship requirements.

Moreover, while we pride ourselves on being elite that does not mean that we are an exclusive organization. In fact, we also pride ourselves on being inclusive and seeking diversity. In that light, one example is that our Board of Trustees recently dropped the Constitutional requirement of American Dental Association membership to be a PFA Fellow in the United States. This was in no way a reflection of the Association, for which no-one is a bigger proponent and advocate than I am. Our action was taken in recognition of the fact that there are many dentists in the United States who would make excel-

lent PFA Fellows who, for one reason or another, are not members of the American Dental Association. So, if you are in the US, please reach out to these worthy potential Fellows, and invite them to join the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

As a global honor society, we are of course becoming more diverse and more inclusive as we increase our membership throughout the world. Long may this continue. We have also seen diversity in our leadership and presidencies. Our current International President is from the Philippines and our most recent International Presidents have come from Canada, the United States, and Australia.

I also challenge every Fellow to sponsor and propose at least one new Fellow this year. We have an outstanding Academy. We just need to identify potential Fellows and let them know what the PFA stands for and what we do. Our focus on leadership and training future leaders is particularly relevant now. If any Fellow needs assistance talking with potential Fellows, please consult our website, or reach out to your Section Chair or your Trustee.

The second and third components of membership are the retention of current Fellows and ensuring everyone stays up to date with payment of their dues. Both components are intricately bound to perceived member benefits.

Lastly, I believe that the future of the Pierre Fauchard Academy is not only bright but luminous!!! We have made great strides forward in the last several years. However, there is still much work to be done. It is my firm conviction that if we work together, there is nothing that we cannot accomplish! We must be dedicated to jointly working towards the fulfillment of the great potential of the Pierre Fauchard Academy!

Sincerely and Fraternaly Submitted,

—DR. HAL E. HALE,
*International President-elect of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy*

From the Desk of the
**INTERNATIONAL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



Robert Cattoi

lowship and who will be interested and able to attend for induction at this prestigious gathering in Houston. To nominate Fellows, please complete their nomination form at: <https://fauchard.wufoo.com/forms/sponsors-nomination-form/>.

Finally, let me thank the many PFA Fellows who have contacted me to provide updates on all aspects of their endeavors. For our many retired Fellows, a sincere thank you for your past leadership, and for your service to the profession. Additionally, thank you to the many PFA Fellows who have taken advantage of the free, online leadership continuing education opportunities available on our website. If you have not already done so, you can view the modules currently available at: <https://www.fauchard.org/courses>.

As the leadership arm of dentistry, our goal is to not only identify and honor our current leaders, it is additionally to facilitate the development of our future leaders. With your help, we will identify new, potential leaders who will lead dentistry for many years to come.

Sincerely,

—ROBERT CATTOI,
*International Executive Director of the
Pierre Fauchard Academy*

Greetings from the International Headquarters.

It is hard for me to believe that I have now been with the Pierre Fauchard Academy for one year! A great deal has happened in the last year, and there are many more programs planned for the near future. Firstly, I want to congratulate the many PFA Sections that have re-opened as we begin to emerge from the grip and isolation of the pandemic and have been able to safely start meeting again. I realize that not all parts of the world are in a position to begin in-person meetings yet, and hope that this will soon be possible. In those areas where meetings are again taking place, our PFA Section Chairs have inducted nearly 200 new Fellows. Congratulations to them all!

By now, you should have received information about the PFA Annual Meeting & Gala. This year, the meeting will take place on Saturday October 15th at the Hilton Americas Hotel in Houston, Texas (USA). The event will begin at 5:00 pm and include the presentation of our PFA International Awards; an induction ceremony of new Fellows; a celebration of our outgoing International President, Dr. Armyl Bañez; and the installation of Dr. Hal Hale as our incoming International President. I hope that you will be able to attend this wonderful annual event. Please register to attend by visiting the following webpage: <https://fauchard.wufoo.com/forms/pfa-gala-registration-2022/>. The Annual Meeting and Gala will be an opportunity to induct new Fellows. Please nominate deserving candidates for Fel-

1ST PIERRE FAUCHARD ACADEMY ANNUAL GALA

Please join the Officers and Trustees of the Pierre Fauchard Academy at our first PFA Annual Gala!

