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This issue of "Ma Nishma" is a special one. It is in English, in honor of the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity, which is holding its Centennial Convention in Israel to celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding. (How many organizations do we know that have the privilege of celebrating 100 years?) We would like to thank AO for their unending support and contributions to our dental school, and we dedicate this issue to them. Appearing here are some of the usual columns of our magazine, such as Faculty News, Faculty Forum, Wisdom of the Sages, and a report on the D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education. A special feature is the pictorial presentation of the history of our school - the vision, the establishment and the development - from its beginnings in the early 20th century until today.

We warmly welcome our guests. We will celebrate together at the convention, mostly taking place at the David InterContinental Hotel in Tel Aviv. We will greet them in Jerusalem, where they will visit Yad Vashem's Holocaust Museum and participate in the Yizkor prayer. They will be here for the official inauguration of the two new floors of our dental school, the top one of which is almost wholly dedicated to AO. We invite all our alumni to share in the opening ceremony (see Program).

AO will also participate with us in the Scientific Conference of the Israel Dental Association. We are proud to share with AO our many accomplishments. And of course we will help them enjoy the experience of being in Israel.

This is the first time that our quarterly appears in English. We plan to continue publishing one issue a year in English for our international readers who want to keep up with what's happening here but are not yet fluent in Hebrew. As it says in the Talmud: "One benefits, and the other does not lose."

Pleasant reading.

Noah Stern  
Editor



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## Faculty News



### THE SECOND MIDDLE EAST SYMPOSIUM IN DENTAL MEDICINE

On Friday, September 7, 2007 the Second Middle East Symposium in Dental Medicine took place under the auspices of The D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education. The co-chairpersons were the deans of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Faculty of Dental Medicine, Al-Quds University Faculty of Dentistry and Hacettepe University Faculty of Dentistry, Ankara. The

symposium took place at the Gloria Golf Resort in Antalya, Turkey.

On the afternoon of September 6th, 200 passengers took off from Ben-Gurion Airport and landed in Antalya 1½ hours later. Forty dentists from Turkey also participated in the symposium. The hotel was well equipped for a scientific conference as well as for a retreat.

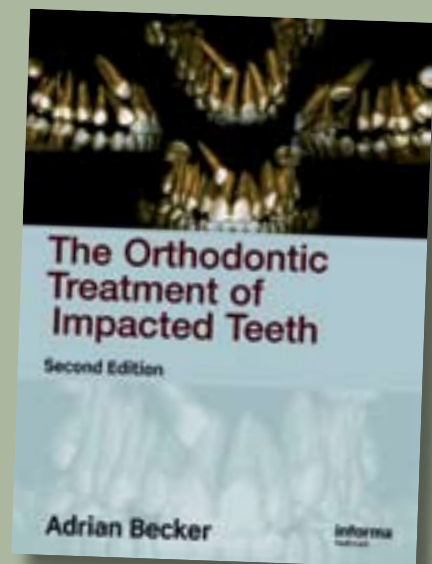
The Scientific Program was moderated by two very distinguished individuals,

Prof. D. Walter Cohen, Honorary Chairman, Middle East Center for Dental Education, and Prof. R. Bruce Donoff, Dean, Harvard School of Dental Medicine. The first part of the symposium consisted of presentations by guest speakers, followed by students' lectures. The last part of the symposium consisted of three workshops dealing with prosthodontics.

The orthodontic and surgical modalities have largely been adopted for the treatment of impacted teeth, but there is considerable difference of opinion between the two specialties as to which procedure should be carried out first and to what lengths each should be pursued. There are further controversies about good and bad practice. This new edition of a bestselling text discusses all aspects of the problem, from prevalence, through aetiology, to clinical treatment, long term prognosis and the reasons for failure. The material is meticulously documented and

provides a wealth of sound, evidence-based advice for both the Orthodontist and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon.

This Second Edition now includes much new material on the latest methods of radiographic diagnosis and the wider application of orthodontic implants. Five new chapters have been included in this new text and others have been significantly expanded to cover virtually every aspect of this fascinating subject, which is still hardly taught in a disciplined fashion in any of the Postgraduate Specialty Courses, worldwide.



## EVERYTHING IS KOSHER

Everything that is absorbed through the mouth must be kosher according to the Jewish faith – this also applies to dental materials which are placed in the mouth and to dental care products which are used by patients at home. The GC Corporation has now gained certification for its production sites in Japan so that its products can be supplied in countries and regions with a sizeable Jewish population. Hence more than 30 dental and dental technology products now bear the "kashrut" symbol on their packaging as an official seal of approval.



## THE 2007-2008 ACADEMIC YEAR IS LAUNCHED

"Welcome First Year Students" was the greeting heard by 55 new students who were accepted to the Dental School (a play on the "Welcome First Graders" heard by Israeli school children on their first day of school).

