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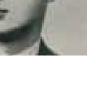
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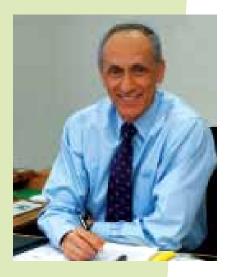
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Dean Glick's Service Concludes

On June 12th, UB Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Charles Zukoski and Vice President for Health Sciences Michael Cain shared news of the conclusion of Michael Glick's service as dean of the dental school. Their letter follows:



Dear University Community:

We are writing to share with you that Dean Michael Glick's service as dean of the School of Dental Medicine will conclude on August 14, 2015, after which time he will focus his full effort on his faculty role as a scholar and educator in the Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences. In the coming weeks, we will seek input from the School's faculty and staff regarding an interim dean appointment.

Well-known for his medicine-oriented approach to dental care, Michael was appointed dean of the School of Dental Medicine in 2009. His focus as dean has been to prepare students for a rapidly evolving health care landscape; to provide oral healthcare to those most in need; and to grow research to improve the quality of life for dental patients. Under Michael's leadership, research expenditures and research proposal yield have increased. Michael has been an active supporter of interprofessional education in the health sciences at UB and has grown enrollment through the International Dental Program, which serves international students who received dental degrees outside of the US and Canada.

Michael's research interests are focused primarily on the care of the medically complex dental patient and he has published extensively and lectured worldwide on this topic. He is the editor of the prestigious Journal of the American Dental Association and is a fellow in the International College of Dentists and the

Colleagues, please join us in thanking Michael for his service as dean. We wish him continued success in his research and scholarly pursuits.

Sincerely,

Charles F. Zukoski Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Michael E. Cain, M.D. Vice President for Health Sciences



Joseph Zambon Named Acting Dean

Provost Charles Zukoski and Vice President Michael Cain named SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of Periodontics and Endodontics Joseph Zambon, DDS, PhD, Acting Dean of the School of Dental Medicine, effective July 13, 2015, while Dean Michael Glick is on research leave.

Zambon, '74, Perio Cert. '83, PhD '84, has been a UB faculty member in the School of Dental Medicine since 1982. He currently serves as Associate Dean for Advanced Education and Faculty Advancement and previously served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, from 1995 to 2010. A nationally and internationally recognized authority on periodontal pathogens and an experienced clinician Zambon is a prolific and well-funded researcher whose contributions have been recognized by numerous awards and honors.



In the announcement, they expressed their gratitude to Zambon for his willingness to serve as Acting Dean during this transitional period. Their expectation is that he will assume the role of Interim Dean on August 15, 2015, when Michael Glick's service as dean concludes. A national search for the next dean of the School of Dental Medicine will be launched at the start of the fall semester.

Dentistry Smiles on Veterans in Inaugural Event

In honor of the service veterans have provided the country, the SDM hosted its first Dentistry Smiles on Veterans program—a day of free dental screenings, cleanings and repairs for local veterans. The event was held Saturday, April 18, in the SDM clinic and was sponsored by the school and the Eighth District Dental Society.

More than 70 veterans, mostly those honorably discharged after 1990, were treated during the day-long event by combined volunteer forces from the SDM and the dental community. The need to help veterans with their dental care arose from the fact that many are financially challenged to seek care since only those with service-related injuries, or 100 percent disability, are eligible for Veterans Administration Hospital care.

"The idea came up, why don't we give something back to our veterans, similar to our Give Kids a Smile Day," observed Dean Michael Glick. "The Eighth District really stepped up to the plate, along with our faculty, staff and students." The idea originated with Marshall Fagin, '70, as a part of National Prosthodontics Awareness Week. Some of the veterans were treated on the spot for emergencies while others are receiving continuing treatment at the clinic or the offices of the community dentists who volunteered, all free of charge. "I can think of no better population to serve than those who have served us," said Stephen Abel, Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Community and Professional Initiatives.

Paulette, a young Air Force veteran who saw active duty 2006–10, was very grateful for the free care. Upon her honorable discharge, the government removed the braces they provided while in the service, indicating it was their property. "It was definitely hard dealing with that. I'll be saving \$4,000 just on the braces alone. Dr. Tibbetts said he has some friends in oral surgery and they're going to take care of everything which is absolutely amazing to me. He told me that I took care of other people so it's time to take care of me."

Orthodontist John Tibbetts, '92, Ortho Cert. '94, readily volunteered for the program. "I work with the Give Kids a Smile Day but this is especially meaningful because sometimes the people who served us get left behind."

Joseph Gambacorta, '93, assistant dean of clinical affairs, acknowledged the immediate outpouring of assistance. "We have a lot of faculty and staff who have veterans in their own families, and the Eighth District Dental Society really helped us a lot in recruitment."

The event will continue annually.



THE EVENT WAS WELL REPRESENTED BY VETERANS ALONG WITH CURRENT ARMED FORCES MEMBERS. BUFFALO MAYOR BYRON BROWN (CENTER) ATTENDED TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE.

In Memoriam: **Charles Brian** Preston, BDS, PhD

The dental school mourns the passing of Charles Brian Preston, chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, who died March 25th in Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital after a short illness. He was 77.

Better known as Brian or Dr. P., he was born in Johannesburg, South Africa. After graduating from the School of Dental Medicine University of the Witwatersrand ("WITS") in 1961 (Bachelor of Dental Science), he travelled to the United Kingdom where he opened a general dental practice in London. He returned to South Africa in the mid-1960s to conduct a private dental practice until the academic life called him back to WITS as a junior lecturer in 1967.

That was the start of an illustrious academic career. He soon focused on the discipline of orthodontics and successfully applied to become an Orthodontic Registrar, completing the degrees Diploma in Orthodontics in

1973 and Master of Dentistry in the branch of Orthodontics in 1974.

He established an orthodontic practice which he operated on a part-time basis as he retained an intense interest in the academic challenges and continued to hold a post on the faculty.

By 1980, Preston had been appointed head of the Department of Orthodontics and held the chair as professor. His research commitments focused on growth and were directed towards a doctorate, studies which he continued despite his assuming ever greater administrative responsibilities in the faculty. In 1987, he was appointed dean of the Faculty of Dentistry and director of the Oral and Dental Hospital, a joint position between the university and the Gauteng Department of Health. His medical PhD was successfully achieved in 1988 and was awarded by the Faculty of Medicine, University of the Witwatersrand.

In 1997 he joined the SDM faculty as professor and chair of the Department of Orthodontics. His considerable commitment and foresight helped make the department a sought-after center

for postgraduate studies by national and international students. Over the last several years, Preston travelled extensively as an acclaimed lecturer, visiting and conducting courses in the Middle East, China, Japan, Australia, and South Africa.

Brian Preston was the author and editor of numerous professional works in publications in several languages. As may be expected, his alert and ever enquiring intellect led him into many pursuits beyond orthodontics. He enjoyed do-it-yourself projects, building walls and tiling floors; he was an accomplished tennis player (for many years playing on USTA teams), and was an avid cyclist.

While in the UK he took up flying as a hobby, held a private pilot's license and was president of the WITS Flying Club for many years. Speed was obviously a fascination and he reveled in the sport of skiing, where he became an instructor. Not satisfied with above-ground action, Preston also dived into the world of scuba. His presence will surely be missed by the dental school community.



Fourth annual 5K Run for Smiles

THE INTRODUCTORY CEREMONY TO THE 5K RUN FOR SMILES EVENT.





Alumni Night at the Ballpark



DDS '78, JD '91, PRESIDENT OF THE DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. THREW THE FIRST PITCH OF THE GAME.



Awards and Promotions for Faculty and Staff



Deborah Szurgyi, Clerk 2, in the Department of Oral Biology, has been selected to

receive the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Classified Service. This is the highest honor SUNY awards to classified services employees who have consistently demonstrated superlative performance within and beyond their position. Szurgyi has been a member of the department office staff for over eight years. "Debby's dedication, professional demeanor, knowledge and pleasant attitude have been essential to the outstanding support that the faculty and students have enjoyed over the years," stated Frank Scannapieco, chair of Oral Biology.



