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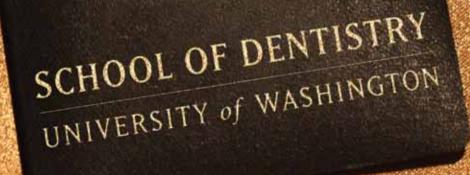
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# **President's Message**

# So many ways we can all help our School

This year we sent a special invitation to all non-alumni dentists in Washington and invited them to become associate members. Our goal was to reach out to all dentists and to strengthen the bridge between the UW School of Dentistry and professional

dentistry. It's great that many of you chose to accept our invitation.

I also want to thank all of our alumni who renewed their membership by paying dues. Currently, onethird of our alumni are paying members, and it is especially rewarding to see our younger alumni stepping up

and showing their support.

Our UW School of Dentistry faces difficult challenges, primarily unprecedented budget cuts. It is so important that we all step up and do all we can to help our School. Your alumni dues provide more than \$40,000 in student scholarships. Your dues also pay for the annual White Coat ceremony, the SURF summer research program for our students, graduation, honors and awards, a Husky host room at the WREB, and many other student events.

There are many ways that each of us can help our School. Many of you volunteer at our School as affiliate faculty members, and you play a critical part in educating our students by providing a unique perspective from your own private practices and experiences. Many of you serve as mentors to our dental students. Another important way to give back to our School is by making a financial gift and becoming a Dean's Club member.

You can become a Dean's Club member by making an annual donation of \$1,000 to our School. It can go toward any fund at our School, but we are encouraging our alumni to donate to the Dean's Fund for Excellence. This fund provides vital support to our School's faculty, students, and operations. That's just \$250 quarterly. Each one of you can do that. Think about how you can help!

I'd also like to invite you to our upcoming events. We have the Ernest Jones Lecture on March 25th, the Annual Dean's Club Dinner at McCaw Hall on April 30th, the football brunch and game on Sept. 10 and the golf tournament on Sept. 16th.

Thanks for being such strong supporters of our great School of Dentistry. It's a pleasure to work with you!

> Mike Kern ('93) UW Dental Alumni Association President

# UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON Dental Alumni Association





# **UW DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

With 1,200 members, the Association makes Dentistry the UW's top school in active alumni participation and involvement. The Association, founded in 1950, connects alumni, encourages fellowship, supports students before and after graduation, and promotes continuing dental education. It promotes interest in the School of Dentistry and provides financial support.

# **Your Membership Dues Support**

- \$40,000 annually for Dental Student Scholarships
- Students participating in the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)
- Sponsorship of White Coat Ceremony
- Mentor Program to match students with mentor dentists
- Student Events (vendor show, golf tournament, winter gala dance, talent show, spring barbecue, and student socials)
- Special projects such as the renovation of the student lounge
- Practice Opportunities Program and Listing
- Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award
- Class Reunions

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# SIGNATURE EVENTS

FALL Football Brunch, Golf Tournament, ADA Reception,

**Mentor Reception** 

**WINTER** Beginning A Practice / Practice Opportunities

**SPRING** Ernest Jones Lecture, Spokane Reception, Dean's Club Dinner

(Distinguished Alumnus)

**SUMMER** PNDC Exhibit, White Coat Ceremony

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# The Dean's Corner

# Our partners are more important than ever

ANY OF YOU ALREADY KNOW ABOUT THE DRAMATIC decline in state funding for the UW — down 30 percent in two years — and our School. With a new cut of at least 10 percent expected this year, our state budget will be down about 30 percent in four years.

"The University of Washington and the state of Washington are at a critical point," UW Interim President Phyllis Wise told legislators in a recent letter. I could not agree more.

Our School greatly appreciates the UW's steadfast support. Our University has always recognized the demanding



and costly nature of dental education, and gives us substantial assistance. But the UW must cut funding for all its units as state resources shrivel.

Our School has responded vigorously to the challenge – eliminating administrative and logistical inefficiencies; reorganizing to gain even more operating efficiency while

preserving the integrity and identity of individual departments; improving our billing training and efforts; centralizing billing operations. We are adopting a new model of comprehensive clinical care to improve patient flow, patient care and student education. We instituted a more robust advisory system for students, and we plan to implement additional changes in treatment planning and curricula that will keep us moving forward. Our departments share resources and staff. We have eliminated open positions and, most painfully, we have laid off faculty and staff.

Through it all, our goal has been to safeguard our School's distinctive character, quality and essential missions of clinical training and education, research and patient care. We want our 16 clinics (with more than 200 chairs) to operate as efficiently as possible, while also recognizing that our educational model and mission make it impossible to run them like a private practice.

So how do we move forward in the face of such challenges? The answer is threefold: through efficiencies, innovation and partnerships. I've already covered the first of these strategies; let me tell you about the second.

Last fall, our School launched two important new facilities. Our Center for Pediatric Dentistry at Magnuson Park will be a global leader in addressing the "silent epidemic" of childhood dental disease. And our Advanced Technology Center in the D-3 clinic gives students and faculty handson time in state-of-the-art operatories. We relied on UW resources and/or private contributions to create these new facilities – not state funding. These new ventures have attracted national attention, and represent the innovative thinking we must continue to have.

But the most important resource we have is our partnerships – especially with you, our valued alumni. Since the state cannot be a reliable source of funding, we must look elsewhere. We know that our alumni are already among the UW's most supportive, with the highest level of donor participation of any UW school. We also recognize the challenges you face as you try to steer your own practices through this troubled economy.

Still, we all have a huge stake in supporting our School. All of you have invested some of the most important and rewarding years of your lives as students. Many of you continue to invest your time and energy as valued affiliate faculty. You continue to step up when we need you; most recently, our Orthodontics alums' generous support has underwritten a major renovation of our Ortho clinic.

With your help, we can continue to build endowments that will let us retain and recruit promising teachers. We can keep replacing clinical operating units and upgrading our clinics. We can fund the scholarships that make it possible for our students to become the leaders of tomorrow's dental profession. We can see our School safely through its challenges.

Our School has never needed you more. I hope that we can count on you, as always, to help us maintain our rightful place as one of the world's great centers of dental education, with service to our community and research that improves the quality of life for all communities.

Martha J. Somerman, Dean



# Our School is on Facebook!

If you're using Facebook, take a moment to check out our new page. Just search for University of Washington School of Dentistry, and be sure to click the "Like" button at the top when you get there. You'll see the latest School of Dentistry news, videos and photos. It's a great way to stay connected!





UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

# Ortho alums funding \$1.3M renovation

FOR DECADES, OUR DEPARTMENT OF Orthodontics has been giving patients dazzling new smiles. Now, departmental alumni have given our School a big reason to smile.

Capping more than five years of fund-raising, the Washington Orthodontic Alumni Association is contributing \$1.3 million to launch a full renovation of the Ortho clinic at our School. Construction is scheduled to begin in early April and conclude around July or early August. The clinic has not been remodeled for more than three decades.

"We're all really excited that we're finally able to do this," said Dr. Heidi Horwitz, president of the association. "We received an excellent education from one of the best orthodontic graduate schools in the world, and this is our way of paying it back."

The association's gift will fund a

renovation that includes:

- New dental chairs
- New computers
- Reconfigured layout
- Ergonomic redesign
- New fixtures
- New flooring
- New dental equipment
- New furniture

The project will include major changes to the reception area, sterilization rooms, conference room and consultation rooms.

"We will also be creating the Jim Clark Digital Imaging Center, where we plan to eventually perform all diagnostic record collection," said Dr. Greg Huang, Department Chair. The imaging center will be named after the School's late dental photographer and photography instructor, who passed away last Aug. 4.

"Once again, our alumni have

shown why they're the best," said Dean Martha Somerman. "They're giving back to our School as they always do, and it couldn't come at a better time."

"This is a great tribute to the strength of our alumni association," said Dr. Paul Nelson, association secretary-treasurer.

Key figures in the fund-raising campaign include former association presidents Dr. Tim Shields and Dr. Charlie Gilmore ('81, '83 Ortho); and renovation committee members Dr. Sam Lake ('79, '81 Ortho) and Dr. Mike Fey ('75, '78 Ortho and Pedo). Drs. Huang and Shields are also members of the renovation committee.

The association plans to hold a reunion and tour of the clinic on July 22-23. For information, contact Dr. Horwitz (heidihorwitz@comcast.net), Dr. Woloshyn (hwoloshyn@mac.com) or Dr. Nelson (paulnelson1@gmail.com).



Members of the Washington Orthodontic Alumni Association present a gift of \$750,000, the latest installment in a \$1.3 million commitment to renovate the Ortho clinic. From left: Dr. Heather Woloshyn ('87 GPR, '93 Ortho), past president; Dean Martha Somerman; Dr. Heidi Horwitz ('83 DDS, '01 Ortho), president; Dr. Paul Nelson ('92 DDS, '95 Ortho), secretary-treasurer; and Dr. Greg Huang ('89 Ortho), department chair.

# State of the School: Dean prescribes new thinking, business practices

Delivering Her annual State of the School message on Feb. 4, Dean Martha Somerman charted a course of action for the School of Dentistry that included steps to deal with continuing

state budget cuts amid the worst U.S. economic situation since the Great Depression.

Dr. Somerman said the School is pursuing several strategies, including administrative reorganization, more clinical and operational efficiencies, curriculum innovation and increases in tuition and fees.

"It means a change in the way we think, and in the way we do business," she said. "We must remove the barriers, the silos and the mentality of 'protecting our turf,' and see how we can ensure that our programs move forward."

Dr. Somerman delivered her message against a bleak economic landscape that

has seen the state continually reduce funding to higher education for the last three fiscal years. In that time, the School has absorbed budget cuts totaling about \$1.7 million, and expects to absorb a cut of about \$1.5 million for fiscal year 2012, which begins July 1. The School's overall total adds up to a budget cut of about 30 percent from FY 2009 through FY 2012.

In addition, the state sharply curtailed the adult dental Medicaid program on Jan. 1, eliminating funding for all but emergency treatment and treatment for people with disabilities. This has also had a severe impact

on the School, at which adult Medicaid treatment accounted for about 13 percent of clinical revenue in the last fiscal year.

Dr. Somerman said that many of

the strategies being undertaken, such as actively recruiting new patients, developing new revenue streams, fund-raising and increasing tuition and fees, were feasible only as part of a long-term solution.

To meet the School's immediate financial crunch, she said, other measures were required, including operational cutbacks, organizational efficiencies, and staff reductions.

"We have had layoffs, and it pains me to say that we are going to have some more," she said. In the meantime, she said such money-saving measures as consolidated ordering of supplies and more centralized billing are already be-

ing implemented.

At the same time, Dr. Somerman said, "As the School deals with the budget situation, we must be mindful of our core mission" of education, research and patient care.

She said that the School has already increased student fees, adding that the School's subsidy of costs for items such as instruments no longer can be maintained. However, she also said this: "We cannot put all the burden of our financial situation on our students."

On the subject of reorganization, Dr. Somerman said that School departments had already begun sharing resources more widely in the wake of previous budget cuts, and will pursue a goal of enhancing engagement across different disciplines. She called for elimination of redundancies in curriculum, and a greater integration of basic science into the School's teaching.

"Our curriculum needs to be more interactive and problem-based," she said.

As for research, Dr. Somerman said that while the School remains among the nation's leaders in winning grants, overall funding from government and industry is declining. "We must do more interdisciplinary activities – across our School, the UW and beyond," she said. "We need big ideas."

Dr. Somerman said the School recognized that a pared-down faculty and staff are already carrying heavy loads. "We must be creative in finding ways to reduce their burden," she said.

She had high praise for the dedication of students, faculty and staff, and noted: "Even by our own standards, this past year has been truly remarkable." She cited achievements such as the opening of the Advanced Technology Center, achieved with private donations; the completion of The Center for Pediatric Dentistry in partnership with Seattle Children's hospital; and the launch of the new international DDS program.

