

1997 AAPHD ANNUAL MEETING

Special Recognition of the National Institute of Dental Research on the Occasion of its 50th Anniversary

Presented by Robert (Skip) J. Collins, President

President Collins introduced Dr. Harold Slavkin, the sixth director in the history of the NIDR, an institution celebrating its 50th anniversary in 1998 and whose history is closely linked with public health dentistry. Dr. Slavkin received his undergraduate (1961) and dental (1965) degrees from the University of Southern California (USC), and an honorary doctorate in science from Georgetown University in 1990. He directed the Center for Craniofacial Molecular Biology at

USC before coming to NIDR in 1995 and is a past president of the American Association for Dental Research. His own research focuses on processes underlying congenital and acquired craniofacial and oral defects.

Dr. Collins noted that Hal is a warm human being, full of enthusiasm with a deep sense of the relationship between science and the public good. Dr. Slavkin shared some of his visions about dental research and its application to public health dentistry as the

NIDR turns 50 and moves into a new millennium. Following Slavkin's presentation, Dr. Collins presented him with an AAPHD plaque commemorating NIDR's 50th anniversary and citing the strong relationship between dental public health and the research and science transfer conducted under the auspices of the NIDR. He noted that it seemed fitting that the AAPHD and the NIDR should share 10-year anniversaries, NIDR's 50th and AAPHD's 60th.



Dr. Hal Slavkin, director of NIDR, accepting plaque commemorating NIDR's 50th anniversary from Skip Collins, president of AAPHD.



Gabriele Glang receiving the Special Recognition plaque from Gary Rozier, JPHD editor.

Special Recognition of Gabriele Glang, Publications Manager, JPHD

Presented by Gary Rozier, DDS, MPH

I am pleased to have the opportunity to recognize the contributions of Gabriele Glang to the American Association of Public Health Dentistry.

Gabriele has been the publications

manager for the association's journal since the summer issue of 1985. In this capacity, she designs the *JPHD* layout, copy edits manuscripts and other features, prepares galley proofs and

sends them to authors and coordinates their corrections, proofs the final pages, and prepares camera-ready copy for printing the journal in Michigan.