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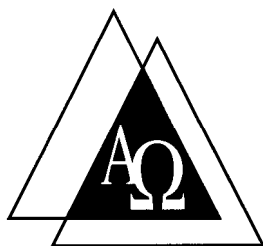
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ALPHA OMEGA

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DVI TURNS THIRTY: PARTNERSHIP WITH HENRY SCHEIN CELEBRATED STEVE KESS TO BE HONORED AT GALA AFFAIR IN NOVEMBER

Thirty years ago, a dynamic young hygienist, Trudi Birger, having survived the Holocaust, made aliyah to Israel, and vowed that she would build a dental facility to treat disadvantaged children and youth-at-risk. Based in Jerusalem, she pledged that “No Child Shall go Untreated”. She made good on her vow, and practically single handedly directed the growth of the organization, DVI, which has become the hallmark of oral healthcare for the needy children in Israel. She recruited volunteers from wherever she could locate them...from France, Scandinavia, England, Australia, South Africa, the US, Israel, and other countries. {Editors note: *If there was an all-star team for fundraising, Trudi would be the first in its Hall of Fame!* Trudi passed away a few years ago, but lived to see her dream come true.



Helping Health Happen.

When Steve Kess, Henry Schein’s Vice President of Global Professional Relations, is honored at the *Dental Volunteers for Israel (DVI) International Gala Dinner and Celebration at the New York City’s Museum of Jewish Heritage* on November 28th, he says that the honor will really be for the 13,500 Team Schein Members whose commitment to “helping health happen” has forged a strong term relationship with DVI.

Relates Kess, “Our relationship with DVI began in 1997 when Dr. D. Walter Cohen introduced two visionary leaders-our Henry Schein

Chairman and CEO Stanley Bergman and DVI founder Trudi Birger. While visiting the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine Founded by Alpha Omega, Trudi convinced him that he must see the remarkable work that DVI and its volunteers were doing to meet the oral health needs of the children in Jerusalem, regardless of race or religion. Since that day, we and many of our supplier partners have supported the mission of DVI with products, equipment and in-kind services.”

In addition to personal and professional support of Mr. Bergman who will introduce honoree, Steve Kess at the November Gala, Keith Drayer, Henry Schein Vice President of Financial Services serves on the Board of The American Friends of DVI, organizers of the event. Both Stan Bergman and Steve Kess have been previously elected to Honorary Membership in the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity. At Alpha omega’s annual convention in San Diego this December, Stan Bergman will be awarded its highest honor, the Alpha Omega Achievement Medal for his contributions to Dentistry and its allied sciences. The contributions of Henry Schein have proved invaluable in the promotion of Alpha Omega’s Global Health Initiative in support of oral health needs throughout the world.

Both Kess, and Bergman (a Board of Governor Member of both Hebrew University and Tel Aviv University), serve on the Dental Advisory Board of The Tel Aviv School of Dental Medicine.



Steve Kess

Steve Kess, the driving force for Alpha Omega’s Global Oral Health Initiative paid homage to Trudi Birger, stating that “Trudi’s spirit and vision drives all of the activities of DVI. Her strong legacy is what attracts dental professionals to this remarkable program.” He continues, “As I represent all of Team Schein at the podium to accept this honor, I am certain that her presence will be strongly felt by all attendees”.

Other honorees at the upcoming Gala include Dr. Allen Helfer, President of American Friends of DVI, and Ran Tuttnauer, CEO of Tuttnauer Company, a DVI Board member, and a good friend of Alpha Omega.

Alpha Omega members and friends are encouraged to attend the Gala...to support DVI, and most important...to honor Alpha Omega’s special member-friend, Steve Kess. The International Gala Dinner and Celebration will be held at New York City’s Museum of Jewish Heritage on November 28th. Please contact the Alpha Omega Foundation Office or Foundation Vice Chairman, Marc Rothman, to make reservations.