"I know that we are ready for the tough years ahead, and positioned to move into the future," she said.

With faculty, staff, students and alumni attending the Dean's presentation, a brief question-and-answer session followed her message.



—Dean Somerman



# The Center for Pediatric Dentistry reports rising patient traffic; surgery facility opens

Patient numbers continue to climb at The Center for Pediatric Dentistry, which began operations in September at Magnuson Park. The number of visits has been increasing by about 20 percent each month, says Dr. Joel Berg, Chair of Pediatric Dentistry and Director of The Center for Pediatric Dentistry.



Dr. Joel Berg

The Center, a collaboration by our School of Dentistry and Seattle Children's hospital, is now seeing between 90 and 100 patients per day, with a goal of 130 patients per day within a few months. Oral surgery has been especially active, Dr. Berg says.

The Center, housed in the Washington Dental Service Building for Early Childhood Oral Health, also added Seattle Children's new Dental Surgery Center on Dec. 20, for patients requiring treatment under general anesthesia.

"We are experiencing dramatic growth, and the number of new patients is accelerating," said Dr. Berg. At the same time, he and his colleagues are providing services beyond what was formerly available at the UW and Seattle Children's.

Noting that many commonly detected problems could be avoided by seeing children for their first dental exam on their first birthday, Dr. Berg said: "We need to focus on identifying early on who is at risk and why. Having said that, the median [target] age for our patient population is 3, whereas the current average age is 8."

To address the early childhood caries crisis, Dr. Berg and his colleagues seek to raise awareness among pediatricians and parents to address the many needs of 1and 2-year olds before, during and after a typical dental visit. Pediatricians typically see children more often than dentists do, and, through collaborative efforts, they can promote better health outcomes in children.

With that goal in mind, Dr. Berg and his staff will launch a campaign this spring to encourage parents to bring their babies for their first dental visit by their first birthday. The effort will involve Western Washington oral health practitioners and physician assistants in the largest practices.

The Center for Pediatric Dentistry combines clinical care with research, education and public policy in the hopes of making inroads in what has been called a "silent epidemic." According to state figures, more than 60 percent of elementaryschool children have dental decay, with about 20 percent of them suffering decay in seven or more teeth.

The new facility is the first of its kind in the United States. Its mission will also embrace training for medical professionals in early-childhood caries detection and treatment.

The Center arose out of discussions among Dr. Berg, Seattle Children's, the UW, Washington Dental Service and the Washington Dental Service Foundation. A gift of \$5 million from WDS and its Foundation in 2007 provided the impetus to launch construction, while Seattle Children's contributed \$1.5 million and other resources, and the UW issued construction bonds to finance the balance of the \$21 million renovation.

# Drs. da Fonseca, McTigue deliver Law-Lewis lecture

Dr. Marcio da Fonseca and Dr. Dennis McTigue presented the Law-Lewis Lectureship in Pediatric Dentistry on Feb. 4 at the Museum of History and Industry in Seattle. The lecture was titled "An Update on Pediatric Dento-Alveolar Trauma and Oral Management of Childhood Cancer."



Dr. da Fonseca is Law-Lewis Professor and director of the pediatric dentistry graduate program at the School of Dentistry and Seattle

Children's hospital. He reviewed the most common forms of childhood cancer and their treatment approaches and also discussed management of oral sequelae caused by chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy and safe delivery of dental care to pediatric patients with cancer, as well as long-term impact of childhood cancer in growth and development, including craniofacial developmental abnormalities.



Dr. McTigue is Professor of Pediatric Dentistry at Ohio State University and former president of the American Academy of Pediatric

Dentistry. His presentation focused on diagnosis and management of dentoalveolar injuries, examining the scientific foundation for the diagnosis and treatment of dental and maxillofacial injuries in children with an emphasis on clinical decisionmaking and treatment.

# \$1.1M planned gift creates Morell Research Fund

There's nothing quite like an unexpected gift – especially when it arrives at the perfect time.

In 1997, after the passing of her husband, Dr. Douglas Morell, Sarah Morell of Kent, Wash., set up a charitable trust with herself and then her daughter, Janice, as beneficiaries. Because the family had had no direct ties to the UW School of Dentistry, any gift was unexpected.

But according to UW Office of Planned Giving, Sarah Morell was impressed by the quality and reputation of the UW School of Dentistry, and she also made a generous planned gift to UW Medicine. Ms. Morell passed away in 1999, and her daughter followed her in 2008.

Janet Morell's passing sparked a powerful legacy bearing the family's

name at our School: The trust became an endowment of more than \$1 million that launched the Dr. Douglas L. Morell Research Fund.

"The impact at our School will be profound, and the gift couldn't have come at a better time," said Christina Harrison, Assistant Dean for Advancement and External Relations.

Half of the fund will go to the SURF [Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship] program, which is very valuable for students but has been cut in our NIDCR training grant. The other half will go for pilot grants to faculty to help them compete for NIH grants, which have also been cut, according to Dr. Tim DeRouen, Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs.

"Hearing about the new Morell

# OMS resident Dr. Michael DaBell receives Windent scholarship

Dr. Michael DaBell, a Third-Year resident in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, has received a Windent Scholarship Award for the current academic year.

The award, one of only 10 given nationally to OMS residents, was given to Dr. DaBell based on essays he submitted on his goals as an oral surgeon and

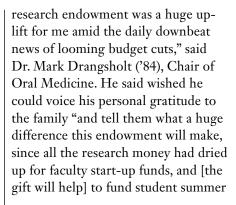
his vision for technology in the field.

"It is a privilege and an honor to receive the Windent Award," said Dr. DaBell. "I am grateful to be apart of such a great Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program and work with wonderful attending surgeons at the University of

Washington. I appreciate the generosity of Windent, and their desire to support education and look for future developments in technology."

Windent, which was acquired by Carestream Dental last year, has awarded the scholarships since 2005. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, be

full-time residents at accredited OMS university programs, have definite plans to practice in the United States and demonstrate need. In addition to submitting three essays, applicants must also have a letter of recommendation from their department chair.



"The Morell Research Fund is a perfect example of how a donor can leave a lasting impact while still making sure that family financial needs are met."

--- Christina Harrison

research projects. ... I would like to go on record to acknowledge what a great effect this endowment will have on the school. Being able to have a research fund to fund pilot data and other small projects is critical to keeping UW as a research powerhouse."

"The Morell Research Fund is a perfect example of how a donor can leave a lasting impact while still making sure that family financial needs are met," said Harrison.

A number of School of Dentistry alumni have already set up significant planned gifts to the School, and Harrison said others who would like to do so are welcome to contact Glenn West, Associate Director of Advancement: gwest@u.washington.edu or 206-543-6017.

"Our alumni set the standard for the UW in their level of donor participation," Harrison said. "I think it's wonderful to see alumni and supporters stepping up like this to ensure that our School thrives for years to come."



Dr. Michael DaBell

# Advanced Technology Center receives E4D Dentist CAD/CAM milling system

The Advanced Technology Center, our School of Dentistry's new state-of-the-art clinic, has received a donation of an E4D Dentist Design Center and Milling Center from Henry Schein Dental.

The new CAD/CAM milling system is the latest major acquisition by the ATC, which opened last fall and was created with private contributions. The center lets students work with advanced clinical equipment while treating patients.

The new facility features equipment such as a Cadent iTero digital impression system, Zeiss and Global microscopes, digital radiography, electric handpieces, plasma display monitors and hands-free cabinet operation to limit cross-contamination.

The E4D unit's high-speed laser takes digital scans of the preparation and proximal teeth to create an interactive 3D image that displays the actual dentition and distinguishes hard and soft tissue. As the user takes scans from different angles, the software builds a library of images that "wrap around" the virtual model before it goes through the milling process.

"I'm excited and pleased with the addition of the E4D CAD/CAM system; it will be a challenge and an excellent teaching opportunity for the students and faculty. It is also an honor to work together with Henry Schein Dental of introducing this technology to our teaching environment." said Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm of Restorative Dentistry, who is Di-

rector of the Advanced Technology Center.

Dr. Schwedhelm spent more than a year and a half working with dental suppliers and donors to bring the center from concept to reality. He and Dr. Dan Chan, Associate Dean of Clinical Services, will attend the required formal training at the Henry Schein Center for Digital Dentistry in Dallas, Texas.

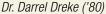
More than 30 contributors have supported the center, with major donors including A-dec, DentalEZ, Drs. Bryan and Linda Edgar, Global Surgical Corp., Hu-Friedy Dental Instruments, Issaquah Dental Lab, Pelton & Crane, and Carl Zeiss Inc. Support also came from other corporate partners, dental alumni and faculty. ■



On hand for the presentation of the new E4D milling system at the Advanced Technology Center (from left): Dr. Dan Chan, Associate Dean for Clinical Services; Ron Brown, Regional Manager for Henry Schein Dental; Dean Martha Somerman; Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm; and Dan Stalford, Regional Operations Manager for Henry Schein Dental, which will provide maintenance for the new system.

# Students, mentors hobnob at annual WSDA/alumni reception







Dr. Jason Bourne ('01), Amanda Patterson ('14)



Danielle Stimson ('11), Cynthia Silver ('11)

gathered in the I Wing Rotunda on Oct. 29 for the Washington State Dental Association/
Dental Alumni Association Mentor Reception. The annual event lets students learn more about the mentor program and meet potential mentor dentists.

Speakers included Dr. Doug Walsh ('78), President of the Washington State Dental Association; Dr. Bryan Edgar ('76), representing the UW Dental Alumni Association; Dr. Dan Chan, Associate Dean of Clinical Services; and Rod Kim ('11), representing dental students.

For more information about the mentor program or to sign up, contact Randy Newquist, Director of Dental Alumni Services, at randyn@u. washington.edu, or the WSDA's Wendy Wilson at wendy@wsda.org.



Kwansoo Lee ('12) has more than dental studies keeping his hands full as he chats with Dr. Doug Walsh ('78), WSDA President.



Dr. Dan Chan, Fesaha Gebrehiwot ('12)



Dean Whiting ('12), Brandon Tyler ('11)



Leigh Armijo ('14), Paul Cho ('14)



Dr. Katherine Hakes ('91), Patty Martin ('12)



Dr. Bryan Edgar ('76), Eric Olendorf ('14)



Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84), Dr. Mark Walker ('81)

# Getting into gear Students enjoy browsing vendors' wares

SEVERAL DOZEN STUDENTS AND MORE THAN 40 EXHIBItors from local and regional dental companies turned out for the annual School of Dentistry Vendor Fair on Feb. 18 at the Don James Center at Husky Stadium.

The free event included a buffet dinner, drinks and

raffle drawings. Major sponsors included DSG/Harrison & Cardillo, AFTCO, Heraeus, Bank of America Practice Solutions, Issaquah Dental Lab, Washington Dentists' Insurance Agency, DSN Practice Management Software, and NORDIC.



George Englund of Issaquah Dental Lab



Blake Hillstead ('11) was the show's student organizer.



The annual show drew a sizeable turnout.



Kerri Seims and Matt French of WDIA.

# What makes a practice perfect? Students get tips from alumni

THIRD-YEAR AND FOURTH-YEAR STUDENTS RECEIVED VALUABLE INSIGHTS into the real world of private practice at the annual Beginning a Practice/ Practice Opportunities program on Jan. 26 at the UW's Center for Urban Horticulture.

Our UW Dental Alumni Association sponsored the evening program, which included a buffet dinner. Speakers included Dr. Mike Kern ('93), UWDAA president; Dr. Jason Bourne ('01); Dr. Dan Frost ('07); Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84); Dr. Sabrina Habib ('07); Dr. Dominick Curalli ('05); and Dr. Mike Johnson ('82).

