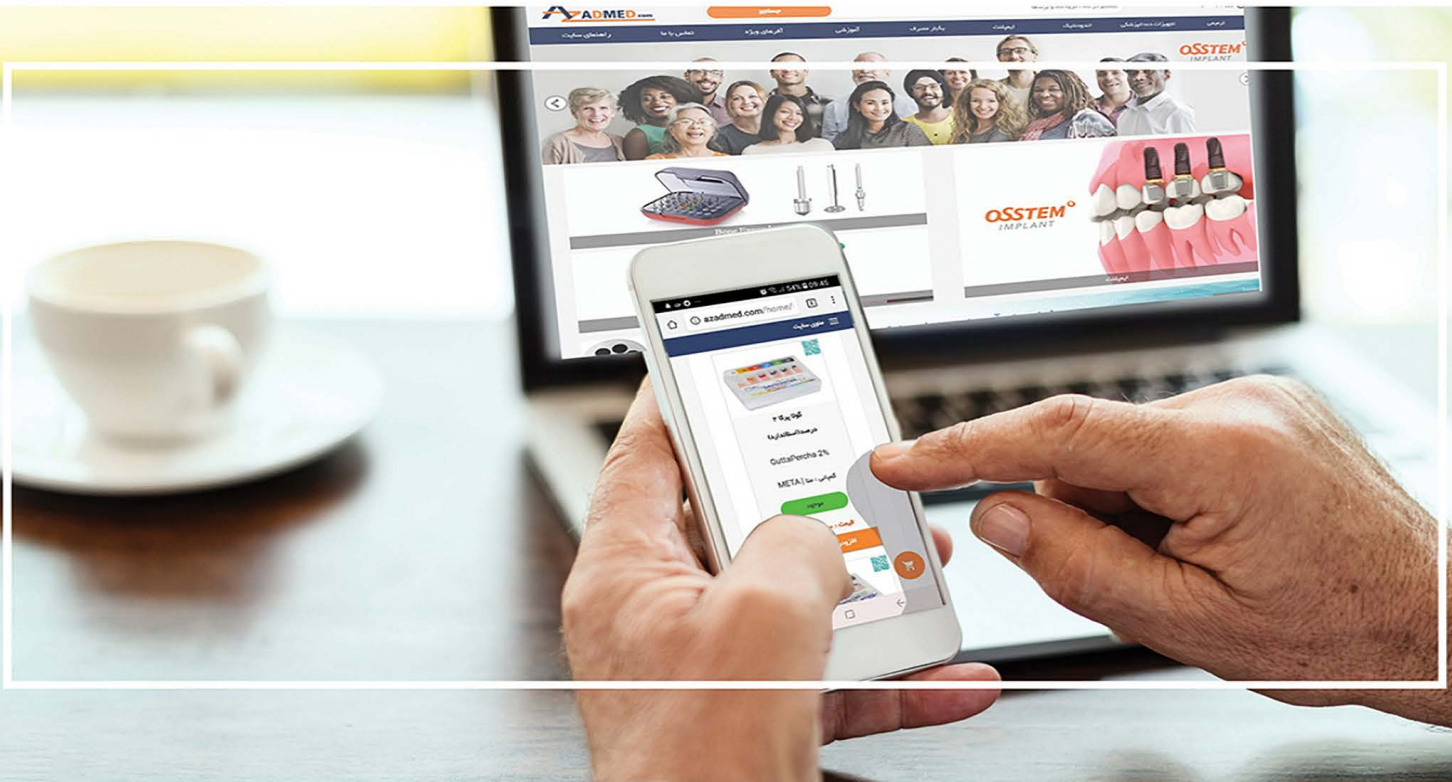




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NEW COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR AT CDM

CDM is pleased to announce the hiring of Michael Sidman as Communications Coordinator. While Michael is in charge of all communications and publicity projects related to CDM, one of his first focuses will be the improvement of our magazine. To mark this change, *Primus* will now be called *CDM: Columbia Dental Magazine*. We are thrilled to have Michael on board and look forward to seeing our brand grow.



ON THE COVER

Ground section of human molar tooth by Dr. Letty Moss-Salentijn. Letty Moss-Salentijn, Edmund Applebaum and Alfred Lamme: **Orofacial Histology and Embryology - A Visual Integration** Textbook/Atlas, F.A.Davis Company, Philadelphia, 1972



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DEAN'S letter

◦ *Dean Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent*

“To produce leaders in the field, we must foster an innovative environment where ideas and imagination are rewarded.”

How quickly a year can fly by, especially the first year of a new dean. When my appointment began last August, I engaged the faculty and staff in exercises of introspection and analysis in order to create goals for the College of Dental Medicine. These goals were inspired by what we saw as the inherent potential of the school: the brilliance of our students, the energy of our faculty, and the dedication of our staff. As a result, in the course of this past year we have witnessed the steady development of very real progress here at CDM.

By increasing transparency of the financial workings of the school and its sections, and by fostering an open dialogue between the student body and the administration, we are working together to create a school that evolves in tandem with our students, our profession, and the world. I am especially proud of our students, who have taken the initiative to be full partners in developing the educational and professional experience that makes CDM the very best. Student delegations have approached me with proposals that range from improving the curriculum to finding ways to reduce their own tuition, and we support their efforts to be active agents in the betterment of the school. We are listening, and we are working together to make these changes a reality.

To produce leaders in the field, we must foster an innovative environment where ideas and imagination are rewarded. CDM needs to do things differently, questioning the traditional degree, reinventing the academic calendar, “flipping” the classroom or physically reconfiguring it, seeking new ways to evaluate what students know, and helping them navigate life after graduation. CDM is also fostering—alongside our counterparts in the other professional schools of CUMC—a greater commitment to Inter-professional Education, an initiative that will transform our dental students into health professionals whose expertise goes far beyond general dentistry. Bolstering their dental education with medicine and public health programs, CDM is creating a new generation of leaders who are able to offer a more holistic approach to health and healing. Expanding our horizons will enable us to envision the future of our profession, and, more importantly, to be prepared for it.

At the College of Dental Medicine, we know that we cannot simply maintain the status quo. We must be driven to reinvent ourselves, to push ourselves farther, and strive to be better than ever before. I am excited and encouraged to see a culture of perpetual innovation and partnership taking root here at CDM. This forward trajectory will position us for success as our school approaches its 100th anniversary in 2016.

All of us in the CDM community should be proud of what we’ve accomplished in this last year, and working in partnership with our alumni, friends, and corporate partners, we can look forward with pride and confidence, knowing that we are building the foundation for the century ahead.

Christian Stohler

Q&A

DEAN LEE GOLDMAN

We sat down with Lee Goldman, MD, Dean of the Faculties of Health Sciences & Medicine, Executive Vice President for Health & Biomedical Sciences.

Q: What would you like CDM students and alumni to know about you?

A: *I'm a cardiologist by training. My academic career has been focused on what's now called outcomes research. My interest has always been at the interface between sophisticated statistical methods and common medical problems. I concentrated on projects where we could gather detailed clinical information well beyond what would usually be recorded by doctors, from large numbers of patients, to see what characteristics truly predicted the occasional bad outcome that doctors really worried about. Two areas of focus were predicting which people who were undergoing non-cardiac surgery would have heart complications, and predicting which people who come to emergency departments with chest pain were actually having heart attacks.*

Q: What has your experience been like as the head of a medical center with four schools and thousands of students and staff?

A: *It's a privilege to be a temporary steward of a great institution. We have four schools that combined have more than half of Columbia University students, and roughly 2500 faculty. We have enormous patient care and research programs and we teach well over 1000 new students each year.*

Q: You have a long history in public health. What role do you see for dentists and oral health practitioners in this realm?

A: *My career has really been at the interface between medicine and public health. I think there is both a similar challenge and potential human reward in dental care at that same interface. In fact, if anything, dentistry*



has already tilted much more toward screening and prevention than medicine has. Certainly during my lifetime we've gone from a situation where dentists mostly removed diseased teeth to one where dentists mostly keep your teeth and mouth free of disease. At one point, people worried that dentistry was so successful that we would need far fewer dentists. Those projections haven't panned out, but certainly there was a time when a lot of dental schools closed because of the perception or prediction that prevention, some done by dentists, and some because of fluoride in the water supply and toothpaste, would make dental disease so much less common. I'd say in the preventive arena – the public health arena – dentistry has been ahead of medicine for some time.

Q: In what ways have you seen the schools of CUMC develop on their own and in tandem?

A: *When I came here I had a goal to find ways to make the schools work more closely together, and that's when I created what we call the Columbia University Medical Center – it existed in name, but it didn't really "exist." Each of the other three deans serve not only as deans but also as senior vice presidents of Columbia University Medical Center. They help me run the campus, and together we do a number of things for the benefit of the campus. For example, we all contribute to a fund that's been used to make improvements for the students: renovating bathrooms, renovating Bard Hall gym, projects to create more and better green space outside, and much more. We've done those projects together, across all four schools. The second priority I had was to make all of our schools more academic. The concept being that Columbia is a research-intensive university. Most of the trainees in all four schools who get professional degrees will be more likely to be practitioners than anything else, but we also have an additional mission, which is to train a proportionate share to be academics, and the people who are here will have their educations and their futures heavily influenced by their exposure to such academics. That's why at the medical school we implemented a required scholarly project which never existed before. That's now a very important part of our curriculum, and that's one of the ways we at the medical school have put this academic emphasis on things we do, and I'm now working with the other deans to help them make their schools more academic as well.*

Q: Dean Stohler came on board a year ago – in what ways do you see him developing and bettering the school?

A: *At a school like Columbia, every dean builds on the successes of his or her*

predecessor. No one is working with a blank slate and can take either credit or blame for the virtues or limitations of their school. Dr. Stohler, who has a very research-oriented background, has been working with the faculty on ways to make the dental curriculum more academic and more research-focused, just like we have at the medical school. For the medical students, shortening the preclinical curriculum was critical for providing the time that the students could use toward their scholarly projects. Now the dental school has that same opportunity. I've encouraged Dr. Stohler and the faculty to be thinking of ways to use that extra time, not just for more clinical rotations, but to give students some of the unique opportunities you can have only while you're a student, which are the research and scholarly project opportunities.

Q: Looking forward, how do you see CDM strengthening its ties with the other schools of CUMC?

