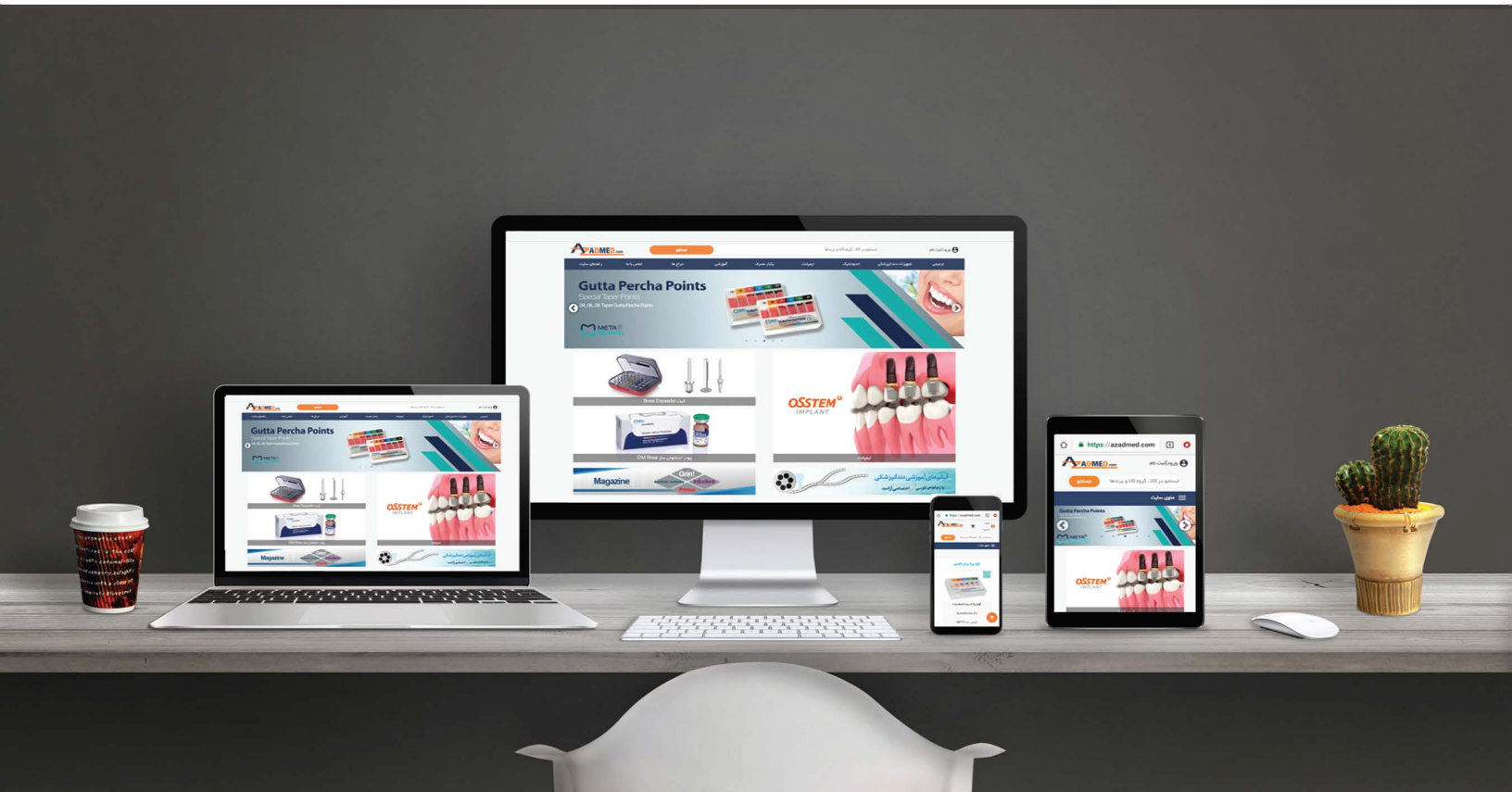




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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends,



It is my honor to welcome the Class of 2006 into the family of the UB Dental Alumni Association. You will not really appreciate all that you have learned about dentistry until you take the next step forward, be it a graduate program, military service, or private practice. Please remember to take advantage of all the networking opportunities that your Alma Mater and the Dental Alumni Association have to offer. Questions about employment opportunities, continuing education requirements, ethics and the New York State Dental Practice Act, licensure by credentials, and more can also be answered by a quick call to the Eighth District Dental Society. Young and established dentists should be proud to be a member of organized dentistry and the Alumni Association -- help us to support you by supporting us.