In addition, students enjoyed a chance to socialize with the speakers and meet several practice-opportunities participants. These included Comfort Dental, Pacific Continental Bank, Western Dental Services, Washington State Department of Health, Dental Professionals, and Benton Bray, PS. ■



Fourth-years (from left) Isaac King, Rod Kim and Anthony Gardiner



Dr. Jason Bourne ('01), Dr. Mike Johnson ('82)



Fourth-years Sonya Hamberg (left) and Jana Seaman



Dr. Mike Kern ('93) welcomes students.

# Dr. Edgar reflects on work in 4-year term on CODA

LAST OCTOBER, DR. BRYAN EDGAR ('76) wrapped up a four-year term on the ADA's Committee on Dental Accreditation (CODA), first as vice chair and then as chair starting in November 2009.

It was a consuming job, claiming many of his weekends and other available free time. But it was a productive

effort, Dr. Edgar says. "My main overriding goal for the year [as chair] has been to bring understanding and transparency to what CODA does," he says.

Among the main accomplishments he cites

• Restructuring CO-DA's Review Committee to ensure adequate

input by content experts from all dental specialties.

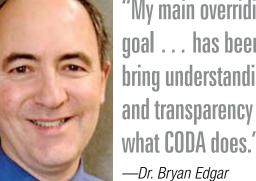
- Developing a pilot study to conduct program site visits with distance technology.
- Combining the Evaluation Policy & Procedures manual and the Operations Policies & Procedures manual. The rewritten version will be available on the ADA website.
- Expanding standards on ethics and professionalism.

Another important task has been a "top to bottom" study of the operations and structure of CODA by the ADA which resulted in 34 recommendations for change. Most have been implemented.

In addition, CODA took up the issue of recognition of non-specialty interest areas (such as anesthesiology, oral medicine and orofacial pain) vs. accreditation of these areas. Dr. Edgar appointed a work group that created universal definitions for recognition, accreditation, credentialing, certification and licensure, and its work is now undergoing review.

And that wasn't all, Dr. Edgar says. "I've seen firsthand how rigorous and cumbersome - the accreditation process can be, and it was interest-

> "My main overriding goal ... has been to bring understanding and transparency to what CODA does."



ing to see the directive to the Ad Hoc Committee on Alternative Site Visit Methods to look at other possibilities, especially web-based applications and site visits by videoconferencing.

"The alternative site visit work has resulted in the plan to conduct a pilot study site visit using distance technology alongside a traditional site visit. The purpose of alternative methods is more to accommodate those programs that have multiple locations than to streamline the visit," he says.

"The administrative load is great but will probably not decrease with alternative methods of doing site visits. The goal is that programs' selfstudies help programs to improve the quality of education their students receive, and CODA feels that this is an ongoing process at all times. The Commission has recommended that schools' site visit cycle of seven years

be increased to eight years with more web-based monitoring in the interim periods."

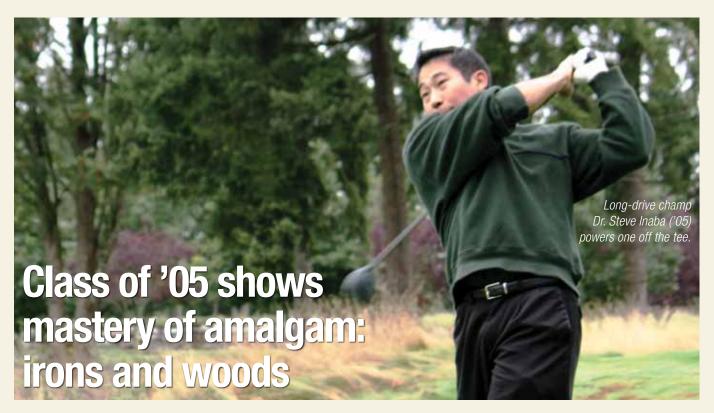
One other issue much on professional dentistry's mind is dental therapists. CODA has been looking at the question of accreditation standards for dental therapy programs, such as Minnesota's.

"I appointed a subcommittee to look at this question, and we developed five criteria for programs to meet," Dr. Edgar says. "The subcommittee felt that by extrapolating predoctoral standards to those competencies in restorative dentistry that dental therapy students are being trained to do in Minnesota alongside dental students, the criterion for having a history of activity and expertise in the discipline could be met.

"However, the Commission on Aug. 6 felt that the DT programs in Minnesota did not meet this criterion and voted to not begin the accreditation process at this time without further evidence that there is adequate history within the discipline.

"A second criterion not met was the question of whether there is 'evidence of need and support from the public and professional communities to sustain educational programs in the discipline.' The subcommittee felt that this evidence could be obtained through surveys, dental associations, boards, etc. The Commission felt that this criterion was not met at this time.

"Also there has been recent information coming from USDE that shows that new disciplines must demonstrate that there is economic viability for graduates of new programs, and the Commission felt that this had not been demonstrated."



THE CLASS OF 2005 TEAM TOOK TOP HONORS IN THE class challenge at the annual Dental Alumni Association golf tournament on Sept. 17 at Washington National Golf Course in Auburn.

The team of Drs. Travis Hackney, Steve Inaba, Tom Vo and Bryan McNamara came out on top, with Dr. Inaba also winning the men's long-drive contest. Runners-up were the Class of 1971 team of Drs. Craig Anderson, Frank Peters, Charlie Johnson, and Ked Westgate.



Open team winners (from left): Drs. Michael Maki ('75), John Carssow ('75), Denny Nordlund ('76) and Steve Marinkovich ('76).



Class challenge winners (from left): Drs. Steve Inaba, Tom Vo, Ryan McNamara and Travis Hackney, of the Class of 2005.

Open winners were the team of Denny Nordlund ('76), John Carssow ('75), Mike Maki ('75) and Steve Marinkovich ('76). Coming in second was the team of Scott Moffitt, Wade Pfeiffer, Ed Kwan ('80)and Steve Olson ('74). Scott Keene and Beth Shaw ('08) won the closest-to-the-pin contest, while Yuko Matsuura won the women's long-drive contest.

Major sponsors were Nakanishi Dental Lab, Pacific Continental Bank, Burkhart Dental Supply, Issaquah Dental Lab and Washington Dentists' Insurance Agency.

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# Alums get a kick out of football brunch

Alumni, faculty members, spouses and families gathered on Oct. 30 for our Dental Alumni Brunch at the UW Health Sciences Center before the UW football team took on Stanford at Husky Stadium.

The injury-riddled Huskies had to start two true freshmen on the defensive line, and paid the price as the powerful Cardinal swept to a 41-0 win. But the brunch, co-sponsored by Issaquah Dental Lab and Washington Dentists' Insurance Agency, was a fes-

tive affair with great food, live music and door prizes.

The crowd especially enjoyed a spirited talk by former Huskies standout Greg Lewis, who starred at tailback from 1987 to 1990, won the first Doak Walker award for the nation's top running back, and went on to play for the NFL's Denver Broncos. Lewis returned to the UW to complete his degree and is now staff liaison to the Big "W" Alumni Club, as well as Special Assistant to the Athletic Director.



Greg Lewis



Dr. Tomas Holbrook ('80), David Moore ('13) and Lindsey Moore



Dr. Jung-Hoon Kim ('97) and family



Dr. Robert E. Johnson Jr. ('83) and Linda Johnson



Troy Ruemping (left), Carol Ruemping and Dr. Dale Ruemping ('82 Pedo)



George Englund and Carolyn Englund



Dr. Richard Nomura ('66) and Pam Nomura



Dr. Steve Albright and Paula Cipolla



Drs. Jeremy Chaison ('06), Reid Winkler ('98), Nikki Chin ('06), Zach Lowe ('06) and Emi Chaison ('06)



# Dental alumni enjoy pizza, then game at BYU



Dr. Chris Jolley ('92), wife Debie and children Natallia, Rachel and Daniel

THE UW DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION held a pre-game party at the Brick Oven Restaurant in Provo, Utah before the UW-BYU football season-opening game on Sept. 4. More than 50 alumni, family and friends enjoyed pizza, salad, beverages and socializing with host Randy Newquist, our Director of Alumni Relations and Events. The crowd included alumni from Washington who made the trip down for the game, as well as those living in Utah. On a beautiful and sunny day, the Huskies jumped out to a 17-13 halftime lead, but the Cougars clamped down and won a hard-fought 23-17 victory.



Bonnie Shields and family



Dr. Harold Brockbank ('86) and family



From left: Dr. Bob Soderberg ('63), Judy Soderberg, Patricia Brown and Dr. Wally Brown ('63)



# Cate takes student honors in Research Day judging

CASEY CATE ('13) RECEIVED THE 2010-2011 ADA/Clinician Scholar Award in the Dental Student Research Competition during our School's annual Research Day on Sept. 24.

Cate's study, "Nickel(II) does not affect NFkB subtype p52 without LPS", was done under the mentorship of Drs. John Wataha and Lei Li of Restorative Dentistry. He will represent the School of Dentistry in the national student research competition at the 2011 ADA meeting in October.

"The quality of science and presentation in this year's competition was extremely high, and the scores separating each participant were one of the closest we have ever seen," said Dr. Whasun Oh Chung of Oral Biology, director of the Summer Research Fellowship (SURF) program.

She congratulated the other finalists – J.W. Chang, Emily Lin, Mi-

chael Pratt, Nick Raklios and Tyler Smoot – for their excellent presentations. Judging for the competition was done by the Research Advisory Committee and the UW Student Research Group.

UW researcher Dr. Margaret Byers delivered the Research Day keynote address, an overview of the complexities of tooth pain and dental nerve supply.

Dr. Byers, Professor Emeritus in the UW Department of Biological Structure, reviewed several aspects of pain and dental innervation in her talk, including:

- Mechanosensitivity vs. nociception
  - Types of dental nerve fibers
- Odontoblast phenotypes and odontoblast sensitivity

Calling odontoblasts perhaps the body's most complicated cells, Dr.

Student competition winner Casey Cate reviews his study for Dr. Arden Forrey.

Byers traced the development of understanding of dental innervation since the 1960s. She noted the presence in teeth of both rapidly adapting and slowly adapting receptors, which helps account for the high sensitivity of dental tissues.

Dr. Byers also briefly discussed key issues in the study of peripheral nervous system design and function, and major questions that still remain, such as the location and function of nerve endings.

Dr. Byers' talk at the start of the day was followed by presentations from Dr. Lisa Heaton of Dental Public Health Sciences and Dr. Mark Drangsholt, Chair of Oral Medicine. Dr. Heaton discussed "Developing and Testing Scales to Measure Dentin Hypersensitivity Pain," while Dr. Drangsholt's subject was "Describing, Determining, Defining, Diagnosing and Detecting Continuous Orofacial Pain Conditions." Student poster presentations followed in the Health Sciences Center lobby.



Emily Lin ('14) was also a student finalist.

# The right-and-wrong stuff: UW trio wins ADA ethics video contest



Three School of Dentistry Fourth-Year students have been named winners of the American Dental Association's 2010 Student Ethics Video Contest.

Phillip Cronin, Blake Hillstead and Brad Jonnes shared the \$2,000 grand prize for submitting the winning entry, titled "Dentethics." An honorable mention was

awarded to a team from Columbia University College of Dental Medicine.

The contest seeks to foster awareness of ethical problems that confront dental students and professionals. It also allows students to consider how to address those problems by employing the ADA Principles of Ethics and

Code of Professional Conduct (ADA Code).

