

Stanley Bergman Delivers Commencement Address At Stony Brook School Of Dental Medicine

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Henry Schein Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer underscores the importance of a global perspective on oral health care

MELVILLE, N.Y., May 31, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSIC), the world's largest provider of health care products and services to office-based dental, medical and animal health practitioners, delivered the commencement address at Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine.

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Addressing the graduates of the 2013 class, Mr. Bergman discussed the remarkable changes in dentistry over the past three decades, noting that those changes will be eclipsed by the even more extraordinary changes that new graduates will see in dentistry during their practice careers. He stressed the importance of embracing new technology and constantly looking for new and improved solutions to provide comprehensive care to patients.

"Dentists today must not only see their patients in the chair, but look well beyond the dental chair to a much larger world of oral health care," said Mr. Bergman. "Orient your practice to your patient's total health. Be a leader in the larger health care team protecting the overall health of your patient and a strong advocate for the important role that dentistry plays in the continuum of care by collaborating with dental and medical colleagues."

Mr. Bergman emphasized the need to adapt one's practice to changes in the patient population. "Within the next three decades, those who trace their roots to the developing world will represent the majority of the United States population...the minority will be the majority," he continued. "Respect cultural differences, make sure your staff reflects the faces of your patients, and align your community outreach to give back to growing patient population segments."

The graduation was officiated by Dr. Ray C. Williams, Dean, Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine; the Grand Marshall, Dr. Aaron Segal; and a member of the Class of 2013, Dr. Michael Plaut, who gave the graduate response. The graduating class included 36 members receiving Doctor of Dental Surgery Degrees and 21 receiving post-doctoral certificates.

Dean Williams noted, "I applaud Stanley Bergman and Henry Schein, Inc. for their tremendous commitment to social responsibility through Henry Schein Cares which is helping to bring oral health care to the world."

About Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine

The primary mission of the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine is to educate caring and skilled dentists who are well prepared to enter private practice or enter graduate or specialty training programs. The School also serves the profession with its continuing education programs and promotes the mission of Stony Brook University and Stony Brook Medicine through collaborative efforts in teaching, research and service.

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