I am proud to say that, during the past year, the Alumni Association helped support the students by over \$14,000. Contributions were made towards orientation, the yearbook, junior and senior awards banquet, refreshments for NERB patients, Hanau Cup, BOCA service dental care, senior award and graduation gifts, and more. In addition, new graduates receive 1-1/2 years of complimentary Alumni Association membership. We hope that recent graduates will remember all these Alumni 'contributions,' and become active, involved, dues paying alumni themselves.

Much has changed since I graduated in '76. We had two women in our class; today almost half of the class is female. We had more students from Western New York than were from all of New York State this year. We had no way near the alumni support that this year's graduates enjoyed through all four years. Yet one thing has been consistent for over 100 years, the quality of the education we have all received is among the best available, at any cost, at any location. For this we should all be proud.

Here's hoping you all have a happy, healthy summer. Don't miss our next Dental Report - my focus will be on the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting.

Fraternally yours in dentistry,
 Stanley L. Zak, Jr. DDS '76

Greetings From Dean Buchanan

I thought that our alumni and friends might be interested in the highly favorable outcomes emerging from the University's strategic planning initiative, UB2020, especially the favorable effects on the future prospects for the School of Dental Medicine. In a previous issue of the Dental Report, I notified you that UB had appointed a new president, John B. Simpson. His preference for leading through strategic planning was made immediately evident when he initiated UB2020-- a planning process characterized by wide and deep faculty participation.

Interdisciplinary faculty groups were charged to identify and develop concept papers for areas of strategic strength with the potential to shape and enhance the future development of the University. The Strategic Strength White Papers devolved from Envisioning Retreats involving hundreds of faculty followed by refinement of the White Paper drafts by Faculty Advisory Committees. Through this process, a total of 10 Strategic Strength proposals were developed in the following areas: Integrated Nanostructured Systems, Molecular Recognition and Biological Systems, Bioinformatics, Clinical Sciences and Experimental Medicine, Aging and Chronic Disease, Civic Engagement and Public Policy, Extreme Events: Mitigation and Response, Artistic Expression and Performing Arts, Information and Computing Technology and Cultural, Historical and Literary/Textual Studies.



The White Papers have been utilized by the Faculty Advisory Committees and Deans Coordinating Committees, working collaboratively to prepare detailed Hiring Plans to support the recruitment of the new faculty needed to contribute to and lead the new strategic initiatives. The Hiring Plans were submitted for review by the President and Provost; and the planning process has quickly progressed from strategy formulation to implementation through the resource allocation decisions of the President and Provost.

I am very pleased to inform you that the School of Dental Medicine has received 3.5 new positions through the Integrated Nanostructured Systems and Molecular Recognition and Biological Systems Hiring Plans, confirming that the development of our academic programs is confluent with the University's aspirations to achieve preeminent status among our nation's research universities. With these new resources, supplemented by our own, we will begin immediately to search for faculty with expertise in areas such as biomaterials, functional genomics, computation biology, tissue engineering, epidemiology, and signaling networks.

I expect that our School will pledge significant resources to the development of Hiring Plans for Aging and Chronic Diseases, Civic Engagement and Public Policy, and Clinical Sciences and Experimental Medicine and that, in consequence, we will receive the matching resources which will facilitate our contributions to these strategic initiatives as well. In total, the new positions create an exciting opportunity for the school to add dimensions, make connections, and achieve a return on investment that will sustain our future academic advancement. I look forward to providing future updates as the recruitment of new faculty progresses.

Alumnotes

Sebastian G. Ciancio '61 edited The ADA / PDR(R) Guide to Dental Therapeutics, 4th Edition, which will be available in Sept 2006. Written by a team of experts, the Dental Therapeutics Guide includes the work of dentistry's leading academicians and clinicians. The book was prepared at the request of the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs in a collaborative effort with Thomson PDR. It is the only dental therapeutics book published by the ADA and will provide dentists with the latest patient-care information in a readily accessible format. Dr. Ciancio is currently distinguished service professor and chair, Dept of Periodontics & Endodontics, UB School of Dental Medicine.



Robert L. DeFranco '65 was selected as Educator of the Year by the Class of 2006. The honor consists of the Yearbook dedication and Dr. DeFranco led the class into the auditorium at Commencement, carrying the mace.