The Gala brings together PFA Fellows and friends from around the world to celebrate the recipients of prestigious PFA Awards (the Hall of Fame, the Fauchard Gold Medal, the Elmer S. Best

Award, and the Dental Trade Award), and to meet new PFA Fellows who will be inducted into the Academy.

The Gala is also a time to celebrate our current International President, Dr. Armyl Bañez, and to introduce our new International President, Dr. Hal Hale.

This year's event will take place on October 15th at the Hilton Americas Hotel in Houston, TX (USA), from 5:00 - 10:00pm.

Registration for the Gala is now open and will remain open until October 1. Dress for the event is Black Tie. Please follow this link to register your attendance at this wonderful event.

Schedule of Events

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| 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Cocktails |
| 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Induction of new PFA Fellows |
| 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm | Dinner |
| 8:30 pm - 9:15 pm | Awards |
| 9:15 pm - 10:00 pm | Presidential Transition |

SAVE THE DATE

1st Annual Pierre Fauchard Academy Gala

To make hotel reservations and further information on the 84th Annual PFA Meeting arrangements, please visit www.fauchard.org



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022

Installation of New Fellows

President's Reception Honoring 2021-2022 International President
Dr. Armyl Bañez and his wife, Dr. Myrna Bañez, Manila, the Philippines

Presentation of Awards

Installation of Officers and Trustees; Incoming International President
Dr. Hal E. Hale, Wichita, Kansas, USA

2022 Student Scholarship Awards



Since 1995, the Oral Health Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy has promoted the advancement of future dental practitioner leaders through its student scholarship program.

The Foundation offers yearly financial support to a third-year student attending dental schools in the United States, Canada, Australia and selected dental schools worldwide. We are proud that we have provided over \$2,600,000 in scholarships to worthy oral healthcare leaders. We are thankful for the donations provided by PFA Fellows honoring these students.

US Dental Schools

Crystal Smith, *University of Alabama*
Anna K. Olson, *Midwestern University*
Rachel Hodo, *A.T. Still University*
Dilpreet Singh, *Loma Linda University*
Kim-Sa Kelly, *University of California, Los Angeles*
Samuel Sheridan, *University of Southern California*
David A. Taves, *Western University*
Jessica Kiyun Kim, *University of the Pacific*
Shrey Shah, *University of California, San Francisco*
Madison Hobbs, *University of Colorado*
Talia Staigerm, *University of Connecticut*
Gawain Kiffin, *Howard University*
Kendra Hammock, *LECOM*
Mohamed Badwan, *Nova Southeastern University*
Shina Patel, *University of Florida*
Christian E. Walker, *Augusta University*
Robert Lane Shafer, *Southern Illinois University*
Amber Hanson-Dansby, *University of Illinois*
Kasey Schock, *Midwestern University*
Nicole Downing, *Indiana University*
Bethany Doolittle, *University of Iowa*
Dorothy del Rio Conde, *University of Kentucky*
Kirsten Peterson, *University of Louisville*
Aaron M. Connell, *Louisiana State University*
Joshua Golden, *University of New England*
Kelly O'Keefe, *University of Maryland*
Jeffrey Pullano, *Tufts University*
Mohamad Srour, *Boston University*
Paulina Miller, *Harvard University*
Samantha Sciancalepore, *University of Michigan*
Hayden W. Sutton, *University of Detroit Mercy*
Rachel Nelson, *University of Minnesota*

Andrew Burnham, *University of Mississippi*
Kiley Green, *University of Missouri-Kansas*
Shelby Brown, *University of Nebraska*
James Spagna, *Creighton University*
Diana Luc, *University of Nevada*
Jonathan Vacca, *Rutgers*
Ryan Prevost, *University of Buffalo*
Moksha Seth, *Touro College*
Anamaria Carrasco, *Columbia University*
Rui Zhang, *Stony Brook University*
Danielle Nicholson, *University of North Carolina*
Corey Winkler, *East Carolina University*
Sabrina Salgueiro, *Case Western Reserve University*
Kendall Latschaw, *The Ohio State University*
Carley J. Abbott, *University of Oklahoma*
Michael Bassil, *Temple University*
Brian Schafer, *University of Pittsburgh*
Rendy Fernandez, *University of Pennsylvania*
Dennis Oquendo-Andujar, *University of Puerto Rico*
Katherine Flynn, *Medical University of South Carolina*
Christopher Coke, *Meharry Medical College*
Ruth Egbuson, *Texas A&M University*
Clara Kohlmetz, *University of Texas*
Amanda Wilson, *University of Texas, Houston*
Emily Austin, *University of Utah*
Ella Stephanie Cruz, *Roseman University*
Christina Gordon, *Virginia Commonwealth University*
Kerry O'Bannon, *University of Washington*
Callaway Anderson, *West Virginia University*
Sophia Altenburg, *Marquette University*