FOUNDATION MID-YEAR MEETING HELD IN FT. LAUDERDALE ANDRE AMIACH HONORED

At the recent mid-year meeting of the US Foundation, attended by the Foundation's Board as well as by the Fraternity members of its Board of Director, Chairman Sam Blum, presented a special citation to



Blum, Amiach & Williamowsky

Andre Amiach. The Award was given in recognition of Andre's tireless efforts in promoting the mission of the Foundation... *reaching out to the needs of Dental Health, Education, Research and Care...throughout the World*. Andre, albeit in 'another' part of the world, has been the consummate fundraiser for projects and programs in France, and especially in Israel. His approach to good deeds has been instrumental in attracting new chapters and members to Alpha Omega. *Kol Hakovod!*



Attendees in Ft. Lauderdale

ANNUAL GRANT AWARD ESTABLISHED TO HONOR RALPH ROTHSTEIN AND BEN WILLIAMOWSKY

A motion was passed at the recent Foundation Board meeting in Florida, establishing a "*Ben Williamowsky/Ralph Rothstein Grant Award*" in the amount of \$10,000 to be awarded annually to an appropriate American organization. Marc Rothman, who presented the resolution, foresees the Award as a means to encourage projects and programs in the US in a competitive environment. Ben and Ralph are presently identified as Executive Directors of the US Alpha Omega Foundation. Along with a

most helpful office manager, Ms. Ellen Taranto, they direct the raising of funds for all projects and programs supported by the Alpha Omega Projects and Programs, wherever the need occurs. Both Ben and Ralph were taken by surprise by the actions of the Foundation Board, and look forward to having a role in encouraging grant applications consistent with the mission of the Foundation.



Ben & Ralph hard at work

WASHINGTON ALUMNI CHAPTER ESTABLISHES PRO-BONO PANEL FOR ORAL HEALTHCARE OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS

With the support of the Jewish Social Services Association of Greater Washington, and together with members of the Maimonides Society Study Club, Washington's AO members plan to establish a pro-bono care program of great significance. Each volunteer dentist will accept one family of holocaust survivors for a prescribed period of time to repair the dental health to relieve pain, remove disease, and satisfy esthetic requirements.

This is not terribly unlike the chapter's

program in the 1980's to treat Eastern European Immigrants on a similar pro-bono basis. The program was most successful and established goals were reached.

A suggestion from Washington: "If you are looking for a wonderful act of Tzedakah, con-

tact your Jewish Social Service Agency and suggest this program". If any chapter needs advice on setting up such a program, contact the Foundation office."

Contribute to Holocaust Survivors Oral Healthcare in Israel. Contact US Foundation office or Frater David Ash in Israel.



**“REQUIEM OF DEFIANCE” PRESENTED AT KENNEDY CENTER
WASHINGTON ALUMNI CHAPTER PROGRAM BENEFITS HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS**

The Washington Alpha Omega Chapter has often sponsored a program at one of its local theaters with a percentage of proceeds helping to support programs of the Foundation.

Thanks to the efforts of chapter AO member Morris Antonelli and his spouse Amy, the chapter was given the opportunity to reserve seats for the production (immediately sold-out) of *The*

Requiem of Defiance-Verdi at Terezin. In sponsorship with the Embassy of the Czech Republic and other Countries, Foundations, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, it tells the story of courageous Jewish Prisoners in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp during World War II. The prisoners... musicians and choir, learned Verdi’s Requiem Mass by rote and then performed this compelling work 16

times as a statement of resistance and defiance. The concert/drama featured a full performance of the Requiem with actors, video testimony with surviving members of the original choir, and original Nazi propaganda film footage.

With an “add-on” supplement, the chapter will benefit its program to treat the dental needs of Holocaust survivors in Israel. This is an example of how any chapter can help to raise funds through a group purchase of seats to a desirable production.



LATEST WORD FROM PAHO AND HAITI

The following note has been received from Ms. Anna Lee Scharfen of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). The Alpha Omega Foundation has been helpful in providing oral health aid for victims of the tragic earthquake in Haiti. The letter refers to “Oral Health of Haiti Coalition”, and was sent to organizations, Foundations, Universities, and other ‘helpers’.

“Dear All,

We are pleased to update the group on the recent progress that the Oral Health of Haiti Coalition has made in regards to mobilizing donations for Haiti. The first container of dental goods left the Global Links warehouse yesterday morning. The supplies reached Haiti on August 14th. and were distributed to the Dental School and clinics providing dental services to the public. This was done in response to the Dental Trade Alliance’s request for dental supplies. We received 16 pallets totaling \$71,318.21 including 3 portable dental chairs.”