Davis A. Garlapo '68 was selected by the Dental Student Association as the 2006 William M. Feagans Award recipient. The award is presented infrequently to a distinguished member of the faculty, staff or administration who has shown to students a concern that encompasses the finest aspects of academic dentistry, tempered with an appreciation of the demands of 'real life' dentistry and the inherent challenges of student life. Dr. Garlapo is currently Professor, Dept. of Restorative Dentistry.

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Robert A. Gianadda '70 has been awarded the Chairman's Award for Leadership in Education by Erie Community College. A member of the ECC Foundation Board of Directors since 2001, Gianadda has helped to raise more than \$250,000 in scholarship funds for ECC students. He also has been instrumental in launching the college's Dental Assisting Certificate Program, which

enables students to train on state-of-the-art dental equipment. Dr. Gianadda is currently in private practice with WNY Dental Group, Buffalo, NY.

Patrick D. Sculley '73 retired in June 2006 after four years as executive director of Sigma Xi, during which he oversaw the planning and construction of the Society's new administrative offices. New programs, increased funding, international expansion and the launch of American Scientist Online are additional fruits of Sculley's tenure,

Dr. Sculley and his wife, Peggy, have four children and five grandchildren, all of whom live in Texas. Sculley had a distinguished career in the U.S. Army prior to his appointment at Sigma Xi, retiring in 2002 with the rank of major general after 29 years of service. His last position was that of deputy surgeon general of the army medical department, which in 2002 operated eight medical centers, 47 hospitals, 73 separate health clinics, 172 dental clinics and 14 biomedical research facilities. At that time, the department employed 74,000 military/civilians and had an annual operating budget of more than \$5billion.

Frank C. Barnashuk '80 was promoted to Clinical Assistant Professor, Dept. of Restorative Dentistry, UB School of Dental Medicine. He is also in private practice in Buffalo, NY.



In November 2005, **Laurie Carter '83, PhD**, began a four-year term on the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs and a two-year term as President-elect of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology. Dr. Carter is currently Professor & Director, Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology and Director of Advanced Dental Education, at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry in Richmond, VA.

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In Memoriam

Frank B. DeLuca '47
Ronald B. Woods '71

Congratulations to the Class of 2006

“With solemn appreciation for the doctoral degree which has been conferred upon me, I do hereby pledge: to uphold the honor and integrity of the dental profession and to contribute to its progress, to accept my professional responsibility to treat those who come to me for care with both compassion and respect, and to continue to advance my knowledge and skills throughout my professional career. I do so swear...”



Academic Mace Bearer Robert L. DeFranco '65



David L. Dunn, V-P for Health Sciences; Dean Buchanan; and Commencement Speaker Antonia Coello Novello, MD, MPH, DrPH

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| Dr. Tomasz Ludwiczak | Dr. Svetlana Yurovskaya |
| Dr. Theron J. Main | Dr. Albert E. Zak |
| Dr. Marc Malatesta | Dr. David A. Zeitlin |

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Senior Recognition Banquet

On May 11, 2006, the Senior Recognition Banquet was held at the Creekside Banquet Grove in Cheektowaga, NY. The following awards were presented to the Class of 2006:

Academy Of Dentistry For Persons With Disabilities; Kendra J. Fryer
 Academy Of General Dentistry; Allyson K. Stewart
 Academy Of Operative Dentistry; Lynne A. Meriwether
 American Academy Of Dental Practice Administration; Yi-Ping Liu
 American Academy Of Esthetic Dentistry; Behnaz Bakhshi
 American Academy Of Gold Foil Operators; Anthony Lister
 American Academy Of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology; Lisa M. Yerke
 American Academy Of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology; Anthony Lister
 American Academy Of Oral Medicine; Yuliya Nosov
 American Academy Of Orofacial Pain; Fernando Tejada
 American Academy Of Pediatric Dentistry Predoctoral Student; Loan S. Mao
 American Academy Of Periodontology; Daniel E. Shin
 American Association Of Endodontists; Yuliya Nosov & Svetlana Yuroskiy
 American Association Of Oral Biologists; Owais A. Farooqi
 American Association Of Orthodontists; Yi-Ping Liu
 American Association Of Public Health Dentistry; Kendra J. Fryer
 American College Of Dentists; Kelli L. Brady
 American College Of Prosthodontists; Hye-Jin Kim
 American Dental Society Of Anesthesiology; Nicholas Morra
 Eleanor Bushee; Allyson K. Stewart
 Dr. Samuel A. Caccamise; Majid Heydari
 James Collord Memorial; Barry W. Webber
 Delta Sigma Delta; Yuliya Nosov
 Dental Alumni; Perichole Eilers
 Dentsply Merit In Removable Prosthodontics; Aimee F. Kraft
 Erie County Dental Society Chester A. Glor; Lisa M. Yerke
 The Pierre Fauchard Academy; Perichole Eilers
 Fonzi Dental Study Club, Anthony S. Gugino Humanitarian; David A. Zeitlin
 International College Of Dentists; Yuliya Nosov
 Edwin C. Jauch; Robert T. Jenkins
 Donald Kozlowski Memorial; Majid Heydari
 NYS Dental Association Student Leadership; Perichole Eilers
 The Northeastern Society Of Periodontists; Jennifer L. Nauman
 Omicron Kappa Upsilon Research; Jill Kramer
 Pediatric & Community Dentistry Department; Amy Huynh & Theron Main
 Richard A. Powell; Robert Raimondi
 Quintessence Award For Research Achievement; Yi-Ping Liu
 Quintessence Award For Clinical Achievement In Restorative Dentistry; Behnaz Bakhshi
 Quintessence Award For Clinical Achievement In Periodontics; Lisa M. Yerke
 Lester Schatz Memorial; Owais A. Farooqi
 George B. Snow - Complete Prosthesis
 First Place: Robert T. Jenkins & Second Place: Majid Heydari
 The Harvey D. Sprowl; Daniel E. Shin
 Stephen B. Totten Memorial; Svetlana Yurovskiy
 Water Pik Technologies Prosthodontics; Kelli L. Brady



Stan Zak and Perichole Eilers



Svetlana Yuroskiy, Yuliya Nosov, and Gene Pantera



Frank Barnashuik and Robert Raimondi



Gerard Wieczkowski and Lynne Meriwether



Fadi Ayoub and Behnaz Bakhshi



Sylvia Jammal and Majid Heydari

Photos courtesy of Jason Chwirut, Academic Affairs

2006 Reunion Classes

Make plans to celebrate in Buffalo during the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting!

Thursday, Oct. 26 UB School of Dental Medicine Reception honoring Reunion Classes, Squire Hall
Friday, Oct. 27 Reunion Dinner Dance, Hyatt Regency Hotel

Reunion Class Chairs for 2006

1941 Harold Ortman	1966 Joseph P. Rowbottom
1946 Richard Glor	1971 Peter D'Arrigo Sanford Eisen
1951 William Braun, Jr. William Rathke	1981 Gerald Carlo Kevin & Beth D'Angelo David & Mindy Weinman
1956 John Lucchese	
1961 Sebastian G. Ciancio Girard A. Gugino G. John Kroubalkian John H. Twist Roger W. Triftshauser Philip V. Vullo	1986 Samuel Carocci 1991 David Ball Rosanne Modica Michael Rosenberg 1996 Laura Littman Jeffrey M. Dolgos

Reunion Dinner Dance

Hyatt Regency Ballroom
Friday, October 27, 2006
Cocktails 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

We are still searching for chairs for the classes of **1976** and **2001**.

If you can help, please call Ray Miller at (716) 683-7666 or Marilyn Sulzbach at (800) 756-0328 ext 2 or (716) 829-2061.

Your reunion chair should be contacting you shortly!

Y E A R B O O K S

The Dental Alumni Association is attempting to complete a yearbook library from the turn of the century to the present. We would like to obtain at least two copies for each year.

Listed below are the volumes still needed:

1892 - 1897	1922
1908 - 1914	1925 - 1929
1916 - 1917	1931 - 1937
1919 - 1920	1949

If you have any of these volumes and would be willing to donate them, please call Marilyn Sulzbach at 800-756-0328 ext. 2 or 716-829-2061.

The Dental Alumni Association is a non-profit organization and your donation may be tax deductible. Check with your accountant.

Omicron Kappa Upsilon



Members of the graduating class are elected to membership in OKU on the basis of academic achievement, exemplary character, and potential for future professional growth and attainments. Congratulations to the following members of the Class of 2006 who were elected to OKU: (l to r) Barry Webber, David Calos, Lynne Meriwether, Kristin Nysten, James Gleason, YiPing Liu, Jeremy Molon, Catherine Chow, and Behnaz Bakhshi.