Peter Bradford, associate

professor, Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology,

and adjunct associate professor in the Department of Oral Biology, received a Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. A member of the UB faculty since 1990, Bradford co-directs the Endocrinology-Reproductive Biology module for second-year medical students. He directs the Principles of Pharmacology course for third-year dental students and the Essentials of Pharmacology course for undergraduates. Bradford is also the 2014 recipient of the SDM Richard A. Powell Award for Excellence in Teaching. Bradford studies how hormones and nutrients affect cell growth, differentiation and survival in bone osteoblasts and breast normal epithelial cells as well as in cancers of both tissues. He has demonstrated outstanding teaching ability and brought innovation into the teaching of pharmacology.

Stefan Ruhl



was promoted to professor in the Department of Oral Biology. Coming from the University

of Regensburg in Germany, Ruhl joined UB in 2007 and was promoted to associate professor in 2011. His main research is focused on mechanisms by which bacteria colonize the oral cavity. More specifically, he wishes to understand how oral bacteria interact with host molecular targets (receptors), especially in the saliva, that serve as the initial foothold for their subsequent establishment in the oral cavity. Ruhl mentors postdoctoral fellows, graduate students and dental students. chairs the Student Research and Honors Committee and has served on the SDM Admissions Committee. He is the course director for Biological Basis of Preventive Dentistry and recently finished his term as past-president of the Salivary Research Group at the International Association for Dental Research. Ruhl has also served as a reviewer for over 40 journals, as well as for several National Institutes of Health study sections.

promoted to professor in the Department of Periodontics and Endodontics. She joined UB in 2003 after five years of faculty service at Indiana University School of Dentistry. Her PhD in microbiology/ immunology and MS training in endodontics took place at the University of Michigan where she also began her academic career. Vickerman directs the Minors Program in Endodontics and Advanced Dental Microbiology for endodontics residents. Through her NIH-funded research, she has made vital contributions to streptococcal genetics, biofilm formation and interspecies interactions.

M. Margaret Vickerman was



Haraszthy, '02, MS Oral Sci. '93, Perio Cert. '94, Pros Cert. '98, PhD '99, has been

promoted to professor. She received her first dental degree in 1984 from the University of Szeged in Hungary, and joined the Department of Restorative Dentistry in 1998. She mentors graduate students and dental students, and currently teaches in the Advanced Education in General Dentistry clinic. Haraszthy is a highly experienced researcher with a focus on translational research. particularly product evaluation related to effects on oral microbes. During the past fiscal year she received new research support in excess of \$650,000. Haraszthy, a busy clinician with two specialties, is an experienced and active teacher and a scientist who is well published.



Yoly Gonzalez,

'05, MS Oral Sci. '95, TMD Cert. '96, Perio Cert. '02, MPH '09,

was promoted to associate professor (continuing) in the Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences. She received her first dental degree in 1988 from the Universidad Central de Venezuela. She was appointed as a full-time faculty member in 2002, and has been funded on federal research grants in the area of temporomandibular disorders continuously for over a decade. Gonzalez has been directing the TMD and Orofacial Pain Clinic since 1997, and will soon be taking over as program director for the CODAaccredited Advanced Education Program in Orofacial Pain. She has been the faculty advisor of the Buffalo Chapter of the Hispanic Dental Association.



Camila Sabatini has been promoted to associate professor in the Department of Restorative

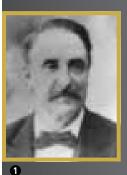
Dentistry. Sabatini earned her dental degree at the Universidad Central de Venezuela in 2001, a certificate in operative dentistry at the University of Iowa in 2007, and her U.S. DDS in 2010. Sabatini joined the SDM department in 2007 and serves as the course director for the Direct Restorations I/Pre-Clinical Lab to second-year dental students. She is also section head of Cariology and Operative Dentistry. Her research focus is primarily on degradation of adhesive interfaces.



Dean Snow's Legacy Lives On

GEORGE BURWELL SNOW, THE DENTAL SCHOOL'S SECOND

DEAN, served from 1903 until his retirement in 1912. His legacy continues today through the Clinical Award for Prosthodontic Excellence that bears his name.



Snow was born in Sandusky, Ohio, August 28, 1835. The next year the family moved to Buffalo, NY, where his father Reuben, a physician, took up the practice of dentistry.

Young George's schooling and later training as a machinist

afforded opportunity to develop his inventive interests, which early on led to the invention of a mechanical bell ringer and engine truck, the principles of which are still in use today.

In 1857 he began the study of dentistry in his father's office, and in 1859 was graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery. Snow opened an office in Addison, NY, but after going to Chicago, where he had instruction in porcelain block work, and to Albion, MI, where he had his first instruction in vulcanite, he returned to Buffalo in January 1863 to join his father's practice.

Snow became one of the organizers of the Buffalo Dental Society in 1864 and of the Western New York Dental Association, of which his father was a past president. During the winter of 1865, he attended medical lectures at the University of Buffalo.

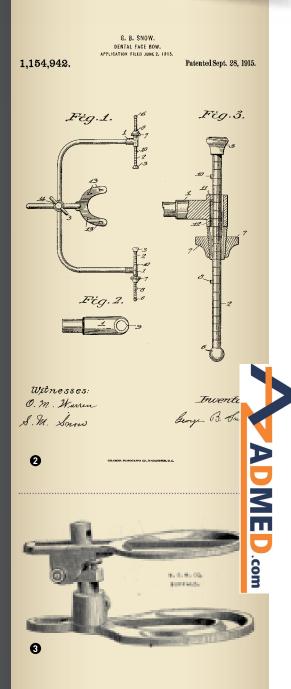
In association with Theodore G. Lewis, Snow invented and manufactured the Snow & Lewis Automatic Dental Mallet, and later with others, organized the Buffalo Manufacturing Company, of which for several years he was the factory manager and president. Withdrawing from managerial duties in 1873, he took up private practice for the next nine years. In 1901, he left the company and formed the Snow Dental Company.

In 1892 Snow aided William C. Barrett and others in forming the Dental Department of the University of Buffalo. His first position in the newly formed department was that of librarian and clinical professor of mechanical dentistry. He was professor of prosthetic dentistry from 1894 to 1912, during which time he also served as dean of the dental college from 1903 until 1912. Upon retirement he was granted an emeritus professor title.

After retirement he devoted himself to research in the properties of rubber and vulcanite, and holds several patents for improvements to the vulcanizer. A world renowned clinician and innovative genius, Snow patented many advances which were tested, manufactured and introduced here in Buffalo. He is probably best known for the Snow Face Bow and New Century Articulator.

During his tenure at the dental college and to further the study of prosthodontics, Snow gave a series of prizes for excellence in this area. Today, students enter patients with completed treatment in this area for clinical judging by faculty based on a set of standard criteria. After more than a hundred years, monetary prizes are still being awarded to students from a fund Snow established when he retired.

—Compiled by Robin L. Comeau Source: The Dental Cosmos, Vol. 65; 1923



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the BBOP WORLD of ORAL PATHOLOGY

For over two decades, Alfredo Aguirre has moderated one of the largest online oral medicine forums

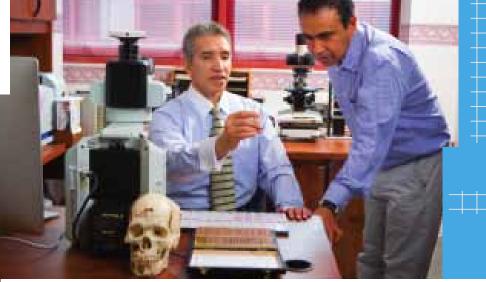
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HE INTERNET WAS IN ITS INFANCY IN 1994 when Alan Drinnan, SUNY Distinguished Service

when Alan Drinnan, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor and chairman of the Department of Oral Medicine, returned to the department after an Information Technology meeting and told then assistant professor Alfredo Aguirre, '00, MS Oral Sci. '83, Oral Path Cert. '83, that UB would now have access to Listserv, an electronic mailing list that could put colleagues in touch with each other across the bourgeoning computer network called the World Wide Web.

Drinnan excited Aguirre with the prospect of an oral pathology outreach through Listserv. And so, the Bulletin Board of Oral Pathology was born, or as it became better known by its acronym, BBOP (as in *bebop* jazz), https:// dental.buffalo.edu/bbop/.





AGUIRRE AND JOSE LUIS TAPIA, '12, MS ORAL SCI. '03, ORAL PATH CERT. '03, CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN ORAL DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES, CONSULT ON A CASE WHILE PREPARING IT FOR THE WEBSITE.

"That was the beginning," recalls Aguirre, now director of the Advanced Education Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, and professor, Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences. "Then he (Drinnan) went to a (national) meeting and said we have this Listserv. If you want to join, just send me your name and we'll put you on the list. So a few people did and the list started growing... and growing and growing."