A: The reality is that the College of Dental Medicine will always find it difficult to have a large enough research base to be totally self-sufficient and totally independent. In fact, much of the research that takes place in our great dental school should be interfacing with our other professional schools. Major loss of teeth is related to infection – we have divisions of infectious diseases in medicine and pediatrics, and in the department of microbiology and immunology. Dentists focus on early detection of oropharyngeal cancers – we have an oropharyngeal cancer center. Dental researchers have been organizing clinical trials – we have a clinical translation science award and a vigorous clinical trials organization. Bone biology is an important part of the dental college – we have a department of genetics and development and specialists who do bone research. The dental school should have its own strong research programs, but it makes very little sense to try to develop them in isolation when there is a strong research-intensive set of schools here at CUMC. And back to public health – we have a public health school! The extent to which public health dentistry and research, and to have them make prevention more effective, are important issues for dentistry, it would be silly not to take advantage of one

of the country's top schools of public health. I think there is a lot of synergy among the schools and I want each of the schools to have a lot of pride in themselves, but that pride and the resulting success will be even greater if we can work in fruitful collaboration with the other schools here on the campus, and often times with other schools on the Morningside campus as well.

“When I came here, I had a goal to find ways to make the schools work more closely together.”

Q: Both you and Dean Stohler are advocates of Inter-professional Education and Inter-professional Care. How will this advance the missions of both CDM and CUMC?

A: The care of sick people, and the prevention of disease in people who aren't sick, shouldn't occur in isolation based on one organ that might be of concern. The various medical professionals that we train here will, during their careers, be working closely with people from the other professional schools. The challenge is to try to build that into curriculum for each of those

schools at a time when the students are trying to develop their own discipline-specific skills and professional identity. The goal of Inter-professional Education is not to make it look like everyone is interchangeable, but rather to emphasize the particular skills that different professionals have, and how they can work together effectively as teams. If we do this well, students will be even better at developing their professional identities, understanding their own roles, and also understanding how to be part of this broader team. You can have someone who's just terrific on the drums, but if they don't practice with the orchestra, they won't be very effective.

Q: What do you think is special about CDM, and what are your priorities for CDM in the next few years?

A: With William Gies, the dental school really was the birthplace of modern dental research. That heritage is something the school should always be thinking about and building on. I'm committed to helping it do so. The dental curriculum and medical curriculum are intrinsically intertwined for 18 months, and I think that's terrific for both sets of students. The more we can leverage that for both schools, the better. The College of Dental Medicine has a very strong community base and strong community commitment, and I look forward to finding even better ways to provide sites for education, and for clinical research, as well as for direct patient care.

We take care of people here locally who are not always able to pay, just as we care for people from around the world who could pay whatever they want. No matter how you get to us, you're part of our teaching programs and part of our research programs, and that's an important component of our community outreach, as it's also an important component of the care of people who come here for care from all over the world. I'm not a dentist; my grandfather was a dentist. I don't pretend to be the dean of the dental school. It's not my role to tell the dental college what it should be doing. My role is to help it achieve its goals and to achieve the greatness that we all want it to achieve.

→ EXPANDING STUDENT HORIZONS: CDM SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM



For most predoctoral students, the first opportunity for research is during the summer break between the first and second year, when CDM offers a competitive research fellowship program. Participating in research during dental school benefits students, who gain the experience of analysis and discovery, sharpen the skills needed to interpret new findings that may one day affect clinical care decisions, and allows students to consider the idea of a career in academia.

Applications for research projects are reviewed and ranked by the CDM Research Committee, with projects accepted based on scientific merit. With stipends of \$3000, the number of awards granted depends on the availability of funds. Of the 25 applications for the 2013

program, twenty were accepted, reflecting a broad range of topics, including investigations of mechanisms of human disease, therapeutic intervention, clinical trials, oral epidemiology, and health policy.

Summer research program participants have the opportunity to experience the full spectrum of basic, translational, and clinical research, and are encouraged to consider research-related careers. They are required to work full time for six to eight weeks with a faculty preceptor on an agreed-upon project. The program culminates with a luncheon seminar where students present their research.

Applicants must first confront the challenge of figuring out their research project, which sometimes involves a bit of luck. Third-year

student Yehuda Isseroff decided to stop by the office of a favorite teacher, Dr. Penelope Boyden of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Department of Pharmacology, who suggested he join forces with a new P&S faculty member from Stanford, Dr. Masayuki Yazawa, who was setting up his Stem Cell Initiative lab. And for the members of the “SMRF Team,” short for Summer Medical Research Forum, their quest for a topic led them to faculty involved in public health dentistry, led by Dr. Burton Edelstein. Their project continued into the academic year and will culminate in a comprehensive national compendium of healthy promotion programs addressing the public health problem of early childhood caries.

Medical and dental research overlap in many areas, conceptually, scientifically, and methodologically, and the Medical Center offers a vast array of collaborative research opportunities. Dental students are encouraged to seek research experiences with laboratories or faculty outside the dental school, and historically about half work with mentors from the medical school and the schools of public health, engineering, and arts and sciences.

Dr. Dennis Tarnow, clinical professor at CDM, and Dr. James Fine, associate dean for postdoctoral programs, offer a comprehensive overview of treatment planning to hands-on surgery, enabling general practitioners and specialists to integrate basic implantology into their private practices. In ways such as this, CDM continues to strengthen its stature as a patient-centered teaching hospital and a global leader in implant education.

In addition to conducting research, there are ample opportunities for students to present their work, such as the poster presentations at Birnberg Research Day, and publication in

the two student journals, the Journal of the William Jarvie Society, the student research organization, and the Columbia Dental Review, a student-edited clinical publication featuring case presentations and literature reviews submitted by pre- and postdoctoral students, faculty, and residents.

Participants sharpen their presentation skills, which prepares them to describe their work to potential funders. CDM annually sponsors student participation in regional and national meetings and research forums such as the Hunman Student Research Symposium, the annual meeting of the International and American Association for Dental Research (IADR, AADR), the Greater New York Dental Meeting, the ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Research Program, and the Annual Dental Education Students' Conference on Research. CDM students have received awards at several competitions, including in 2011, when two CDM summer research fellows were honored for their scientific excellence at the AADR annual meeting with the second-place Hatton Award for predoctoral students, and a Hatton Finalist Award for their research conducted in the laboratory of Dr. Jeremy Mao.

Research plays an increasingly important role at CDM, as it does in all four of the Medical Center schools. Reporting to Dean Stohler regarding coordinating the summer research program and overall research activities is Dr. Carol Kunzel, director of the Office of Research Administration (ORA), assisted by Ms. Kelli Johnson, CDM Grants Manager. Increasing CDM's ties with research programs across the campus is a challenging project. While opportunities exist, identifying them and linking appropriate faculty is the "fun" part, according to Dr. Kunzel. Faculty members are advised throughout the year regarding funded research opportunities available from organizations and sources both within and outside of the CUMC community. The ORA works closely with CUMC's Sponsored Projects Administration to facilitate the successful submission of grants as well as IRB protocols, ensuring their timely renewal. In early 2014, CDM had 22 active government-funded projects and six industry- and foundation-funded projects.



JESSICA QUICK, NATALI NUNEZ '16:

As Summer Research Fellowship recipients, we had the opportunity to learn more about the exciting field of public health dentistry. Our project focused on the pediatric population, and our goal was to identify all of the early childhood caries intervention programs currently underway across the United States. Under the guidance of Dr. Burton Edelstein, we explored dental care for the Medicaid population. We explored different research methods while honing our research skills. In addition to project updates and faculty feedback, the SMRF meetings provided us with valuable insights about current issues in healthcare policy. From introductory lectures on Medicaid and the social determinants of health, to discussions on the future of chronic disease management and organized dentistry, we learned fundamental principles that will undoubtedly remain with us for the rest of our dental education and careers.



LUKE SOLETIC '16:

This summer I worked with Dr. Georgia Malandraki at the Swallowing, Voice, and Neuroimaging Laboratory at Columbia Teachers College. I fortuitously came across this opportunity via a posting by Dr. Malandraki in Columbia's Hellenic Association's Facebook group seeking summer research help. Because I was looking for a clinically based project, I quickly jumped at the opportunity. My work mostly involved assisting in dysphagia research, a unique niche of speech and language pathology. Each day was a learning opportunity that allowed me to apply knowledge gained in my first year of dental school, particularly in head and neck anatomy. I helped to set up, observe, and assist with a variety of patient exams, perform data analyses, conduct literature reviews, and assist with clinical pilot studies. My personal project involved investigating the connection of reduced lingual strength on dysphagia in a post-stroke patient population, with which I'm still involved.



Dr. Lynn Tepper, a faculty mentor, reports that Anshul Mainkar and Ashley Coffey '16, "third generation summer research fellows," participated as the third team of summer research students on a research project, "Dental Anxiety in Washington Heights." Anshul and Ashley are now looking much more specifically as to why our community residents have such a high degree of dental anxiety. They are looking at such factors as the role of language barriers as a cause of dental anxiety, as well as specific characteristics of our community patient population, consisting of an epidemiological approach to better defining and understanding dental anxiety. These students have also collaborated with the New York State Psychiatric Institute's Anxiety Disorders Clinic, which has a special program in place to treat the Hispanic patient population. Learning is always ongoing when enthusiasm is high.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT CURRICULUM IN A DIGITAL AGE



When dental students at CDM graduate, they will have their degree in hand. They will also have the skills to create their own practice website. The Practice Management course, offered last year by Dr. Tamar Schiller, introduces students to concepts in finance, operations, management, leadership, and marketing. In a website assignment, introduced into the course last year, students had to think about how to convey who they are to their prospective patients. Similar to planning an office, they designed the layout of their page by considering color scheme and the placement of

pictures, text, patient forms, and videos. Students found the assignment engaging and relevant. Wing Chan, fourth year student, said, "I really enjoyed creating the website for my practice. Although I feel very far from my dream of becoming a pediatric dentist, the website allowed me to better envision the type of pediatric dentist I want to be and the practice philosophy I want to have." In addition to the creation of the website, the assignment highlighted the importance of having a web presence, since online searches and ratings are increasingly used by patients to select healthcare professionals.



MANAGING *the* **COST** *of* EDUCATION

Alice Wiley '17 started her dental school education with her tuition, books, supplies, and health insurance fully covered through the Navy Health Professions Scholarship, one of three government sponsored military scholarships available to dental students. Several students apply for and receive military scholarships each year – the 2017 class has eight students who have accepted this award. Financial support aside, Alice chose this scholarship because her family has served in the military for multiple generations. The scholarship offers her a chance to continue this tradition, improve her clinical skills in hospitals along with other dentists and dental specialists, and to travel the world while serving her country.

Alice says the scholarship has significant impact on the way she approaches her classes and her career plans post graduation. In her third and fourth years she will be able to participate in clinical rotations at various military hospitals. Residency can be complicated at military hospitals, such as the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, and the military offers many programs should she choose to specialize. For now she is able to study without the added stress of worrying about finances, and knows that a job is guaranteed for her when she graduates.

