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# Chairperson's Corner

by William R. Horbatt

**W**elcome to the summer issue of *International News*!

I want to thank all the authors for their contributions to this issue and remind them that they are all eligible to win this year's Country Feature Award (more on that elsewhere in this issue). This year the winner can use the award for any actuarial purpose, not just to attend an SOA meeting.

International Section Council members, both current and past, are diligently working to provide our members with continuing education both within and outside North America. Recognizing that we are not the

only actuarial organization serving international actuaries' needs, we are co-sponsoring a cocktail hour at the SOA annual meeting in Chicago this October with other actuarial organizations including the Chinese Actuarial Club—Chicago and New York chapters, the Pacific Rim Actuaries Club of Toronto and the Caribbean Actuarial Association.

Outside North America, the section is organizing seminars jointly with the Financial Reporting Section on U.S. GAAP with special emphasis on foreign products. Our first seminar will be in Hong Kong in October and we hope to follow up with seminars in Latin America and Central Europe. We'll keep you informed on further developments. Finally, the International Experience Study committee has organized groups of actuaries in both Brazil and Poland to study their own country's experience and we will keep trying to expand its reach to new countries.

We have a great panel of candidates for the International Section Council elections this year and, by the time you read this, members will have chosen their favorites. They will not disappoint our members, and I am sure that they will be doing great things in the near future. Please feel free to contact them and suggest new and improved activities for our section to do. □

## Editorial Correction:

*International News* apologizes to Derek Osborne and Dr. Geraldine Kaye for errors printed in the March issue.

*Derek's name was spelt incorrectly on his article, "Social Security Systems in the English-Speaking Caribbean."*

*Dr. Geraldine Kaye wrote the article, "Every Seven Years" and there was an error in the name of her firm. She is the founder of GAAPS International.*



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