BBOP soon resounded like Dizzy Gillespie's trumpet, building to more than 700 subscribers from around the world over the past 21 years to create a driving communication force within the global oral pathology and oral medicine community.

THE PATH TO ORAL PATHOLOGY

Alfredo Aguirre has been moderator, gatekeeper and, on rare occasion, arbiter of BBOP and its flow of missives. The late, fondly remembered Drinnan originally told Aguirre that it would require five minutes a day to monitor the site. Aguirre chuckles. "It takes a lot more than that."

Aguirre's work, however, has been his passion ever since his second year of dentistry in his native Mexico City when, on the verge of quitting dentistry studies, he encountered a course in oral pathology. "It was a revelation for me," he recalls. "It was very illuminating because I saw the interface between dentistry and medicine. This was what I wanted to do."

His path to UB was paved by a visit first by Stuart Fischman, Oral Path Cert. '66, professor emeritus, Oral Diagnostic Sciences, who lectured at the University of Mexico where Aguirre studied and got to know the young student. Later, Fischman alerted Aguirre to a forthcoming visit to Mexico by Michael Levine, '71, PhD '72. "You should talk to him," Fischman urged. "He works in oral biology. Maybe you would like to do a master's with him."

"It was a fantastic meeting," says Aguirre. "I ended up in Buffalo working on my master's with Dr. Levine which was the best move I could have ever made."

After research work with Levine, Aguirre joined the faculty in 1991 and in 1994 he started teaching advanced oral-maxillofacial pathology programs to students from all over the world. It was also the year he began to maintain what would become one of the largest online global forums for his field of expertise.

BBOP AND BEYOND

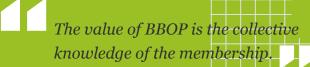
The term "bulletin board," conjuring tacked-up notices on corkboard or notes on early computer programs, may sound a bit antiquated today. The exchange of ideas and topics related to oral pathology has become voluminous over the years.

Dialogue began to flow on BBOP as a steady stream of questions concerning challenging histopathological and clinical cases began to build with responses coming from around the world.

When members began attaching pictures to their postings to illustrate the unusual cases they were encountering as they solicited advice, an unsuspecting event was lurking in the background. BBOP was suddenly being attacked by a wave of viruses resulting from the attachments in the posted messages. After consultation with the university's Information Technology experts, it was decided that attachments to any postings needed to be banned. That is when a spinoff BBOP was born.

"It all started with one colleague contacting me and saying, 'I've got this one case that's very difficult. I have clinical pictures and microscopic images. Is there anything we can do? Can we send them through BBOP?'," Aguirre remembers. "I said we need an alternative, so with (web administrator) Daniel Emmer's help, we created a web page, the Forum for Clinical and Surgical Oral Pathology. As the manager of BBOP, all I had to do was make an announcement about this interesting case, direct subscribers to it, and ask for their input."





The BBOP archives are brimming with information on a vast variety of topics collected from the site's inception. How many different cases, questions, exchanges over the past 21 years?

"Everything in oral pathology and oral medicine. Some topics are very hot and generate a lot of discussion, such as oral cancer, current trends—why are more younger people getting oral cancer now. Treatment of chronic ulcerative conditions is also a hot topic," relates Aguirre. "There are some deep insights. Some will quote literature. It goes in circles—fades after a while and then a year or two later comes up once again."

A gallery of oral and maxillofacial lesions was created on the web site, again with Emmer's help, to display cases that are free to anyone who wants to download. Aguirre notes that a course in oral histopathology by David Klingman, a diplomate with the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, will soon be added to the gallery.

SUBSCRIPTION BASE

Subscriptions to BBOP are open to anyone with an interest in oral pathology with new inquiries daily at the link, listserv@listserv.buffalo.edu. Aguirre will ask the prospective subscriber to name two subscribers to act as references.

"There was once someone who was writing with a pseudonym and he became vitriolic, attacking one of our colleagues. He had an issue with this person but he was not using his real name, so I had to remove him because he would not identify himself. I am the filter," he states.

Sometimes questions could hit a hot button and occasionally colleagues would lose their temper online, so Drinnan or Aguirre would have to serve as moderator. "Throughout the years I made a decision that I was not going to censor what was placed in BBOP. Anyone who wants to post something can do it. If I see something later that I think is inappropriate, I immediately contact that person to restore lucidity," says Aguirre.

How would Aguirre describe the impact of BBOP over two decades? "I would quote one of my colleagues from Baylor University who said, 'The value of BBOP is the collective knowledge of the membership,' which is true. It keeps us all together. When we have a situation, we share it. The value of BBOP is that it puts a number of people who are top in their field in communication."

Aguirre maintains the beat of BBOP seven days a week, in addition to his teaching, administrative and research work. "Somebody asked me if I work full-time. I said I only work half a day. 'In the mornings?, they asked.' No, I said, half a day—from 8 am to 8 pm," he laughs. "It's challenging and there are times when it can be oppressive but, as Confucius said, when you find a job that you like, you'll never work a day in your life. And that's what I found."



WITH THE HELP OF A MULTIPLE HEAD MICROSCOPE AND A 75-INCH ULTRAHIGH DEFINITION SMART TV, TAPIA USES A CASE STUDY TO TRAIN THABET ALHOUSAMI, A SECOND-YEAR ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL PATHOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT. THE BBOP FORUM FOR CLINICAL AND SURGICAL ORAL PATHOLOGY WEB PAGE ARCHIVES CONTAIN CASES THAT ARE A GREAT TRAINING RESOURCE.

Recalling Dental School

BROAD SPAN OF ALUMNI GATHER FOR ANNUAL REUNION

lumni will reconvene during the 38th Annual Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting in October, reuniting from five years to 75 years past, as 1940 graduate Irwin Arbesman makes plans to attend at age 98. Herewith are recollections of dental school days across eight decades.

'40 IRWIN ARBESMAN



I remember vividly coming to the school on Goodrich in 1937. It was very primitive, an old brick building next to the medical building on High Street. Everything was simpler in those days. We had round-the-clock trimesters.

At the time Hitler was taking over Europe. We were concerned but news in those days was not as predominant in our thoughts as it is today.

At the end of every year, they had an affair where we ribbed the professors. They had been doing it since the beginning of the school. After our second year when we did it, that ended it. We were a little too crude, I think.

We made very many friendships there. There was a man from Syracuse—nine years older than I was, but he seemed like an old man to me—who said he was looking for somebody to study with. So we did that and he became a lifelong friend. We kept in touch over the years, but now I think there's only one other classmate still around.



We had both army and navy

programs there at High and Goodrich. We went to classes in uniform. I went in as an ensign HVP, Hospital Voluntary Probation. I signed up the first day after Pearl Harbor. I entered the V-12 program which meant I could no longer be drafted. When I got out of college, I immediately went into dental school. We had a three-year course at the time, going 12 months each year.

The education was excellent—we had some wonderful teachers. We had a wonderful group of students who got along very well. We graduated June 1, 1945 and then reported immediately to wherever you had to go in the service. I was stationed in many different places until 1947 when I was transferred to the army. It turned out that the army was short 1,500 dentists. So I was a navy dentist stationed with the army.

FRANK SCHLEHR



The first year my class went to the medical school on High Street. The second year we went to the dental school on Goodrich, and then we moved to the South Campus for our last two years. It wasn't easy for the faculty. They didn't have the routine of working in one place and it made them almost frantic. A lady named Mrs. Slade was a teacher in one of the poorer schools downtown. She personally made arrangements for the kids in her class to come to dental school and have their teeth fixed. They had to pay 25 cents when they came. It became hilarious. We had a professor who gave us pep talks, saying to be sure to get that 25 cents.

During my last year, we were fighting in Korea. They had a munitions factory on Court Street by City Hall where they were making howitzer shells for the field artillery. Some of us were working there nights after school to make a little money. Today I keep in touch with quite a few of my classmates on the Internet.

Days

°65 WILLIAM O'CONNOR



Back in those days, dental school was pretty much run like the army. We had to sit in the same lecture seats and we were numbers. I was a conscientious student, trying to learn as much as possible. I've kept in touch with my colleagues over the years. Everybody remembers where they were when Kennedy was assassinated. I was in the oral surgery clinic that day.

