The KZN Branch of the Association recently acknowledged with gratitude these attributes in a colleague with whom many members had worked over several years. Paul Hermanides, dental technician supreme, decided after some 50 years, that it was indeed time to retire. The Branch honoured him with an Achievement Award, presented to him by the President of the KZN branch, Dr Regardt Perold. Applauding the presentation were the SADA President, Dr Vivek Rughubar, and the SADA CEO, Ms Maretha Smit. Paul, always encouraged by his wife Judy, had a long and successful career in Zimbabwe before moving to Durban thirty years ago, where he established a fine reputation and ultimately became the oldest practicing dental technician in South Africa. He also worked in the United States for a period of time. Paul has made a significant contribution to Dentistry in South Africa.

The Association and the Journal wish Paul and Judy an exceptionally happy and relaxed retirement.