Condensed version of an article written by Rita Twan, Class of 2017, Student PR Committee Representative.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP AT CDM

While preparing to apply to dental school, Arian Rezaei '17 identified a lack of quality test preparation materials for the DAT. After scoring impressively on the standardized test, he devoted six months of his undergraduate education to bring DAT Bootcamp to life on January 13, 2013. By pinpointing the flaws in outdated testing resources and reflecting on his own experiences, Arian was able to create a unique resource for the thousands of applicants who take the DAT each year. In addition to his DAT Bootcamp program, Arian offers free supplemental study materials, including a strategy and tips blog, YouTube tutorials, and DATQuestionOfTheDay.com. His dedication to customer service guarantees that DAT Bootcamp will continue to be highly regarded in the future. Within his first semester at CDM, he has already met prospective students who have sworn by his program. We are sure to see incoming students within the next few years who have benefited from Arian's product to help them get into dental school. The program can be found at datbootcamp.com.



2014 STUDENT NATIONAL DENTAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

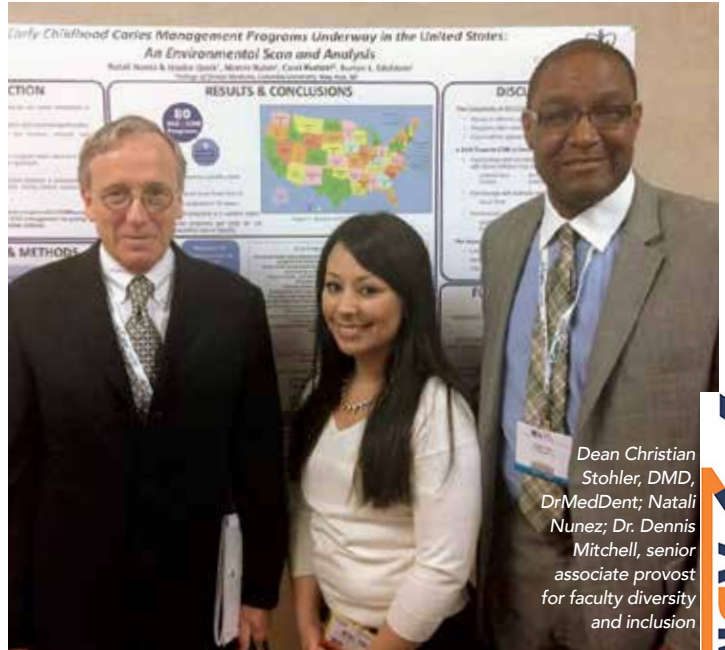


From Left to right: Webster Felix, Terrahney Wilson, Carla Perez, Cheryn Amo-Adjei, Tyeisha Roach, Chelsea Townes, Bertram Strachan. Front: Elizabeth Fadoju, Ashli Cumberbatch, Natali Nunez

The 2014 Student National Dental Association (SNDA) Conference was held July 24th-27th in New Orleans, LA.

Dean Christian Stohler, Dr. Dennis Mitchell, several alumni, and ten current dental students represented the College of Dental Medicine. Columbia's student chapter was able to participate in various professional development meetings, networking sessions, competitions, and even ran for national office.

Participating students: Cheryn Amo-Adjei '17 (Delegate), Ashli Cumberbatch '16, Elizabeth Fadoju '17, Webster Felix '15, Natali Nunez '16, Karla Perez '15, Tyheisha Roach '17, Bertram Strachan '16, Chelsea Townes '16, and Terrahney Wilson '15.



Dean Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent; Natali Nunez; Dr. Dennis Mitchell, senior associate provost for faculty diversity and inclusion

SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

NATIONAL OFFICERS

- Vice President: Terrahney Wilson, '15 (2nd term)
- Director of Regional Communications: Ashli Cumberbatch, '16 (2nd term)
- Recording Secretary: Elizabeth Fadoju, '17

CHAPTER AWARDS

- Chapter of the Year, 3rd place
- Scrapbook Competition, 2nd place

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, ABSTRACT & POSTERS

- Webster Felix, DDS-MA Education '15
- Natali Nuñez, DDS-MPH '17 (4th place)
 - Karla Perez, '15
- Chelsea Townes, DDS-MPH '16 (3rd place)



INSIGHT

Into Diversity



CDM WINS NATIONAL DIVERSITY AWARD

The Columbia University College of Dental Medicine is honored to be the only dental school to have been selected as a recipient of the prestigious 2014 INSIGHT Into Diversity Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award. The HEED Award is the only national recognition honoring colleges and universities that exhibit outstanding efforts and success in the area of diversity and inclusion throughout their campuses.

STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEBSTER FELIX '15

has been elected president of the Student Government Association, making him the first African American student government president at the College of Dental Medicine. Mr. Felix is a Petty Officer First Class with the United States Navy and a dual degree student pursuing his DDS along with an MA in dental education in the class of 2015. Felix says, "It is an honor to be placed in the

position of Student Government President. In my time here at CDM I've been involved with many organizations from SNDA to the Free Clinic, and as the president of the student body I have now taken on the important responsibility of managing and actively monitoring the pulse of the school. I believe it's very important to stay in tune with what is going on within your school community, because without that level of awareness, it will be very difficult to maintain the type of family environment that has become so idiosyncratic with CDM. The entire executive board is very excited for the year ahead, and we are hopeful that we can continue the tradition of leaving a lasting impression on CDM for many years to come."

DR. CHENG I LIN and **DR. SHEENU GOEL**, second-year Postdoctoral Endodontic students, received a Table Clinic Resident Research Award for "Laser Doppler Flowmetry and Pulse

Oximetry: Newer and Truer Vitality Tests?" at the AAE meeting held in Washington D.C. on May 3, 2014.

DR. DIEGO ANDRADE, ENDO '14 received a first place research presentation award for "Evaluation of Apical Transportation in Curved Canals Instrumented with Austenite and Martensitic Files" at 2014 Garden State Dental Conference & Expo on June 28th, 2014.

DR. TATIANA OLIVEIRA, ENDO '14 received a third place research presentation award for "Root Fortification for Immature Teeth: A Current Update" at 2014 Garden State Dental Conference & Expo on June 28th, 2014.

DR. SHAMIK DESAI, ORTHO '15, was the recipient of the Olav Alvares Award for Best Article published in the Journal of Dental Education in 2013 by a Junior Scholar. His article, written with others when he was a student at Harvard School of Dental Medicine, is "Perceptions and Practices of U.S. Dental Schools Regarding Curriculum Integrated Format and Traditional Format Licensure Exams."

DR. ERICA PITERA, PEDS '15, appeared on the "Doctor Oz Show" showcasing her baking skills, showing how to make cupcakes that look like molars.

NINA PRABHAKARAN '16, was recently appointed as the American Association for Dental Research regional representative for the Keystone Region, which includes seven American and three Canadian dental schools.



OKU DINNER

The 80th annual Omicron Kappa Upsilon induction dinner.

CDM's Epsilon Epsilon chapter inducted members of the Class of 2014 into the honorary fraternity, which recognizes students based on academic achievement and leadership.

TOP: Lee Goldman, MD, executive vice president for health and biomedical sciences and dean of the faculty of medicine, was inducted as an honorary member.

BOTTOM: Past President Dr. Richard Lichtenthal, inductee Jeffrey Hajibandeh '14, President Dr. Laureen Zubiaurre, and Secretary Dr. Jason Psillakis.



CLASS DAY

Students of the graduating Class of 2014 received awards in achievement, leadership, and academic excellence.

LEFT: Dr. Letty Moss-Salentijn, vice dean for academic affairs, presents the academic achievement award to Zachary Hirsch.

RIGHT: Dean Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent, presents the student leadership award to Jessica Zilo, student government president.





PREDOCTORAL GRADUATION

The Class of 2014 received their DDS degrees on May 22nd.

TOP RIGHT: Dr. Letty Moss-Salentijn, vice dean for academic affairs, presents the Edward V. Zegarelli Teaching Award to Dr. Dana Wolf, associate clinical professor in the division of periodontics.

TOP LEFT: Class President Joshua Wohlgemuth delivered remarks.

POSTDOCTORAL GRADUATION

Students celebrated the completion of their postdoctoral degrees or certificates in Dental Public Health, Endodontics, Implantology, Orthodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, and Advanced Education in General Dentistry. Certificates were also presented to residents in programs of General Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry, Maxillofacial Pathology, and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery-MD Integration.



LEFT: Dr. Letty Moss-Salentijn, vice dean for academic affairs, presents the Allan J. Formicola Teaching Award to Dr. Harvey Nisselson, associate clinical professor in the Division of Periodontics.



Dr. Philip Terman, AEGD program director, and Dr. Thomas Boyle, assistant professor of operational dentistry, with the AEGD I & II program graduates.



→ BERNARD YANOWITZ '49, REMEMBERS HIS TIME AT CDM FONDLY

Bernard Yanowitz '49, remembers his time at CDM fondly. "We were the first post-World War II class, the last to have Navy V12 members, and General Eisenhower was Columbia University president." New York at that time was changing at an exhilarating pace. "We had great baseball with DiMaggio at his prime with the Yankees and Jackie Robinson making history with the Dodgers. There was a big fuss in the city when the subway fare went from a nickel to a dime. And I remember a newspaper strike when Mayor LaGuardia read the funnies over the radio."

Dr. Yanowitz says he owes so much to the Navy V12 program. "It made my Columbia degree possible. They paid for all my pre-dental and got me into Columbia. I still remember the thrill I had when I went down to the main campus on 116th Street and exchanged my sailor suit for a more

officer-like midshipman uniform. I like to think I repaid the Navy by serving as a dental officer during the Korean War. After my naval service I settled in the Washington, D.C. area. Many of my patients were senators, congressmen, cabinet members, ambassadors, and news media people." Dr. Yanowitz says that CDM stayed with him throughout his career. "I was grateful for my fine Columbia education, and when I became active in Washington, D.C. dental society activities, I had many occasions to invite Columbia faculty as speakers to our meetings and clinics."

Dr. Yanowitz retired in 1991 after more than 30 years in practice. He is the former president of the District of Columbia Dental Society and the Maimonides Dental Society. He splits his time between Bethesda, Maryland, and Florida with his wife of 63 years, Helen, his five children, and eight grandchildren.



DR. LEVY'S FIELD OF DREAMS

While growing up in Brooklyn, **Dr. Scott Levy '83**, was an avid baseball fan. As a sophomore in dental school he integrated his hobby of photography and love of sports by taking photos during spring training sessions in Florida. An introduction to officials at a baseball card company, through his friend and classmate Dr. Michael Kraus '83, led him to become a professional freelance photographer. In June of 1992, Dr. Levy photographed Derek Jeter's first day at Yankee Stadium, and also captured his 3000th hit in July of 2011.