GOHI Chapter Challenge: A New Opportunity to Give — by Marc Rothman

How do you make people feel better about themselves? Isn’t this what charity is? Finding a way to either advance a cause via financial assistance or through acts of kindness is a means to an end. The end generally affects others in a positive manner. In dentistry, we know how well we make people feel when we relieve them of pain, or the emotional embarrassment of bad teeth.

The Alpha Omega Foundation US could not be prouder of the

Fraternity board’s decision to advance a new opportunity and incentive for chapters to create and become engaged in philanthropic projects. This GOHI chapter challenge puts to the test individual chapter creativity, asking each chapter to come up with a project that is original and meaningful. The project should provide a means for improving the lives of others. The way in which this is carried out is up to the individuals involved. But, the most crea-

tive, effective, and reproducible projects will receive an award of up to \$5000.00.

We should also pay thanks to Henry Schein, S.S. White, Kuraray, Captek, and Heraeus for their corporate sponsorship of this challenge. Chapter officers and the general membership will be receiving more details about this program in the very near future. But for now, try to imagine what you can do with your

colleagues. Do you have a great idea? It’s never too early to start.

Perfect for San Diego

Order now from the Foundation

USA Alpha Omega Foundation Report by Sam Blum



Sam Blum
US Foundation Chairman

As Chairman of the USA Foundation, I attended the Fraternity Board of Directors Meeting at the Marriott Harbor Beach Resort in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida on July 23. The Foundation's BOD mid-year meeting was held there. The Resort is terrific - it is the site of our 2011 AO Convention. Don't miss it! The attendance of the Foundation Board was excellent, and much was accomplished. (The completed minutes of the meeting are avail-

able, through the Foundation Office).

The mid-year meetings started well, with a Shabbat Dinner hosted by our Greater Miami Chapter. Many local Florida AO's also attended.

The Fraternity's BOD meeting was busy and productive.

The Fraternity Headquarters' management company's owner and its AO director both attended our meetings. We can all expect improved communication and assistance from that office.

The AO International Convention in San Diego, California, this December, will be outstanding. The Foundation will be typically active there - Foundation Club and Chai Club auctions, a special Foundation Gala, and a Golf Tournament.

GOHI - Global Oral Health Initiative - was discussed. GOHI

is the umbrella under which all of AO's philanthropic activities will be contained and coordinated. The Tree of Peace Program was also discussed. That program will manage the distribution of the "Tree of Peace" symbol as a reward to special AO contributors and volunteers.

During the next day's Foundation BOD, we discussed final distribution of our 2009 Grants and amounts available for our 2010 Grants, anticipated future investments' returns, and recognition of grant monies donors.

We also received the wonderful news that the Tel Aviv University School of Dental Medicine will remain open. The School will receive government funds and will be refurbished.

A report of the Foundation's Charitable Gift Annuity Program was given.

A motion was passed that established a Ben Williamowsky/Ralph Rothstein Annual Grant of \$10,000.00 for an appropriate American organization.

A very special certificate of appreciation was awarded to Andre Amiach for his outstanding role in promoting the mission of the Foundation.

Gail Schupak, Tribute Card Chairperson, reported that the Foundation Office received \$3,040.00 in donations to the Tribute Fund. That amount does not include the Tribute Card donations that traditionally are received from the Washington, DC and the Los Angeles Auxiliary Chapters.

At the end of our BOD meeting, everyone was looking forward to the AO International Convention in San Diego in December.

President's Message by Charlene Berkman

This year, Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity has made a concerted effort to work closely and synergistically with the Alpha Omega Foundation. We have a San Diego Convention committee member assigned to assisting the Foundation in both the wonderful fundraising event planned at the historic Abbey, as well as with the arrangements for the Foundation's auction evening.

In addition, Foundation Chairman Sam Blum, has been included on all deliberations of the Fraternity's Board of Directors. We have worked steadfastly to enhance communication between the Fraternity and the Foundation.