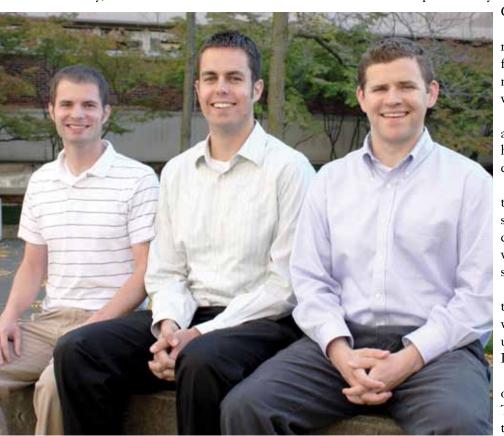
Using brief skits, the four-minute winning video illustrated the ADA Code's five fundamental principles: patient autonomy, non-maleficence, beneficence, justice and veracity.

"We had fun brainstorming several ideas, and we eventually came up with the idea to have a segment for each [part] of the ADA's code of ethics," said Cronin.

"The 'Dentethics' concept was developed through personal ethical dilemmas in clinic, stories from our peers and mentors on ethical situations, and hypothetical situations we brainstormed in our planning sessions," said Jonnes.

"We wanted to show students struggling to make proper ethical decisions, and then we wanted to end on a student finally figuring out what ethics is really about," said Hillstead.

The students also acknowledged the help of Ryan Irilli, web and media specialist at The Center for Pediatric Dentistry, who they said contributed greatly to the editing and production of the video, which took four days to complete.



The winning "Dentethics" video was entered by fourth-year students (from left) Phillip Cronin, Brad Jonnes and Blake Hillstead.



# First-years hear all about Dental Alumni Association

About 50 first-year dental students enjoyed free pizza and heard about our UW Dental Alumni Association at a "lunch 'n' learn" session on Oct. 19 at the School of Dentistry.

Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84), Chair of Oral Medicine, past president of the Dental Alumni Association and 1984 class representative, outlined the association's major activities: scholarship support, student event sponsorship, and support for annual activities such as Beginning a Practice seminars, the WSDA dental mentor program, class reunions, and the Dean Ernest Jones Memorial Lectureship.

"What can you do after you gradu-

ate to help the next generation?" Dr. Drangsholt asked the students, and suggested three things:

- Join the Dental Alumni Association.
- Become a dental mentor.
- Become an affiliate faculty member.

Dr. Drangsholt also showed the students a video titled "The UW School of Dentistry: Why It Matters," in which several alumni tell why they have made significant commitments of time and financial support to the School.

Dr. Drangsholt was joined at the lunch 'n' learn by Randy Newquist, Director of Alumni Relations, and Christina Harrison, Assistant Dean for Advancement and External Relations.



Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84)



Students (from left) Fesaha Gebrehiwot ('12), Janet Romero ('13), Katherine Taylor ('12), Rob Piñon ('12) and Louis Acevedo Rodriguez ('14)



Dr. Chris Delecki (left) of Odessa Brown Children's Clinic, Dr. Mark Koday of Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinics

# Dinner celebrates School's diversity

School of Dentistry Leaders, alumni, students and supporters gathered on Oct. 23 at the Twin Lakes Golf and Country Club in Federal Way for a Partners in Diversity dinner, helping celebrate our School's continuing progress and commitment in this area.

Dr. Antonio Sanchez, a UW alum and senior research analyst and coordinator of economic development and international relations for Washington Lt. Gov. Brad Owen, was keynote speaker.

Tracing the impact of Hispanic ex-

ploration and workers in the Pacific Northwest, Dr. Sanchez said, "We're all on a ship of destiny, and we must navigate it together." He also stressed the importance of elementary education, calling it a key to our success as a country.

Several students also spoke briefly and movingly about their personal backgrounds, and Dean Martha Somerman talked about diversity at the School of Dentistry. The dinner also featured a silent auction.

The Partners in Diversity program,

chaired by Dr. Sid Gallegos ('81), helps build private and business support for an endowed scholarship fund that assists students from historically underrepresented populations.

Major sponsors of the dinner were Washington Dental Service and the Washington Dental Service Foundation. Other sponsors were Affordable Dental Care, Burkhart Dental Supply, Guardian Dental, Pacific Continental Bank, SEAMAR Community Health Clinics and Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinics.



Dr. Sid Gallegos (left) presents guest speaker Dr. Antonio Sanchez with a framed token of appreciation.



From left: Dr. Sid Gallegos ('81), Concha Bravo, Dr. Arturo Bravo, Dr. Alex Narvaez ('82)

# Yakima dentists meet Dean, receive update on RIDE

More than 50 people turned out to meet Dean Martha Somerman and hear an update on the RIDE program on Nov. 4 in Yakima.

The UW Dental Alumni Association and Yakima Valley Dental Society sponsored "A Dinner With the Dean" at the Hilton Gardens Hotel. Dr. Dave Pitts (Endo '77) and Dr. Jim Sledge ('79) reviewed the latest developments in RIDE, which enrolled its third cohort of students this past fall.

Dean Somerman discussed how RIDE dovetails with our School's broader mission. Dr. Pitts reviewed the challenges and opportunities of distance learning, while Dr. Sledge talked about setting up fourth-year clinical rotations for RIDE students.

The dinner was preceded by a wine-and-cheese reception hosted by Pacific Continental Bank. Dr. Somerman was introduced by Dr. Eric Fillmore, President of the Yakima Valley Dental Society.



Dean Somerman chats with Dr. Richard Washut ('83) of Selah at the Yakima event.



Dr. Jim Sledge ('79) reviews the RIDE program.

# **RWJ Foundation** renews summer program at UW

THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON Foundation has renewed its annual funding of the Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP) at our School of Dentistry for 2012 at its current level of \$300,000.

The six-week program is aimed at college freshmen or sophomores who are U.S. citizens, demonstrate a strong interest in medicine or dentistry, and come from a disadvantaged background.

# research update

A sampling of current studies at the School of Dentistry (some abstracts may be condensed)

# Metal-Titanates as Novel Inhibitors of Cariogenic Biofilms at Tooth-Composite Interface

# Principal Investigators: Dr. Dan Chan, Dr. James Bryers dcnchan@u.washington.edu

Our goal of this investigation is to develop a new class of antibacterial nanoparticle titanate-metal complexes. Micro titanate-metal complexes have been shown to have antimicrobial activity. At present, there are no data on the interactions of nanoparticle titanate with bacteria and on the antibacterial properties of metal ions of Au(III), Pd(II), and Pt(IV). The central hypothesis of this investigation is that nanoparticle titanate-metal complexes that are incorporated into a dental bonding resin will inhibit cariogenic bacterial growth in a biofilm adjacent to the tooth/composite restoration interface without compromising resin-tooth bonding. The proposed work is innovative, because it capitalizes on a new class of titanate-metal complexes as antibacterial agents. In addition, biofilm population dynamics with respect to tooth/composite restoration interface will be quantified non-invasively by Mab-conjugated quantum dots. There are only three such reports on bacterial biofilms and none applied to cariogenic bacteria. The combination of the work proposed is expected to allow the clinicians to tackle the composite longevity problem at the weakest interface. By exploring the interactions between titanate-metal complexes and bacteria biofilm, we will bridge a major gap in knowledge about a new class of titanate-metal complex antibacterials.

### **Botulinum Toxin in Muscles of Mastication**

# PI: Dr. Sue Herring herring@u.washington.edu

Botulinum neurotoxin type A (Botox®), a potent paralytic, is a widely used treatment for jaw muscles. The toxin is usually used for spasmodic muscles, but in many cases is administered for cosmetic reasons or with the intention of unloading the jaw bones. Clinical reports suggest that some effects of Botox® treatment (atrophy, reduced electrical activity) are unusually long-lasting in jaw muscles, but that bite force and chewing ability are nevertheless recovered rather quickly. If so, it seems unlikely that the jaws could be unloaded. However, the available clinical studies are uncontrolled and subjective, and none of these claims is yet verified. We undertook a series of experiments with Botox® injection into the masseter muscle using two accepted animal models of human masticatory function, rabbit and pig. Pigs proved to be resistant to Botox®, but rabbits are affected like humans. The first part of the study, dealing with a single Botox® injection into one muscle, is completed, and the second part, dealing with multiple injections, has begun. Botox® injection into one masseter dramatically decreased its activity during chewing for about 1 month, but rabbits still chewed relatively normally because of compensation from other muscles. However, the bite force produced by muscle contraction did not recover until about 3 months after injection. Although the masseter did regain its activity and force eventually, it was still somewhat atrophied 3 months after injection. The loss of muscle force had profound consequences on tooth eruption rate, which was decreased,

and especially on bone in the mandible. The molar region of the mandible lost bone on both the injected and non-injected sides. The mandibular condyle on the injection side showed the most dramatic losses; at 1 month the condyle was osteoporotic and at 3 months many parameters were still not recovered. In summary, this project addresses the biology underlying a common clinical treatment. Thus far we have verified that Botox® use in jaw muscles does indeed cause long-lasting atrophy. Bite force does not recover as rapidly as claimed, however. The jaws are unloaded by the loss of muscle force, but this is not necessarily an advantage for treatment of many conditions, because the unloading leads to an immediate and profound loss of bone. These results will help provide an informed background for patient treatment and for interpreting outcomes.

### **Balancing Expression of PRRs in Epithelial Innate Immune Responses to Bacteria**

# PI: Dr. Whasun Oh Chung sochung@u.washington.edu

Epithelial tissues function as the first line of defense between the host and the outside environment, which includes pathogenic and non-pathogenic bacteria. In the oral cavity, epithelial tissues are constantly exposed to a variety of bacteria, but most individuals maintain a healthy homeostasis. However, little is known about how this homeostatic relationship is orchestrated. Preliminary data utilizing RNA interference via siRNA suggest that compensatory mechanisms exist among Pattern Recognition Receptors (PRRs). Additionally, when a PRR is activated, the expression of other PRRs increases. These data strongly suggest that gingival epithelial cells have novel mechanisms to balance expression of PRRs in response to bacteria. Thus, we hypothesize that PRRs balance their responses in gingival epithelial innate immunity upon exposure to oral bacteria depending on the characteristics and pathogenicity of the bacteria. The goal of this work is to understand cross- communication between epithelial receptors as well as the specific signaling pathways that are involved in the PRR crosscommunication in epithelial innate immunity. This proposal will investigate how various epithelial cell receptors compensate for the activation or absence of one another in inducing appropriate epithelial innate immune responses in gingiva. In addition, this proposal will examine if activation of PRRs differentially regulate the NFkB and MAPK signaling pathways, thus tailoring epithelial innate immune responses to individual bacterium. Since bacteria have multiple Microbial-Associated Molecular Patterns and epithelial cells express multiple PRRs, it is reasonable to expect that there is crosscommunication and balancing between these PRRs in epithelial responses to various bacteria in order to induce appropriate innate immune responses. The proposed studies will lead to a better understanding of the way oral epithelia produce appropriate innate immune responses to pathogenic and non-pathogenic bacteria, guiding a way to new therapeutic targets to prevent and treat oral diseases, such as periodontal disease.

For details on any study, contact Dr. Tim DeRouen, Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs, at derouen@u.washington.edu, or Mary Beth Cunningham at mec@u.washington.edu, or the principal investigator.

# faculty spotlight

# Dr. Jasjit Dillon

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

# The whirlwind life of an oral surgeon

R. Jasjit Dillon Bustles into a conference room at Harborview Medical Center, apologizing for being a few minutes late. "We had a couple of emergencies this morning," she explains. A couple of stray wisps of hair underline the day's hectic nature.

She may not be able to tame the ebb and flow of the emergency room, but in every other respect, Dr. Dillon has a firm handle on her life and profession.

As Clinical Assistant Professor and director of the residency program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Washington, she maintains a blistering pace – one she handles with aplomb.

Perhaps that's due in part to her surgical training in the U.S. and four other countries, especially the time in 1996-97 that she spent as chief resident of oral and maxillofacial surgery at a hospital in the Eastern Cape province of South Africa. There, she and her attending were the only oral and maxillofacial surgeons for 7 million people.