Dr. Levy has spent the past 20 plus years taking photos in baseball parks throughout the country, and his photographs have appeared in numerous sports magazines, including on the cover of Sports Illustrated in 1996, and on baseball cards and book covers.

Team dentist for the Yankees, Dr. Levy serves as an assistant clinical professor in operative dentistry at CDM and maintains a general dental practice in Manhattan.



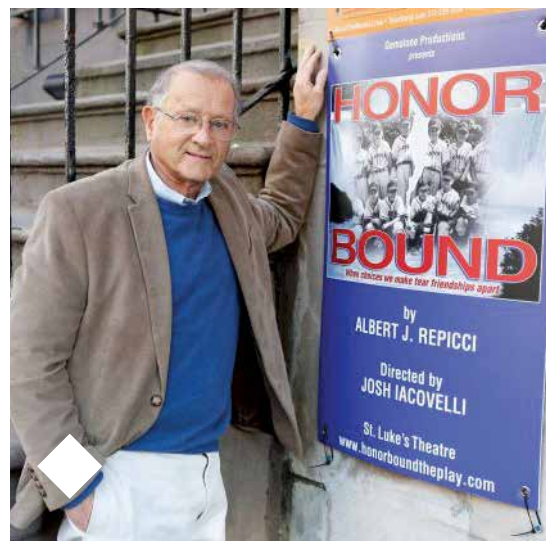
Dr. Dana Graves '80, of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, was awarded the International Association of Dental Research's (IADR) Distinguished Scientist Award in Basic Research in Periodontal Disease. The Distinguished Scientist Awards are among the highest honors bestowed by the IADR. The prize, supported by the Colgate-Palmolive Co., recognizes and encourages outstanding achievements in periodontal disease research. The award was presented at the 92nd IADR General Session & Exhibition in Cape Town, South Africa.

Alpha Omega, the international dental organization based on professional excellence, fraternalism, and Judaic values, presented its 2013 Certificate of Merit Award to **Dr. Gail Schupak, Ortho '85**, for her hard work and numerous contributions. Her desire to inspire students led her to become an associate clinical professor at CDM from 1987 to 1989. Dr. Schupak has been editor of the New York Alumni Chapter of Alpha Omega and is currently the chapter president. On an international level, Dr. Schupak was a regent for the New York area and currently serves as an alumni advisor for the Columbia University student chapter.

Dr. Bo Yun '04, AGD '05, AEGD '06, Ortho '10, an orthodontist in Northvale, NJ, is ensuring that her patients can find valuable information, even when the office is closed. Dr. Yun encourages her patients and their parents to visit her information-rich practice website for increased dental education materials and for further information on their upcoming treatments and procedures. "Knowing what to expect from your dental procedure can help you to understand its importance and alleviate your anxiety. By offering an extensive patient education library, my patients can review valuable dental health care knowledge and understand exactly what to expect," said Dr. Yun. The vast dental education library is available via Bo Orthodontics' interactive website, boorthodontics.com.

Dr. Martin Greenberg '65, professor emeritus at Penn Dental Medicine, was a member of the steering committee for the 6th World Workshop of Oral Medicine, and received two awards at this year's annual meeting of the American Academy of Oral

Medicine (AAOM) – the Certificate of Merit Award and the Organization of Teachers of Oral Diagnosis Award – in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the Academy and his educational contributions to the discipline of oral medicine. Convened every four years, the World Workshop of Oral Medicine is an international conference of invited oral medicine experts who gather to analyze pertinent topics related to the discipline.



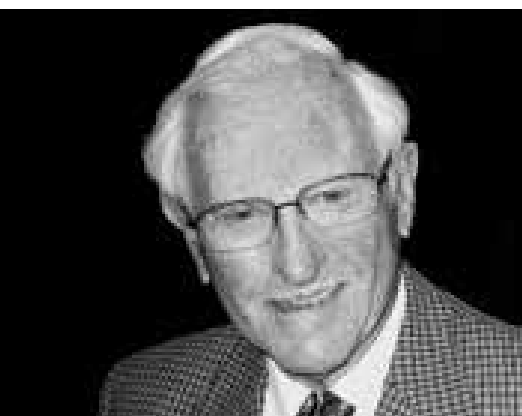
Dr. Albert Repicci, Ortho '71, may be best-known as an orthodontist who ran a private practice in Greenwich, Connecticut for 40 years, but he is also an accomplished writer and producer. Dr. Repicci's most recent accomplishment is the off-Broadway production of his play, "Honor Bound," which opened on May 14 at St. Luke's Theatre in Manhattan. Set against the bonds of baseball, "Honor Bound" follows an ambitious, young reporter as he tries to uncover secrets about a respected doctor. Instead, he discovers long-buried conflicts between two old friends.

Dr. Cathy Hung-Orlando '00, released a CD of her piano compositions. "Watercolors" is a "personal music journal" consisting of 15 original piano compositions inspired by nature, people, and current events. A classically trained pianist and composer who started her piano lessons at the age of five, Dr. Hung-Orlando is a native of Taipei, Taiwan, and has an oral surgery practice in New Jersey.

Two Dental Hygiene alumni were recognized for their contributions to the profession during the ADHA 90th Annual Session in Boston last June. **Michele Leonardi Darby BS' 71, MS '72**, and **Margaret "Peg" Walsh MS '75, MA, EDD**, received the Esther Wilkins Lifetime Achievement Award, which is founded on the values embodied by Esther M. Wilkins, BS, RDH, DMD, known as the "matriarch of dental hygiene." In addition to being recognized leaders in dental hygiene education, Darby and Walsh are co-authors of the textbook "Dental Hygiene Theory and Practice," which is nearing its fourth edition. Recently retired, Ms. Darby is an eminent scholar, professor emerita, and former chair at the Gene W. Hirschfeld School of Dental Hygiene at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Ms. Walsh is a professor in the Department of Preventive and Restorative Dental Sciences and director of the graduate dental hygiene program at the UCSF School of Dentistry.



Dr. Caroline Stern '85, was featured as an art collector and animal lover in a *New York Times* character study. Her West 57th Street dental office is full of original paintings, studies, and photographs by John Button, Christo, Larry Rivers, and Cindy Sherman, all of whom bartered their artwork for dental services. An avid traveler, Dr. Stern often totes toothbrushes and offers free dentistry in remote areas lacking access to dental services.



DR. FRIEDMAN HONORED

Dr. Jay Friedman '48, received the 2012 John W. Knutson Distinguished Service Award in Dental Public Health during the 140th APHA Annual Meeting in San Francisco in October, 2012. Dr. Friedman was a pioneer in developing quality standards for dental care, group practice, and dental insurance. An accomplished clinician, he has been a consultant to several state and national organizations. Dr. Friedman helped lead the challenge against the prophylactic extraction of third molars and advocates adding dental therapists to the oral health workforce. Retired from general dentistry, Dr. Friedman is a consultant and writer living in Los Angeles.



Dr. Noel Aymat, Peds '93

who had been serving as acting dean at The School of Dental Medicine of the University of Puerto Rico, was appointed to the position of chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico

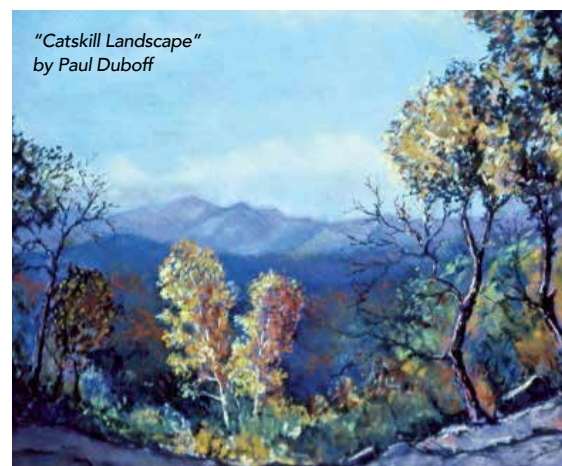
Medical Sciences campus on July 1, 2014. "We should get more involved with the community," said Dr. Aymat, "and that includes participation in public health policy making. We look forward to financial strength and administrative improvements, going along with reaching our potential in research and interprofessional education."



Dr. Mariliza LaCap '91, and Dr. Darren Tong '91

were contributing authors to a book released last August entitled "Dare to Succeed: The World's Leading Experts Reveal Their Secrets to Success in Business and in

Life – and Dare You to Succeed." Their chapter focused on "6 Keys to Success (and This May Shock You)." Married with five children, Drs. Tong and LaCap met during dental school as lab partners in anatomy. Their Bergenfield, New Jersey, practice focuses on family, cosmetic, and restorative dentistry.

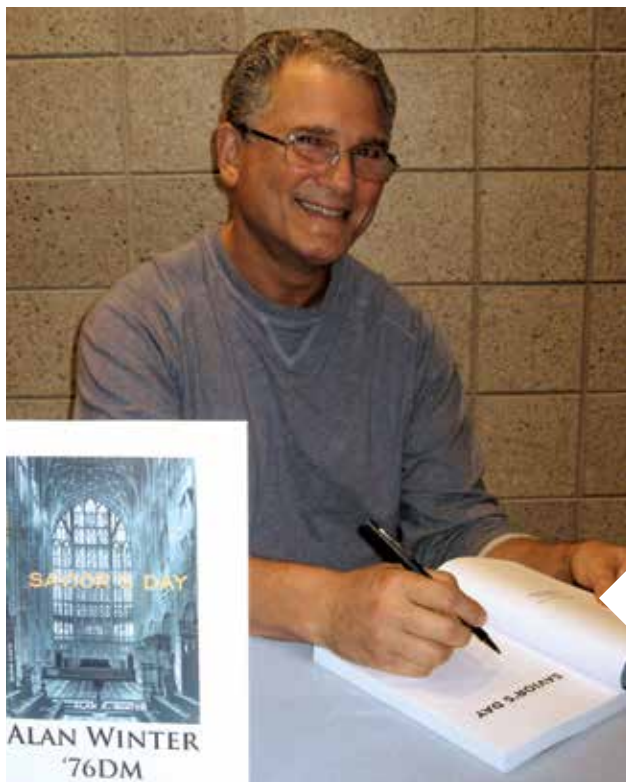


Dr. Paul Duboff '56, had planned on a career in art, having taken lessons since early childhood. But when he was told by his father at age 16 that he'd never make a living at it, he decided dentistry was a profession where he could combine art and science. Despite vivid recollections of his class being "traumatized by faculty members who were DDS/PhDs (in basic science) who made life impossibly difficult for us," Dr. Duboff later returned to SDOS to teach as a part-time faculty member under Dr. Herbert Bartelstone. After retiring from practice due to osteoarthritis, it was only natural to go back to his first love of art. Dr. Duboff has since produced a large body of work, mostly in pastels, entered numerous shows, and won many prizes. He taught art in the Montclair, New Jersey, adult education program for a number of years, and still has private students.