I have included numerous men-

tions of the Foundation or our philanthropic activities within my Blog, and have forwarded information that I believed either helpful or informative to the Foundation, when I become aware .

During my Presidential travels, I have conducted a "listening tour," and have attempted to communicate anything relevant to the Foundation.

While the AO Foundation and Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity are two separate entities, we share a common heritage and understand each's mission. At the San Diego Convention, the afternoon of December 25th has been reserved for Fraternity Community Ser-

vice activities, as an outreach from our GOHI philosophy. This program is coordinated by Mike Tenenbaum, our Pres-elect, and our frater, Irv Silverstein of San Diego.

I urge you all to attend the upcoming San Diego Convention, from December 25- January 1. It promises to be a great event, fraternal, educational, fun, philanthropic, and value-packed week.

The Convention Marshal is also a Foundation Board Member, Bob Simon, and Bob and his committee have created what will prove to be one of our best Conventions. What better way to support both the Fraternity and the Foundation, than to attend the Convention and the Foundation events? Information is available online at:

<http://aosunnydays.ao.org>. I look forward to seeing you there. Now more than ever both the Fraternity and the Foundation need your support. If you wish to catch up on 2010's AO world, go to my Blog at:

<http://tinyurl.com/aopres2010>.



Charlene S. Berkman
International President, Alpha
Omega Fraternity 2010

**MESSAGE FROM PROFESSOR ILANA ELI
HEAD OF TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE**



For my first communiqué with the US Foundation Newsletter, I would like to take the opportunity to review a bit of the

history of our Dental School... history that has brought us to this point in our development.

TAUSDM was originally (in the 7th decade of the 20th century), a small building that housed a Community Dental Clinic (Marsh Clinic), with little or no research facilities, with student classes located in an underground bomb shelter. The School was run by a group of young dentists, utterly devoted to their cause and determined to make it a center of excellence in dental education and research. All along we had Alpha Omega members from all over the world, standing by our side, holding our hands, and supporting us in our quest to be one of the best institutions of its kind in the world. Thanks to a spirited campaign headed by Alpha Omega leaders, the new Maurice and Gabriella Goldschleger School of

Dental Medicine Founded by Alpha Omega at Tel Aviv University (TAUSDM) was built and dedicated 30 years ago !

Unfortunately, in the last 6 years we have been faced with a major crisis that threatened to close the School due to the financial downturn of all institutions of higher education in general, and of TAU in particular. Funds were cut, faculty reduced, and admission of new students ceased for two years! Working practically as volunteers, under impossible conditions, remaining faculty members continued to teach, do research, publish, and work for our survival.

Thanks to the efforts of dedicated friends such as the AO members on our Dental Advisory Board (many Board members of TAU), Head of School, Haim Tal, and a new TAU President, Professor Joseph Klafter, more sympathetic to our cause, the Israel Committee for Higher Education and TAU Administrators announced that the School will re-open (October

after the Hagim)...and the continued existence of our School is assured. I am honored to have been elected new Head of the School, with an optimistic outlook of reorganizing the School's structure, reinstating its former glory...and beyond!

The path to excellence will not be easy. We will need to work hard, teach more efficiently, generate funds through clinical work (note: the recently opened "Niznick Clinic"), and increase the amount of research grants. There are plans to increase the number of students and of residents in various dental specialties, and attracting students from other countries...

following the successful Orthodontic Postgraduate Program presently in place. We are considering closer collaboration with Health Insurance Companies, and deeper involvement in community projects in Israel. Research programs will be reinforced by building new research facilities and attracting new faculty with experience in basic science.

There is much to be done. The physical facilities must be upgraded...old equipment must be replaced...clinics must be renovated...new clinics must be added...research areas must be expanded! Here is where we need the support of ALPHA OMEGA, whose efforts were so central to the original building of the School. Some time ago, we successfully "Focused on the Future". It is now time to grasp that "THE FUTURE IS NOW"! It is not only TAU and Israel's School...but YOUR School. It is encouraging to know that Alpha Omega Fraters around the world are joining hands to once again support this excellent institution and through it to influence the level of dental care, education, and research in Israel. I am looking forward to meeting as many Alpha Omega members at the convention in San Diego.