International

Canada

Serine Boughari, *Universite de Montreal*
Rob Kolbe, *University of Saskatoon*
George Khalil, *Universite Laval*
Sumit Kochhar, *University of Alberta*
Natalie Pesun, *University of Manitoba*
Ashley Fletcher, *Dalhousie*
Kevin Xiang Zhou, *Western University*
Julia Burgess, *The University of British Columbia*
Nicole Ng, *University of Toronto*
Yifei Wang, *McGill University*

Japan

Mitsuki Kageura, *Goshima University*
Ruka Koizumi, *Niigata University*

Mexico

Irma Hernandez Sierra, *Universidad Quetzalcoatl en Irapuato, S.C.*

Philippines

Patricia Dela Cruz, *Metropolitan Medical Center*
Vince Krizzar Binay, *Metropolitan Medical Center*

Poland

Izabela Wiśniewska, *Uniwersytet Medyczny w Łodzi*
Artem Iusupov, *Uniwersytet Jagielloński Collegium Medicum*

For more information go to: www.foundationpfa.org

HUMANITARIAN PROJECT IN KENYA

On June 8, 2022, PFA Fellows Dr. Rob Dakin and Dr. Allen Reavis, Mr. Kevin Robertson and our support team left for a dental mission in Kenya. Prior to the mission trip, the team was able to work together during the Kansas Mission of Mercy in Hays, Kansas, in March 2022. The first two days of clinical dentistry in Kenya were carried out in the Missions of Hope International dental clinic in the Mathare Valley Slum of Nairobi. Dr. Dakin played a part in the development of this clinic. The team worked and skill shared with Kenyan dentists who operate the clinic full time.

The next three days were spent traveling and setting up two new portable clinics. The intent is to develop one or both into a permanent clinic managed by Kenyan dental professionals. These new clinics are in two villages just inland from the Indian Ocean and were equipped with Aseptico portable units that are powered by a generator. As part of the support team, Kevin's wife Carissa, and Rob's wife Karen, ensured smooth operation. The dental team was in nine airports or airstrips in Kenya alone, often getting up at three in the morning to catch a flight to eastern and southern Kenya.

Over the years, Dr. Dakin has had opportunities to set up clinics in slums and villages in Kenya, in villages and orphanages in Liberia, as part of earthquake relief in Turkey, in villages and orphanages in Kazakhstan, villages in Albania, and has also participated in teaching opportunities in Canada and Fiji.

Dr. Dakin is the current President of the Kansas Dental Association, Dr. Allen Reavis is a Past President of the Kansas Dental Association and Mr. Kevin Robertson is the Executive Director of the Kansas Dental Association.



The team waiting to board a plane to the next clinic location.



Dr. Allen Reavis and Emily Hoyt, Kibarani, Kenya.



L to R: Dr. Allen Reavis, Dr. Rob Dakin and Mr. Kevin Robertson wearing PFA scrub tops, together with Dr. Kenneth Kimani at the Missions of Hope Dental Clinic, Mathare Valley Slum, Nairobi, Kenya.



Dr. Rob and Karen Dakin, Kibarani, Kenya.