We were juniors when they took the class up to University of Toronto to view their dental school. I remember we had a little free time at the end so a classmate and I went to one of the local bars and had a beer when one of our classmates suddenly runs in and says, "The bus is leaving—better run!" As it was run like a military establishment, we ran for the bus and made it. Can you imagine the trouble we'd be in if we'd have missed that bus?

When I went into the U.S. Army Dental Corps after graduation, that's when the Vietnam War was really escalating. I fought the war in Fort Hood, Texas. We had a very large dental detachment there—it was the biggest post in the U.S.



In our senior year, we were the first class to challenge the faculty for the Hanau Cup in hockey competition. We painted a Hanau torch a silver color to resemble the Stanley Cup to be the trophy for the winning team. Our class won the event and started a tradition that continues to this day. The trophy was displayed in the clinic following the game. At this time, we don't know of its whereabouts. We also participated in all the intramural athletic challenges and won titles in basketball, football, and hockey.

Our class also organized its own band, called Tophelmire and the Electric Matrix Band. They played at our class parties. In our sophomore year, we were the first class where they tested a pass/fail/honors program for grading. It existed for only that year because it was decided that it wasn't going to be a true reference to the abilities of the students.

> Three players in the first Hanau Cup competition in 1975 get back together during their last alumni reunion. From left, Richard Bullock, star center for the student team, Gerald "Whiz" Wieczkowski, star goalie for faculty, wearing the original equipment of that fateful day, and Frank Rizzo, goalie for the winning student team.



NICHAEL EHLERS



Sanford Sugarman, an (SDM) alumnus, sparked my interest in dentistry. My father passed when I was a kid, so he became a role model for me. There was good camaraderie in dental school—we were a very close class. It was a lot of work and a lot of fun. The experience prepared me for the world very well.

I was president of the class for three years and president of the Dental Student Association in my senior year, so I know many people from our class and other classes. Dan Conny was certainly a good influence on us. Harold Ortman was a big influence, he loved dentistry. And I thought Dean Feagans was great.

RAYMOND MILLER

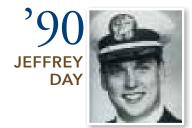


The Farber Hall clinic at the time was like a maze of dental chairs that were literally on top of each other. Being able to operate in this confined area, realizing that your movements could affect the person to the left or right of you, was a skill in itself.

We had a scandal that occurred in 1982. We had kits of dental supplies in a technique lab. One of the things in each of our kits was gold, used for making crowns. One day we came into clinic and realized that somebody stole our gold. We still don't know who did it. It didn't destroy us as a group but it led you to be a little more suspicious of the world.

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We had some legendary post-exam parties at places like The Stuffed Mushroom on Main Street, and TGIF parties held at the Club 2001 in the University Plaza. We made sure we had a good time to take us through the tougher times. yearbook which we dedicated to him. And, of course, the pediatric department, which is what I ultimately went into, encouraged me to become a pediatric dentist.



We were the first freshman class when Squire Hall opened in 1986. I was very excited. It was a very positive experience. You have that perspective as a student as to what you're learning till you're out in the world. And then I served in the navy for six years and got to see other dentists and their skills and knowledge. They went to different dental schools and I just have to say that we were very well-trained. I thought the school did a fantastic job to prepare me for my profession.

Our class developed a fairly tight friendship. Once a month, the student association would hold a social so faculty and students could mix. I thought that was a really positive part of our experience.

90 MARY BETH DUNN



We were the first class to do four years in the new dental school at Squire Hall. It was an enjoyable experience. It was certainly a rigorous program with many hours of studying. We graduated with about 80 people and became very good friends.

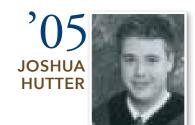
The Dental Student Association always planned events like the spring dance every year, the TGIF parties at Garcia's Irish Pub and at The Steer. There were softball, soccer, and hockey teams. There were wonderful faculty members, like Russell Nisengard, Dan Conny, Alan Gross—I was the editor of our



We had a good balance between

social and study. After being an attending at ECMC and Roswell, I can honestly say that UB prepares their students probably better than any school that has come through any of the residency programs. One thing my class will always remember is that during orientation week, there was an organized trip to Niagara Falls that was pretty legendary, and always weekend trips downtown to Darcy McGee's.

In September of our first year, we were in gross anatomy lab when the attack of 9/11 happened. I'll never forget, we were sawing the skull open of a cadaver when the two gross anatomy technicians called us into the side room where they had a radio. They were always a group that was joking around. We didn't believe them at first but they said, no, we're serious this time. That was significant. The school was shut down. There was a group of us going from Red Cross location to location to see where we could donate blood.



I would characterize my dental school experience as intense. It's definitely four years non-stop. You're cramming so much material and hands-on skills in those four years. Another word that comes to mind is community because there is a class together for most of the day, you develop friendships and almost empathy with the other students.

The one event that stands out for me, as much as for everybody, is 9/11. I just remember

the utter sense of chaos. We were talking with classmates, a lot of whom came from downstate. You're hearing about a classmate whose friend works in the center. You feel bad for them as they're watching this.

We did a mission trip to Belize in my third year. That was a great experience because you could bond with your classmates outside of class. We're out there doing good, using the skills that we learned.

EMILY SCHAEFER



Coming into dental school,

I felt like it was the first time I was really challenged in school. Not in a sense that I couldn't do the academics, but it was so much volume all at once. It was challenging but it was all for a greater good. The education we got was amazing. We were really set up well to be successful dentists.

PEDRO ALVAREZ, III



My father was a dentist. He

(Pedro Alvarez, Jr.) graduated from the school in '75. We both have our reunions this year. I had a great experience in the dental school. Obviously there was a lot of hard work but I really enjoyed my class, and also the classes above and below me. I made a lot of friendships, keeping in touch with quite a few over the past five years, going to weddings and seeing everybody's families grow.

Every year, me and my roommates would host the orientation party for incoming students, and we'd often have get-togethers with classmates. Our class got along really well. I created a Facebook page to get the word out about the reunion and hopefully get as many people as we can to come.





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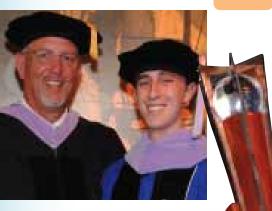
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Swetha Tati, B. Tech, MS

"Role of Candida albicans and Candida glabrata binding inoropharyngeal candidiasis and Candida glabrata's resistance towards Histatin 5" Major Professor: Mira Edgerton, DDS, MS

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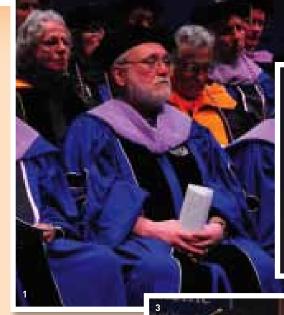
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1 RICHARD HALL, '78, RECEIVED THE 2015 RICHARD A. POWELL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING. 2 PAMELA JONES (UB DENTIST CO-EDITOR) WAS THE FIRST STAFF MEMBER TO RECEIVE THE LIPANI AWARD FOR SERVICE EXCELLENCE. 3 ELIZABETH HATTON AND MICHAEL HATTON, '82, MS ORAL SCI. '86, ORAL SURG CERT. '88 RECEIVED THE 2015 DEAN'S AWARD FOR THEIR SIGNIFICANT POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE SCHOOL AND THE PROFESSION. MICHAEL HATTON WAS ALSO THE EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AS SELECTED BY THE CLASS OF 2015. 4 CLASS OF 2015 HONORED ROSEMARY DZIAK WITH THE SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF DENTAL RESEARCH AWARD. 5 STUDENTS SELECTED ANN DZIEDZIC FOR THE FLORENCE KRONSON AWARD RECOGNIZING HER DEDICATION TO THEIR EDUCATION AND WELFARE. 6 KAREN STRY HENRY WAS PRESENTED WITH THE DENTAL STUDENT STAFF APPRECIATION AWARD. 7 THE WILLIAM M. FEAGANS AWARD WENT TO MAUREEN DONLEY, '80, WHOM GRADUATES RECOGNIZED AS MODELING THE FINEST ASPECTS OF ACADEMIC DENTISTRY.







IgniteDDS PROGRAM SPARKS REAL-WORLD PERSPECTIVE FOR STUDENTS AND NEW DENTISTS

By JIM BISCO

avid Rice, '94, has always shared kindred feelings with dental students and new dentists. He fondly recalls his student years at the SDM—reeling off influential mentors such as George Ferry,

Gary Wieczkowski and Jane Brewer—then returning to the school to teach restorative dentistry. Facing the real world post graduation, however, could be challenging. Building a practice. Dealing with slim funds and heavy debt. Choosing the right path.