In mid-October 2007, the new academic year began with 307 students registered for all 6 years of the School. The numbers of students in each year are as follows:

First Year: 55, Second Year: 65, Third Year: 41, Fourth Year: 49, Fifth Year: 54, and Sixth Year: 43.

This is the largest number of students the Dental School has ever seen, causing not a few logistical problems. The Office of the Dean has assured us that everything will work out, and we have no doubt that it will.

In any event, we wish all our students, teachers and administrative staff a very successful year.

## "BRIDGES TO PEACE" DINNER

On October 16, 2007, a special dinner was held honoring six individuals who have greatly contributed to the world of dental medicine in general and to the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in particular.

The 6 honorees were:

Dr. Clement Alpert, a noted dental practitioner and community leader.

Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman and CEO of Henry Schein, Inc.

Morton Charlestein, Chairman of the Board Emeritus, Premier Dental Products Company.

Prof. D. Walter Cohen, Chancellor Emeritus, Drexel University College of Medicine; Dean Emeritus, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine; and Honorary Chairman, The D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Medicine.

Prof. Bruce Donoff, Dean, Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Allen Finkelstein, Chief Dental Officer, AmiChoice/United Health Group.

The guest speaker at the dinner was Prof. Sari Nusseibeh, President, Al-Quds University.

Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the development and expansion of the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine, especially the "Bridge to Peace" now being built to connect the buildings housing the Medical School and the Dental School. The event was organized by the American Friends of the Hebrew University. Dean Adam Stabholz presented the honorees with a "Tree of Peace" sculpture, and their names will be engraved on the new "Bridge to Peace".







## פורום רופאים Faculty Forum



With the legendary Pirha



With Prof Zilberman

# YOVEL (50 YEARS) OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROFESSOR EDITH KAYE

On March 27, 2007 The Faculty of Dental Medicine and the Department of Orthodontics celebrated 50 years of the academic activities of Prof. Edith Kaye. She was honored at the Tuesday Conference of the faculty. The event began with a get-together of friends and former colleagues – doctors, nurses, dental assistants, technicians, clerks and the current staff of the dental school, and family members. Speakers at this part of the event were Prof. Adam Stabholz, Dean of the Faculty of Dental Medicine, Dr. Yair Birnbaum, Associate Director-General and Director of the Hospital, Hadassah University Hospital, and Dr. John Wolf, World President of the Alpha Omega Fraternity. Prof. Ilana Brin, head of the Department of Orthodontics, gave a pictorial presentation showing some of the work and achievements of Prof. Kaye over the past 50 years at the faculty.

Prof. Kaye began her work at Hadassah in February 1957 - after completing her studies in dental medicine in Bulgaria,

making Aliyah, serving as a medical officer in the IDF and undergoing her specialization in orthodontics in the United States. Upon her return to Israel, Prof. Kaye became part of the teaching staff of the dental school and began teaching the very first graduating class of the school who were beginning their clinical studies.

For 50 years Prof. Kaye's achievements have been many and varied. Here are just some of them: she was one of the founders of the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in its first home on Straus Street, together with Professors Shaki, Michman and Lewin-Epstein. She was one of the leaders and planners of the new home of the dental school at Ein Kerem in the early 1960s. In the field of teaching it must be noted that she established the first undergraduate curriculum in orthodontics in Israel, was greatly devoted to her students, and established Jerusalem's first specialization program in orthodontics as an "in service" training. She participated in major congresses of the dental school – as chair and as a member. At the end of the 1950s, Prof. Kaye initiated the establishment of the first cleft lip and palate team in Israel, a multi-disciplinary team which treats children born with a cleft lip and/or palate. Together with Prof. Ulmansky she established the Israeli branch of the International Association

for Dental Research (IADR). In 1965, the Department of Orthodontics was recognized as an independent department in the dental school and Prof. Kaye was appointed as its first head. At the end of the 1960s, Prof. Kaye received a grant from the NIH in the amount of one million dollars. The subject of the research was dento-facial development in 7 ethnic groups in Israel. The research was conducted in towns and villages throughout Israel with the help of a special team and a mobile clinic. She was active in organizing conferences relating to orthodontics and represented Israel in conferences abroad. In 1978, she was the chairperson of the organizing committee of the silver jubilee (25 years) of the school's establishment. In addition to her academic achievements, Prof. Kaye lent a special spirit to the Department of Orthodontics, which still exists today.

Prof. Kaye finished her term as head of the Department of Orthodontics in 1984 and since then has been a volunteer in the department. She continues to conduct seminars for postgraduates during their elective in the department. Prof. Kaye laid down strong foundations in teaching, research and patient care, and the department heads who followed her - Prof. Shulamit Steigman, Prof. Yerucham Zilberman and the current head, Prof. Ilana Brin - have all built on

those foundations and continued to develop the department.