[Ed. Note: Professor Eli, a noted author, clinician, and educator has recently assumed the office of Head of TAUSDM, following the excellent leadership of former Head, Haim Tal]



There is a lot to see and learn at the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine Founded by the Alpha Omega Fraternity - Dean Stabholz

The new academic year will begin next month and a new class of 70 students who were selected from the very best candidates in Israel will start their six year journey toward their DMD degree.

These students will join 450 undergraduate and graduate students in our dental school who will return from their summer vacation and will fill again

the Hadassah Ein-Kerem Campus with their exuberance and vitality..

We have a wonderful dental school which all of us as Alpha Omegas are very proud of. It is important that the young generation of Alpha Omega will be aware of what was accomplished by all of us through the years. We have to encourage our dental students worldwide to come

see and learn.

They will return back home with a great experience and also will understand why Alpha Omega is supporting dental education in Israel.

Yoni Moskowitz is one of the dental students who visited us. He wrote to me a letter (see page 6) and I asked his permission to share it with our readers.

Shana Tova and Gmar Hatima Tova, Adam Stabholz



Open Letter from Yoni Moskowitz to Dean Stabholz

Dr. Stabholz,

I would like to sincerely thank you for opportunity to spend time at the Hadassah Dental Clinic over the past few weeks. Although I only finished my first year at Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, and there isn't much I can actually help with, I still felt useful and welcome. The graduating sixth-year students were very nice, and allowed me to sit in on their patients, as well as patiently accepted any questions about the procedure I had. Meeting students from different years, I got the feeling that your students are passionate about the profession they will be practicing, and have a strong grasp of the knowledge required to practice dentistry.

I was also able to spend time in your specialty clinics, including periodontics, prosthodontics, and Oral Surgery/Oral Rehabilitation. Dr. Ron Asher in the Prosthodontics Clinic was especially helpful, and taught me a lot.

Thank you again for this wonderful experience, and good luck to you and everyone at Hadassah!

Yoni Moskowitz
Columbia College of Dental Medicine
Class of 2013

STUART FISCHMAN ELECTED BOARD CHAIR JEWISH HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL (JHI)

Longtime Alpha Omega member, Stuart Fischman (Buffalo-Gilead Chapter) has been elected to the prestigious position as JHI's Board Chair. He remains Dental Subcommittee Chair as well. Stuart became a member of the Buffalo Alpha Omega Chapter, following his graduation from Harvard School of Dental Medicine where he received his D.M.D. degree, cum laude, in 1957. In 1998 he was named "Distinguished Alumnus" for the Harvard School of Dental Medicine. He is Professor Emeritus of Oral Diagnosis Sciences at the School of Dental Medicine of the State University of New York at Buffalo. In 2006, he received the Honor Award from that University's Alumni Association.

Stuart is a Diplomate of the American Boards of Oral Pathology and Oral Medicine

and has held academic appointments in Paraguay, Peru, Bolivia, Puerto, and Israel. In 2001, following the terrorist attack at the World Trade Center, he volunteered to assist the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in New York City, and in appreciation of his work in dental identification of victims, was awarded the New York State Freedom Medal.

Dr. Fischman was awarded the Pathology/Therapeutics/Toxicology award by International Association for Dental Research (IADR), one of its 16 Distinguished Scientists Awards.

He has been recognized by many organizations for his support and involvement with the Jewish community in Buffalo. The Fischmans now divide their time between Buffalo and Israel. In addition to

teaching Oral Pathology at the Hadassah School of Dental Medicine at Hebrew University, he is developing a program to improve the oral health of Ethiopian Immigrants. He is responsible for the coordination all aspects of the oral health program at the Bikur Holim Hospital in Riga Latvia, participating in many JHI missions to that locale. Our own Marc Rothman, likewise a Board member of JHI has recently returned from a mission to Bikur Holim Hospital in Riga and has reported his ex-

periences in the last Foundation Newsletter.

