ANNUAL CONVOCATION AND INDUCTION

2009 Omicron Kappa Upsilon Omega Chapter Inductees:

Top Row: Drs. Shahrouz Zarrabi, Zachary Sonkin, Jennifer Frangos, Jeremy Claassen, Chirag Patel, Gabriel Hershman, Manik Bedi
Middle row: Drs. Daniel Choi, Billie Zoldan, Anisha Budhiraj, Hyesuk Oh, Jin Wang, Logan Banner, Elzbieta Paul

Top row: Drs. Hee Song Seo, Zachary Sonkin, Jennifer Frangos, Mohit Patel, William Wolff, Adom Crew
Middle row: Drs. Lans I, Stacy Wolf, Sandy Huang, Fairy Baxi, Kimberly Zambito, Nancy Ajam, Rani Koganti
Seated: Drs. Lin Zhang, Payal Jain, Amutha Raguram, Nishita Gandhi, Karin Grinbaum, Lauren Mills
DEAN’S MESSAGE:

As we move forward with plans to establish the NYU Academy of Health Educators, which will bring together the NYU Colleges of Dentistry and Nursing, the School of Medicine, the College of Arts and Science, and the Wagner School of Public Service to focus on the role of faculty in teaching and mentoring, as well as in clinical care and research, I am reminded of the principles upon which Omicron Kappa Upsilon was founded as the national dental honor society in 1914, and of the specific relevance of these principles to the Academy’s mission. OKU was formed, its organizers wrote, “To encourage and develop a spirit of emulation among students in dentistry, and to recognize in an appropriate manner those who shall distinguish themselves by a very high grade of scholarship.”

Implicit in these founding principles is the central importance of the faculty as role models for students, whose admission and membership in the society, according to the preamble of the first OKU Constitution “shall be based upon scholarship and character as manifested by election by the faculty.”

These principles resonate as strongly today as they did in 1914. Indeed, it is because they remain relevant that I am convinced that you, the men and women of Omega Chapter, have an especially vital role to play in helping to fulfill the great potential of the NYU Academy of Health Educators, and, in so doing, to strengthen and advance the OKU legacy.

I offer all of my colleagues in Omega Chapter my hearty congratulations on your manifold contributions to the academic life of our institution, and I look forward to working with you to recognize and honor the importance of teaching and mentoring to the overall student experience.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Bertolami, DDS, DMedSc
Herman Robert Fox Dean

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE:

I would like to congratulate you on the tremendous achievement of being inducted into OKU, the National Dental Honor Society. You should all be proud. You represent the future of our profession – and with that comes the responsibility of being role models and leaders in our profession.

Beyond your responsibility to others, you have a responsibility to yourself to never stop learning. Strive to learn something new every day. This is accomplished by reading, attending courses, problem solving with peers and always seeking a way to improve. Take what you have learned at New York University Dental College as a foundation for your career and continue to learn and improve.

As you refine your technical skills, be steadfast in your commitment to excellent care. Each day we encounter conflicts for which we must choose a path. Keep in mind that you have been chosen for this honor not only for your academic achievements but for your ethical standards as well. The correct path is frequently more difficult and often without reward. Your decisions at critical moments are what will define you as a dentist, and ultimately as an individual.

Beyond providing the best care each day we work, we have a responsibility to encourage our patients to keep healthy habits. We should be promoting not only proper diet and home care, but we should be vigilant about smoking cessation, consistently screening for oral cancer and helping our patients manage their overall health.

As our profession evolves you will be at its center. Be willing to participate in community service, be a mentor to others, get involved in education and research, and provide quality care to your patients. You will then have an enormous positive impact.

On behalf of all the members of OKU I offer my congratulations on your momentous achievement. I wish you all the best of luck in your endeavors, and look forward to interacting with you this year and beyond.