During the second part of this special Tuesday Conference, 3 case studies were presented by the most recent graduates of the specialization program, under the guidance of Dr. Stella Chaushu, the current director of the postgraduate program in Orthodontics.

The cases presented were examples of the continuation of Prof. Kaye's work in the treatment of clefts, the development of special treatment procedures, such as impacted teeth, and the orthodontic treatment of adults.

The event closed with heartfelt words by Prof. Kaye.



With Prof. Brin and Dr. Wolf, AO President

Dr. Alan Howard, a graduate of our dental school who resides in the United States, sent a letter this past spring to all his friends, expressing his feelings during Memorial Day for the Fallen and Independence Day here in Israel. Below is a brief bio of Dr. Howard, as well as the letter he sent his friends.

Dr. Alan Howard made Aliyah in 1972, graduated from the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in 1979, served in the Israeli navy until

1984, and returned to the United States in 1991. The School of Dental Medicine has been one of the institutions that Alan supports – financially and by donating digital radiograph systems. He is also one of the founders of the Smiles in Spite of Terror program. He was in Israel in June and wants to start something new, perhaps an outreach program through the Dental School to treat the needy. He is one of the founders of an organization called "Stand with Us" and is currently its Vice President.

This organization has become the fastest growing Jewish Organization in the world, with over 70,000 members. Their goal is to educate and to be an advocate on behalf of Israel. Their website [standwithus.com](http://standwithus.com) shows details of their programs. Dr. Howard's practice is in Los Angeles and specializes in high-end esthetics and non-invasive dentistry. After his retirement, he plans to volunteer his services to those who cannot afford dental treatment.

## YOM HAZIKARON and YOM HA'ATZMAUT in ISRAEL

Dear Friends,

I would like to share with you the feelings in Israel today and tomorrow. Living in Israel these were the most emotional days, they define the Jewish State and the Jewish People. Today at sunset is the beginning of Memorial Day, a day that one reflects on all those who have died so that our State can survive. The day starts with a siren at 8:00 p.m.; the radio plays very somber music and T.V. programs are all low key. One television show presents soldiers – each one as an infant, child, student and soldier...they interview the parents and friends...one after another...each story is a universe....each story weighs on our hearts.

At 10 a.m. tomorrow morning there is another siren, and again the whole

country stops for one minute; cars stop on the highway, people get out and stand for a moment of silence. Throughout the day there are ceremonies all around the country, the sadness and tears flow, it is a day that you remember, you feel, you miss all the heroes, our sons and friends.

The day is not a natural day, parents grieve for their children and children for parents. There is not a household in Israel that does not feel the pain, or have a loved one who is not with them.

Then at sunset there is a trumpet sound. This is the sound announcing the beginning of Independence Day and the ceremony takes place on Mount Herzl. This is the transition from grieving to living; this is the start of Independence Day – Yom Ha'atzmaut. On this day

everyone is out on the streets, music is playing, people are dancing. It is a day of survival. A celebration that we are one people in a Jewish Nation. The street celebrations end with parties at home; the next day the festivities continue, with picnics in parks and at beaches. It is a day for celebrating life.

I lived in Israel for 18 years, and every year I felt the same thing....my love for the country and for the people. This is the history of the Jewish people, from tears to laughter. The memory of the fallen gives us the strength to celebrate and see the light.

Let us all take one minute when we wake up tomorrow morning and remember those Jewish heroes who allow us to celebrate the Independence of the State of Israel.



# AO CONVENTION PROGRAM DECEMBER 25-31, 2007

## Tuesday, December 25, 2007

Most of the day is devoted to registration and informal meetings with alumni and new friends.  
8:00 p.m. - welcome reception, including dinner and Israeli entertainment

## Wednesday, December 26, 2007

9:00 a.m. - first business meeting.  
12:00 noon - to Jerusalem by bus.  
Today we will visit Yad Vashem, with a guided tour of the new Holocaust History Museum.  
3:30 p.m. - refreshments  
At 4:00 p.m. we will gather in the auditorium for the AO Memorial Session, and at 4:30 walk over to the Hall of Remembrance for the memorial service  
5:00 p.m. - return to Tel-Aviv.

## Thursday & Friday, December 27-28, 2007

These two days will be mainly devoted to the Scientific Program,

in cooperation with the Israel Dental Association, which will take place at the AVENUE-Airport City Congress Center near Ben Gurion airport. The scientific committee has invited several world renown speakers to this meeting.

A large dental exhibit will be on display.

## Friday, December 28, 2007

Parallel to the scientific meeting there will be a Spouses Event.

We will visit sites connected to women heroes of the Bible.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate and contribute to a successful trip.

During this day, various business meetings will be held for chapter officers and delegates.

6:00 p.m. – Shabbat Traditional Family Dinner

## Shabbat, December 29, 2007

Guided walking tour

## Sunday, December 30, 2007

Visit to the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine.

Inauguration Ceremonies.