Special relationship with JHI

Alpha Omega and JHI have had a longstanding relationship. Indeed JHI has been the recipient of Foundation grant awards in recognition of its response to oral healthcare needs throughout the world. AO Fraters have served on their Board. In addition to Marc Rothman, former Board members are Ben Williamowsky, Larry Selinger, and Sidney Tourial. JHI Executive Director, Carole Kirschner, has reported meetings with *Project Medishare International*, and Israeli officials to discuss comprehensive plans for the first major JHI deployment scheduled for



Dr. Fischman

GREAT FOUNDATION GALA EVENING PLANNED A FEW RESERVATIONS REMAIN

The deadline for reservations to San Diego's historical Abby....for dining, dancing...including bus transportation through famous Balboa Park is approaching.

The Foundation Gala needs your support, and you need a special evening during the convention.....THIS IS IT !

Here are the names of those who have made reservations....Is your name there. For \$150.00/per person, you can be part of the

action. Make your reservations today!

Rene Arav
Brenda Baker
Charlene Berkman
David Bloom
Sam Blum
Mervyn Druian
Edward Epstein
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Ronald Starr
Michael Stern
Michael Szikman
Sidney Tourial
Philip Trask
Dan Uditsky
Samuel Unger
Lee Weisbard
Ben Williamowsky
John Wolffe

GET READY FOR AUCTION AND PRIZES

The Foundation's auction in San Diego will be the largest ever. It will be a live as well as a 'silent' auction, and the offerings are once again special. Check this out (just a few) of the attractions.

- WEEK-END IN WASHINGTON: HOTEL, DINNER, SPECIAL EVENT (Sports, theatre)
- HOME IN COSTA RICA (sleeps eight...in resort area)
- WEEK-END IN CALGARY: HOCKEY TICKETS, CONDO IN CANMORE (Lake Louise and Banff)
- APARTMENT IN ISRAEL (Two bedrooms...in Neve Tzedek)
- SPORTS MEMORABILIA GALORE (baseballs, photos, jerseys, etc.)
- PACKAGE OF DENTAL SUPPLIES
- JEWELRY
- JUDAICA ITEMS
- SCULPTURES AND CRAFT ART..

Following are the names of those who have signed on for the Foundation and Chai Clubs.

Is your name there? For \$150.00 (Foundation Club) and \$18.00 (Chai Club) you can be a winner of one of many prizes in the annual drawing!

Ariel Abramson
Charlene Berkman**
Scott Berman

Sam Blum**
Paul Chapnick**Albert Citron*
Steve Cohen*
Charles Cooper
Bob Crandus*
Jeff Cross
Max Cutler**
Mervyn Druian**
Ed Epstein**
Arnie Feldman**
Lynn Gitlin**
Jordan Goldberg*
Leonard Goldman**
Gary Greenbaum**
Lionell Greenberg**
John Hasenberg**
Kimberly Hasenberg
Ellie Kahan**
Steve Kahan**
Bernie Kahn**
Valerie Kahn*
Bill Kampel**
Mike Kampel*
Steve Kaufman
Steve Kess**
Mike Landy
Andy Lasky**
Guy Levy**
Richard Levy*
Gene Manusov*
Sunny Manusov*
Fred Margolis**
Steve Marsh**
Glen Meyer*
Steve Miller*
Alan Moltz**
Jay Paulen*

Mike Pollowitz*
Howard Pranikoff**
Steve Ratner**
Allen Ressler**
Betti Ressler*
Marc Rothman**
Bette Rothstein**
Ralph Rothstein**
Larry Rotman*
Joel Schaumberg**
David Schneider**
Gail Schupak**
Marcy Schwartzman**
Richard Shapiro**
Alan Sherman*
Bob Simon**
Amy Smith*
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Mike Szikman**
Philip Trask**
Dan Uditsky**
Larry Vinegar**
Ben Williamowsky**
Minna Williamowsky
Dennis Winson*
John Wolffe**

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REPORT OF THE ALPHA OMEGA LONDON CHARITABLE TRUST 2009-2010

I am pleased to report yet another extremely active year and the Trustees have met regularly.