Dental Alumni Association President Stan Zak '76 (right) is presenting a laptop computer, along with a digital camera, to 8th District Dental Society Executive Director David Kinyon (center), and Erie County Dental Society President Charles A. Marchetta '79 (left). These items are to be used for continuing education programs at the new Dental Society Office on Harlem Road, Cheektowaga. The C.E. facilities there are available for use by UB, county societies, and local study clubs. Mark Barone '85, President, 8th District Dental Society, called this donation "a wonderful example of the co-operation between organized dentistry and the Dental Alumni Association to benefit all WNY dentists."

Community and Pediatric Dentistry

Congratulations to the 2006 graduates of the Community and Pediatric Dentistry Program:

Amanda Cryan '04
Sandra McDougal (University of Texas - Houston)
Todd Pillion (Virginia Commonwealth University)
Christina Smith '04
Erica Streit '04

And welcome to the new incoming residents:

Heather Lilley Gregg (Ohio State University)
Theron Main '06
Denise Russell (Case Western Reserve University)
Jayson Smith (University of Pittsburgh)
Renn Veater (University of Kentucky)



The 29th Annual

Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting

Sponsored by the U.B. Dental Alumni Association

Wednesday, October 25

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Opening Night Celebration
Supported by Ivoclar Vivadent Inc.



Sebastian G. Ciancio, DDS '61

Thursday, October 26

8:30 am - 4:30 pm Periochemotherapeutics: The 21st century; Sebastian G. Ciancio DDS '61 *Alumni Speaker Series*
Supported by educational grants from Colgate & Oral-B.

8:30 am - 4:30 pm The \$1,000,000 staff; Joe Steven Jr DDS & Mark Troilo DDS

8:30 am - 11:30 am ****Learn to live healthy with 5 simple components; Robert Vest**
Supported by an educational grant from Gold's Gym.

8:30 am - noon CPR; MP Emergency Response Training

8:45 am - 11:45 am Finding your way through the maze of removable prosthodontics: Complete dentures, removable partial dentures and implant overdentures; Richard A. Williamson, DDS, MS
Supported by an educational grant from Ivoclar Vivadent Inc.

8:45 am - 4:15 pm Comprehensive laser dentistry from A to Z;
Ron Kaminer DDS '90 *Alumni Speaker Series*
Supported by an educational grant from Biolase.

8:45 am - 11:45 am Oral bioterrorism and weapons of mass destruction;
Debra Seidel-Bittke RDH Supported by educational grants from Orapharma & Oral-B.

9:00 am - 4:45 pm A blueprint for esthetics; Jeff Blank DMD
Supported by an educational grant from Dentsply Caulk.

9:00 am - noon ****Collections, strategic planning; Dan Vecchio Jr** Supported by an educational grant from American Credit Control Corp.

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Are you prepared to treat medically and developmentally compromised patients? Debra Seidel-Bittke RDH
Supported by educational grants from Orapharma & Oral-B

1:15 pm - 4:15 pm Infection control for the dental team: What's New?
Terrence J. Thines DDS '75, MS

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm CPR; MP Emergency Response Training

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm ****Successful transition strategies; Sarah Lynch**
Supported by an educational grant from Jim Kasper Assoc. LLC



Joe Steven, Jr., DDS



Mark Troilo, DDS

Register Early: Pre-registration closes Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006 and prices go up!

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Save the Dates!



Friday, October 27

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Creating a successful cosmetic practice; Dick Barnes DDS

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Tuberculosis: An ancient disease -- a significant modern problem, John Wright MD & A tooth-related near-death experience; Norman D. Mohl DDS '56, PhD

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Taking the mystery out of detecting oral cancer & potentially malignant diseases; Scott Benjamin DDS '78 *Alumni Speaker Series*

8:30 am - 11:30 am

****Business succession & retirement; Robert Bielecki CPA & Donald Halicki; Supported by an educational grant from AXA Advisors.**

8:30 am - noon

CPR; MP Emergency Response Training

8:45 am - noon

Oral pathology for dental professionals; Olga Ibsen RDH, MS Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Procter & Gamble.

8:45 am - 4:30 pm

Next level of root canal therapy; A. Utku Ozan, DDS, MS Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Medidenta.

8:45 am - 11:45 am

Infection control for the dental team: What's new? Terrence Thines DDS'75, MS

9:00 am - 4:15 pm

Predictable restorative outcomes using one-stage implant system; Mark Hutten DDS MS Supported by an educational grant from Straumann USA.