8:00 p.m. - Honors Night.

Dr. Gerald Niznick is the recipient of the Achievement Award for his extensive contribution to dentistry in general, and to the 2 Israeli dental schools in particular.

## Monday, December 31, 2007

Tel Aviv University day.

9:30 a.m. - Welcome Reception.

10:30 - unveiling of the Alpha Omega Wall of Honor and the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new clinics.

2:30 p.m., after lunch, visit to Beth Hatefutsoth - The Nahum Goldmann Museum of the Jewish Diaspora.

9:00 p.m. - Farewell Grand Ball.



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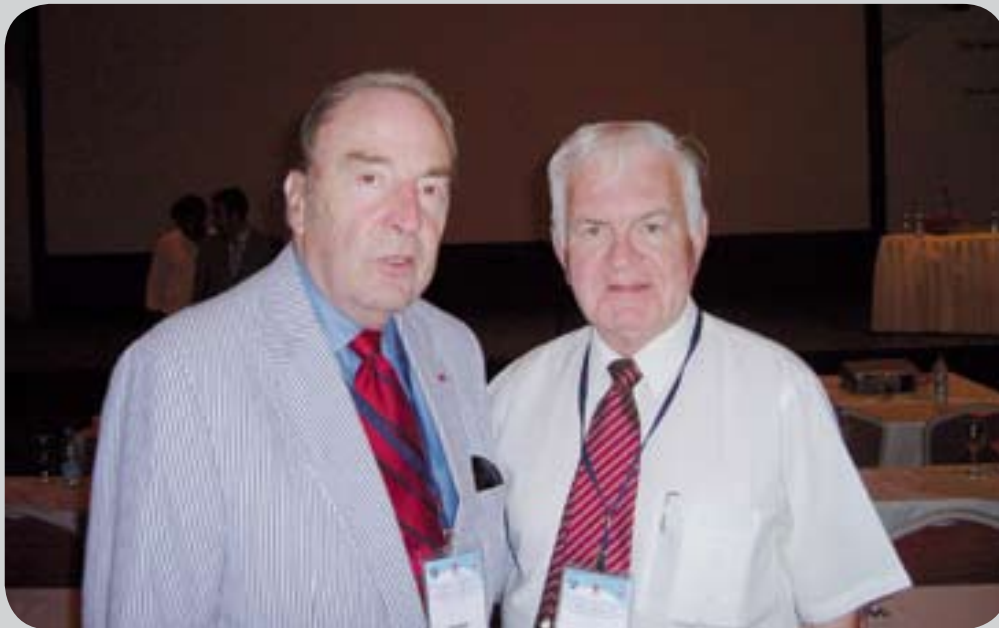
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Prof. D. Walter Cohen, The honorary chairman of the Middle East Center (left), and Prof. Noah Stern, the Editor of the "Ma Nishma" Journal

## Interview with D. Walter Cohen

**What were your expectations in 1997 when the Middle East Center for Dental Education was established?**

When the Middle East Center for Dental Education was started in June 1997 I hoped that by sharing information with dental colleagues in the region we could bridge the peace through science. I also envisioned collaboration between the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine and sister institutions throughout the area.

**How would you summarize the last 10 years of activities?**

The last 10 years have seen a number of 6-week programs that were well received by dentists who came to Jerusalem to study and then return to their practices in their home countries. We were also fortunate to have several full time graduate students taking the Oral Surgery and Pediatric Dentistry programs

as well as a student of Anthropology at the Institute for Dental Sciences, the School of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem. One of the highlights of the past decade is the establishment of the relationship with Al-Quds University Dental School and the First Middle East Conference on November 29, 2006.

**How do you envision the Middle East Center 10 years from now?**

I hope this program will continue to flourish in the decade ahead. The publication of the Middle East Journal of Oral Health this year is a step in the right direction for collaboration among dentists. I hope that the short courses will continue and that faculty from various schools in the region will come to Jerusalem for full time specialty training. I envision that eventually there will be a Middle East Dental Education Association (MEDEA), bringing centers of dental education together to enhance their objectives.

# THE D. WALTER COHEN MIDDLE EAST CENTER FOR DENTAL EDUCATION. THE FIRST DECADE: 1997-2007

## Prof. Harold D. Sgan-Cohen

The D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education at the Hebrew University - Hadassah School of Dental Medicine was officially dedicated on June 1st 1997. Two days before, on May 30th, the heart of this endeavor was initiated. A first symposium was held at the Hebrew University campus, with the subject of "Dental Care and Dental Education: Advances in the Middle East Based on World Experience".

The distinguished panel of participants included representatives from Jordan, the Palestinian Authority, Turkey, USA, UK, Japan, France, Romania and Israel. D. Walter Cohen opened the proceedings, voicing his faith that the symposium would emphasize the role of dental education together with dental research, as part of the new Center's goal "A Bridge to Peace". Dean Adam Stabholz welcomed the panel and expressed the hope that close cooperation in the fields of dentistry, dental education, and dental research, as well as the exchange of teachers and students, would benefit all peoples of the Middle East.