Sincerely,

Denise Estafan, D.D.S., M. S.
OMICRON KAPPA UPSILON OMEGA CHAPTER

Omicron Kappa Upsilon is a National Dental Honor Society founded in 1914 at Northwestern University School of Dentistry. The New York University College of Dentistry Chapter, Omega, was founded by charter on June 6, 1929, and is one of 51 active chapters in North America. Admission is based on scholarship and character and is determined by annual election by active members.

Alumni Members (Associate Members) are selected from the top 20% of the graduating class, as reported to the chapter annually by the Dean of Academic Affairs. From this listing, not more than 12% may be elected each year.

Faculty Members (Active) are selected from the dental college faculty and are those who have been teaching full time for three years or part time for six years. These faculty members must have made outstanding contributions to the art, science, or literature of dentistry.

Lifetime memberships may be granted to active (faculty) members who have been members for 30 years and who have reached the age of 60. Lifetime members are exempt from dues and retain all of the privileges of active members while they remain on the dental school faculty. Omega Chapter is interested in the accomplishments and activities of our members.

Please advise the secretary of your current address so that we can keep our rosters current and you can continue to receive our mailings. We would appreciate having your email address so that you will be able to receive all our future electronic newsletters which will keep you abreast of all the wonderful activities of the Omega Chapter as well as the Annual Convocation and Induction information.

EVENTS CALENDAR 2009-2010

- **AP White Coat Ceremony:** Tuesday, September 8, 2009
- **Distinguished Lecturer Series:** Wednesday, October 28, 2009, Dr. Raman Bedi, King’s College London
- **Dinner for Academic Excellence:** Tuesday, February 16, 2010, by invitation
  Please contact Maureen McAndrew, (mm154@nyu.edu) for more information.
- **Omega Chapter Business Meeting:** Wednesday, February 17, 2010
- **Supreme Chapter Meeting/ADEA:** Sunday, February 28, 2010
- **State of Art Conference:** Wednesday, March 3, 2010,
  Dr. Kenneth A. Malament D.D.S., M.Sc.D. Tufts University
- **NYUCD Annual Research Day: Wednesday and Thursday April 21st-22nd, 2010**
  The Annual Research Day and Student Research competition will be held on 4/21-22/10. This event is sponsored by the Office of Research at the College. As it has for many years, our Omega Chapter provides judges for the competition and presents the OKU Omega Chapter Award to the undergraduate DDS student with the Outstanding Poster presentation in either basic science or clinical science. The Award consists of a certificate as well as monetary award.
- **Annual Convocation and Induction Dinner, The**
  The convocation/induction of new members.
  RESERVE THIS DATE: **Thursday, May 20, 2010**, The Water Club Restaurant
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DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

On Wednesday, October 28, 2009, Dr. Raman Bedi, will give the Distinguished Lecture Address entitled US DENTAL HEALTH REFORMS - HOW TO GET IT RIGHT AS WELL AS WRONG - LESSONS FROM ENGLAND.

Professor Bedi will discuss national reforms of dental payment systems and workforce are challenging and yet necessary to ensure equality of access to care. In September 2002, the UK government published "NHS Dentistry - Options for change" which provided a number of re-configurations for dentistry in England. The aim of the lecture is to provide a commentary on the changes which resulted from 2002-2005. The lessons in attempting a national dental system change in England will be important for the US as the national debate on the Obama health reforms take shape.

Raman Bedi was Chief Dental Officer - England from 2002 to 2005. He is based at King's College London and also holds an honorary chair at University College London and the University of the Western Cape, South Africa. He has examined and lectured in over 40 countries. He was past President of the British Society for Disability and Oral Health (2002), President of the Education Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) (2002-2004) and chair of the IADR Regional Development Programme Committee (2002-2004). He has published over 170 scientific papers and 4 books.
BIOGRAPHIES

