

## The Ontario Dental Association's Service Award

The ODA's Service Award is the third highest award of the Association and recognizes outstanding service at the local society, specialty section or provincial level. This prestigious award is in recognition of a sustained and outstanding contribution to the dental profession for a period of at least 10 years or more. The ODA was delighted to present the Service Award to **Dr. Arlene Dagys**, **Dr. Donna Green** and **Dr. Arthur T. Worth** at the Fall 2015 General Council on November 20, 2015.

### DR. ARLENE P. DAGYS

**D**r. Dagys is a 1974 DDS graduate of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry and a 1977 graduate from its orthodontic program. Since graduation, Dr. Dagys has maintained a private orthodontic practice in Toronto and a practice at the Hospital for Sick Children. Her commitment to dental education, research and organized dentistry has been exemplary. She has served on the staff of both the Faculty of Dentistry (Assistant Professor) and the Centre for Craniofacial Care and Research at The Hospital for Sick Children since 1997, sharing her knowledge with both dental and medical students and residents.

Dr. Dagys has a long history of dedicating her time to many leadership roles, serving as President of the following professional organizations: Association of Women Dentists of Ontario (1979-82), Toronto East Dental Society (1983-84), Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honour Dental Society (1989-90), the Ontario Association of Orthodontists (1990-91), the Canadian Association of Orthodontists (1998-99) and the Ontario Association of Dental Specialists. She is also a Past Vice-President of the Canadian Craniofacial Society. At the ODA she served as a member of the Board of Governors for six years (1985-91) and was a member of the ODA's Annual Spring Meeting Committee (1986-91). She is presently a Deputy Regent for the International College



Dr. Dagys received her Service Award on November 20, 2015 during General Council.

of Dentists.

Dr. Dagys' research is recognized internationally, she has contributed chapters for six books on craniofacial anomalies, and she has given more than 75 presentations internationally on the subject of cleft lip and palate and craniofacial anomalies. She is one of our most respected Canadian ambassadors in this challenging sub-specialty.

Dr. Dagys is also a founding member of *Ski for Kids*, an annual fundraising event in Ontario for the dental needs of craniofacial patients. Her colleagues describe her as a "meticulous clinician, a passionate educator and a proven leader, who holds the respect of her orthodontic col-

leagues across Canada and around the world."

Her peers have recognized the outstanding contributions made by Dr. Dagys and she has been awarded Fellowships in the American College of Dentists (2013), Academy of Dentistry International (2001), the International College of Dentists (1995) and the Pierre Fauchard Academy (1993). She has received an Award of Merit from the Ontario Association of Orthodontists (2015), the Canadian Association of Orthodontists (2007) and the Royal Canadian Humane Association (1974).

For her significant and distinguished contributions to the dental profession, the ODA was very pleased to present Dr. Arlene Dagys with the ODA Service Award. 