Marwan Habashneh, chief dental officer of Jordan, described the problems facing dental health in the region. Saker Komboz, chief dental officer of the Palestinian Authority, was proud to represent his people and expressed his belief that all health personnel should be leaders in the quest for a better and healthier life in the region.

The symposium was characterized by serious and professional deliberations, and the Middle East representatives

had the unique opportunity to learn from international leaders in the field of dentistry.

On November 10th, just five months after the first symposium took place, the International Advisory Committee of the D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education convened in Jerusalem. Distinguished participants included representatives of Jordan, the Palestinian Authority, Turkey, Cyprus, FDI/ERO, UNESCO, NIH/NIDCR, the Israel Ministry of Health, the Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Hadassah, Alpha Omega, the Israel Dental Association, and the Tel Aviv School of Dental Medicine.

At the meeting the following goals of the Center were defined and accepted:

1. To serve as a center for dental education that will promote cooperation in the field of Dental Medicine among the countries of the Middle East.
2. To develop local programs in Oral Health for the benefit of the peoples of the region.
3. To provide dentists of the area with state-of-the-art knowledge and skills in all disciplines of modern dentistry.
4. To encourage joint research between Israeli scientists and their colleagues from the neighboring countries, while seeking funds from international organizations to support their research.
5. To help in the consolidation of a true peace between Israel and its neighbors.

Over the last decade numerous short and longer educational courses have taken place with the participation of Palestinian, Jordanian, Moroccan, Egyptian, Turkish and Cypriot dentists. Middle Eastern dentists have also participated in research activities and in MSc, PhD and specialization programs.

It must be noted that the Dean of the Faculty of Dental Medicine, Prof. Adam Stabholz, was instrumental in helping establish the Center and it was one of his priorities during the Center's early years. Over the last two years, the Center has established a special relationship with the Palestinian Al-Quds University Dental School. This relationship is the result of the initiative and hard work of Dean Stabholz together with Dean Musa Bajali of Al-Quds. A one-day symposium under the auspices of Deans Stabholz and Bajali was held in eastern Jerusalem in 2006. In June 2007, a joint day of studies was organized at the Hadassah campus for final year students of the two faculties. In September 2007, a joint group from Al-Quds and the Hebrew University traveled to Antalya, Turkey, where a three-day meeting took place together with colleagues from two Turkish universities.

The D. Walter Cohen Center continues to strive to fulfill its goals despite the many obstacles that have stood in the way since its inception 10 years ago. Together with our many friends, colleagues and supporters around the world, we shall continue our dedication and commitment to the vision that was expressed by D. Walter Cohen one decade ago.



# MILESTONES

## OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY-HADASSAH SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE FOUNDED BY THE ALPHA OMEGA FRATERNITY

### AN HISTORIC PERSPECTIVE

by

Noah Stern\*, Rami Barnet\*\* and Adam Stabholz\*\*\*

## THE VISION

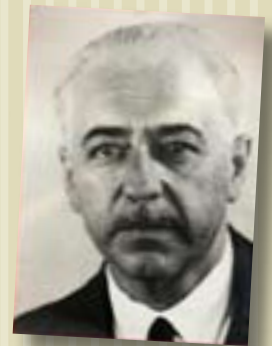
### 1907

To combat discrimination in the dental schools of Baltimore and Philadelphia, Jewish students organize to form their own society. One year later they unite to form the Alpha Omega Fraternity, to which Jewish students from other dental schools join. Several decades later Alpha Omega is instrumental in establishing a dental school at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.



### 1931

In pre-state Israel, 3 local dental organizations in Tel-Aviv, Jerusalem and Haifa unite to form the national Eretz Israel Dental Association. Dr. Shmuel Lewin-Epstein is elected Chairman. The new Association's main goal is the establishment of a dental school in Eretz Israel.



### 1936

The FDI holds a conference in Vienna. Prof. Bernard Gottlieb of the University of Vienna and a prominent dentist in Europe, together with the Jewish attendees, form an international organization for the establishment of a dental school in Eretz Israel.