CDM AUTHORS ARE BEST SELLERS AT CAA BOOKFAIR

Two CDM alumni exhibited their books at the second CAA Alumni Book Fair, held last October in Lerner Hall during the CAA Columbia Alumni Leaders weekend. The books, “Owsley and Me: My LSD Family” and “Savior’s Day,” reportedly had the highest sales of the day!

Alumni Director Melissa Welsh poses with Dr. Rhoney Stanley ’79, and her book “Owsley and Me: My LSD Family,” which chronicles her adventures in Berkeley, California, in the 1960s, hanging out with the Grateful Dead and working in an underground lab making psychedelics. Dr. Stanley currently practices holistic orthodontics in Woodstock, New York.



Dr. Alan Winter, Perio ’76, signs his latest novel, “Savior’s Day,” a fast-paced tale of religious and political conflict centering on the Aleppo Codex, an important Old Testament manuscript, a fragment of which turns up in New York in the hands of a dying man. Dr. Winter’s two previous novels are “Snowflakes in the Sahara” and “Someone Else’s Son.” He maintains a periodontics practice in Manhattan.

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Dr. Jonathan Shenkin '96, MPH, was elected last fall to serve on the ADA Board of Trustees as second vice president. The ADA Board formulates and reviews policies and programs and makes recommendations to the members of the ADA's governing body, the ADA House of Delegates. Dr. Shenkin is a former president of the Maine Dental Association and former chair of the ADA Council on Communications. He currently serves as an ADA spokesperson on pediatric dentistry issues. Dr. Shenkin practices pediatric dentistry in Augusta, Maine.



Dr. Michael Gelb '82, MS, is the former director of the TMJ and Orofacial Pain Program and currently a clinical professor in the Department of Oral Medicine and Pathology at NYU

College of Dentistry. He is a co-inventor of the Nocturnal Oral Airway Dilator (NORAD) appliance that aims to reduce snoring by positioning the patient's tongue and jaw so that airways stay open. He is a pioneer in Airway Centric™ Dentistry, a new approach that allows the dentist or physician to improve lives by reducing sleep fragmentation, increasing oxygen saturation, improving heart rate variability, and treating apnea, hypopnea, upper airway resistance syndrome (UARS), and snoring.

Dr. Jason Hartman, Ortho '08, was featured on the cover of the November issue of *Orthodontic Products* magazine as "The Innovator" for his unique business practices that include electronic patient self-check-in, video game rooms, and a new more efficient patient scheduling system. His three Pennsylvania practices feature "smile rewards," where patients win prizes for exhibiting good behavior, like being on time for appointments, good brushing, getting good grades in school, and volunteering for community service. This program has led to a significant improvement in patient compliance, shorter treatment times, and improved oral hygiene for patients.

Dr. Dwight E. Williams '90, MPH, received the Vice Chancellor's Achievement Award in January at the American Foundation for the University of the West Indies (AFUWI) annual awards dinner held at the Pierre in Manhattan. The AFUWI supports the UWI with scholarships, books, and computer equipment.



Dr. Matthew LoPresti '14, completed his GPR residency at NY Methodist Hospital. At his graduation, Dr. LoPresti received the Prosthodontic Award for Outstanding Resident, the Pediatric Dentistry Award, and the Resident of the Year Award. It was the first time in the 15-year history of Methodist Hospital's program that a resident won all awards. Dr. LoPresti's father, Dr. Anthony LoPresti, is a volunteer instructor in the Division of Oral Surgery at CDM. Father and son will be in practice together in Staten Island.

Dr. Eugene LaSota '62 is retiring after 52 years in practice. Dr. LaSota has been an active member of CDM's volunteer faculty since he graduated, and will continue teaching in the Prosthodontics clinic. He will also remain with the NYPD honorary surgeons and as a consultant with the Medical Examiner's office. Dr. LaSota has been a volunteer at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital as an attending dentist, working in Maxillofacial prosthetics, and on the cleft-palate, craniofacial team since the mid-1960s.



FORMING NEW REGIONAL ALUMNI STUDY CLUBS

While still a resident in the OMFS program, **Dr. David Alfi '06, OMFS '12**, planned to start an alumni study club once he graduated and relocated to Houston. Since then, with help from the alumni office, three successful Houston Study Club meetings have been held, with the fourth held this past spring, with Dean Stohler as guest speaker. "I knew there were a decent number of alumni in the Houston area, many of them recent grads," said Dr. Alfi, "and I thought this would be a great way to connect with each other and CDM while also hearing some great speakers and keeping up with our CE credits."

A Philadelphia Study Club was inaugurated last fall with help from Dr. Paul Li '06. Dr. Jenny Mathews '00, Perio '03, spearheaded a new Connecticut Study Club, and a Washington, D.C. Study Club will be kicked off this fall with the help of Dr. Fred Liu '08 and Dr. Mitali Patel '08. Similar clubs have existed for nearly ten years on Long Island, thanks to efforts of alumni representative Dr. Karen Lewkowitz '82, and in the Westchester/Rockland areas with leadership from alumni representative Dr. Tom Bazdekis '90. A Northern New Jersey Study Club was also run for many years with Dr. Nick Vero '72.

Interested in forming a study club or presenting at one in your area?
Contact Melissa Welsh in the Alumni Office at 212-305-6881 or mmw7@cumc.columbia.edu.



5TH ANNUAL ALUMNI NETWORKING EVENT

Students, alumni, faculty, and staff converged on the swanky TriBeCa venue, Bouley Botanical, an urban farm events space from one of New York's top restaurateurs, David Bouley.

TOP LEFT: Dean Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent, learns the joys of the urban garden from David Bouley.

TOP RIGHT: Alexis Fermanis '02, Ortho '06; Ruba Rizqalla '06; Geri Connors, senior director of development at CDM.

BOTTOM: Daniel Abelson '17, Webster Felix '15, Dr. Michelle Mirsky, associate clinical professor at CDM, Jean Kim '15, Juliana Ginsberg '16, Matthew Jensen '13, Daniel Weiss '16, Derek Chenet '16, and Alexandra Greco '16.



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PEDIATRIC DENTISTS

Reception at the annual session in Boston last May.

LEFT: Cecilia Kolstad, Peds '14; Rich DeLaRosa '10, Stacey Reynolds '99 and her husband John Schmidt.

RIGHT: SungHee Kwak, Peds '00 and Christina Ciano, Peds '12.



ORTHODONTIC SPRING MEETING

Orthodontics alumni, faculty, and residents attended the annual Thomas Cangialosi Orthodontics Society Spring Meeting at the Columbia Club in April.

TOP: Alumni Society Officers (from left): Ilona Polur, Ortho '14; Deborah Weng, Ortho '12; Eleni Michailidis '06, Ortho '09; George Pliakas '06, Ortho '09; Jay Cho, Ortho '07; and Ronniette Garcia-Leifert, Ortho '07.

BOTTOM: Ortho faculty members Joseph Ciccio '83, Ortho '84; Joseph Ruisi, Ortho '87; and Melvyn Leifert with Thomas Cangialosi, former director of the Division of Orthodontics.



ALUMNI MENTOR RECEPTION

In the mentor program, alumni and faculty open their offices to third-year students and offer career counseling.

LEFT: Dr. Millie Embree, Ortho '17, assistant professor at the Center for Craniofacial Research and the Division of Orthodontics, Mike Bruno '16.

BOTTOM: Jessica Pilloni '16, Dr. Gail Schupak, Ortho '85.



REUNION DAY 2014

1. Class of 1964: Seated: Harold Sussman, Patricia & James Clark, Ken Siegel (Class Rep) Standing: Joe Tamagna, Gerry Lederman. **2.** Class of 1984: Seated: Zion Chen, Jackie Crane, Denise Shapiro(Class Rep), Alan Liebnick. Standing L to R: Tom Manzione, Cliff Hames, Marshall Fleer (Class Rep), Howard Bloom, Jim Murphy, Paul Grunseich, Louis Menendez, David Lynn. **3.** Dr. Joel Friedman '68 gave greetings as President of the New York State Dental Association. **4.** Dr. Thomas Magnani '80 receives Distinguished Alumni Award. Pictured here his wife Linda, daughter Mary who is a student in the Class of 2017, and Dean Stohler. **5.** Narmatha Sinnarajah '04 (Class Rep) with Louis Mandel '46. **6.** Iris Cirino, Supervisor, Denise Chow '04 & daughter **7.** Faculty members Dr. Howard Tichler and Dr. Samuel Zeichner treated the guests with some jazz tunes. **8.** Frank DePinho '89, Matt Brown '89, Allan Formicola, Dean Emeritus and Martin Davis '74, Peds '75, Professor Emeritus **9.** Howell Archard '55 with Warren Nadel '54 and his wife Susanne.



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Retirement Announcement

A reception was held to mark the retirement of Dr. David J. Zegarelli '69, professor and director of the Division of Oral Pathology. Pictured are Dr. Zegarelli and family.

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REUNION DAY 2014

10. Class of 1999: Stacey Reynolds (Class Rep), Ximena Pareja , and Jodi Deans. **11.** Class of 1959: Alex Dell, Bernard Biron, Ralph Kaslick, Ron Odrich **12.** Class of 1989: Standing from left to right : Al Ho, Richard Corbin, Jonathan Jeone, Anthony Ripani, Steven Yee, Daniel Chow, Ingrid Dowrich, Jila Jalali, Udo Schutte, Niurka Rodriguez, Frank DePinho, Matt Brown, Alison Chan. Sitting from left to right : Maria Marzo, Lillian Vidal, Jolanta Holzmanna, Xandria Sutherland-Pollard, Brian Pollard. **13.** Class of '09: Left to Right: Michelle Mirsky, Operative Faculty; Oana Opariuc, Kori Darling, Karey Matthews, Craig Fisk, Anuja Ranjitkar, Martin Davis, Professor Emeritus, Abraham Chahine (Class Rep), Shiva Basir, Kristina Salaverry, Yasemin Kilical, Nick Katchen, Eugene Ko, Derek Flint. Front: Jenn Castro (Class Rep), Shuba Soni **14.** Class of 1974: Seated: Robert Knepper, Louiza Puskulian, Sam Cohen Standing: Martin Davis (Class Rep), Ira Sturman, Steve Haber. **15.** Seated: Larry Sullivan, John Hulbrock, Charlie Avrutik. Standing: Lewis Gross, Vice Dean Ronnie Myers (Class Rep), Anita Skolnick, Alex Martin **16.** Class of 1964: James Clark and Ken Siegel **17.** Class of '99 (on steps of P&S) Front: Sunni Gwi-Young, Chongnam Kim, Noushin Nasri-Ghajari. Back: Fereydoun Khalili, Steven Konis, Aili Chen, Jason Psillakis (Class Rep)