SECTION NEWS

Australia – New South Wales (NSW) and Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

The NSW/ACT Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy held its meeting at the Australian Club, which provided a perfect venue for this long-overdue gathering of NSW/ACT Fellows. There was an infectious buzz in the room, and it was a pleasure to see the excitement of our Fellows getting together after so long! The organizing committee was finally able to get the group to be seated to enjoy the delicious breakfast provided by the very friendly, efficient,

and attentive staff at the Australian Club. After welcoming addresses by Dr. William (Bill) O'Reilly (Victoria VIC Section Chair, Region 8 - Australasia) and Dr. Deb Cockrell (International Trustee for Region 8), the eighteen new inductees were introduced and presented with their certificates and badges by Dr. Armyl Bañez (International President) and Dr. Deb Cockrell, with Dr. Cockrell reading the pledge. Congratulations to our new Fellows!



Dr. William O'Reilly (Victoria VIC Section Chair, Region 8) giving a welcoming speech to the Fellows.



Dr. Deb Cockrell (Trustee for Region 8) welcoming our Fellows to the morning induction.



Dr. Armyl Bañez (International President) talking about being a leader in turbulent times.

Apart from the induction ceremony itself, the highlight of the morning was having Dr. Armyl Bañez address the meeting. Dr. Bañez expressed how delighted he and his wife, Dr. Myrna Bañez (Trustee for Region 9 - Asia), were to be in Sydney - despite the incessant rain - assuring everyone that coming from the Philippines they were used to rain! Dr. Bañez outlined the *pro bono* work that Fellows of the Philippines Section were doing in their communities and spoke of the values of PFA, and the role Fellows play in ensuring the wellbeing of the profession and of their communities. Dr. Bañez continued on the topic of Leadership in turbulent times, acknowledging the additional stresses imposed on all by the pandemic and stating the importance of maintaining "active communication in this geographically dispersed network of dental professionals to engage, to connect with our colleagues to inspire the future leaders not only of the Acad-

emy, but also of the dental profession." He also stressed that "The mark of a good leader lies in his or her ability to lead by example and to stay united and resilient."

Dr. Bañez reassured all that he planned "to sustain our various annual awards to achieve our objective of encouraging outstanding contributions to the art and science of dentistry and service to the profession." He ended his address by stating: "I am proud to say that the leaders of this Academy value the need to walk the talk to inspire and empower our members to attain our mission of advancing dentistry to the highest level." Dr. Deb Cockrell then presented Drs. Armyl and Myrna Bañez with uniquely designed 'Australian First Nations' gifts as mementos of their time with the PFA Fellows in Sydney.

Sincerely,

—DR. WILLIAM O'REILLY
Section Chair

SECTION NEWS

Australia continued



Dr. Omar Ikram (center) being welcomed as a Fellow by Drs. Deb Cockrell and Armyl Bañez.



Drs. Dominic Aouad and Melanie Patney welcoming some of the inductees: Drs. Molly Clayton, Lloyd Hurrell and Udit Bhatnagar.



Dr. Nirushan Raveendiran (center) being welcomed as a fellow by Drs. Deb Cockrell and Armyl Bañez.



Drs. Vicki Rosos, Denise Salvestro, Faustino Mercado, Myrna Bañez, Rabeeh Bahrapourian (inductee) and Armyl Bañez enjoying the meet and greet.



Drs. Michael Jonas (Australian Dental Association NSW President), Jodie Oliver (inductee), Assistant Professor Richard Chan and Dr. Angie Nilsson enjoying a long-awaited face to face catch up.



PFA Committee members Drs. William O'Reilly, Denise Salvestro, Faustino Mercado and Deb Cockrell, together with Drs. Armyl and Myrna Bañez who were presented with Australian First Nations' designed tie and scarf.

SECTION NEWS

India

The India Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy recently conducted three outstanding meetings. These included: Continuing Education (CE) programs conducted for the students of three dental colleges in India in May 2022; a virtual mentorship program on conservative dentistry and endodontics, for five interested and selected students from the list of 2021 PFA awardees; and the mid-year scientific convention on “Interdisciplinary Dentistry” for dental practitioners in Madhya Pradesh.