"We operated three days a week and I had a trauma waiting list," she recalls. "I had a lady come to clinic after an eight-hour black taxi ride – a vehicle overcrowded with at least 15 people. She had been 'accidentally' shot in the face by her husband. I had to do an awake tracheotomy in the waiting room – something that would never happen here.

"I also had a man come in with a machete called a panga to his skull. He was brought in by someone who I thought was a concerned relative or friend. When I asked, he said, 'I don't care about him; I want my knife back.'

Experiences such as these, which she calls humbling, helped guide her eventual decision to practice at Harborview Medical Center, she says: "It reinforced my desire to help those who may not always be in the best financial situation. ... I am able to have a busy pathology, oral oncology and reconstruction practice, but am also able to provide a service to Harborview Medical Center's mission population."

Born and raised in London as the eldest of four children, she says a painful outing with her German shepherd at age 10 helped steer her toward a career. The dog decided that he would walk her instead of the other way around, and the ensuing facial cuts and scrapes required surgical

treatment. "From that moment, I knew I wanted to be a surgeon," she says.

She earned dental degrees from the University of Newcastle Upon Tyne and the University of California San Francisco. She also holds a postdoctorate diploma from England's Royal College of Surgeons and a medical degree from St. Bartholomew's Medical School at the University of London. In addition, she interned in both general

surgery and internal medicine in the United Kingdom.

Before coming to the UW in 2009, she completed an oral and maxillofacial residency at the University of California, then a UC-sponsored, CODA-accredited maxillofacial surgical oncology fellowship. She also holds board certification from the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

"Jas Dillon is a dream for a dean – a junior faculty member who understands exactly what academia is about," says Dean Martha Somerman. "She's participatory, a team player, and she loves to help others. She has tremendous clinical expertise, and she really grasps the

importance of research in improving patient care."

Says Dr. Preston Gomez, an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery resident: "Dr. Dillon is a meticulous and gifted surgeon, and one of the most patient, dedicated teachers I've had the chance to learn from."

Married for 11 years, Dr. Dillon met her Canadian husband, Rick Dillon, in the U.K. when he was on vacation and she was in medical school, and they now have a 9-year-old son. The active family enjoys outdoor pursuits such as skiing. Dr. Dillon also loves to read; one recent selection was a book on fatal familial insomnia and the history of prion diseases that she received from Dean Somerman.

The greatest challenge at Harborview, she says, is not to let the work consume her: "I need to remind myself that I am one person and I can't do everything all the time, and sometimes even I need some downtime."

She says she earns her greatest rewards from her patients and their families. "When you come out of the OR and go talk to family, the look of relief just to see you is always gratifying. They are always so appreciative.

"The bonds I have formed with many of my patients – not just the cancer patients – are lifelong." ■

# faculty updates



Dr. Tim DeRouen



Dr. Lisa Heaton

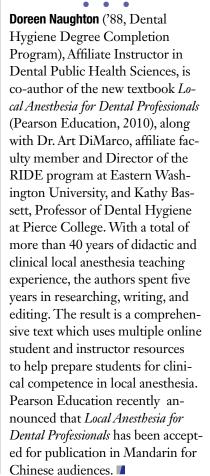


Dr. Donald Chi

Dr. Tim DeRouen, Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs, received a Fulbright Specialists grant in Public/Global Health at Khon Kaen University in Thailand. During a visit in December, Dr. DeRouen joined a workshop for graduate students, faculty members and clinicians on "How to Conduct Robust Clinical Trials." In addition, he helped Khon Kaen University design a training program in research methods for the benefit of dentists and other health care professionals in Southeast Asia. He also provided individual research and biostatistics consultations for faculty members and graduate students.

Dr. Lisa Heaton and Dr. Donald Chi ('06) of Dental Public Health Sciences were chosen to participate in the fifth annual Advanced Training Institute on Health Behavior Theory sponsored by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research in Madison, Wis., in July. Five participants, including Dr. Charlotte Lewis of the UW School of Medicine, were chosen from a national field of 35 applicants. The one-week seminar offers intensive training for investigators in the conceptual, methodological, and statistical underpinnings of health behavior theory. Attendees also receive help in applying concrete theoretical ideas to their latest research challenges as a means to better develop effective community-based interventions.

Dr. Er-Jia Mao, Affiliate Assistant Professor in Periodontics, received the Academic Collaboration Contribution Award at the First Global Congress of Chinese Dentists in Xiamen, China, Dec. 1-4. More than 10,000 dentists from China and other countries attended what was the country's largest dental conference ever. Others attending from our School included Dr. Dan Chan, Associate Dean of Clinical Services; Dr. Hai Zhang, Associate Professor of Restorative Dentistry; and Dr. Zi-Jun Liu, Research Associate Professor in Orthodontics and Oral Biology.





Dr. Er-Jia Mao addresses a session of the First Global Congress of Chinese Dentists.



Doreen Naughton

DENTAL ALUMNI NEWS EDITOR

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# How global connections power a 21st-century School of Dentistry

T THE UW, THE FUTURE OF DENTAL EDUCATION has no borders. "The increasing complexities of health care that dental graduates must be equipped to handle require schools to develop new models of education in order to address these intricacies," states a recent article by Dean Martha Somerman and other faculty members in the Journal of Dental Education.

"To meet these challenges, it is the school's responsibility to provide an environment that fosters discovery and scholarly activity, embraces evidence-based philosophies, encourages partnerships with other units on campus and the community, including the global community, and recognizes the richness of

diversity in both our human resources and our thinking."

Advances in biology, materials science and communication have transformed dental education in just a single generation: gene mapping, biomaterials, the internet and more.

It is increasingly clear that a dental school that neglects to look far beyond its own walls will be left in the backwaters of education. That will not be a concern at the UW, however.

The School of Dentistry's collaborations and interactions are literally all over the map, involving at least 46 countries. Faculty members pursue dozens of international research partnerships and lecture all over the world. Students and visiting faculty members come to Seattle.

"These collaborations are a lifeline," says Dr. Somerman. "The diversity of other people's training opens new directions for everybody."

"Education, research and clinical care is all becoming a global enterprise, and we might as well become leaders in it," says Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84), Chair of Oral Medicine, adding that his international collaborations in research have been richly rewarding.

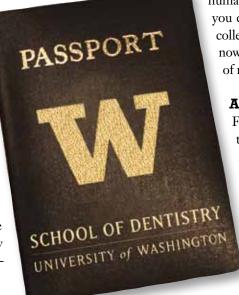
"I've formed many friendships, and have a strong feeling that we are all working together on important topics to further

> the understanding and ultimately health of all humans," he says. "It is not always easy, since you can't just drive over to the collaborating colleague or institution, but e-mail, Skype, and now iChat have helped to bridge the thousands of miles of distance between sites."

# A faculty that's going places

Faculty lectures abroad continue to raise the School's profile. Even an abbreviated list from the last year or two gives some clue to the School's visibility:

• Dr. Trilby Coolidge presented at annual conferences of the Panhellenic (Greek) Paediatric Dental Society (as a keynote speaker one year), at the Thessaloniki Dental Society, and as keynote





speaker at a continuing dental education conference in Thessaloniki, along with lectures at Athens University and Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

"These activities have focused on dental fear, behavior change in dentistry, utilizing parental presence or absence in the operatory to help pediatric patients remain cooperative, developing Greek versions of existing measures, measuring predictors of empathy in dental students, measuring predictors of dental visit satisfaction, assessing the success and acceptability of an alternative method to achieve anesthesia, measuring parental predictors of child cooperation, and related topics," she says.

• Dr. Mats Kronstrom presented at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver on "Prosthodontic Treatment of the Edentulous Mandible" and also gave a continuing education course in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

 Dr. Ariel Raigrodski lectured on prosthodontics in Mexico City, Beijing, Jerusalem, British Columbia, Chile, Spain and Japan.

Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm lectured on "Digital Impression Techniques" at the Universidad Tecnologica de Mexico in Mexico City.

- Dr. Robert London ('81 Perio) did a series of programs with the Australian Society of Implant Dentistry, and will deliver two more lectures this year.
- Dr. Hai Zhang lectured in China on all-ceramic restorations, dental implants in the esthetic zone, and den-
- tal implants in full-mouth rehabilitation.
- Dr. Glen Johnson ('78) lectured on new dental adhesives and cements at the annual scientific meeting of the Canadian Academy for Restorative Dentistry and Prosthodontics in Calgary, Alberta, and at a restorative dentistry symposium in Turkey.
- Dr. Jeffrey Rubenstein lectured on implant-based maxillofacial prosthodontic

The Hiroshima Conference on Science and Education in Dentistry gave Dean Somerman (front row, center) a forum to meet other dental deans to discuss challenges and opportunities in research, education, outreach, work force, access to care and other issues.



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rehabilitation in Israel.

Dr. Joel Berg lectured in pediatric dentistry in Mexico, Singapore and Israel. Dr. Ana Lucia Seminario lectured in Spain and Brazil. Dr. Marcio da Fonseca lectured in Belgium. Dean Somerman presented in Japan, India, Taiwan, Thailand, China, Turkey and New Zealand. Dr. Dan Chan presented in China, Taiwan, Egypt and Singapore. And the list goes on.

In addition, some faculty members spend extended – and highly productive – time abroad. Dr. Glen Johnson,

of Restorative Dentistry, and his wife spent the 2008-09 academic year in Germany on sabbatical at the University of Heidelberg, where he was "guest professor" in the Department of Prosthodontics. There he ran a clinical trial of a mixing system for a polyether impression material, and also directed laboratory studies of a novel elastomeric material.

The School also leaves its imprint abroad in other ways, such as a Fogarty International Center training grant from the National Institutes of Health to help train faculty at two dental schools in Thailand.







### The world of research

The School of Dentistry's far-flung research network "exposes us to different kinds of oral health delivery systems and oral health research issues," says Dr. Tim DeRouen, Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs. "It gives us international recognition as a leader in dentistry."

Dr. DeRouen himself is launching a new study with Dr. Christy McKinney of Dental Public Health Sciences and researchers from Thailand's Khon Kaen University on environmental risk factors for cleft palate.

For her part, Dr. McKinney is also helping to develop and test an infant feeding cup for pre-term, cleft-palate and other infants unable to breast-feed in low-resource settings, primarily Africa and South Asia. This project is a collaboration with Seattle Children's Craniofacial Center, the international publichealth nonprofit group PATH and Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital in Ghana.

A sampler of other research partnerships:

- Dr. H. Asuman Kiyak of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, who is the Director of the UW Institute on Aging, is working with the University of Aarhus in Denmark and the University of Ankara in Turkey on developing a battery of psychological assessments for orthodontics patients.
- Dr. Linda LeResche, Vice Chair of Oral Medicine, hosted a visiting scholar from the Netherlands last spring who helped conduct parallel longitudinal studies in adolescents in Seattle

Dental students Natalia Sandoval (left) and Lisandra González of the Universidad Finis Terrae in Santiago, Chile, spent winter quarter at the School of Dentistry, taking classes and observing in clinic. Dr. Dan Chan (second from right), Associate Dean for Clinical Services, lectured on light curing systems at the First Global Congress of Chinese Dentists in Xiamen.

and in the Netherlands, and also worked on a joint paper on pain in adolescents.

• Dr. Richard Darveau, Chair of Periodontics, is teaming with an investigator at St. Bartholomew's and Royal London School of Medicine to establish a germ-free mouse colony. The same grant also underwrites a collaboration with a researcher in Hong Kong who investigates mouse tissue for inflammatory markers.

"I have a guy from Shanghai in my lab now – he's a captain in the military, sponsored by the military dental service corps," Dr. Darveau says. "He'll spend a year in my lab, and then probably go back and head the perio

department in Shanghai. And there are three more people coming in this year, sponsored by the Ministry of Science in China."