\* Assistant Dean for Medical Affairs, Professor in Prosthodontics \*\* Associate Dean \*\*\* Dean, Professor in Endodontics

## DEPARTMENT OF ORAL MEDICINE

HEADS OF CLINICAL  
& PRE CLINICAL  
DEPARTMENTS  
AT THE SCHOOL OF  
DENTAL MEDICINE



Prof. Ino Sciaky  
1956-1977



Prof. Yair Sharav  
1977-2001



Prof. Rafael Benliel  
2001-

# THE ESTABLISHMENT

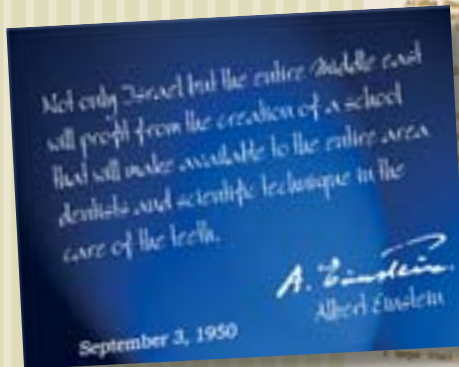


## 1946

The Jewish People try to recover after the Shoah. The Eretz Israel Dental Association gathers in Tel Aviv and plans the establishment of a dental school in Jerusalem. Committee members are: Shmuel Lewin-Epstein, Chairman, Dr. Ino Sciaky, Dr. Yitzchak Michman, Dr. Jacob Lewin-Epstein, Dr. Moshe Glassman, Dr. Yakov Yardeni, Dr. Avraham Sussman, Dr. Moshe Mishori and Dr. Zvi Abramovsky.

## 1950

Albert Einstein receives Alpha Omega's achievement award. He believes that a dental school in Israel will be significant for the whole Middle East. 47 years later "The D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education" is established at our School.



## 1953

Israel's first dental school, The School of Dental Medicine, is founded by a joint initiative of the Hebrew University, Hadassah Medical Organization and the Alpha Omega Fraternity. It is housed in an old children's dental clinic in the Straus Health Building on Straus Street in Jerusalem's city center. The clinic is renovated to become the main 12-unit teaching clinic. The school remains, until this day, the nation's foremost center for dental education, training tomorrow's professionals, initiating advanced research and providing expert clinical care.

## DEPARTMENT OF ORAL MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY



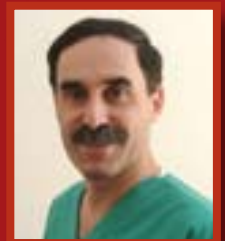
Prof. Jacob Lewin-Epstein  
1956-1985



Prof. Badri Azaz  
1986-1994



Prof. Arie Shteyer  
1994-2003



Prof. Rephael Zeltser  
2003-



# THE DEVELOPMENT PHASE I 1953-1963



Junior students, Class of 1962



The faculty – 1960s



New clinic, Straus Building



The dental assistants – 1960s

The atmosphere at the Straus center is very special. Staff is small, the hours are long, payroll agreements ignored. The staff have a common purpose: to do the utmost for the development of the school. The Straus building becomes too small for the developing school, and plans are made for a new building on the campus of Hadassah Ein Kerem.



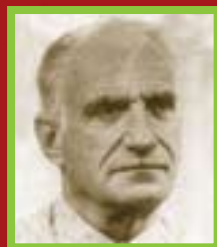
## 1959

The first eleven graduates, take the PHYSICIANS OATH, at a festive and impressive ceremony.

## DEPARTMENT OF ORAL REHABILITATION



Prof. Julius Michman  
1956-1974



Prof. Anzalem Langer  
1978-1986



Prof. Noah Stern  
Head of Prosthodontics  
1988-2000



Prof. Zvia Hirshfeld  
Head of Restorative Dent.  
1988-2001



Prof. Ervin Weiss  
2000-





Breaking ground for the Levin Building



## PHASE II 1964-1992

### 1964

Starting in 1958, Alpha Omega raises funds together with the philanthropist Maurice Levin for a new building and in 1964 the new Ida and Maurice Levin Building is inaugurated at the Hadassah Medical Center's Ein Kerem campus.

Inauguration ceremony, the Levin Building

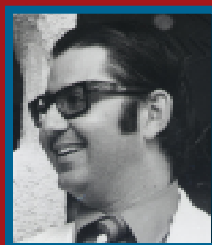


The faculty leadership of the 1960s and 1970s

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DENTISTRY



Prof. Kurt Rosenzweig  
1960-1970



Dr. Jossi Anayes  
1975-1983



Prof. Jonathan Mann  
1990-



## 1965

This year sees the expansion of the departments of Oral Medicine, Prosthodontics and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, and the establishment of new departments for Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry, Periodontology (which includes Endodontics) and Community Dentistry.

## 1965-1985

Dr. D. Walter Cohen, Dean, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, chairs the "Faculty and Fellowship Exchange Committee", whose mission is the post-doctoral training of dentists from Jerusalem at various centers in the U.S. and Europe. The University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine is one such center, with a major commitment to this effort under the leadership of Prof. Irwin Ship and Prof. D. Walter Cohen. Funds are raised for the training of more than 30 teachers from all fields of clinical and preclinical dentistry over a period of 20 years. Many of these teachers go on to chair their departments in Jerusalem and several become Deans of the School.