President, Denise Estafan DDS, MS is a 1969 graduate of Cairo University Dental School. She completed a General Practice Residency program at The Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast, Northern Ireland. In 1978, she was instrumental to the development of the clinical curriculum at Riyadh University Dental School. She also served as a clinical instructor for 3 years at the program. Denise received her license at New York University College of Dentistry in 1982 as part of the International Program. She joined the University as a Clinical Instructor in 1983. She taught in the department of Operative Dentistry, Prosthodontics, and Reconstructive and Comprehensive Care, and was promoted to Clinical Associate Professor in 1992. The same year, she began clinical investigative work on CAD/CAM technology, followed by research in the comparative analysis of rate of Ceramic Wear versus Enamel Wear. Denise received her Master’s Degree in Dental Materials in 1995 and was promoted to Associate Professor in 2001. She has over 40 publications in peer-reviewed journals and lectures internationally. Denise is currently a fellow of ACD and the International College of Dentistry. She is considered a clinical expert in CAD/CAM technology and is presently co-director of Esthetic Dentistry for the Department of Cariology and Comprehensive Care at NYUCD.

President-Elect, Jill B. Fernandez, RDH, MPH, is a 1982 graduate of the University of Bridgeport, CT where she received her AS degree in dental hygiene. In 1985 she received her BS degree in Health Education at New York University. In 1988 Jill joined the faculty as an instructor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry as Director of the Pediatric Outreach and Prevention Programs. She is responsible for all Pediatric Dentistry outreach activities both in New York City and internationally. Jill also completed a 30 year career in the US Navy and Navy Reserves. She received her Master’s in Public Health in 1996 at New York University and was subsequently also promoted to Clinical Assistant Professor in that same year. In 1999 she was promoted to Clinical Associate Professor. Jill has presented numerous lecture/demonstrations and symposiums at local and national professional meetings. She is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) and is a faculty mentor for the AAPD NYU student chapter. For over 10 years, Professor Fernandez has been, and is currently the regional organizer for one of the largest Special Olympics Special Smiles Program in New York City. Jill is currently the Director of Pediatric Outreach and Prevention Programs in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

Vice President Mark Wolff, DDS, PhD. is Professor and Chair of the Department of Cariology and Comprehensive Care and Associate Dean for Pre-doctoral Clinical Education at the New York University College of Dentistry. Mark is a 1981 graduate of the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine and a 1982 Graduate of the Stony Brook General Practice Residency. Mark became a full time practitioner starting a family dental practice in Stony Brook Long Island, focusing on medically compromised patients and esthetic dentistry. He still maintains a small part-time practice there. He entered dental education as a part-time faculty while enrolled in a PhD program in Oral Biology and Pathology, completing his degree in 1997. During that time, he served as Chair of the Department of General Dentistry and Director of Operative Dentistry at Stony Brook. He was Director of their Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program for two years. In 1999, Mark became a full-time member at Stony Brook and helped to develop and implement the first paperless dental school in the nation. Mark has conducted a wide variety of laboratory and clinical research projects with over fifty funded projects completed. He has mentored over fifty DDS students in summer research projects. Mark joined NYUCD in 2005, where he designed, developed, and implemented an extensive curriculum in caries risk assessment/minimal intervention and has designed dental information systems to monitor the risk of the entire dental patient populations. He was the founding Councillor of the ADEA Cariology Special Interest Group. He has authored or co-authors over 50 papers and text chapters. He has served as the principal or co-principal investigator on more than $4 million in grants.

Secretary-Treasurer, Martin Roy, Ph.D. is a 1968 graduate of Brooklyn College with a co-major in Biology and Chemistry. He received a Master’s degree in Cell Biology from Brooklyn College in 1973, after completing two years of active duty in the U.S. Army. He received his Ph.D. in the Department of Biology of the New York University Graduate School of Arts and Science in 1979, with sub-specializations in Experimental Hematology and Endocrine Physiology. He joined the faculty of the NYU College of Dentistry in 1975. He is currently Professor of Histology and Cell Biology in the Department of Basic Science and Craniofacial Biology of the College of Dentistry and in the Graduate School of Arts and Science. Administratively, he serves as the course coordinator for the Cellular Organelles and Functions course and the Oral Biology courses. For the last twenty years he has conducted research involving the use of Dietary Selenium Supplementation in the prevention of and adjuvant treatment for squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck.
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Kramer Award
Drs.: John Calamia, Maureen McAndrew, Danielle E. Kalman, Kalman Einbinder, Dean Bertolami