While establishing what is now a very successful practice in East Amherst, NY, Rice gained eye-opening experiences that he thought would be helpful to impart. He did just that when he returned to the school five years ago as a guest lecturer. At the conclusion of his talk, he invited the riveted students to come see him if they wished to know more.

"About a half-dozen students came down and met me for lunch later at the school and it was instantly apparent that they were interested in knowing more," he relates. "So I set up a dinner at The Steer (restaurant) down the street. About 20 students came and I thought, I'll buy them dinner,

DAVID RICE, ABOVE, AND WITH SOME OF THE STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN HIS IGNITEDDS PROGRAM.







STUDENTS AND NEW DENTISTS BENEFIT FROM THE REAL-WORLD INSIGHTS OF IGNITEDDS.

we'll spend about an hour, and once they got their free meal they'll leave. Three hours later, everybody was on the edges of their seats. In the midst of conversation, my mind is racing. I'm thinking, whoa, there's something to this.

"We met again and I said open invitation. If you like what we're doing, invite a friend. Within six months time, we had a hundred UB students who were meeting. When we got to that place and had established together as a group what dental students want and need, and how they'd like it delivered, I said we're going to keep doing this."

The rapidly rising interest sparked the birth in late 2011 of IgniteDDS (http://ignitedds.com/), a program comprised of real-world tools and advice that has spread across the country with a following of more than 8,000 students and new dentists.

IgniteDDS is a program that draws on Rice's experiences in school and real-world practice management, which he refers to as "life truisms." Do the research. Go live your life. Learn how to "crush it in clinic;" how to get patients in the chair; how to separate yourself from the masses.

He works at his practice Mondays through Wednesdays, then travels to live speaking engagements with dental student groups across the country who invite him to visit. The follow-up program is then primarily conducted online. IgniteDDS membership is free.

Rice calls his program an advocate to dental schools. "Minimally, dental school could be 10 years long—there's that much content. So, every dental school has to prioritize. One of my greatest messages to students is, 'I remember feeling frustrated too, but your school is doing everything that they can. They just run out of time.'," he states. "Schools are beginning to see that our agenda is genuine. We're not here to sell them anything. We're not here to beat up on the schools."

The three main areas taught in the program evolved from the students: practice management/business, clinical technology and managing debt. "My goal is that if we can give students a 10-year jumpstart on their career, then we've accomplished something. If we can connect them with the right people in our profession, then I know in 10 years they'll turn around and do the same for the next generation," Rice observes.

The way the program ignites is that a student from a dental school somewhere in the country will initially reach out through the web site and express interest in a visit from Rice. Someone on Rice's team responds and arranges dates, times and topic. The student is responsible for getting a group together and selecting the venue. Typically there are 100 to 150 people at each session. "We often go live, which is a little ironic because everybody sees this generation as the most technologically driven," Rice notes. Follow-up sessions are often a web-based series.

Rice initially spent his own money for travel and arrangements but now he has acquired more than a dozen sponsors from within the industry, such as Patterson Dental, for support.

Rice also keeps his focus on strengthening his own practice through what he refers to as an established professional version of IgniteDDS. He and his partner at East Amherst Dental Center, Mark Wendling, '98, are part of a mastermind group that comprises more than 500 dentists across the country called the Crown Council. "We help each other through the challenges with strategies for success," he explains. "We try to bring big-picture philosophies that work everywhere and, quite frankly, in any business."

It's a philosophy that extends to the mission of the membership of IgniteDDS in navigating through the real world with a focused eye on the prize.

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contact this publication with news of any unique projects or endeavors in which they are involved for story consideration.

Noted speakers highlight the 2015 Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting, Oct. 14-16

MEET A FEW OF THE OUTSTANDING 2015 BNDM SPEAKERS:



Lee Ann Brady, DMD, is a practicing dentist and nationally recognized educator, lecturer and author. With an extensive history in leadership, previously as executive vice president of clinical education for Spear Education and clinical director of the Pankey Institute, Brady is currently the director of

education for Clinical Mastery, providing hands-on and live patient programs across the country. She has also developed a vast library of online instruction at www.leeannbrady.com. She is a member of the editorial board for the Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry, Inside Dentistry and Dentaltown Magazine. For 17 years she worked in a variety of practice models, from small fee-for-service offices to large insurance-dependent practices, as an associate and as a practice owner.



Debra Engelhardt-Nash, AA, BFA,

was just awarded the Gordon Christensen Outstanding Lecturer Award for 2015, believed to be the first non-clinician to receive the award. "It is such a genuine pleasure to award this," Dr. Christensen said when he called Engelhardt-Nash to stand with him in front

of her classroom. "She's telling you how to produce more and enjoy dentistry, and she does it with vivacity. You can hear that she's passionate." A consultant, lecturer and trainer at the Nash Institute, Engelhardt-Nash has presented workshops internationally for study groups and other organizations and has served as a contributing author and editor for several journals. She has been recognized for more than 10 years as a top consultant, educator, and leader in continuing education and was named one of the top 25 Women in Dentistry in 2014. ADMED.com

marks the 38th Annual Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting (BNDM). Each year the BNDM brings in over 20 speakers throughout the course of three days offering a variety of topics to all dentists, office staff, assistants, hygienists and students. The speakers include dental alumni as well as top leaders in continuing education as voted on by their peers.

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Kenneth S. Kornman, DDS, PhD, is

chief scientific officer at Interleukin Genetics, a molecular diagnostics company focused on genetic variations that influence inflammatory mechanisms and chronic diseases. Kornman was previously professor and chairman of the Department of Periodontics and professor y and Immunology at the University of Toyas

of Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He currently retains academic appointments at Harvard University School of Dental Medicine and the University of Michigan, and is on the Board of Visitors of the Graduate School at Duke University. His research findings have been published in *Science, New England Journal of Medicine,* and *Human Molecular Genetics*. Kornman has co-authored three textbooks and is editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Periodontology*. He is actively involved in the study of gene variations and gene-environment interactions relative to common diseases of aging.



John L. Alonge, MS, DDS, is a

diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and the National Dental Board of Anesthesiology and is currently in private practice in Erie, PA. Previously, he served as chief of outpatient oral surgery at Hickam AFB, Hawaii for three years followed

by his appointment as oral surgery training officer for the Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency Program at Wright-Patterson USAF Medical Center in Dayton, OH. As a result of his years of teaching, Alonge has extensive experience in all subspecialty areas such as dento-alveolar surgery, dental implants, anesthesia, corrective jaw and facial surgery. He has lectured regionally, nationally and internationally, and is on the Examination Committee for the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.



Scott D. Benjamin, DDS '78, has been in full-time private practice in rural upstate NY since his SDM graduation. He has been a leader in advanced dental technology and dental lasers since their infancy and is an internationally recognized authority, author and educator on lasers, advanced dental

technologies, diagnosis, and early detection of oral cancer. He is presently the technology section editor for *The Compendium of Continuing Education in Dentistry*. Benjamin is an active member of ADA Standards Committee on Dental Informatics,

and is the chairman of three separate working groups. He is also a member of the ADA Standards Committee on Dental Products and serves as the working group chairman for dental lasers. Benjamin is a consultant and advisor for many dental practices and several dental technology companies utilizing his expertise in clinical dentistry, oral health, lasers, digital imaging, practice management, diagnostics, ergonomics, and workflow. His diverse knowledge and down-to-earth common sense approach to lasers and dentistry make for a refreshing, enjoyable, and very beneficial speaker session.



Timothy Donley, DDS, MSD, describes himself in one word—"reasonable." That quality is what he brings to periodontics, with a true respect for the evidence-based approach and clinical judgment playing a vital part as well. His forte is in taking the latest research and packaging it in a way that is reasonable.

His message has been well received. Donley's topic of nutrition and periodontal disease management comes at the right time. It is known that oral and overall health are closely linked through inflammation. Getting a reasonable perspective on the nutritional changes that can help reduce inflammation can benefit patients, practices and maybe even lives. Donley is anxious to bring his entertaining and realistic lecture style to Buffalo. Attendees will leave with more than a few life-changing suggestions that are evidence-based—they can take away realistic benefits to tell patients to improve their health.