## 1978

Specialization is a tremendous catalyst for the professional development of dentistry in Israel, creating the gold standard for dental practice. An agreement signed by the Dental School and Hadassah in 1974 forms the basis of The Dentistry Specialization Law which passes in the Knesset in 1978. This law has a great impact on the School's educational system and helps promote the development of graduate and postgraduate studies.



The Dental Hygienist Law passes in the Knesset; the first course for dental hygienists opens at the Dental School in Jerusalem.

## DEPARTMENT OF PEDODONTICS



Prof. Kurt Rosenzweig  
1960-1970



Prof. Eliezer Idelman  
1979-2002



Prof. Yossi Shapira  
2002-





Russian immigrant dentists at Hadassah



First class of Ethiopian dental assistants

## 1980s

In the early years of this decade, it is decided to grant dental school students the degree of B. Med. Sc. after 3 years of studies. Also at this time, new immigrants (mostly from the former Soviet Union) are provided with refresher courses in dental medicine to upgrade their proficiency. The Unit of Hospital Oral Medicine and the Unit of Maxillofacial Rehabilitation open. A new independent Department of Endodontics opens. Another exciting event is the opening of the first dental assistants course for Ethiopian students in the Department of Community Dentistry.



## 1991

In the spring of 1990, discussions held with representatives of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Periodontology and Prosthodontics result in the establishment of an Implant Center. The Center grows, especially after 1997, when Dr. G Niznick donates funds to establish an independent implant clinic.

## 1992

Licensing requirements are standardized for dentists. All dentists and graduates of dental schools from abroad and Israel must pass an exam by the Israel Health Ministry prior to receiving a license to practice dentistry.



## DEPARTMENT OF PERIODONTICS



Prof. Shlomo Shapira  
1960-1975



Prof. Aubrey Soskolne  
1980-2006



Prof. Lior Shapira  
2006-



# PHASE III - SINCE 1992

In the beginning of the 1990s, with the enormous growth in the School's activities, there is an urgent need for more space and an upgrading of the old infrastructure. The AO International Dental Fraternity spearheads the "Bridge-the-Gap" Campaign and works together with the Hebrew University and Hadassah. The optimistic atmosphere prevailing due to the peace process between Israel and the Palestinians leads to the idea of continuing the fundraising under the name "Bridge to Peace".



## 1994

Dean Adam Stabholz is introduced to the late Mrs. Bella Wexner and her daughter Susan. Their generosity facilitates the establishment of the Dr. Izador I. Cabakoff Center for Advanced and Continuing Education in Dentistry. The successful culmination of the fundraising campaign towards the beginning of the third millennium transforms our school into an ultramodern one, positioning it among the leading schools of the Western world.



Inauguration ceremony for the Wexner Building



Caroline and Ira Saligman

## 1997

In July, the Bella and Harry Wexner Building is inaugurated. This new building is attached to the recently renovated old dental building, and now includes modern facilities appropriate for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



The Saligman Clinic

## DEPARTMENT OF ORTHODONTICS



Prof. Edith Kaye  
1965-1984



Prof. Shulamit Steigman  
1984-1997



Prof. Yerucham Zilberman  
1997-2003



Prof. Ilana Brin  
2003-



The D. Walter Cohen Middle East Center for Dental Education is established. Since 1997 it has worked towards creating joint ventures with dentists from Israel and its neighbors. Despite the objective obstacles involved in running such programs in the Middle East, the Center is extremely active. Dentists from the Palestinian Authority, Jordan, Turkey, Cyprus, Morocco and Egypt take part in various programs that include 2 to 4-week continuing education courses, joint research projects, one-day seminars, and annual lectures as well as PhD and postgraduate specialization tracks.

## 1999

The Institute of Dental Sciences is established. It comprises the departments of Oral Biology, Anatomy, Physiology and Pharmacology, and the Bone Laboratory. All these departments are uniquely positioned to design and implement interdisciplinary research projects, training programs and teaching curricula of the highest standards.



## 2002

The "Smiles in Spite of Terror" program provides free dental treatment to victims of terror during the years 2002-2005, regardless of the type of injury. Volunteers from abroad participate in the program, in addition to the regular staff members who provide conservative treatment for about 350 patients.



## 2003

In the fall of this year, the School celebrates its 50th anniversary. A scientific conference marks the occasion, with impressive posters on exhibit in the courtyard. An alumni conference also takes place and a special commemorative book called "The First Fifty Years" telling the history and development of the School is distributed.

### DEPT. HOSPITAL ORAL MED.



Prof. Adi Garfunkel  
1980-2003

### DEPT. OF MAXILLOFACIAL REHABILITATION



Prof. Moti Sela  
1986-



Hosts of the Second Middle East Symposium



## 2006

The fast growing relationship between the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine and the Al-Quds University Dental School leads to another historic event in our region. The First Middle East Symposium in Dental Medicine takes place in east Jerusalem with about 200 participants. One year later, The Second Middle East Symposium takes place in Turkey with 250 participants, including 40 colleagues from Turkey.