- Dr. Whasun Oh Chung of Oral Biology collaborates with a researcher at Germany's University of Bonn on receptor signaling in gingival innate immunity, epigenetics of periodontitis, and genetic, cellular and biomechanical aspects of periodontal disease. She also works with a researcher at South Korea's Kosin University College of Medicine to study protease-activated receptors in response to allergens and in caries.
- Dr. Peter Milgrom is the Society for the Advancement of Anaesthesia in Dentistry Visiting Professor in the Department of Sedation and Special Care at the King's College Dental Institute in London. His collaboration involves dental fears re-







Dr. Tim DeRouen (light-colored sport coat, holding a corner of the banner), Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs, led a UW contingent presenting a workshop in February in Luang Prabang, Laos. Dr. Sue Coldwell, Associate Dean of Student Life and Admissions, UW biostatistician Charles Spiekerman and Helen McGough (former director of Human Subjects at UW) also lectured. There were 37 participants from Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Brunei, Malaysia, India, South Korea and Japan.

search and work on the prevention of tooth decay in head and neck cancer patients.

Dr. Milgrom, whose Marshall Islands study of xylitol syrup's caries-prevention properties drew worldwide coverage last year, says there are several compelling reasons for such international collaboration. Among them, he says: "For drug or dental agent work, it's a world market, and research and development can be done anywhere. We don't want to be left out. In some cases, royalties can flow back to the UW from this kind of work."

### A two-way global highway

Many also come to Seattle for oral health research and dental study. For nearly 20 years, one prominent magnet has been the six-week Summer Institute in Clinical Dental Research Methods, which offers courses in biostatistics, clinical epidemiology/study design, personal computing applications, clinical trials, behavioral research in dentistry, grantsmanship, and case studies in data analysis. Students from more than 40 countries have attended the Summer Institute since its inception.

Faculty also come from abroad for extended periods. For example, Dr. Sandra R. Torres of Brazil, an associate professor at Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, is currently a visiting professor in Oral Medicine. She's spending at least a year and possibly

two here, working with School of Dentistry faculty on a study of osteonecrosis of the jaw.

Restorative Dentistry is also hosting visiting faculty this academic year: Dr. Ting Jiang from Peking University's School and Hospital of Stomatology in Beijing, and Dr. Lei Li, from the West China College of Stomatology at Sichuan University in Chengdu, China.

For students, the international flavor is especially pronounced in the graduate departments. Oral Biology provides an excellent illustration, with 21 students from the U.S. and 10 other countries.

"International students bring a great deal to our program and the university," says Dr. Richard Presland, the School's Graduate Program Director. "This in-

> cludes their culture, language, traditions, and a variety of dental education and training experiences - almost all of our PhD and MS students have either a BDS or DDS

degree. "In the last few years, quite a few of our foreign-born graduates Dean Martha Somerman with Sichuan University.

Dean Xuedong Zhou of the West China College of Stomatology of





Bob, meet Joey: While lecturing in Australia, Dr. Robert London ('81 Perio) visited an animal park near Sydney.

have stayed in the U.S. to work as university or college faculty ... Thus, recent graduates are working as faculty or researchers in dental schools or colleges in Ohio, Texas, Washington and New Jersey, among other states. Hence, our program provides an important pipeline of graduates who have advanced clinical and scientific training. They are highly sought after by U.S. universities, especially when they have also completed a clinical dental specialty, as many of them have."

Foreign students also get a taste of the School's DDS program. The School now hosts students from the Universidad Finis Terrae in Santiago, Chile, during fall, winter and spring quarters. The students, in their final pre-doctoral year, spend one academic quarter here observing in the clinic and taking classes, then return to Chile for their final examinations and graduation.

"We have been very impressed with the visiting students," says Dr. John Townsend of Restorative Dentistry, who oversees the exchange students. "The interaction between our students and these visitors has also been valuable for our students to learn of the similarities and differences between our respective systems of education and patient care."

# A matter of synergy

In the math of the School's global connections, 1 plus 1 can equal 3. Students, faculty and researchers at each end gain more than an immediate exchange of knowledge; they also obtain helpful perspective.

Dean Somerman cites a consortium of Asian dental schools that start conversations on having students rotate and see patients for several months at other Asian universities. Questions arose about the differences in educational standards among countries, an issue that echoes the conversation in the U.S. about licensing

equivalencies among states.

Beyond that, in an increasingly diverse world, students benefit from exposure to other cultures. And for research, the global connection "expands the labs at both ends," Dr. Somerman says. "And you're not only dealing with professors, but also with the students who will be the next generation of collaborators."

Our world relies increasingly on the free flow of ideas and information, and this is the supreme value of the School of Dentistry's global involvement. Says Dr. Somerman:

"It's all about taking down the barriers."

# International DDS program begins this year at the UW

HE SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY HOPES TO EXPAND ITS global reach still further with a new venture this spring: a DDS degree program for foreigntrained dentists.

Five students have been accepted from among about 80 who applied, according to Dr. Dan Chan, who directs the program. "One of our interviewing criteria was to seek future dentists who will serve in underserved areas of Washington state," he says.

The students were scheduled to join the Seattle second-year pre-doctoral class on March 28, then enter an intensive pre-matriculation course over the summer break. They will rejoin the other third-year students when school resumes on Sept. 28.

Dr. Avina Paranjpe ('09 Endo) of Endodontics, the program's assistant director, headed the three-day interviewing and assisted in the skill-testing process. "The two main factors in selecting the candidates were their bench test scores and their interview," she says. "More emphasis was on the interview process, because that gave us an idea if they would jell well with an already organized third-year class. So we were looking for candidates who were good at their hand skills, along with a personality that would help them fit into the third-year class."

Interest in the program was high, says Memory Brock of the Office of Student Life and Admissions, who is the program administrator. The candidate pool appeared to be rich in knowledge and experience, she says, and there were several phone inquiries a day as the application process moved forward. "The interview committee was very impressed with the quality of our applicants," she says.

"We hope this new program will expand the School's global footprint through didactic and clinical training and research," Dr. Chan says.

# volunteer honor roll

SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1946, the UW School of Dentistry has benefited significantly from the generosity of countless individuals who have helped ensure that the School remains an institution of distinction.

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#### Dr. Scott Cahoon

Restorative Dentistry

# Going to the mat for students and patients

HEN SCOTT CAHOON WAS wrestling for the UW, his sister introduced him to one of her sorority sisters, Barb Tash. He talked her into coming to the match in Seattle against powerhouse Iowa State, telling her that if she went to only one match, this was the one to see.

It was a thriller, with Scott earning a

tie to help the UW to a shocking 17-16 upset win. Barb? Not so thrilled. She told him afterward, "This could well be the one and only match I will ever attend!"

Wrestling may not have originally won her heart, but the young man did. After dating for four years, they married during his last year at the School of Dentistry, where he earned his DDS in 1976. And more than three decades later, the lessons he

picked up on the mat have stuck with him.

"Wrestling teaches you about life," says Dr. Cahoon, an affiliate faculty member in Restorative Dentistry. "Sometimes you have difficult days or complicated cases, but you have to deal with it and get the job done. I always try to keep in mind that you have to treat others the way you'd want to be treated."

The Cahoons made a good tag team from the start. Barb did everything for her husband when he began private practice – dental assistant, office manager, you name it. Today, she still manages his Bellevue office, where the practice moved from Redmond in 2006. "She's the backbone

of my practice," he says.

The son of a Yakima grocer, Dr. Cahoon came to the UW on a wrestling scholarship and belonged to a team that became the first Pac 8 champs in UW history. After dental school, he served two years as a Navy dentist in San Francisco, where he learned the value of interdisciplinary dentistry. "The Navy taught me

that you can't do it all by yourself," he says." Afterward, he moved back to Washington and set up shop in Redmond.

He remembers his time as a dental student with fondness: "The School was a great place. You just put your nose to the grindstone and worked really hard." He cites classmates such as Dr. Richard D. Tucker, who "was always there with a helping hand," and rattles off the names

of faculty members who made a big impression: Drs. Marty Anderson, Robert Canfield, F. Lloyd Jacobson, Thompson Lewis, Robert Oswald, Ken Mclean, Eugene Natkin, Gerald Harrington, Ian Hamilton. He was also in the first class that Dr. Ed Truelove taught as Chair of Oral Medicine.

"What he taught us saved lives," Dr. Cahoon says. "He was really tough, but he made us look at dentistry differently – not just the teeth, but the whole system. ... He taught us to think."

Over the years, Dr. Cahoon has been active in the Seattle King County Dental Society and Washington State Dental As-

sociation, which he serves as a delegate. He also takes an active role in his community as a volunteer with Boy Scouts of America and Special Olympics. Still trim and fit, he also helps coach the Mercer Island High School wrestling squad, where his sons were on the team with Rusty Johnson, president of the Class of 2012 at the School of Dentistry.

After serving as a Restorative affiliate instructor from 1978-80, he took a break to focus on his growing family and dental practice. Then he resumed teaching about five years ago. "I believe in giving back," he says. "The School of Dentistry took a shot with me and gave me a chance. Now it's my turn to give the School my support."

The best part of teaching at the School is the quality of its students, he says: "The kids are great – they're super-super-smart. They're so energetic, and they want to do what's right. They want to give back to people. I think these kids have a big heart – that's what drives me to teach and gets me to come back.

"It's also great to work with faculty like Glen Johnson. People like that are great resources and can always give you answers to your questions."

Says Dr. Anderson: "Scott is great as an instructor. He is smart and has good clinical skills, but most of all he has a wealth of clinical experience, which is invaluable as he mentors students in the third- and fourth-year clinics. Students trust him and enjoy working with him. Colleagues respect him."

The Cahoons, who have two sons and live on Mercer Island, enjoy boating, skiing and other sporting activities. They're "huge" Huskies fans as well. It's a good life, and Dr. Cahoon knows that.

"You go home at the end of the day and you say, 'Things are good,' " he says. "I have a wonderful wife, and a tremendously caring staff that's been with me a long time, and that's the key." ■

### class notes

#### CLASS OF 1959

Dr. Desmond Neff, Edmonds, Wash.: Retired in 1998. My wife, Beverly, and I are still enjoying retirement. I continue to do volunteer work for Medical Teams International and Provail (the Johnny Johnson Memorial Dental Clinic).

#### CLASS OF 1961

Dr. Roger Meyer, Greensboro, Ga.: My wife, Sheila, and I sold our home in Smyrna (suburb of Atlanta), Ga., and moved in August to Reynolds Plantation on Lake Oconee (the second-largest lake in Georgia), adjacent to the town of Greensboro, 75 miles east of Atlanta. We are looking forward to enjoying the many amenities of this lovely community. Sheila is still working (nurse anesthetist) in Atlanta. Although retired from my maxillofacial/plastic surgery practice since 2007, I keep up with medical/surgical matters. One of my former partners in practice and I have authored several papers on microsurgery and care of nerve injuries that have been or will be published in surgery journals and textbooks. I continue to lecture on these subjects as well. Life is good for us, and I feel blessed to have received part of my education at the UW. Best wishes to all our friends in the Pacific Northwest!

#### CLASS OF 1964

Dr. Fred Quarnstrom, Seattle: I still practice two days a week. I taught 13 weekends in 2010. I am an insurance consultant for several insurance groups. I reactivated my instrument instructor pilot rating, and my wife and I flew around Australia last year and will do the same in New Zealand next year. I am training to be a docent at the Museum of Flight. Life is busy and fun!