Anastasia L. Turchetta, RDH, works with various companies and dental practices

on their social media presence via video blogging, hosting and marketing. As the self-described "America's Dental Hygienist," she skillfully connects consumers and dental professionals through webinars, continuing

education and keynote programs (www.AnastasiaTurchetta. com). A practicing clinical hygienist of 27 years, Turchetta was named among the Top 25 Women in Dentistry 2014. Her motto is: take what you learn and make a difference with it. Turchetta's clients have said that what sets her apart is her expertise in video hosting and blogging which can send powerful messages in condensed timeframes. The discovery processes lead to "Coffee Chats with Anastasia," which highlight a company's new product or a practice's service while "clinking" with a Starbucks beverage of their choice.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on all of the BNDM programs, visit www.ubdentalalumni.org. Not only does the 2015 BNDM have some outstanding speakers and topics on the schedule, but on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm, everyone is invited to come for free and explore the exhibit floor on Opening Night while enjoying cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Remember to register early for the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting for your chance to win an iPad mini. See you in October!



School of Dental Medicine Office of Continuing Dental Education

course calendar

SEPT. 25 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)

'All on 4'...Graftless, Full-Arch Immediate-Load Prosthesis Venue – to be announced

Amir Khatami, DDS, FACP

UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB MEMBER: \$125 DENTIST NONMEMBER: \$245 TEAM MEMBER: \$95 6 CE HRS

SEPT. 29 (I TO 4 P.M.)

The Endodontic Implant Relationship: Past, Present, Future

UB School of Dental Medicine

Paul Rosenberg, DDS

TUITION: \$75 3 CE HRS

SEPT. 30 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)

Are Some Patients Predisposed to Pain? The Effect of Genetics, Gender, Anxiety and Other Clinical Factors UB School of Dental Medicine

Paul Rosenberg, DDS

TUITION: \$195 TEAM MEMBER: \$95 6 CE HRS

OCT. 28 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

The Nuts and Bolts of Preparing and Presenting a Dental Lecture UB School of Dental Medicine

Eugene Pantera, DDS, MS

TUITION: \$75 3 CE HRS

OCT. 29 (6 TO 9 P.M.) UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB

Utilization of Mini Implants UB School of Dental Medicine

Brian Jackson, DDS

SINGLE MEETING TUITION: \$225 3 CE HRS

OCT. 30 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.) HANDS-ON WORKSHOP FOR DENTAL ASSISTANTS & HYGIENISTS

Essential Clinical Techniques for Successful Orthodontic Assisting

UB School of Dental Medicine

Ilaf Mawaldi, DDS

FIRST REGISTRANT: \$225 ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT FROM SAME OFFICE: \$175 4 CE HPS

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NOV. 4 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

Current Endodontic Treatment Strategies Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Adham A. Azim, DDS

TUITION: \$65 (BUF) Distance learning surcharge applies 3 CE HRS

NOV. 11 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

Bringing New Products to Commercial Use: Implants to Office Sterilizers Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Robert Baier, PhD, D. Odont.

TUITION: \$65 (BUF) Distance learning surcharge applies 3 CE HRS

NOV. 19 (6 TO 9 P.M.) UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB

Selection and Use of Commercially Available Bone Graft Materials

UB School of Dental Medicine Sebastiano Andreana, DDS, MS

SINGLE MEETING TUITION: \$225 3 CE HRS

NOV. 20 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)

Oral Path Nuggets...We Couldn't Learn It All in Dental School UB School of Dental Medicine

Jill Kramer, DDS, PhD Jose Tapia, DDS, MS

UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195 DENTIST NONMEMBER: \$225 TEAM MEMBER: \$95 6 CE HRS

DEC. 2 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

Notches on Teeth: The Causes and Treatment of Non-Carious Cervical Lesions Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

John Maggio, DDS

TUITION: \$65 (BUF) Distance learning surcharge applies 3 CE HRS

DEC. 9 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

Periodontal Disease and the Medically Vulnerable Patient Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Frank Scannapieco, DMD, PhD

TUITION: \$65 (BUF) Distance learning surcharge applies 3 CE HRS

DEC. 11 (8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.)

Hands-on Soft Tissue and Advanced Bone Grafting Cadaver Workshop UB School of Medicine Lippschutz Room

Charles Severin, MD, PhD Sebastiano Andreana, DDS, MS

TUITION: \$1195 Limited to 14 participants 7 CE HRS

DEC. 17 (6 TO 9 P.M.) UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB

Soft Tissue Considerations for Perio Surgery and Implant Dentistry

UB School of Dental Medicine

Dimitris N. Tatakis, DDS, PhD

SINGLE MEETING TUITION: \$225 3 CE HRS

NOV. 6-7 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.) ANNUAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Dental Trauma: Evidence-Based and Predictable Treatment of Dental Injuries Templeton Landing, Buffalo, NY Sponsored by the UB Dept. of Pediatric & Community Dentistry and Western New York Assoc. of Pediatric Dentists

Great for dentists, residents and dental students interested in current options and research in the management of dental trauma.

Jens Ove Andreasen, DDS, PhD

REGISTRATION & INFO: PLEASE CALL JACKIE DIMARTINO (716) 829-3717 12 CE HRS

MAY 19-20, 2016

Innovations and Controversies in Oral HealthConnecting the Dots from Research to Practice

Marriott Harborcenter, Buffalo, NY

Welcome Reception Thursday Evening/ Education Program 8am–5pm Friday

UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$225 DOCTOR NONMEMBER: \$275 ALL OTHERS: \$95

8 CE HRS

Join us for this Symposium to learn about and discuss recent exciting and interesting developments in oral medicine, and their relevance to your dental practice. The event convenes at the brand new Marriott Harborcenter Hotel



in downtown Buffalo on the waterfront.

Periodontal disease: Caused by the host response? Alpdogan Kantarci, DDS, MSc, PhD, Forsyth Institute



Periodontal disease: Caused by dental biofilms? Richard Lamont, PhD, School of Dentistry, University of Louisville

Recent evidence for a genetic basis of

periodontitis Thomas C. Hart, DDS, PhD, University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Dentistry

Recent evidence for a genetic basis of dental caries Alexandre R. Vieira, DDS, MS, PhD, School of Dental Medicine, University of Pittsburgh

Evidence that periodontal disease causes chronic systemic disease Panos Papapanou, DDS, PhD, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine

Does periodontal disease cause systemic disease? Frank Scannapieco, DMD, PhD, University at Buffalo

Stem Cell Tissue Regeneration in the Mouth Rose Ann Romano, PhD, University at Buffalo

Photobiomodulation for the treatment of dental disease Praveen Arany, DDS, PhD, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research

TRAVEL COURSES

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AlumniNews

Last-Minute Goal Wins Hanau Cup 2015 for Student Team



n April 17, the hardiest of the SDM's alumni and students took to the ice at Amherst's Northtown Center for the traditional Hanau Cup hockey game. One great aspect of this event is that as older alumni lose their speed, skill and endurance, younger alumni bring the spark that levels the field against the youthful students. This game was a classic, end-to-end competitive game that ended with a 13-12 student victory on a last-minute goal. It did not disappoint the fans in attendance.

For the second year in a row, Brittany Swiderski, '17, provided an entertaining, "stand on her head" performance in goal for the students. She kept the goal-hungry alumni at bay with numerous spectacular saves. The game also featured a future dental student, Alex Sikora,'19, who will start school this fall, and an applicant, Ben Lantz-Subtelny, the son of alumnus Greg Subtelny, '76, who also played. Ben is hoping for a chance to impress the Admissions Committee with more than his on-ice prowess and be granted entrance in the near future. Both Ben and Alex, welcomed the opportunity to participate in the SDM's history and camaraderie and look forward to being part of the dental school family.

The game was followed by a chicken wing and beverage after-party at The Steer Restaurant for players, alumni and students. Peter Atkinson of Dental Dynamics and the SDM's Dental Alumni Association sponsored the game and party. Peter was a game participant along with his sons, Ryan and Devan.

Other participants included Jim Matteliano, '80, Bob Warner, '81, Ray Miller, '85, Marlin Salmon, Ortho Cert., '85, Kevin Farrell, '91, Mike Nagai, '10, Pedro Alvarez, '10, Eric Vieth, '10, Ben Farr, '13, Adam Ungaro, '13, Joe Vollo, '13, Brandon Freeland, '15, Dane Hendry, '15, Chris Nowak, '15, Jarred Smithers, '15, Andy Le, '16, Josh Haentges, '16, Ian Mort, '16, Bob Guerriero, '17, and Balraj (Raj) Kang, '17.