Previous Trust reports have advised that letters in support of the Tel Aviv Dental School were sent to the Deans of the Medical and Dental Schools as well as the President and Governors of Tel Aviv University and the Council for Higher Education. Following early indications regarding a positive future for the Dental School at Tel Aviv University, the Trust was keen to show immediate support. In this regard, and following discussions with Professor Haim Tal, the Trust agreed to donate \$75,000, payable over three years, toward a computer-library students' room, two intra-oral cameras for postgraduate use and a contribution toward essential renovations of clinical areas. Following discussions with the new Dean, Professor Ilana Eli, and recent confirmation of the school's future, we have made the final \$25,000 donation to redeem our pledge and the Trustees await proposals to support the "Future is Now" campaign.

Following meetings with Professor Adam Stabholz of the Hadassah Dental School, the Trustees continue to support the development of a Seminar Room for Graduate Students for the sum of \$75,000, also payable over three years. This sum will also reflect our contribution to The Alpha Omega Conference Room being endowed by all Alpha Omega Chapters worldwide. Also at Hadassah, the Ino Sciaky Prize for Oral Medicine was awarded to Dr Anna Pikovsky together with a \$500 bursary.

On a visit to Israel last year and after discussions with our Trustees, a grant of \$10,000 has been promised to Hazon Yeshaya toward the purchase of two dental chairs for a new clinic in Ashkelon. These funds are yet to be distributed and the Trustees hope to have the opportunity to consider additional support for their expanding dental care programme.

In addition to the above, the following projects have been supported over the past year or are ongoing:

Aleh Negev	Dental "Snoezelen" project to support special care dentistry	\$17,000
Beit Issie Shapiro	Surgical implant equipment for gerodontic care	\$5,000
DVI Clinic	Building works for dental clinic for underprivileged children	\$6,500
Laniado Hospital	Two infusion pumps for medical care	\$3,000
Luba Slome	Dental chair, cart and cabinetry for supportive hygiene therapy	\$15,000
Magen David Adom	Haematron to support medical care	\$4,000

We are delighted at the continued interest in undergraduate student elective awards, each of \$400, from young members of Alpha Omega - our future! Over the past year, applications for five such scholarships have been received from Alex Biller, Natasha Feingold, Richard Horwitz, Adam Newman, and Samantha Koch. Alex, Richard and Adam, have already experienced superb electives and submitted comprehensive reports whilst Natasha and Samantha will travel over the next academic year. In addition, agreements have been reached with the Deans of both the UCL Eastman and KCL Dental Institutes to offer an annual travelling graduate award of \$400 to each Institute to benefit a postgraduate specialist trainee and the wider community.

Royalties from the BDJ book "Tooth Surface Loss" by Andrew Eder and Richard Ibbetson have once again been generously divided between the BDA Benevolent Fund and the Alpha Omega Charitable Trust. In the order of \$400 is expected to be received for sales over the past year. Following a very successful and innovative Alpha Omega London Chapter programme under the Chairmanship of Dr Adrian Mullish, which was generously supported by our colleagues in the Dental Trade, the Trust has this year received almost \$50,000 in support of its charitable activities.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of our many friends and colleagues who give so freely of their time on behalf of the Alpha Omega London Chapter and Trust. In addition, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all my fellow Trustees for their continued and devoted service to Alpha Omega.

Professor Andrew Eder (Chairman)
Dr Stephen Handelsman (Secretary)
Dr Mervyn Druian (Trustee)
Dr Emil Landes (Trustee)
Dr Aron Marcus (Treasurer, AO London Chapter and Trust)
Dr Adrian Mullish (Chairman, AO London Chapter)
Dr John Wolffe (Trustee and Past International President)



FOUNDATION FUN IN SAN DIEGO



Foundation Gala
Good Times at
the Abby



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*Join the Foundation &
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*Foundation Club
\$150/person
Chai Club \$18/
person*

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**Golf
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Range ♦ Lunch ♦ Prizes*

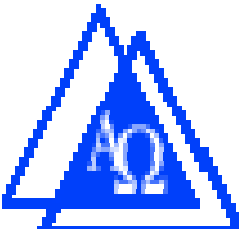
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- Fax your information to 301-738-6403
- Mail: 50 W. Edmonston Dr. #404, Rockville, MD 20852
- e-mail: glenbrook24@verizon.net

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Golf: \$175.00/person # ___ x \$175 = ___
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Foundation Club: \$150.00/person # ___ x \$150 = ___
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