#### CLASS OF 1965

Dr. C. Dennis Wohlford, Puyallup, Wash.: 2010 was a wonderful year of travel for Sue and me, starting with some January sunshine time spent in Cabo San Lucas with family including our granddaughter. Most of the month of May was spent in Africa with time spent in South Africa, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Botswana and Tanzania. (The picture was on our 33rd wedding anniversary in Victoria Falls.) Summer



The Wohlfords celebrate their 33rd wedding anniversary at The Boma Restaurant in Lake Victoria, Zimbabwe.

brought our annual salmon fishing trip to Alaska and a golf trip to Central Oregon. Early October was a cruise from Montreal to Boston to explore new territory. The fall brought my annual pheasant hunting trip to the Dakotas and we then settled in for the holiday stretch run to the end of the year. A great year to remember!

#### CLASS OF 1966

Dr. Sherm Cloward, Provo, Utah: I have wonderful memories of my years as a student at the UW School of Dentistry. I am grateful for the superior education I received there. I consider myself a true Husky and support the team in every game they play with the exception of BYU.

**Sherm and Sheryle Cloward** 

#### CLASS OF 1970

Dr. James E. Fitzgerald, Olympia, Wash.: The class reunion was a special event for Betty and me. Good to see all of you!

#### CLASS OF 1974

Dr. Sherwin Shinn, Gig Harbor, Wash.: I recently returned from Uganda, where I was doing another dental humanitarian outreach project and picking up two children that I am adopting. I was accompanied by Dr. Carla Yamashiro. We teamed up with my wife and some Ugandan volunteers and set up two clinic sites, one in Kampala and one on a remote island on Lake Victoria. We saw about 200 patients for extractions and fillings. We also gave out toothbrushes and oral hygiene instruction to over 700 children in three separate schools who had never had a toothbrush before. The most exciting part of the trip was finally being able to take custody of my two adopted children. It took over two years for all the legal paperwork to clear. I married Faria about four



Dr. Sherwin Shinn in Uganda

years ago, and together we have a 21/2-year-old daughter, Shaleena, and a 5-month-old son, Tomar. Our adopted kids are Jim-Nasser, age 6, and Yasmeen, age 4. I am working as the Dental Director for Lindquist Dental Clinic for Children in Lakewood (right across the street from Al Tronset's office). In my free time I am busily chasing our four kids around our home in Gig Harbor. We have also recently founded For World Wide Smiles (www.forworldwidesmiles.org), a dental outreach nonprofit to continue the work of bringing dental care to people in areas of the world where there is no care. All this activity is definitely guaranteed to keep me young. As soon as I hit 85, I'll hang up the hi-speed. I'm not so sure about the slow-speed.

### class notes

#### CLASS OF 1975

**Dr. James Ribary,** Gig Harbor, Wash.: I retired from my dental practice last year and enjoyed a year as President of the WSDA. I have been Immediate Past President since September and that is even better. It has been a very busy year but one of the best. Now it is time to enjoy my grandchildren.

#### CLASS OF 1976

**Dr. Scott A.D. Williams,** Yakima, Wash.: 2010 has been a great year with a few challenges: two knee surgeries, the latter being a total replacement of my left knee. Of greatest note is Janny and I became first-time grandparents. Our son (Scott) and daughter-in-law (Kristi) had Anne Marie on April 23. As with all grandparents, she is, of course, the most beautiful child in the known universe. Looking forward to a great 2011.

#### CLASS OF 1977

**Dr. Ken Patterson,** Twin Falls, Idaho: Gaye and I have another dental service project in Guatemala coming up. This is becoming habit-forming, and very rewarding.

**Dr. Robert E. Tracy,** Bellevue, Wash.: Ginny and I took a trip to Italy for three weeks in the fall of 2010. I recommend the trip to everyone I know. Great history, great wine, great relaxation, incredible people and incredible scenery. We are glad to be happy and well. Our only son, David, is in his second year of medical school at Wayne State University School of Medicine. I drove with him back to Detroit in the summer of 2009. It was a great experience. I am still practicing in North Seattle. Best regards.

#### **■ CLASS OF 1978**

**Dr. Sue Hollinsworth,** Kent, Wash.: Just completed my two-year term as president of the UW Dean's Club. I want to thank all of you who contribute \$1,000 per year or more to the School of Dentistry to be Dean's Club members. It is imperative, now more than ever, that we support the school financially. We've all worked hard to get where we are at, but we didn't do it alone, and we have benefited greatly from having that DDS from UW behind our name. I challenge each of you to become Dean's Club members (that's less than \$100/month) from now until you go to that great dental clinic in the sky. With your help, we can make a difference!

#### **CLASS OF 1980**

**Dr. Richard C. Engar,** Salt Lake City, Utah: At my age, I am enjoying the fruits of my posterity. My oldest son is a practicing lawyer, and my middle son is wrapping up his fourth year of medical school at the University of Utah. He and his wife are the source of our one grandchild, whom we spend many a delightful time enjoying. Our youngest daughter is wrapping up her education, also at the University of Utah, getting a master's degree in anticipation of her teaching school. I still work as Attorney-in-Fact (CEO) of Professional Insurance Exchange, a self-insured professional liability company to protect and help Utah's dentists. I stay in the real world by teaching one or two half-days a month at the University of

Utah's General Practice Residency Program (where the residents actually teach me!).

I have enjoyed building models ever since I was about 8 years old and have kept it up even into my old age! These are the type of model kits that you simply look at, not the radio-controlled kind, so the only time these models fly is if there is a problem during construction coupled with a lack of self-control on the part of the builder. Anyway, I am in several model building clubs and I compete with the models in contests where it is sort of like board exams, where your work is scrutinized such that you can earn a first, second or third prize. I am proud to say that I am a bona fide national champion, and my



Dr. Richard C. Engar

brother and I write a column about various aspects of model-building for one of the national publications. I build mainly airplanes but also cars, space subjects and figures. I can also boast the largest collection of scale-model airplanes available in Utah accessible for the public to see with over 150 (plus cars) in several glass display cases in my office. I don't dare state how many unbuilt kits I have in my crawl space waiting for their turn for fear that I will be accused of being a hoarder! Let's just say it is a four-figure number.

It was great to see many old classmates/friends at our 30-year reunion last summer, and I still have to rave at the great job that Ty Galvin did (with a little help from Marvel, his wife) orchestrating a great party! And I see more trips to Washington in the future since my undergraduate alma mater (U of U) has finally achieved the status of reaching membership in the new PAC-12.

**Dr. Gary Heyamoto,** Woodinville, Wash.: Our 2008 UWSOD valedictorian, Dr. Sang Bae, is practicing with me. She is a fantastic dentist! I should learn a lot. I'm honored to have been elected to the WSDA Board, still am AGD Trustee for Region 11 and continue to serve as a statistician for the Seahawks/Huskies. Life is good!

#### **■ CLASS OF 1984**

**Dr. Patricia Rothwell,** Seattle: Mark Drangsholt and I are serving on the Dean's Club Board this year and we're hoping you all will donate \$1,000 to the School so that the dinner in April will be a class reunion! Please! We aren't above begging you!

# c ass notes

#### CLASS OF 1990

Dr. Robin E. Reinke, Tacoma, Wash.: I went to South Africa in July on a volunteer expedition to help with research being done with the African penguins. Two weeks were spent on Robben Island recording data on nest sites, checking growth and other wildlife sightings. Afterwards, I took some time to go to Kruger National Park to stay at a game lodge and spend a few days on safari.



Dr. Chris Jolley and family

#### CLASS OF 1992

Dr. Chris Jolley, Pleasant Grove, Utah: I moved my practice to Pleasant Grove over a year ago. Mv wife, Debie, and mv three youngest children are in the photo. From youngest to oldest, they are Natallia, Rachel and Daniel, Ariel and Gabriel are not pictured. My children range in age from 1 to 17. Debie and I have become politically active, trying to get Constitutionally conservative candidates elected, and enjoying some success. I wish everyone the best. God bless us all, everyone.

#### CLASS OF 2002

Dr. Ronald Mikkelson, Olympia, Wash.: Practicing in Olympia. Kainani and I have two boys: Nolan, 7, and Owen, 4. Having a lot of fun chasing them.

#### CLASS OF 2003

Dr. Alex Kang, Everett, Wash.: Our son, Austin Sung Kang, was born on Aug. 6. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz., most importantly healthy as well as Mom. We feel so blessed and thrilled to have him in our lives - most amazing feeling I have ever felt! He is now just past 7 weeks old and has been putting on about a pound a week. It is a good thing he is a very good baby for us amateur parents.



Dr. Alex Kang and family

#### CLASS OF 2004

Dr. Jessica Swoboda, Bellevue, Wash.: Carson Swoboda was born on Jan. 12, 2011, weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz., and was 19.5 inches long. Ben and I are enjoying being home with him, and I will return to work in May.

#### CLASS OF 2005

Dr. Dominick Curalli, Seattle: On Jan. 11, Shana gave birth to our Dr. Jessica Swoboda and family son. His name is Nick



Thomas Curalli. We are very excited, happy and tired, and have already started making many memories.



**Nick Thomas Curalli** 

#### CLASS OF 2007

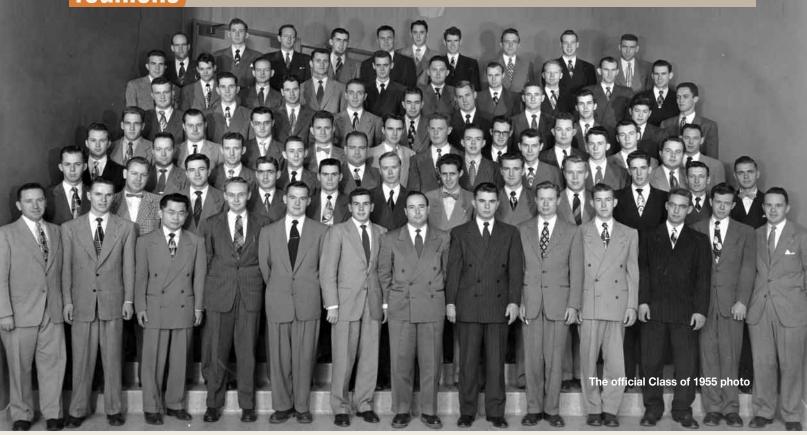
Dr. Elizabeth Chilton, Puyallup, Wash.: Last September, I traveled to Guatemala for a week of dental outreach. I went with a group called Healing the Children. This was their first trip with dentists, but they plan to include dentists in future trips, which happen every six months. It was an amazing, eye-opening experience, and for those with my interest, I highly recommend the Healing the Children team!

Dr. Michael Layton, Surrey, B.C., Canada: In May 2010, I took over as owner of Peace Arch Dental in White Rock, B.C. My wife Emma and I live with our 19-month-old daughter, Adelaide, in Langley, B.C.

#### CLASS OF 2010

The Class of 2010 raised a grand total of \$17,650 during its time at the School of Dentistry, Class President Dr. Eric Cadwell reports. Of that amount, \$10,195 went to Pope's Kids Place, \$700 to Student Council, \$500 to the Class of 2014 and \$6,255 to the 45th Street Clinic.

### reunions



#### CLASS OF 1955

The Class of 1955 has held a reunion every year since graduation, and '55 celebrated its 55th reunion this year at the Sand Point Country Club. Ten dentists, representing the 75 entering dental students in 1951, attended with their wives. As in several previous years, Dick and Joy Ulrey from San

Diego came the farthest; most were from the greater Seattle area. Two of those in attendance, Larry Stone and Dick Swanson, still practice part-time.

The Class of 1955 was the last class substantially made up of World War II veterans – mature, often married with children. The younger members who had not served

Camaraderie abounded during the luncheon. The retelling of (now old) funny dental school stories, e.g., the initial clinical "mandibular" block by a student who injected his thumb, and other occurrences possibly more suited to novels, were still the stuff of banter. Many substantive and heartfelt exchanges were given, as well. Most importantly – need we write it – a good time was had by all.

were drafted into the military after gradu-

ation and served at least two years in the

Army, Navy or Air Force. Two committed to



Class of '55 members at the reunion: (seated, from left): lorwerth Jones, Dick Ulrey, Bruce Craswell, Bill Ozeroff; (standing from left) Richard Prince, Bill White, Stan Prince, Hugh Sobottka, Dick Swanson, Larry Stone. On Dec. 4, Dr. lorwerth Jones passed away (see In Memoriam notice, Page 43).