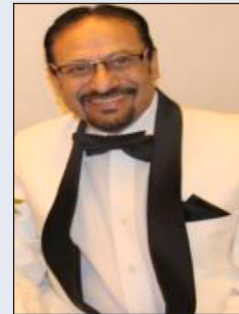
At each of our three CE programs for students, Dr. Deepak Muchhala (Section Chair for India) inaugurated the program, Dr. J. Sabarinathan (India Section Secretary) gave an introduction about the Pierre Fauchard Academy and our Joint Secretary, Dr. Maya Ramesh, delivered our vote of thanks. The first CE program was conducted on May 4th 2022 by the Seema Dental College in Rishikesh, and began with a welcome address by Dean Professor Dr. Himanshu Aeran. Our guest speaker, Dr. Anish Vishnu Naware, delivered a lecture titled “Let Us Understand Endodontics”. More than 200 students benefitted from this online program. The second CE program, with more than 180 participants, was held on 6th May 2022 by K.D. Dental College, Mathura. Our guest speaker Dr. Nitin Dani presented a lecture titled “Pink – Its Role in Esthetics and Beyond”. Our third CE program was held on 19th May 2022 by Sibar Dental College, Guntur, where Dr. Nikhil Deshpande, delivered a lecture titled “Implant Kick-Start Program”. Participants included 3rd & 4th year dental students, interns, postgraduates, and faculty members, with 195 participants attending the program virtually and 150 students attending in person.

Our second Virtual PFA Mentorship Program began on April 24, 2022. The program's mentor is Dr. S. Balagopal, Vice Principal, Professor and Head of the Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics at Tagore Dental College in Chennai. Our coordinator for the program is Dr. Raji Viola Solomon (Deputy Secretary, India Section), and over a period of three months five Mentees will participate in weekly training sessions. Dr. S. Balagopal outlined the program schedule, duration, topics and assignments. He also gave a bird's eye view of the aims, objectives,

guidelines, and career guidance the course would offer. Dr. T. Samraj (Emeritus Secretary, PFA India Section) then introduced Dr. Deepak Muchhala, our Chief Guest, who enumerated the goals of the Academy in promoting meritorious students by giving them various Awards and Scholarships. One of the key components is the Mentorship Programme. Congratulations to our mentees Drs. Alisah Madan (Faridkot), Preeti Naik (Amritsar), Rifana Nasrin (Salem), Krupa Mahesh Patil (Karad) and Gan Ye Qian (Penang). Dr. Raji Viola Solomon proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Our Mid-Year Scientific Convention was held on June 5, 2022, at the Venue Hotel Sure Stay, Best Western Plus, Near Rasoma Circle, Indore. Our Chief Guest for this convention was Shri Tulsiram Silawat Ji the Honorable Cabinet Minister of Water Resources, Madhya Pradesh Government and our Guest of Honour was Prof (Dr.) T. Samraj. The program began with a warm welcome address by Dr. Ashish Garg, Organizing Secretary and Master of Ceremonies. Welcome addresses were given by Dr. Subhash Garg, Dr. Deshraj Jain (Principal of the GDC, Indore), Dr. Maya Ramesh and Dr. Deepak Muchhala. During the inaugural ceremony Dr V.P. Jalili, (Emeritus Editor and patron of the convention) was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the PFA India Section and mementos were distributed to dignitaries. This was followed by the vote of thanks by Dr. Deepak Agrawal (President of the Indian Dental Association- Indore Branch), and the ceremony ended with the National Anthem. The lectures were then started with full zeal, with keynote presentations by our four learned speakers who were Dr. Deepak Muchhala (Mumbai), Dr. Puneet Batra (New Delhi), Dr. S. Girish Rao (Bengaluru) and Dr. Anish Naware (Mumbai).

An E-poster competition was also held, with three separate sub-categories for interns, postgraduate students, and faculty. This competition was judged by Prof. Dr. Alka Gupta & Dr. Manish Verma. Our esteemed chairman, Dr Deepak Muchhala, announced the first and second place winners, while Dr Subhash Garg was kind enough to award cash prizes for all individuals who came in third.



Dr. Deepak Muchhala
(Chair of the India Section)



Dr. S. Balagopal (PFA
Mentor)

SECTION NEWS

India continued

Approximately 160 dentists benefited from the conference. All the prominent print media of Madhya Pradesh has covered this program very nicely and it was also shared by the Honorable Cabinet Minister of Water Resources, Shri Tul-

siram Silawat Ji, on his Instagram page. The Mid-Year Scientific Convention was a grand success.