9:00 am - noon

Insurance payment, coding & patient communication CDT-2005-2007 codes; Carol Tekavec RDH

1:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Differential diagnosis of oral lesions; Olga Ibsen RDH, MS Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Procter & Gamble.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Risk Management VI; John Asaro DDS '73 & Kevin Ricotta JD

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

It's not your father's operatory; Scott Benjamin DDS '78 *Alumni Speaker Series*

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Record keeping basics; Carol Tekavec RDH

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Dentist technician team communication for esthetics & function; Ken Jones CDT & Fred McIntyre DDS '72, MS Supported by an educational grant from New Creation Dental Studio.

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

CPR; MP Emergency Response Training

****May not meet requirements for mandatory NYS continuing dental education credits.**

For more information call: (800) 756-0328 ext. 2 or (716) 829-2061 or visit our website at www.ubdentalalumni.org.



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UB @Sea 2006

Join us as we set sail JULY 7-14, 2007 from **New York City**, aboard the Carnival Victory and experience the glory of the northeast as Fall is approaching: First stop **Boston** where you can walk the "Freedom Trail", enjoy the flowers and swan boats in Boston Common or stroll the shops at Faneuil Hall. Then you are off to **Portland**, where you can spend the day wandering around Maine's largest city. Don't forget to stop by the L.L. Bean outlet! Next, spend a day in **Sydney** being charmed by museums, historic homes and hiking trails. Last stop is scenic **Halifax, Nova Scotia**. This beautiful harbor city has fascinating history. Not to be missed is the postcard-perfect setting of Peggy's Cove, a charming fishing village and one of Canada's most photographed settings.

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The Dental Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the following awards.

Honor Award

This award is given to those whose enthusiastic and untiring endeavors have helped to promote the continued growth, development and success of the UB School of Dental Medicine

Humanitarian Award

This award is given to the alumnus who best exhibits the following characteristics:

- Unselfishness
- Concern for Others
- Commitment to Dentistry
- Commitment to, and Involvement in Their Community
- Is of High Moral Character
- Someone Who Through Their Actions has Distinguished Themselves as a Leader in Their Community

If you know of an alumnus who is deserving of either honor, please contact the Alumni Office at 800-756-0328 ext. 2 or 716-829-2061; FAX 716-829-3609; EMAIL msulzbac@buffalo.edu

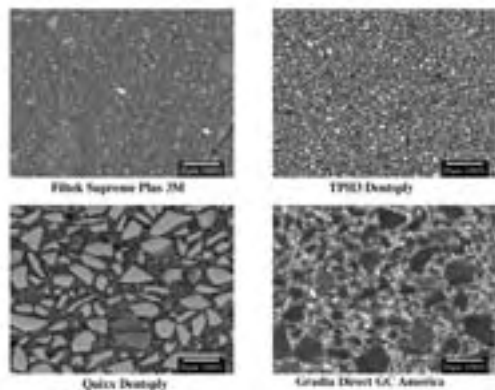
OKU Student Scholarship Breakfast

The University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine Chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) will hold its Annual OKU Student Scholarship Breakfast on Friday October 27, 2006. The breakfast meeting will be at 7:30 AM in the Hyatt Regency Hotel during the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting.

The Lambda Lambda Chapter will honor the top five ranked members of each predoctoral class of the School of Dental Medicine. Members of OKU are welcome to attend, and recognize these outstanding academic achievements. An invitation announcement will be mailed closer to the breakfast meeting.

Research Corner

U.B. School of Dental Medicine



Microstructure of four restorative resins.

There are over 50 brands of restorative resins on the market today. The nomenclature used to classify them is increasingly complex. In addition to Hybrid, Microhybrid, Packable, and Microfilled we now have Nanofilled. In an effort to understand these categories, a survey of resins available today is being conducted. The photograph depicts microstructure of four different resins. As classified in the literature, Filtek Supreme is a nanofill, TPH3 is Universal hybrid, Quixx is a posterior composite and Gradia is a microfilled hybrid. Examination of the microstructure allows a better understanding of the physical properties of these materials.

Study Authors:

Mary A Bush, DDS, Raymond Miller, DDS, Peter Bush



Saliva Component May Predict Future Oral Bone Loss

Lois Baker, UB News Bureau, March 2006

Researchers at UB have identified two components of saliva that may serve as the basis for novel tests to determine the risk for future loss of the bone that holds teeth in place. By comparing dental X-rays of 100 patients with analyses of their saliva, the researchers found that higher-than-normal levels of a salivary protein called IL-1-beta were associated with increased bone loss. The level of another protein, osteonectin, was inversely proportional to bone loss, suggesting this marker may serve as a measure of periodontal health.