-Raymond G. Miller, '85

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rochester Third Thursday's

Happy Hour Thursday, August 20, 2015 5:30-7:30 pm West Edge Restaurant and Lounge 284 Exchange Blvd. Rochester, NY 14608 RSVP to Sherry *ss287@buffalo. edu* or (716) 829-2061

Young Alumni Social

Wednesday, August 26, 2015 5:30-7:30 pm Hydraulic Hearth 716 Swan Street, Buffalo, NY

HarborCenter WNY All-Alumni Event Thursday, September 17, 2015 Downtown Buffalo Details to come

UB Bulls Tailgate Party

Saturday, September 26, 2015 Time – to be determined Stampede Square, North Campus

Remember When Reception

Thursday, October 15, 2015 5:30-7:00 pm Hyatt Regency Atrium Buffalo, NY

Reunion Dinner Dance

Friday, October 16, 2015 6:30 pm cocktails 7:30 pm dinner Hyatt Regency Ballroom, Buffalo, NY

UB Dental Alumni Reception during the Annual ADA Meeting

Friday, November 6, 2015 5:30-7:30 pm Capital City Brewing Company 1100 New York Ave. NW Washington, DC 20005 RSVP to sdmalum@buffalo.edu or (716) 829-2061

26th Annual Billy Barue Golf Tournament

n May 2, the American Student Dental Association hosted the 26th annual Billy Barue Golf Tournament at the Chestnut Hill Country Club in Darien Center, NY. With special help from our tournament director, volunteers and generous sponsors-the Dental Alumni Association, Proctor & Gamble and many others. More than 90 students, alumni, faculty and members of industry showed

up to golf on an unusually sunny spring day. Captain Zach Teach,'14, and teammates finished first in the field at 9-under par in a traditional scramble tournament format. Special thanks to tournament chairman Tim Violante.'15. and all who volunteered their time to give the tournament yet another successful year. See you in 2016!



SOME OF THE 90 PARTICIPANTS PAUSED BETWEEN HOLES FOR A POSE: 1 FROM LEFT, STEPHEN FABIANO '16, ARIELLE FADEN '16, IAN MORT '16. KIMBERLY FLUGER '16, ZACHARY RIFKIN '16; 2 FROM LEFT, RICHARD ROSS '15, JOHN WILLIS '15, MARK SARIC '15, TIMOTHY VIOLANTE '15

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THE BENEFITS OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

AS AN ALUMNUS OF THE DENTAL SCHOOL you receive the UB Dentist publication and other news communications from the Dental Alumni Association office, as well as invitations to your reunion activities.

By stepping up to become a dues-paying member, you will also be able to take advantage of the following member-only benefits, while directly supporting the dental school and many important initiatives for alumni and current students.

YOU RECEIVE:

- Reduced registration fee for the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting
- 20% discount on selected continuing education courses
- Hospitality receptions at ADA and other meetings
- Unique opportunities to meet other alumni

YOU HELP SUPPORT:

- Scholarships
- Alumni chapters
- Alumni recognition programs
- Networking events
- Student alumni group
- Student activities
- The annual Reunion Dinner Dance, Remember When reception, CE courses and special school activities
- The UB Dentist publications

DAA membership is only \$50. Take advantage of all these benefits by contacting Sherry Szarowski at 716-829-2061 or at ss287@buffalo.edu.

PICKLE BALL OLYMPIAN

Since his retirement from dentistry in 2005, Floyd Zablotny, '59, has been active

in the United States Pickle Ball Association, serving as ambassador for Carroll and Anne Arundel County, MD. He started four groups in Carroll County and one each in Prince Georges County and Anne Arundel County. In a tournament last October, Zablotny placed second. He plans to play in the MD Senior Olympics in August.



Zablotny served in the US Army for 20 years after graduation, and, upon retiring from the military at the rank of colonel, he established a specialty practice in Crofton, MD as a periodontist. Simultaneously, he served as an associate professor of periodontics at Howard University, Washington, D.C.

REUNION CHAIR LIST

1940	Dr. Irwin D. Arbesman
1945	Dr. Irving Plutzer
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1970	Dr. Robert A. Gianadda
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1980	Dr. Richard F. Andolina Dr. Frank C. Barnashuk
1985	Dr. Michael D. Ehlers Dr. Stewart M. Fenigstein Dr. Catherine M. Gogan

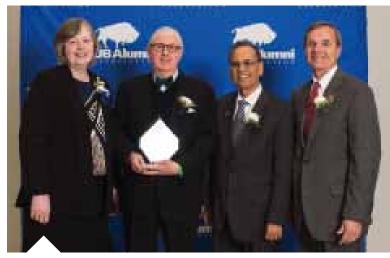
- Dr. Raymond G. Miller Dr. Patricia J. Starring
- 1990 Dr. Mary Beth Dunn
- 2000 Dr. Ian J. Walker
- 2005 Dr. Kevin M. Apolito Dr. Joshua T. Hutter Dr. Emily J. Schaefer
- 2010 Dr. Pedro Alvarez, III

AlumniNews

2015 Alumni Association Achievement Awardees

Steven Guttenberg, '69 and Stephanie Mucha, both with strong ties to the dental school, were among those receiving honors from the UB Alumni Association at its 2015 Achievement Award event in March.

Steven Guttenberg received the Samuel P. Capen Award that recognizes notable meritorious contributions from alumni to the university and its family, including those that influence the growth and improvement of UB and inspire others to give their active interest and material support to the university. He is a board certified oral and maxillofacial surgeon and is founder and president of the Washington Institute for Mouth, Face and Jaw Surgery. He and his wife, Diana Winters Guttenberg, made a pledge to the SDM, its largest bequest to date. The school's speaker at our 2014 commencement, Guttenberg is a past recipient of the District of Columbia Dental Society's highest honor, the Sterling V. Mead Award. He is senior attending surgeon and teaching staff member at the Washington Hospital Center, where he chairs its training and education committee. He is also a fellow of the American Association of Maxillofacial Surgeons, the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery and past president of the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.



STEVEN GUTTENBERG, SECOND FROM LEFT, RECEIVES THE SAMUEL P. CAPEN AWARD, PRESENTED BY UB PRESIDENT SATISH TRIPATHI, SECOND FROM RIGHT, WITH CAROL GLOFF, BS '75, FORMER UBAA PRESIDENT, LEFT, AND LAWRENCE ZIELINSKI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT, RIGHT.

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STEPHANIE MUCHA RECEIVES THE WALTER P. COOKE AWARD FOR THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO THE UNIVERSITY BY HER AND LATE HUSBAND JOSEPH.

Stephanie Mucha received the Walter P. Cooke Award that is given to non-alumni in recognition of meritorious contributions to the university and its family. She worked for over four decades as a licensed practical nurse at the Buffalo Veterans Administration Hospital where she witnessed William Chardack, MD, and Wilson Greatbatch demonstrating the first implantable pacemaker. Mucha and her husband, Joseph, later bought shares in Medtronic, the company licensed in 1961 to manufacture the device. The couple lived near UB's south campus neighborhood and often met students during evening walks. Childless, they agreed to someday provide scholarship support to UB students. After Joseph died, Stephanie, a self-taught investor, carried out their plan, contributing significantly to the university and several of its schools: dental medicine, engineering, medicine, nursing and the College of Arts and Sciences. Mucha is one of 100 people awarded a Purple Heart for Humanitarian Service for caring for America's veterans of war. She recently joined in the school's Dentistry Smiles on Veterans inaugural event.

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CELEBRATE WHEN IT ALL BEGAN BY JOINING THE 1892 CLUB

September 2017 marks the 125th anniversary of the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine.

The SDM has graduated over 5,000 alumni, many of whom have made unprecedented contributions to the oral health profession. It's no question that our current students will follow in the same footsteps.

The SDM began its legacy in the decade of the first dental X-ray. We are now upgrading the clinics to fit into today's digital technology. The giant strides this profession has made in the last 125 years is astounding, and our school has been there to forge the way through research, clinical studies, and graduating some of our nation's top oral health care professionals.

Without financial support from alumni, friends, faculty, and staff, the SDM could not continue to offer the same excellent education to our students and services to our patients. To celebrate our school's legacy, we ask you to join the 1892 Club. Currently, we have over 30 members and continue to grow.