New Life Member
Drs.: Inder Jit Sing, Arthur Schackman, Stan Dawkins, Ralph Cangiano, Jerome Cohen, Nicholas Nicastro, Ira Zinner

New Faculty Inductees
Drs.: John Ricci, Andrew B. Schenkel, Kenneth S. Magid, Sang-Choon Cho

Officers and Chairs of Omega Chapter
Front row: Drs. Martin Roy, Denise Estefan, John Calamia, Jill Fernandez
Back row: Drs. Maureen McAndrew, Elise Eisenberg, Kenneth Allen, Robert Boylon, Harvey Wishe, Ivy Peltz, David Glotzer

Honorary
Drs.: John Calamia, Peter Sacks, Daniel Malamud, Dean Charles Bertolami
THE DINNER

**Standing:** Mr. Dan Zolden, Dr. Billie Zoldan, Prof. Jill Fernandez, Drs.: Denise Estafan, Andrew Schenkel, Mrs. Randy Schenkel,
**Seated:** Drs.: Sonia Calamia, John Calamia, Martin Roy, Ms. Susan Roy

**Standing:** Drs.: Lou Terracio, Collisha R. Wright, Jeremy Claassen, Andrew Spielman, Jennifer Frangos, Anthony Palatta,
**Seated:** Drs.: Dianne Rekow, Van Thompson, John Ricci, Mrs. Constance Ricci

**Standing:** Drs.: Allen Soden, Fairy Baxi, David Glotzer, Warren Scherer, Daniel Choi, Gerald Green.
**Seated:** Drs.: Payal Jain, Herb Gross, Miss. Jillian Bennett, Zachary Sonkin

**Standing:** Drs. Inder Singh, David Sirois, Chirag Patel, Miriam Robbins, Ms. Brenda Lee
**Seated:** Mr. Raymond Wang, Drs.: Wenxia Zhou, Joan Phelan, Harvey Wishe, Ms. June Osterman
THE DINNER

Standing: Drs.: Vanessa Lugo Hart, Robert Boylon, Leslie Petosa, Karin Grinbaum, Dominick Congiusta
Seated: Drs.: Michael Ferguson, Siu Yan Li, Mr. Alexander Dziejona, Hyesuk Oh, Alan S. Broner

Standing: Drs. Lin Zhang, Ivy Peltz, Robert Glickman, Manik Bedi, Steven Resnick, Nishita Gandhi, Eric Studley
Seated: Mrs. Hindy Herhman, Drs.: Gabriel Hershman, Andrea Schreiber, Gayle Miranda

Standing: Drs.: Maureen McAndrew, Kalman Einbinder, Nicholas Elian, Harmon Cooper, Hee Song Seo, Ms. Leslie Shin
Seated: Drs. Danielle Kalman, Lans I, Sandy Huang

Standing: Mrs. Naomi Wolff, Drs.: William Wolff, Leila Jahangiri, Shwela Shah, Neha Saraf
Seated: Drs.: Anisha Budhiraj, Bapanaiah Penugonda, Stan Dawkins, Alan Sosney
THE DINNER

Standing: Drs. Kim-Thi Van-Dinh, Rani Koganti, Martine Mandracchia, Bert Gaster, Mohit Patel, Mijin Choi, Lauren Mills
Seated: Drs. Kathleen Kinnally, Ralph Cunningham, Stacy Wolf, Kenneth Allen, Adom Crew

Standing: Drs. Alan Zamhito, Milton Palat, Shahrouz Zarrabi, Robert Glickman, Gerald Hosh
Seated: Mrs. Sayeh Pezeshki, Drs. Alexander Rock, Rozaliya Fatakhova, Kimberly Zamhito

Standing: Drs. Brian Rooney, Linda Rosenberg, Mitchell Lipp, Elzbieta Paul, Steven Johnson, Jim Wang
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LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS

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