Yours sincerely,

—PROF. J. SABARINATHAN
Secretary, PFA India Section

Tennessee

The Tennessee Section recently held an in-person induction ceremony. Congratulations to our new Fellows, Dr. Elizabeth Lee from Memphis, Dr. James Ragin who is the Dean of the University of Tennessee Dental school, and Dr. Allen Burleson from Jonesborough. The

Tennessee Section still supports the Volunteer Ministry Center by providing dental care to the homeless.

Sincerely,

—DR. REUBEN PELOT,
Section Chair for Tennessee



L to R: Dr. Reuben Pelot (Tennessee Section Chair), Dr. Cheryl Billingsley (Trustee Region 3 - Southeast USA), and new Fellows Dr. Elizabeth Lee, Dr. James Ragin (Dean of the University of Tennessee Dental School) and Dr. Allen Burleson.

USA

West Virginia

The West Virginia Section of the Pierre Fauchard Academy held its annual awards ceremony and dinner on Wednesday May 11, 2022, at the beautiful Erickson Alumni Center on the campus of West Virginia University in Morgantown, West Virginia. The program began with a reception, followed by the awards program and a great dinner. We were especially excited as a West Virginia Section to have our Executive Direc-

tor, Mr. Bob Cattoi, and our Trustee, Dr. Ghabi Kaspo, as our special guests. This is the first time in the history of the West Virginia Section that we were visited by both the Executive Director and Trustee for Region 4.

It was a memorable time for the West Virginia Section as five new Fellows were inducted into the Academy. Congratulations to Dr. Tammy Chipps, Dr. Michael Bagby, Dr. Arif Salman, Dr.

SECTION NEWS

West Virginia continued

Stephen Pachuta, and Dr. Lauren Godwin. This was the largest number of new Fellows inducted in the recent history of the West Virginia Section. All five of our new Fellows are faculty members at the West Virginia University School of Dentistry. Dr. Pachuta is the Dean, Dr. Bagby is the Academic Dean, Dr. Chipps is the Clinical Dean, Dr. Godwin is the Chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, and Dr. Salman is the Chair of Periodontics.

The West Virginia Section presented the Senior Dental Student Certificate of Merit to Dr. Jay Solensky who served as the President of the West Virginia Dental Class of 2022 for all four years of dental school. The last award presented that evening was the Distinguished Dentist Award. Dr. Eleisha Nickoles was the recipient of the award and she served as the 2021 President of the West Virginia Dental Association. Dr. Nickoles is only the second woman in the history of this Association to serve as President. The final ceremony of the evening was the installation of our new Section Chair, Dr. Mark Byron, by our Trustee, Dr. Ghabi Kaspo. Dr. Byron is the Director of the Endodontics Resident program at the West Virginia University School of Dentistry and is also a Fellow in the American College of Dentists.

We had great attendance at the ceremony, and all were treated to a great dinner.

Respectfully submitted,

—ROBERT L. WANKER, DDS
Past Chair of the West Virginia Section



L to R: Dr. Mark Byron, Mr. Bob Cattoi, Dr. Jay Solensky, Dr. Ghabi Kaspo and Dr. Bob Wanker.



L to R: Mr. Bob Cattoi, Dr. Mark Byron, Dr. Eleisha Nickoles, Dr. Ghabi Kaspo and Dr. Bob Wanker.

SAVE THE DATE - SECTIONS

Spain

The Spanish Section will hold its next assembly and award ceremony on October 21st and 22nd in Sevilla.

USA

Wisconsin Section Annual Meeting

Wisconsin's annual meeting and Induction ceremony will be held in Green Bay at 7:30 am on November 11, 2022. More details to come.

Australia

The Queensland Section (Region 8) will hold an induction ceremony on 25th November 2022.

Canada

PFA Canada, hosted by British Columbia Chair, Dr. Trista Felty, will hold an Awards and Installation Luncheon, in March 2023 in Vancouver in conjunction with the Pacific Dental Conference.

Ireland and UK Joint Meeting

The Ireland and UK Sections will hold a joint convocation in September 2023. More news about this will follow.

MISSION

Our mission as Fellows in the Pierre Fauchard Academy is to recognize and develop outstanding leadership in our profession, internationally.

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