To become a member, simply pledge \$1,892 or more a year for three years. Your membership into the 1892 Club also makes you a member of the Squire Society, a valued group of donors who make an annual contribution of \$1,000 or more. Your gift can be made to any area of the school you wish, and your name will be engraved on a plaque displayed prominently at the school when we celebrate our legacy in 2017.

Please consider joining us in celebrating the upcoming 125th anniversary of the SDM.

To give, or for more information, contact Bob Van Wicklin, assistant dean for philanthropy and alumni engagement at 716-829-2945 or rvanwick@buffalo.edu, or Danielle Moser, annual giving officer, at 716-881-1403 or dmoser@buffalo.edu. Gifts can also be made online at http://giving.buffalo.edu/dentalmedicine-1892-club.



ClassNotes

Niusha Zohur, '06, who has practiced at Aspire Family Dental, Niagara Falls office, since 2008, recently was named a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Sleep Medicine (ABDSM). Earning diplomate status from the ABDSM is a unique privilege that recognizes special competency in dental sleep medicine. The purpose of the ABDSM is to help set standards for the scope of dental sleep medicine, which includes oral appliances and upper airway surgery to treat sleep-related breathing disorders, and to assure professional dental and medical colleagues, patients, and the public of an acceptable level of education, training, and experience by those who become diplomates. Currently, there are about 230 diplomates of the ABDSM.

Dr. and Mrs. Phillip Vullo, '61, donated historical dental artifacts and yearbooks from the 1920s and '30s. Also the family of **D. Paul Gaugel, 1915,** donated books and a dental instrument case of his. Others interested in donating items may contact Robin Comeau at 716-829-6402.

Lindsey Rogers Springer, MS

Biomaterials '10, won the top national graduate student research award from the American Chemical Society's Division of Agriculture & Food Science in March for her studies on the effects of proteins limiting tannins in red wine quality. She will be completing her PhD in Food Science at Cornell University this fall. Springer is also the UB/SDM Biomaterials inventor of a mouth rinse with the trade name Lubricity™, now licensed from UB by a local start-up company.

The Guild of Saint Apollonia, Dentists for the Community

The mission of the Guild of St. Apollonia is to improve the oral health of poor men, women and children of Western New York in cooperation with Catholic Charities of Buffalo. Today the guild is composed of 90 Catholic dentists in Western New York, including many UB alums, who give back to the community by serving the dental needs of those less fortunate. The guild was formed in 1930 by a group of Buffalo dentists who saw a great need for dental care among the poor, especially the children of the Great Depression. A leader among these dentists was Edward Doran who became their first president.

Patients selected by Catholic Charities of WNY are treated in the offices of guild members at no cost to the patient. A grant from Catholic Charities of WNY is used to fund any necessary laboratory expenses. The guild members receive no compensation for their dental treatments.

Saint Apollonia has long been venerated by Roman Catholics throughout the world. She became the patroness of dentistry during the Middle Ages when guilds adopted Christian martyrs as symbols of their occupation.





IN 2007 THE GUILD FUNDED THE RESTORATION OF THIS STAINED GLASS WINDOW IMAGE OF SAINT APOLLONIA, THOUGHT TO BE THE ONLY IMAGE OF THE SAINT IN WESTERN NEW YORK. IT WAS REMOVED FROM THE NOW CLOSED QUEEN OF PEACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ON GENESEE STREET BY THE BUFFALO **RELIGIOUS ART CENTER.** THE WINDOW IS CURRENTLY ON DISPLAY IN THE BUFFALO **RELIGIOUS ART CENTER IN** THE BLACK ROCK NEIGH-BORHOOD OF BUFFALO.



FROM LEFT, REV. MSGR. ROBERT ZAPFEL, JOHN BUSCAGLIA, '80, BRIANNA ORENTLIKHER, ZEV ORENTLIKHER, '15, AND MICHAEL HATTON, '82, MS ORAL SCI. '86, ORAL SURG. CERT. '88. ZEV IS THE FIRST DENTAL STUDENT TO BE HONORED WITH THE SAINT APOLLONIA GUILD'S STUDENT SERVICE AWARD. THIS AWARD IS GIVEN TO A SENIOR DENTAL STUDENT WHO HAS VOLUNTEERED IN A SIGNIFICANT WAY TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL DENTAL CARE FOR THE NEEDY OF WESTERN NEW YORK.



ATTENDEES AT THE GUILD'S 2015 APPRECIATION DINNER, FROM LEFT, GERALD CARLO, '81, JOSEPH LANASA, '57; JOHN BUSCAGLIA, '80, TISH BRADY FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BUFFALO, REV. MSGR. ROBERT ZAPFEL, ST APOLLONIA GUILD MODERATOR, MARK SULLIVAN, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF CATHOLIC HEALTH, KENNETH RACZKA, '72, AND STANLEY ZAK, '76.

VISITORS FROM ITALY AT THE SDM

Un April 21, 2015, Sebastiano Andreana, MS Oral Sci. '95, hosted a delegation of the Buffalo-Torremaggiore Twin City Program at the SDM. The delegation was accompanied by Italian speaking students and faculty, including Nicola Valente, MS Oral Sci., '15, Perio Cert. '15, Michele Dell'Edera, Prof. Peter Loiacono (Hutchinson Tech-Buffalo and President of the Federation of Italian-American Societies of Westerr



New York), Mariapaola Dell'Edera (Liceo Fiani, Torremaggiore–Italy), Keturah Lowe, '15, Laura De Oleo, '15, Gabriella Coletta (Liceo Fiani, Torremaggiore, Italy), and founding member of the Torremaggiore-Buffalo Cultural Association Prof. Gaetano D'Andrea (Liceo Fiani, Torremaggiore Italy).



On November 12, 2014, Dr. Pasquale Murgante, Mayor of Accadia, Italy, visited the SDM meeting with members of the school who are family descendants of Accadia, including Richard E. Hall, '78, Generoso Inneo, '64, Oral Path. Cert. '68, Andreana and Mary Sansano.

InMemoriam

Paul N. Besser, '52, of Hendersonville, NC, died May 28, 2015. He was 86. After earning his DDS at UB, the native of Langhorne, PA served as a dentist in the U.S. Navy before joining his father's dental practice in Buffalo. He later accepted an offer from the Arabian American Oil Company in Saudi Arabia as district dentist, where he remained for 10 years. After returning to the U.S., he joined a practice in New York City before finally establishing a practice in Fort Lauderdale, FL, where he remained until his retirement in 1993. During the late 1940s, Besser played drums with several big bands and enjoyed playing in combos for many years thereafter. He

enjoyed acting and during his tenure in Saudi Arabia, appeared in a number of stage productions. He also enjoyed photographing in the style of Ansel Adams.

Alfred Lederman, '48, of Williamsville, NY, died April 16, 2015. He was 90. After graduating from UB, he interned at E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital, now Erie County Medical Center. The Buffalo native opened his first office on the corner of Kensington and Bailey avenues. He entered the Air Force during the Korean War, serving as a captain and chief of dentistry for the Central Air Defense Command. In 1955, he returned home and to his Buffalo office, where he continued to practice until 1998 when poor health forced him to retire after 42 years. Lederman was a life member of the American Dental Society, the Eighth District Dental

Society, Erie County Dental Society and the New York State Dental Society. He also was involved with Camp Good Days and Special Times. He was a good listener, loved people and had a good sense of humor.

Joseph T. Quinlivan, '51, of Amherst, NY, died March 21, 2015. He was 88. A native of South Buffalo, he initially after his graduation had a private dental practice and served as a parttime professor in the SDM. Later he became a full-time professor of prosthodontics, retiring in 1991. Quinlivan was a member of the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists and the Eighth District Dental Association. A Navy veteran of World War II, he enjoyed working with his hands and engaging with projects around the house.

Joseph A. Ropski, '47, of Erie, PA, died March 26, 2015. He was 91. After earning his DDS at UB, he served as an intern in oral surgery at Indiana University Medical Center and for the following two years was resident in oral surgery. In 1950 he was appointed to the faculty of the Indiana University School of Dentistry as a clinical instructor in oral surgery. He served in the Army during World War II and in the Air Force in the Korean War, achieving the rank of captain. After his tour of duty in the Air Force, Ropski returned to Erie to continue his practice of oral surgery. He was active in charity dentistry at Erie hospitals. He was a member of the American Society of Oral Surgeons, the American Dental Association, the Delta Sigma Delta dental fraternity, and Omicron Kappa Epsilon honorary dental society.



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