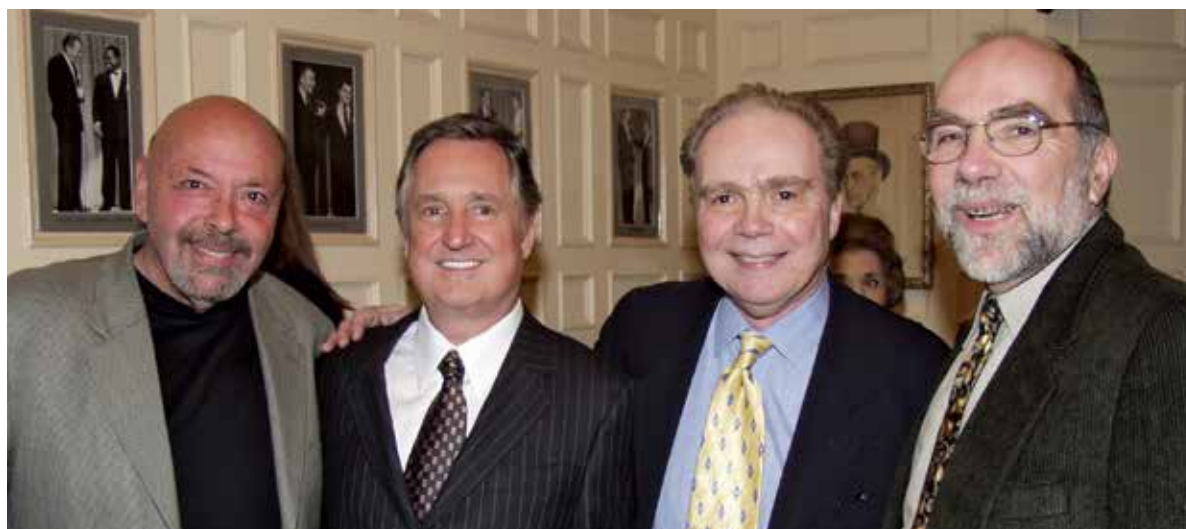
DID YOU MEET YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER, YOUR PARTNER, YOUR SPOUSE AT CDM?

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FACULTY PROFILE: DR. HOWARD TICHLER



Dr. Tichler's band circa 1958 and at their 50-year band reunion. Dr. Tichler is on the far right with Neil Sedaka second from left.



Dr. Howard Tichler, assistant clinical professor in the Division of Orthodontics, is an orthodontist by day, practicing on Long Island and teaching orthodontic residents, and a musician by night, playing saxophone with the “Molar Band,” comprised of two orthodontists and a pediatric dentist. Dr. Tichler attributes his love of music to his uncle, who played the sax with the “Tonight Show” band. Although planning to be a professional

musician, he also had a great interest in dentistry. Dr. Tichler decided to make a career of orthodontics, using his music to help finance his education. He formed a band with his high school friend, Neil Sedaka, playing at weddings and bar mitzvahs, and sang on Sedaka’s first hit record, “The Diary.” Dr. Tichler can be heard playing on Fridays at Contes, an Italian deli in West Islip, Long Island, with his friend, Dominic Chianese, of “The Sopranos.”

APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Dennis Mitchell took on the role of Senior Associate Provost for Faculty Diversity and Inclusion as of September 1, 2014. In his new administrative capacity in the Office of the Provost, Dr. Mitchell will lead, plan, and coordinate Columbia's ongoing commitment to attracting, advancing, and retaining a diverse faculty. In addition, he will collaborate with the leadership of each of Columbia's Schools to evaluate and strengthen their diversity initiatives. Dr. Mitchell has been on the CDM faculty since 1991 and has shown a deep commitment to enhancing diversity. He also addressed with a range of programs the oral health needs of underserved populations, notably in the communities surrounding Columbia University. Dr. Mitchell led CDM's diversity programs that target faculty development, training, and the enrollment of underrepresented minority students. From 2004-2010, he was the Institutional Project Director for the American Dental Education Association Minority Dental Faculty Development Program, a collaborative effort of five New York State academic dental centers. Dr. Mitchell is a Co-Principal Investigator on two pipeline development programs that bring more than 100 young scholars from underrepresented groups to the CUMC campus each summer. Dr. Mitchell will assume the role of Senior Associate Dean for Student Development, retaining the important role of mentoring our underrepresented students here at CDM. He will also maintain his academic affiliation with the Section of Population Oral Health at CDM.

Steven M. Erde, PhD, MD, is the new chief information officer at CDM and assistant professor of oral health informatics at Columbia University Medical Center. As CIO, Dr. Erde's primary responsibilities are managing information resources and systems and leveraging technology to achieve CDM's goals. Coming from positions in which he developed innovation and integration projects for clinical systems at New York Presbyterian Hospital and Montefiore Medical Center, Dr. Erde was also senior vice president in solutions development at AllScripts, building strategic architectures to merge ambulatory and inpatient records. As the senior director of academic computing at Cornell, Dr. Erde was at the helm of digital imaging and computer-assisted education.

Dr. Erde was awarded his PhD by Columbia University and his MD by Cornell University. In addition to his administrative roles, he also held appointments as associate professor of clinical pathology at Weill Medical College of Cornell University. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pathology (Anatomic Pathology) and is a member of several professional societies, including the American Medical Informatics Association.

On June 1st, **Yiping Han, PhD**, was appointed as tenured professor of microbial sciences in the Division of Periodontics, section of oral and diagnostic sciences. Dr. Han will also hold an interdisciplinary appointment with the department of microbiology and immunology at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. A microbiologist by training, Dr. Han has held research appointments at UCLA and SUNY Buffalo prior to establishing herself at Case Western University, where she served as professor with tenure in the department of periodontology, School of Dental Medicine, as well as at the departments of pathology and reproductive biology. Dr. Han's academic career is characterized by remarkable scholarly commitment. Her research has been consistently funded by the National Institutes of Health and encompasses studies of the role of oral bacteria in adverse pregnancy outcomes, the virulence mechanisms of the common oral anaerobe *Fusobacterium nucleatum* and, more recently, its ability to induce tumorigenesis.

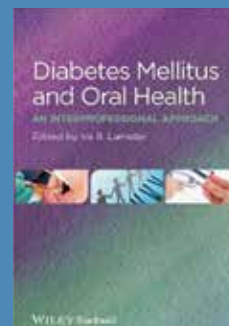
Michael A. Perrino, DDS, MD joins the faculty as Assistant Professor in the Section of Hospital Dentistry's Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery. Dr. Perrino, a graduate of Columbia's oral and maxillofacial surgery residency training program in 2013, also received his dental and medical degrees from Columbia University. This year, he completed his pediatric and craniofacial surgery fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center/Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. His full-scope oral and maxillofacial surgery practice includes maxillofacial trauma, pathology and reconstruction, with a particular interest in cleft lip and palate, pediatric pathology, and craniofacial surgery.

CONGRATULATIONS

To CDM Dean Emeritus Ira Lamster, DDS, MMSc, who is the editor and co author of the recently published *Diabetes Mellitus and Oral Health: An Interprofessional Approach*, a practical tool for dental practitioners and dental hygienists providing oral health care to patients with diabetes mellitus.

Grounded in the latest evidence, the book addresses medical and dental considerations and case scenarios from clinical practice. Featured authors also include CDM faculty and alumni Nurit Bittner '11, Perio '08, director of postdoctoral prosthodontics; Dana Wolf, Perio '08, associate professor, division of periodontics; Evanthia Lalla '00,

Perio '97, professor, division of periodontics; and Dana T. Graves '80, vice dean for scholarship and research at UPenn dental school. Available in paperback or as an e book through Wiley Blackwell publishers, the book can be ordered by visiting wiley.com/go/dentistry or by calling (877) 762 6657.



GLOBAL CENTER NEWS



EAST ASIA

On April 8, 2014, **Jeremy Mao, DDS, PhD**, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine (CDM) Edwin S. Robinson professor of dental medicine, and **CDM Dean Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent**, jointly held a symposium and reception at the Columbia Global Center, East Asia in Beijing, China. The symposium was entitled “Stem Cells and Craniofacial Regeneration.” More than 80 scientists, physicians, and dentists attended. Among the audience were 12 deans and vice deans of leading Chinese dental schools, and alumni. Following introductions by Joan Kaufman, who directs the Columbia Global Center, East Asia, and Dean Stohler, Dr. Mao presented scientific work in the areas of stem cell biology and tissue engineering in the context of craniofacial regeneration. This symposium and reception served to expand CDM’s international presence, and promoted collaboration with leading academic institutions in East Asia. The symposium was held a day before the 2nd International Conference on Dental and Craniofacial Stem Cells, of which CDM was a lead sponsor, in Chengdu, China. In Chengdu, Dean Stohler and Dean Zhou of Sichuan University West China School of Stomatology signed an academic collaboration agreement, symbolizing that the two premier dental schools in China and the U.S. will collaborate in education, research, and international exchange of scholars and scientists. West China School of Stomatology is the top-ranked dental school in China. Scholars from West China School of Stomatology began to study at Columbia as early as the 1940s.

SOUTH AMERICA

Several alumni and prosthodontic faculty members, including Dr. Anthony Randi ’82 (assistant clinical professor), Dr. Ruth Randi ’85, Dr. Jon Zamzok (associate clinical professor), Dr. Nurit Bittner (director of postdoctoral prosthodontics), Dr. Anthony Salierno, Endo ’79, and Dr. Darya Luchinskaya ’12, Prosth ’15, traveled over the past year to Neltume and Curarrehue, Chile, to treat underserved adults and children in this remote village in the foothills of the Andes. Working with a team of Chilean prosthodontists from the University of Concepcion, the outreach missions were organized through the Giving through Smiles Foundation, founded by Dr. Zamzok, to bring dental health and education to areas in need in the US and abroad.



KENYA

A group of students representing all four CUMC schools, led by **Shantanu Lal, DDS**, director of predoctoral programs in pediatric dentistry at the College of Dental Medicine (CDM), recently returned from a global outreach mission in Kenya. In addition to screenings and comprehensive care for almost 200 children at orphanages and homes for destitute children, students collaborated on cross-disciplinary scholarly projects that included Telehealth training, HIV saliva testing and research, water fluoridation, remote early cancer detection, and exploring distance learning opportunities using Google Glass. CDM also signed a university affiliation agreement with the Nairobi Medical and Dental Center for further collaboration on these educational activities. The twelve-day mission was supported by the President's Global Innovation Fund (PGIF), awarded to Dr. Lal. The students enjoyed working in the Maasai Mara, where they also experienced a safari and hot-air balloon ride and witnessed the annual animal migration. Everyone returned home safe and happy after an extremely rewarding experience.