## December 2007

Unveiling of the new Etz Ha'shalom, Tree of Peace, to be placed at the entrance of our dental school. This tree symbolizes the pioneering partnership between our School and the Al-Quds University Dental School in the area of dental medicine and education.

Inauguration ceremonies for the two new upper floors of the Wexner Building, will include dedications for the following:

- The new Ronald Goldstein Center for Esthetic Dentistry and Clinical Research.
- The new Simulator Laboratory for Preclinical Studies, to help train our dental students in improving their manual dexterity.
- The Alpha Omega Centennial Exhibition, in appreciation of Alpha Omega's continuing support of our dental school.
- The Alpha Omega Centennial Wall, containing in perpetuity the names of all the Alpha Omegas and their spouses who have generously donated funds to support education and research at our dental school in Jerusalem.
- The Legacy Heritage Fund Auditorium, a new state-of-the-art lecture hall with 250 seats and the second largest auditorium on campus at Ein Kerem.



The dental and medical schools are not only in close proximity to each other but also share facilities during the pre-clinical years. The new bridge named "Bridge to Peace" will connect our auditorium's foyer with the neighboring medical school.

*"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"*

*Eleanor Roosevelt*



### DEPT. OF ENDODONTICS



Prof. Adam Stabholz  
1986-

### INSTITUTE OF DENTAL SCIENCES



Prof. Daniel Deutsch  
1999-2004



Prof. Jona Sela  
2004-



# DEANS OF THE FACULTY OF DENTAL MEDICINE



Prof. Ino Sciaky

1965-1969



Prof. Jacob Lewin-Epstein

1969-1973



Prof. Mario Ulmansky

1973-1976



Prof. Isaac Ginsburg

1976-1979



Prof. Yair Sharav

1979-1983



Prof. Badri Azaz

1983-1986



Prof. Adi Garfunkel

1986-1990



Prof. Arie Shteyer

1990-1993



Prof. Adam Stabholz

1993-1999  
2005-



Prof. Jonathan Mann

1999-2005

## ASSOCIATE DEANS



Dr. Jossi Anayes

1974-1975



Mr. Abraham Rapaport

1975-1989



Dr. Arik Zukert

1989-1993



Mr. Rami Barnet

1993-

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FOR CLINICAL AFFAIRS**  
1996-1999



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**ASSISTANT DEAN  
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## דברי חכמים

### Wisdom of the Sages

The Talmud (Tractate Sanhedrin, Page 105b) states: "**Rav Yossi son of Choni said: A man is jealous of everyone, except his son and his disciple.**"

Both father and teacher (the idealist type) are happy and content with the development of

their child and student, as they are fully aware that it comes only as a direct result of their input.

The student is not his teacher's competitor; rather he develops and expands his master's teachings. The father and teacher derive great satisfaction when

they see their 'offspring' building on the foundations that they have provided, just like the happiness of a farmer with the growth of his crops. As the verse states: "**Those who sow in tears, shall reap in joy.**" (Psalm 126, 5)



## בינינו

### Feel at Home

Dear Friend and Guest,

Don't feel like a tourist - feel at home.

Go out and walk around the streets of Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv, Haifa or any other city or community in Israel. It is very much a real country like any other in the world, with people, restaurants, stores, post offices, and a politically charged environment. But as much as it is a regular place on the map, Israel is my place, our place. I feel something here that I don't feel anywhere else in the world.

The feelings of belonging, of feeling at home, usually do not come easily. They are feelings of comfort, of familiarity and of security. In Israel these come easily because you know that you share a common bond with everyone around you and the country: you are a Jew in a Jewish land.

Yes, Israel is our homeland, but it is so much more; Israel is the physical

symbol of the Jewish people's struggle and persistence to survive. We are among the oldest groups of people to still exist in the world today. Great empires such as Greece, Rome and Persia have risen and fallen throughout history, and almost all of them have sought our destruction; but somehow we Jews have survived. The Israeli flag with its bright blue stripes and Magen David waving in the air, Israel's national anthem, Hatikva, and images of Israeli soldiers in olive green uniforms all evoke emotions of Jewish pride.

Just think about what Israel truly is: It's a miracle in our time. For over 2,000 years, the dream of Jews throughout the world was to return home, to return to Israel. Well let me tell you something: The wait is over. From the ashes of Europe our nation has been re-born. Despite the harsh landscape, we are making the desert bloom; we may lack natural resources

but we are rich in resourcefulness. With the ingathering of the many different Jewish communities we are building a vibrant, modern society. And even though we have neighbors hostile to us in the past, and even with some who still want to see us pushed into the sea, we have overcome and we are surviving. Out of necessity, we have built one of the most advanced militaries in the world; we have an impressive hi-tech industry, a successful tourist industry, and much, much more.

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