Results of the research, a collaboration between the UB School of Dental Medicine and the UB School of Public Health and Health Professions, were presented March 10, 2006 at the annual meeting of the International Association of Dental Research being held in Orlando, Fla. "These results show that above-average levels of IL-1 beta in saliva may prove to help the dentist decide whether or not to treat the dental patient for periodontal disease," said lead researcher Frank Scannapieco, DDS, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Oral Biology. "Currently there is no early warning test for bone-loss activity," Scannapieco added. "We can measure gum pocket depth, or the amount of bone remaining on an X-ray, but these methods only tell us how much damage already has been done. If these findings hold up in future longitudinal studies, the dental practitioner might use a test to decide what interventions are needed for the patient, and perhaps the frequency for recall visits. "This biomarker test also could provide a quick and easy way to monitor patients over the long-term and to determine if a particular treatment is working," he said.

Periodontal bone loss is a serious oral-health condition that can cause teeth to loosen and fall out. The availability of a simple test would reduce the need to submit every patient to expensive, time-consuming and often uncomfortable X-rays and pocket-probing exams, which measure how much of the tooth-supporting bone already has been lost due to periodontal disease. Such a test also may help a dentist decide how often a patient needs tooth cleaning. Previous studies had identified specific protein biomarkers of bone destruction in fluid collected from gum crevices in patients with active periodontal disease, but collecting enough of this fluid for analysis can be tedious and time consuming, whereas saliva is plentiful and easily collected. The research team now is performing follow-up studies to determine the validity of their results.

Additional UB researchers on the team were Patricia Yen Bee Ng, Maureen Donley, DDS, Ernest Hausmann, DMD, PhD, Alan Hutson, PhD, Jean Wactowski-Wende, PhD, and Paul Bronson. Edward Rossomando, PhD, from the University of Connecticut, also contributed to the study. The research was supported by a grant from the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

2006 Club Dent

March 4-11, 2006 we traveled to the Dominican Republic for UB's 26th Annual Club Dent trip. The group stayed at the Bahia Principe Bavaro featuring over 20 miles of pearl-white soft sand beaches, dotted with towering palm trees. Was it paradise, or was it Punta Cana? Our speaker this year was Dr. Chet Gary, DDS '78, JD. He is a dentist / attorney-at-law, with a practice concentrated on issues relevant to health care providers and Clinical Assistant Professor UB School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Gary discussed Dental Practice Transitions including associateships, evaluations and buying & selling contracts. The group totaled more than a hundred travelers with 60 dental professionals attending the CE lectures.



(l to r seated) Gene Pantera (Endo '86 & MS '87), Carole Pantera '88, Priscilla Adams '84, Chuck Smith, Kathleen Smith, Donna Matlach (standing) Jeff Kraus, Charlie Matlach '76, & Theresa Kraus

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Gene (Endo '86 & MS '87) and Carole Pantera '88



Lecturer Chet Gary '78 and his wife, Amy



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Linda Klespies, Brenda Gridley, Michael Gridley '65, & Richard Klespies

ALUMNOTES (Continued from pg 3)

After 21 years in the U.S. Air Force, **Thomas W. Beckman '85** will retire as a Colonel in August of 2006. He received his specialty training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at David Grant Medical Center at Travis AFB, CA and has been stationed both State-side and all over the world - including Washington DC, California, Texas, Mississippi, Korea, and Germany. Over the years, he has deployed on multiple medical and humanitarian missions including Operation Enduring Freedom. Most recently, Col. Beckman was assigned as Chief of Oral Surgery at Keesler AFB, MS. He rode out Hurricane Katrina at the base hospital in Biloxi and provided immediate medical and humanitarian relief in its aftermath.



After their retirement, Col. Beckman, his wife, Kathi, and their 3 children will be relocating to New Albany, OH, where he will be joining a group oral surgery practice in the Columbus area.

President Bush has nominated **Army Col. Russell J. Czerw '87** for appointment as chief of the U.S. Army Dental Corps. Dr. Czerw commanded what may be the only dental battalion deployed in combat. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld made the announcement March 21. By statute, an officer selected to serve as chief of the Army Dental Corps who holds a regular grade lower than major general will be appointed to the regular grade of major general. Col. Czerw is currently serving as commander, U.S. Army Dental Command, Fort Sam Houston, TX.