Dr. Robert Ambinder and his wife, Aileen.

FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Robert Ambinder is retiring after 47 years as a faculty member of CDM. Dr. Ambinder began his career at CDM as a postgraduate student, receiving his certificate in endodontics in 1971, the same year he joined the faculty. "My 47 years of association with the department as both a postgraduate student and member of the faculty has filled me with many memorable and rewarding experiences," said Dr. Ambinder. "In my career, I have learned a great deal about myself and realized that I made an outstanding choice when I became an endodontist, and an even better choice when I accepted an invitation to be part of the teaching staff at this institution. Dr. Ambinder went on to add, "I have enjoyed working with our students and sincerely believe that I have gained more from them, than they from me. Which is how it should be." Dr. Ambinder will continue to work at his practice in New Windsor, New York



Dr. Sahng G. (Martin) Kim, assistant professor in the Division of Endodontics, received a research grant to support his research proposal, "Regeneration of the Pulp-Dentin Complex by Cell Homing" from the American Association of Endodontists (AAE) Foundation.

Dr. Panos N. Papapanou, chair of the Section of Oral and Diagnostic Sciences and director of the Division of Periodontics, and

Dr. Moise Desvarieux, associate professor of epidemiology at the Mailman School of Public Health, wrote an online article appearing last fall in the Journal of the American Heart Association. They report a prospective study that shows how improving gum health is linked to a clinically significant slower progression of atherosclerosis. "Our results show a clear relationship between what is happening in the mouth and thickening of the carotid artery, even before the onset of full-fledged periodontal disease. This suggests that incipient periodontal disease should not be ignored," said Dr. Papapanou. For their study, the researchers followed 420 adults between the ages of 60 and 76 from Northern Manhattan who were taking part in the Oral Infections and Vascular Disease Epidemiology Study.

Dr. Ronnie Myers '79, PEDS '80, vice dean for Clinic Administration, became the chair of the New York State Board of Dentistry on January 1, 2014. The State Education Department, under Regents' direction, administers professional regulations through its Office of the

Professions, assisted by twenty-nine State Boards for the Professions. The Board of Regents, on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Education, appoints a State Board for each licensed profession to advise and assist the Board of Regents and the State Education Department on matters of professional regulation.



Dr. Stephen Wallace, clinical associate professor in the Division of Periodontics, received the Master Clinician Award at the 2013 AAP meeting in Boston. Dr. Wallace earned his dental degree from the NYU College of Dentistry and his certificate in periodontics from Boston University School of Dentistry. Prior to coming to CDM, he

served as a clinical associate professor at NYU for nearly 20 years. A practicing clinician for over 42 years, Dr. Wallace is considered an authority on bone regeneration, sinus elevation, and dental implants. He has published over 30 papers and lectures widely on subjects related to implantology.

Dr. Vicky Evangelidis '87, professor in the Division of Operative Dentistry was selected to present a program at the March ADEA meeting on "Dental Service Organizations and Dental Practice Management Companies – Who Are They For?" The study, written with mentees Dr. Jenny Sun '13 and Dr. Michael Yang '13, discusses the advantages and disadvantages of working for a DSO/DPMC from the perspective of the management of such companies as well as the perspective of recent dental school graduates.

Dr. David Albert, associate professor and director in the Division of Communal Health was selected for a "Building Bridges" award from the NIDCR to present his work at the 2013 American Psychological Science meeting in Washington, DC. The award is intended to connect two research communities that have not traditionally interacted: researchers in psychological science and researchers in oral health. Dr. Albert described the development of a clinical decision support system designed to help dentists and dental hygienists provide tobacco cessation counseling in the dental office.



Dr. Luz Aguirre, AEGD '99, assistant professor in operative dentistry, completed the 2013 ADEA/AAL Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL) program, an intensive program for early-career faculty and dentists who are transitioning from private practice to a career in academia. The ITL program is administered by the ADEA and AAL (Aspire, Achieve, Lead),

and prepares participants to become more effective teachers and to develop skills that will facilitate confidence, job satisfaction, and professional growth in the academic environment. Dr. Aguirre is one of four Faculty of Color Scholarship recipients from the ADEA.

Dr. Jeremy Mao, director of the Center for Craniofacial Regeneration, received \$1,450,115 over five years from the NIDCR for "Multidisciplinary Training in TMJ Disorders/Pain: Integrating Basic, Translational and Clinical Science," and \$2,855,272 over four years for "Preclinical Models of Odontic Analogs by Endogenous Stem Cells."

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The Henry I. Nahoum Scholarship Fund in Orthodontics is an endowed fund established to provide a scholarship to students considering training in craniofacial abnormalities.

*Dr. Henry Nahoum with
CDM dean Christian
Stohler, DMD,
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On April 8, at the age of 94, Dr. Henry Nahoum remembers the pressure he felt as a dental student at Columbia to get it right the first time, whether preparing a tooth for a gold crown, preparing an amalgam restoration, or sealing a fixed prosthesis. It's not that he was a perfectionist – he literally could not afford to make mistakes. He had to pay for lab materials, and while working his way through school in the early 1940s, there was little money to spare. His financial outlook gradually improved over time. He received his DDS in 1943, completed his military service, and then practiced general dentistry in the Bronx for ten years. Dr. Nahoum returned to Columbia to train in orthodontics and then joined the faculty, supervising the postdoctoral orthodontics clinic for twenty years, and serving as acting chair of the orthodontics division for three years. He also served in admissions and financial aid, published papers on a variety of subjects, and conducted research that led to new treatment methods for orthodontics patients. All of this contributed to a sense of accomplishment in overcoming his Depression-era beginnings.

At the age of 70, Dr. Nahoum moved to California to be near their daughter and two grandchildren. Once settled, he began teaching at the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, where he is a full professor, and still occasionally makes the 65-mile trip to advise students.

It was Dr. Nahoum's memories of his years as a struggling student that

motivated him to make life a bit easier for students by establishing three funds to support orthodontic residents. The Henry I. Nahoum Scholarship Fund in Orthodontics is an endowed fund established to provide a scholarship to students considering training in craniofacial abnormalities. The Orthodontic Research Gift for Dr. Henry I. Nahoum is a current-use fund supporting residents' research projects. And The Henry I. Nahoum Invisalign Fund in Orthodontics supports graduate student awards. This fund was initiated with a gift of \$25,000 from Align Technology, the Invisalign parent company, in honor of Dr. Nahoum's pioneering work in the area of removable appliances, which laid the groundwork for Align Technology's products.

A recent recipient of the Nahoum Scholarship, June Harewood '12, Ortho '15, describes her award as a relief from the financial pressures of orthodontic training that will enable her to pursue her goal of a career in academia. After her graduation from orthodontics, Dr. Harewood plans to do a one-year orthognathic fellowship program.

Dr. Nahoum's funds all have the underlying mandate to support residents who are "competent but need help," whether by hiring a statistician for a research project or paying for tuition. For Dr. Nahoum, knowing that he is helping students to manage their education with fewer worries than he had is extremely satisfying.



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CDM IS TURNING 100

The 100th Anniversary of the College of Dental Medicine is fast approaching, and will be celebrated in 2016-2017. High on the list of priorities for the Centennial Campaign will be the renovation of the preclinical lab. Stay tuned for further details on the Centennial Celebration!

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This donation, valued at more than \$800,000, is part of an ongoing effort by Dean Christian Stohler to embrace collaborative opportunities and new technologies that enhance our students' learning experience. CDM is grateful for this important donation, which will provide significant benefits to students, faculty, and patients.

CDM JOINS IN CELEBRATION HONORING BENEFACTORS

In November, CDM participated in a special celebration of CUMC's benefactors held at ColumbiaDoctors, the new medical and dental practice located at 51 West 51st Street. The dinner hosts, Columbia President Lee C. Bollinger, and Executive Vice President for Health and Biomedical Sciences and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Lee Goldman spoke of the transformative impact the donors have had on CUMC's work to advance the health sciences. The benefactor names were engraved on the Benefactor Wall which was unveiled at the event.

Honorees from CDM were Dale and Norman Kahn '58, Florence and Samuel Pritz '33, Harry M. Levine '24, and Letty Moss-Salentijn. Their generous support allows CDM to continue to provide the very best care for our patients, conduct groundbreaking research, and train the next generation of dentists.



Dr. John Grbic, professor of Dental Medicine at CDM (oral biology) and Dr. Sidney Eisig, George Gutmann Professor of Craniofacial Surgery.



Dr. Lynda Torre, director of the CDM Faculty Practice, Geraldine Connors, Director of Development
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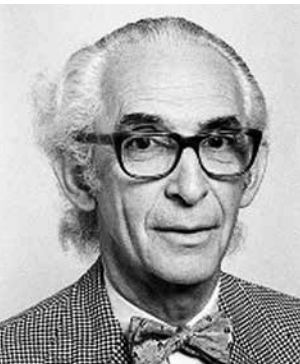
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GIVING DAY:

On October 29th, the CDM community came together for Giving Day 2014, which once again was a resounding success. Thanks to alumni, students, faculty, staff, and friends, we raised \$170,495 in donations—nearly \$50,000 more than last year! We came in 2nd place (out of 18 CU schools/programs) in Alumni Participation, which won us \$20,000 from the Trustees. We also placed 9th in dollars raised, earning us an additional \$4,311 in prize money. The result was a grand total of \$194,806! A very special thank you to all of you who donated and helped to spread the word. We should be very proud of ourselves and of CDM.

IN MEMORIAM



I regret to report the passing of **Dr. Barnett "Bar" Levy** on March 7, 2014, at the age of 97. Dr. Levy joined the faculty of CDM in the early 1980s. He collaborated with Dr. Irwin Mandel and Dr. Lynn Tepper as he became increasingly interested in geriatric dentistry and participated in CDM's Gerontology and Geriatric Dentistry course. His contributions to this course were numerous, and our students and faculty greatly appreciated his wisdom

and sense of humor. After leaving Columbia, Dr. Levy developed a program in geriatric dentistry at the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico. Many of his students became professors themselves, including two who became dental school deans.

Dr. Levy may be best remembered by a generation of dentists who used his "A Textbook of Oral Pathology" (co-authored with Dr. Maynard Hine and Dr. William Shafer), which was widely considered the definitive textbook of oral pathology at the time, and for several decades since.

At an age when many people reduce their physical activities, Bar was just getting started. In his seventies, he took up hang gliding. He was a passionate hiker and traversed the entire Appalachian Trail—from Georgia to Maine—when he was 75. At the age of 78, he climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro, and continued his global adventures well into his eighties.

Bar was also a passionate artist, constructing beautiful colored glass panels which he gifted to his synagogue. He also created a large mosaic that hangs in the archway over the entrance to the Dental Science Institute at the University of Texas.