Paul Weiss '87 & Pedro '89 received the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Pediatric Dentistry Oral Health Services Award on May 27th at the AAP Annual Business Meeting for his dedication to improve communication between pediatricians and pediatric dentists. The award recognizes an individual who, during the course of their career, has made significant contributions to the advancement of pediatric oral health through their activities within the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Weiss has been instrumental as the liaison between the AAP and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD). He is currently part-time faculty, Dept of Pediatric & Community Dentistry, UB School of Dental Medicine.



Jeffery Arigo '95 recently became a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics, a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, and an active member of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontists. Dr. Arigo is an assistant professor in the Divisions of Orthodontics and Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Eastman Dental Center. He serves as the orthodontist at the Strong Center for Cleft and Craniofacial Anomalies. He also maintains a private orthodontic practice in Brockport, NY. He resides in Rochester, NY with his wife and two children.

Kelly Komm Truong '04 opened an office at 850 Millersport Highway, Amherst, NY in June of 2005.

Sunny Leong '05 has gained admission into the University of Minnesota's Orthodontic Residency program, which will begin in July 2006. Dr. Leong states that this could not have been possible without all the unconditional support from friends (especially **LaShun Carroll '05, Sameer Syed '04 and Hope Arnoldt '05**) and faculty at the dental school!

What have **you** been up to? Please forward your Alumnote to UB Dental Alumni Association, 337 Squire Hall, Buffalo, NY 14214-8006 or email to msulzbac@buffalo.edu.

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Development News

The Dean's Associates and Second Century Society

In 1995, the School's then-Director of Development Susan Ahearn helped create the Dean's Associates in order to build private, current-use support for the students and programs of the School of Dental Medicine. Over the past 11 years, the number of Dean's Associates, or donors who make annual gifts of \$1,000 or more has increased to over 115. As traditional sources of funding become more limited, we rely increasingly on these gifts to make a difference in the lives of our students.

Many of our Dean's Associates have requested that we include the entire list of current members in each issue of The Dental Report. Following is a list of individuals who have made gifts of \$1,000 or more to the School from January 1, 2005 until June 13, 2006. We strive for accuracy in our listings, so please let us know if we have missed your name. Our newest donor recognition group is the Second Century Society, which includes individuals who have made a gift of \$2,500 or more. Please note that we will be sending Dean's Associates and Second Century renewal information to those alumni and friends whose membership has expired or will soon expire. Thank you again for your generous support.



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Loren Smith's New Role

The School of Dental Medicine and our Development Office sends our congratulations and a fond farewell to Loren Smith, assistant director of development. Loren has recently accepted a newly-created position at UB, assisting all the schools as they grow their annual giving programs. We thank Loren for all his efforts working with the alumni and donors of the School of Dental Medicine and wish him all the best. We will begin a search for a new assistant director and will announce his or her name in a future issue of The Dental Report.

Hanau Cup Hockey

Hanau Cup hockey is alive and well at the Dental School. The historical game took place at Buffalo State Arena on March 31st. The spirit and tradition persists and brought together alumni and students spanning classes from 1975 through 2007. The game was a competitive and close fought battle with a lot of goal scoring and acrobatic goaltending. Carl Scruggs '80, father of Candace Scruggs '07, and a veteran of past Hanau Cup games, returned to Buffalo to show off his form between the pipes. He along with other goaltenders Ian Walker '00, Ed Tyska '98 and Mike Obarea were tremendous turning back numerous shots in this free for all, highlighted by offense.

The ice time was sponsored by Dental Dynamic's Peter Atkinson who also played in the event. The game was followed by a celebration at Gordon's on Delaware Avenue. Other players in the game were Soti Atzemis '91, Lou Giordano '91, Ted Jenkins '75, Brian Kritzman '05, Ken Lee '89, Jim Matteliano '80, Ray Miller '85, Jay Mostowy '89, Kurt O'Donnell '94, Andy Privitera '96, Fred Rodems '80, Jim Vlahos '92, Bob Warner '81, Marlin Salmon, Josh Gish '06, Drew Templeman '06, Rob Jenkins '07, Tom Martin '07, Mike Markiewicz '07, and Michael Kowalewski. We are all looking forward to next year!



Ted Jenkins '75 & Rob Jenkins '07



Carl Scruggs '80, Fred Rodems '80 and Jim Matteliano '80

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