Dr. Lynn Tepper and I had the pleasure and honor of having a long personal relationship with Bar and his wife Henrietta, who pre-deceased him one year ago at age 93.

Dr. Bar Levy is a prime example of the extraordinary people who have made Columbia a special place to teach and learn. He will be missed.

-Written by Dr. Paul Kamen

Jiwon Lee was born in Seoul, South Korea, in 1984 and immigrated to the United States with her family in 1987. She graduated from the University of Michigan in 2006 with a double major in History and Communications. In that time she discovered a



passion for stand-up comedy and began performing, a passion that drove her to New York City. Ms. Lee joined the Teach for America program and taught public school in the Bronx, an experience that inspired her flourishing performance career. She appeared on Sirius Radio, VH1, and Comedy Central.

After completing her pre-dental requirements at CUNY, where she also received a Master's Degree in Mathematics, she matriculated to the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine in 2010. From her first year, she was particularly passionate about the American Student Dental Association. By 2012 she had been elected Speaker of the House of the ASDA, and in 2013 was elected the National President. Under Ms. Lee's leadership, the ASDA increased membership to a record high and developed relationships with Canadian students and undergraduate pre-dental students.

Ms. Lee's brother, Matthew Lee, also a student at Columbia, remembers her by saying, "She left us too soon, but I hope you will cherish your memories of her, remember her best qualities, be inspired by her, and allow her to live on through you."



Vinette Beverly Brown '09, passed away on March 19,

2014, at the age of 34, after a decade-long battle with cancer. Dr. Brown was a dentist at the Morris Heights Health Center in the Bronx. She was an active member of the American Association of Women Dentists and the American Association of Endodontics, and was the recipient of the Eleanor J. Bushee Senior Award for Academic Excellence

and Outstanding Leadership and the American Dental Association Foundation Scholarship.

Dr. Brown graduated from The University of Florida with a B.S. in Zoology and a minor in Business. She received her M.S. degree in Medical Science from The University of Florida in 2004. Dr. Brown was accepted to Columbia University College of Dental Medicine in 2004, but delayed her admission after being diagnosed. After a year's hiatus, she resumed dental school. She was relentless in her academic pursuits, and graduated on schedule in 2009.

Dr. Brown lived in Harlem, New York, with her companion, Jerome Kitson, and her beloved cat, Rhett. She lived her life to the fullest, was a beacon of inspiration for others, and will be remembered for her loving and kind demeanor.



Dr. Daniel Epstein '56 was a devoted member of the CDM prosthodontic faculty for many years where he held an appointment as professor of clinical dentistry. Dr. Epstein served as President of the Association of Dental Alumni from 1988 to 1990 and received the University Distinguished Alumni Medal in 1990. He was a renowned dentist and clinician and leaves a legacy to the profession and to the scores of dental students he taught over many years. His son Philip received his DDS at Columbia College of Dental Medicine in 1990. On behalf of his associates and friends at the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, we extend our deepest condolences to his wife Ellen, his children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Irene Zegarelli, widow of CDM Dean Emeritus, Dr. Edward V. Zegarelli, passed away on October 2, 2014. A benefactor to the town of Sleepy Hollow, Mrs. Zegarelli encouraged everyone, especially her children, to contribute to and volunteer in local activities. She was very active in the North Tarrytown Centennial, and commissioned a series of First Lady Presidential Inaugural Gown reproductions. Mrs. Zegarelli was also a talented artist and accomplished portraitist. She was married for 63 years to the late Dr. Edward V. Zegarelli. They had four sons, Edward V., Dr. David J., Professor Emeritus at CDM, Phillip E., and Dr. Peter J., who also served on the faculty.

REMEMBERING MEMBERS OF THE CDM COMMUNITY

Dr. Howard Anstendig died in September after a long illness. An assistant clinical professor in the Division of Orthodontics, Dr. Anstendig conducted lectures and supervised patient care in the orthodontics clinic. A graduate of Tufts University, he started teaching at Columbia in the 1970s, took a leave to build his practice, and then returned in 2007 to teach part time.

Dr. Paul Halla '48, passed away on November 30, 2013 after a brief hospitalization in Arlington, VA. Dr. Halla was born in New York City in 1925. He graduated from the Columbia University School of Dentistry in 1948 and became Goochland County, Virginia's first dentist in 1950. He later moved to Northern Virginia where, in 1967, he became the first dentist in Sterling. He was a member of the Sterling Lyons Club, the Finlandia Foundation, the Masonic Fraternity Order, the Short of Breath Club, and the Mall Walkers. Prior to his retirement in 1985, Dr. Halla learned to fly and bought his own airplane.

Blanche Berman, 1936 Dental Hygiene
Martin Smith, 1937
Minerva Kelly, 1941
Helen Carey, 1942
Gloria Abele, 1943
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William Jacobs, 1945. Dr. Jacobs served as president of the Association of Dental Alumni from 1976-1978 and was actively involved as a class representative for his Class of 1945.

Aloys Heyen, 1947
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Howard Dimond, 1977
Arnold Geiger, 1980 Periodontics
Robin Chernock Rome, 1980 MS Dental Hygiene

This item is reprinted with slight corrections:
Dr. George Rudensky '58, died on January 31st, 2013. An associate clinical professor since 1960, Dr. Rudensky, a native of Ukraine, practiced dentistry for 47 years in midtown Manhattan. He was well known for his expertise in gold foil techniques.



In addition to offering a variety of half-day and full-day courses throughout the year, the CE Office also runs multi-day custom courses arranged for international groups seeking to expand their knowledge and learn from our faculty experts. Recent programs included an implant continuum organized by Dr. Daewon Haam for a group of dentists in Korea. A group of 20 Korean practitioners also came to CDM for a two-day program in September.



Dea. Christian Stohler and three CDM faculty members were invited to present a three-day conference at Osaka Dental University (ODU) in October on “Newest Trends in Esthetic Dentistry, Impantology & Periodontics” as a conclusion to ODU’s 100th anniversary celebration. In addition to didactic presentations, Associate Dean James Fine, associate clinical professor Richard Smith, lecturer Gregg Lituchy ’84, and assistant clinical professor Thomas Magnani ’80, led hands-on sessions using ceramic models and materials generously provided by Biomet 3i and Henry Schein.

Jocelyn Dillon, HYG ’90, RDH, MA, associate professor and chair of the dental hygiene department at New York City College of Technology, spoke at the Patricia McLean Symposium for the Dental Hygienist, held at CDM in March. Her presentation, titled “Is Your Practice Ready to Treat the Older Adult?” focused on educating the entire dental health team regarding needs specifically related to older patients by discussing common oral conditions in the older adult and recommended current treatment modalities.



DENTAL HYGIENE ALUMNI AT THE MCLEAN SYMPOSIUM: TOP ROW FROM LEFT: Wendy Quanstrom '79, Karen Harris '76, Karen Whritenor Cadden '78, Barbara Schwaib Rubin '76, Jocelyn Dillon '90, April Clark. BOTTOM ROW FROM LEFT: Kena Marie Spitaleri '82, Ingrid Dolye '82, Joanna Campbell '81, Marsha Meyer Tvizer '82

CDM residents and alumni gathered in Barcelona in June for the 2nd International Symposium on Esthetic, Restorative, and Implant Dentistry, held in partnership with Quintessence Publishing.



Dr. Maryam Safai '88; Dr. Carlos Mendieta, Perio '86, '90, director of Periodontics at University of Barcelona; Dr. Dennis Tarnow, professor and director of Implant Education.





CDM notable

— Joel Friedman '68

Q: In looking at your resume, the number of professional organizations in which you have held office, or to which you have contributed, is impressive. They take up a full page single-spaced! What motivated this level of activity?

A: *Simply put, it was the way I was raised. You were expected to give back to your community, and I took this seriously – from being president of Alpha Omega, the international dental service organization, while in dental school, to becoming president of the New York State Dental Association. The reason was always the same – having benefited from the community, you should give back to the community. The idea of service took on further meaning when I became a dentist. I believe that having a license carries with it obligations, one of which is service. It's fair to say that my degree from Columbia provided me with opportunities, both in employment and in service, thereby increasing my sense of obligation to the profession.*

Q: Was Columbia a good choice?

A: *Oh, yes. Many talented, interesting people—faculty and students—created a fertile environment in which I could leverage knowledge I brought with me. Also, Drs. Irwin Mandel, Dan Fine, and Irving Naidorf gave me the opportunity to continue doing meaningful research.*

Q: For the past 30 years, you have spent time at CDM as an associate clinical professor of oral surgery. During that time there has been considerable change. Can you comment on that?

A: *It is very special to go back to one's alma mater – it's an honor. Of course, the place has changed and expanded, which is exciting to see. The way faculty appointments are structured has also changed. When I was first at Columbia, no one, including Dean Smith, was full time. All were part time and had their own practices. There was no research faculty, as such. And there are important things that have not changed – education was rigorous and faculty cared about what students learned and took time with students. The rigor remains, but I am not sure the environment is as supportive as it could be.*

Q: Along that line, what does the profession need from dental education today?

A: *In my work and in my professional activities, I see graduates from a wide range of dental schools. What I find is that they are all well trained, technically, but they often come from an environment of fraternity-like hazing, rather than from a nurturing environment. That environment does not foster a well-rounded, caring dentist. It promotes a focus on the “problem” rather than on the patient. When I am looking to fill a position on my staff, I am looking for a colleague, not just a technician. I am looking for a well-rounded individual who reads, perhaps goes to*

the theater or to concerts, and has interesting things to talk about. Of course they need technical skills, but the competency that is often lacking is humanism.

Q: What advice do you have for fellow dentists?

A: *It's pretty simple advice: stay educated, give back, you can't self-judge. Education is the foundation, and that foundation changes over time with the addition of new techniques, new materials, and the opportunity to learn from and collaborate with other professions. Giving back is a two-way street – you give and you gain. There are many opportunities to serve the profession and there is a lot to be learned, and enjoyed, in such interactions. Finally, you can't be a good judge of yourself; you need the views of others. This is especially challenging for a one-dentist office. For those dentists who*

practice alone, getting involved, giving back, is a way to gain perspective on your own practice, both in terms of skills and how you interact with patients – the humanism side of what we do. It's time well spent.

Q: Thank you, Dr. Friedman. One last question: you'll be moving into semi-retirement in July. What then?

A: *I hope there will be more time for golf! But I'll also be doing political action work for both the NYS Dental Association and the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. With regard to teaching, I plan to return to CDM and volunteer with predoctoral students in oral surgery and facial pain and mentor students who are considering a career in oral surgery.*

“For those dentists who practice alone, getting involved, giving back, is a way to gain perspective on your own practice, both in terms of skills and how you interact with patients.”



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