#### **CLASS OF 1961**

careers in the Navy.

The Class of 1961 is planning a 50th reunion celebration in Dillon, Mont., on July 27-29. A letter has been sent to all class members. If you haven't received the information, call Duane Nienaber at (253) 839-7266, Ted Peddycord at (360) 691-7829 or Darrell Ruef at (425) 776-6310.

#### CLASS OF 1982

Dr. Philip Madden, Anacortes, Wash.:
Our Class of 1982 reunion will be held in
June 2012, in conjunction with the Pacific
Northwest Dental Conference. More details
to follow.

# n memoriam

#### ■ DR. JAMES R. IVERSON, CLASS OF 1953

Dr. James R. Iverson, 84, passed away peacefully at his home on Sept. 24, 2010, with his wife, Marilyn, at his side.

Dr. Iverson lived a very full life, beginning with many childhood adventures in his hometown. He was born in Anacortes, Wash., on June 30, 1926 to James Nels and Thyra (Kilander) Iverson. He graduated from Anacortes High School in 1944, enlisted in the Army and was discharged in 1946. He graduated from the UW School of Dentistry in 1953.

After dental school, Dr. Iverson spent four years in postgraduate training in oral and maxillofacial surgery in Washington, D.C .and Philadelphia, receiving extensive specialized training in anesthesia at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He immediately began practice in 1957 in the Medical Dental Building in downtown Seattle. He was a member of the American Academy of Oral Pathology and the American College of Dentists, and was a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral Surgery. He retired in 1988 after 31 years as a respected and revered oral and maxillofacial surgeon.

Dr. Iverson had many interests, and particularly loved the outdoors. He was an avid snow skier, golfer and hunter, and for more than 40 years, he fulfilled his passion for motorcycles, crossing the United States from Seattle to Kitty Hawk, N.C., and from Vancouver, B.C., to Mexico. Many of his trips were with the "Molar Roller," a group of dentists who shared his love of motorcycles. In later years, his interests turned to boating, and he spent many years cruising the San Juan Islands and the Canadian Gulf Islands.

Dr. Iverson is survived by his wife of 34 years, Marilyn Iverson. He is also survived by his four children: Mark Iverson, Scott (Sue) Iverson, Tina (Arsie) Roy and Tira Hancock. Also surviving him are 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

#### ■ DR. ROBERT D. GROSS, CLASS OF 1954

Dr. Robert Donald "Bob" Gross, 90, a School of Dentistry faculty member as well as alumnus, died on Nov. 14 in Seattle.

Dr. Gross, who taught geriatric dentistry at the UW and was an advocate for oral health care for the elderly, also received degrees in psychology and public health from the UW.

Born in Tacoma, Dr. Gross graduated from Roosevelt High School in Seattle. After receiving his DDS in 1954, he went on to practice dentistry in Seattle for more than 40 years. Joining the School of Dentistry in 1967 as a clinical assistant in the Department of Prosthodontics, he became Clinical Professor of Prosthodontics in 1986. He was an affiliate professor in Prosthodontics from 1997 until 2005, when he became an affiliate professor in Restorative Dentistry, a position he held until his death.

A veteran of service in the Pacific during World War II, he retired as a Navy commander in 1980. His passions included photography, and

he also enjoyed traveling, fishing and clock-making.

"Students loved him," said Dr. Paul Robertson, former Dean of the School of Dentistry. "He was an advocate for geriatric dental care both locally and nationally and volunteered considerable clinical time to that effort. ... He was a kind, caring and gentle man who cared deeply about the School, his profession, his patients and his colleagues."

Dr. Gross is survived by his wife of 62 years, Patricia, and daughters, Meg Griswold (Ed), Chris Bridenbaugh (John), Karen Kezele (Phil), Marcia Estell (Brian) and eight grandchildren.

#### DR. ROBERT A. KENNEDY, CLASS OF 1954

Dr. Robert A. Kennedy, 83, passed away at home on Nov. 1, 2010 from leukemia.

Born to Wallace Henry and Mabel (Lang) Kennedy on Dec. 30, 1926 in Seattle, he grew up in Tacoma and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1945, before joining the Navy during World War II.

He graduated from the College of Puget Sound (now called University of Puget Sound) and then from the UW School of Dentistry in 1954. While in dental school, he met his future wife, Ann, at a University Presbyterian Bible Study. They married in 1953 and enjoyed 57 years together.

Dr. Kennedy served as a dentist in the Public Health Service and was eventually stationed with the U.S. Coast Guard in Port Angeles. In 1961, he left the Public Health Service for private practice. His first office was on the second floor of the old First National Bank building. After retiring from private practice, he provided dentistry for a migrant clinic in Toppenish and for the Clallam Bay prison. He also did dental work in Honduras, Mexico and Kotzebue, Alaska.

Dr. Kennedy's interests included ham radio, family ski vacations, the Port Angeles Light Opera Association and traveling, and he was a voracious reader. Known for his patience and kindness, he enjoyed time spent with friends and shared his interests by teaching Sunday school, ham radio and tutoring in math.

Dr. Kennedy is survived by his wife, Ann; children, Lucy and Steve Nordwell and Scott and Brenda Kennedy, all of Port Angeles, Dan Kennedy of Seattle, Katie and Dennis McVicker of Brush Prairie, Wash., and Steve and Amy Kennedy of Port Angeles; 17 grandchildren and numerous nephews and nieces. He is also survived by his brothers and their wives, William and Ginger Kennedy and Lorne and Lois Kennedy; and sister, Marilyn Hilton.

#### DR. IORWERTH M. JONES, CLASS OF 1955

Dr. lorwerth Jones, 82, passed away on Dec. 4, 2010 after a short illness.

Born in Seattle to Edward and Winifred Jones on July 1, 1928, he went to Roosevelt High School and graduated from the UW School of Dentistry in 1955. He went into the Army as a dentist stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., for two years.

# in memoriam

Returning to Seattle to the office his father had begun, he practiced for more than 40 years. He was a member of the American Dental Association, the Washington State Dental Association, the Northwest Dental Seminar Study Group and the Westminster College Alumni group. He was active at Lake Forest Park Presbyterian Church. He and his wife of 59 years, Joanne, enjoyed traveling to Australia, China, the Panama Canal, Europe, and throughout the United States. They also enjoyed time at their "home away from home" on Vashon Island, where they loved to relax and watch the ships sail by. He was a loving, compassionate, and kind husband, father, brother, grandfather, uncle and friend to many.

Dr. Jones is survived by his wife, Joanne; children, Cynthia Bannister (Jerald), Sylvia Pierce, and David Jones; grandchildren, Kelli Jo, Kimberly, Kyle, Kesley, Karlie, Kaylee Bannister, David and Katie Pierce; sisters, Winifred Harrison (Jack) of Seattle and Meiriona Anacker (Robert) of Billings, Mont.; sister-in-law, Vernita Bernardo (George) of Oceana, Calif., and numerous nieces and nephews.

#### ■ DR. KENNETH C. LONG, CLASS OF 1956

Dr. Kenneth C. Long, 79, passed away on Aug. 12, 2010 after a long illness.

He was born in Aberdeen, Wash., on Dec. 23, 1930 to Carl August and Ellen Elizabeth (Nyman) Long. In 1941, the Longs moved to Port Angeles.

Dr. Long graduated from Roosevelt High School in Port Angeles and the UW School of Dentistry in 1956. After graduation, he joined the U.S. Air Force, serving as a dentist for two years in Alaska. He remained in the Air Force Reserve until his discharge in 1972. He established his dental practice in Port Angeles in 1958 and continued practicing for 40 years. He was a member of the Olympic Peninsula Dental Society, the American Dental Association and the dental fraternity Xi Psi Phi. His other memberships included St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, a life membership in the Naval Lodge of Elks and an honorary membership in the Washington Athletic Club.

In 1962, Dr. Long married Mary Lee Teigh, a UW alumna, and together they enjoyed many years attending Husky football games. Upon retirement in 1998, they traveled about the country in a Roadtrek RV, but always favored the Northwest. While Dr. Long's passion was fishing, he also was an avid gardener, and many people enjoyed sharing in his harvest of fruits and vegetables.

Dr. Long is survived by his wife, Mary Lee; sister-in-law, Nancy Pembroke of Hesperia, Calif.; cousin, Ethel Ahlstrom of Atherton, Calif.; nephew, Kevin Pembroke of Port Angeles; and nieces, Linda Wilcox of Geneva, N.Y., and Heather Clark of Oak Hills, Calif.

#### ■ DR. RICHARD ALAN BATTIN, CLASS OF 1958

Dr. Richard A. Battin, 79, passed away on Dec. 5, 2010 after complications from a serious stroke.

Born on Oct. 2, 1931, he was raised in Seattle and attended Roosevelt High School. After graduating from the UW School of

Dentistry in 1958, he practiced dentistry in Normandy Park for 35 years and was adored and remembered by his patients for his kind and gentle touch.

Dr. Battin's true love was his family, in whom he instilled his passion for Grouse Hills Tree Farm in Napavine, Wash., a once-abused property he and his beloved wife, Judy, purchased in 1971. Inspired by his mission to leave the land better than he found it, he was a true environmentalist who took extreme pride in singlehandedly restoring the property to a picturesque, enchanting paradise. His dedication to stewardship was recognized with the 1996 Washington State Tree Farmer of the Year Award and his appointment to the 11-member Washington Forest Practices Board.

Throughout his life, Dr. Battin was many things to countless people; a one-of-a-kind, irreplaceable husband, father, grandfather and friend, a man of compassion, integrity and a generosity of spirit who enjoyed making time to inspire and mentor not only his own children but many others as well.

He is survived by his devoted and loving wife of 49 years, Judy Battin; children, Apryl Battin, Rick Battin, Robyn Martin (Jeff), Jana Claxton (Tim), and Laurie Crawford; and grandchildren, Ella, Colin, and Jonah.

#### ■ DR. WILLIAM HOISINGTON, CLASS OF 1977

Dr. William Hoisington, 60, passed away in Kirkland, Wash. in November 2010.

He graduated from the UW School of Dentistry in 1977 after receiving his bachelor's degree at Washington State University.

After graduation, he undertook further training in periodontics, periodontal prosthetics and implants in France. He held a teaching position in the periodontics department at the University of Florida, followed by several years in a Seattle general practice focusing on periodontics.

Dr. Hoisington continued to travel to Europe to participate in periodontal and implant research groups as well as teaching various Continuing Dental Education programs in periodontal procedures. He also started a periodontal practice at the Hale Clinic in London which is still operating successfully.

In all his endeavors, Dr. Hoisington was known for his ability to think outside the box. "Bill had a very unique and charismatic way of communication with his patients, said Dr. Steve Marinkovich ('76), a longtime friend and classmate. "In all of my years of practicing dentistry, I have never seen another dentist more successful at getting patients to own their dental problems. I treated several patients for whom Dr. Hoisington resolved their periodontal issues, and all these patients absolutely loved him."

When not traveling, and working, Dr. Hoisington enjoyed fine dining, movies, golf, basketball, reading, swimming, writing, honing his prodigious language skills, and dancing. He is survived by his son, Julien.

Material for these notices was taken from Legacy.com.

# n memoriam

# Dr. James C. Steiner, former Acting Dean, is mourned

Services were held on Dec. 11 in Shoreline for Dr. James C. Steiner, former Acting Dean of our School of Dentistry who became known as one of its most beloved figures. Dr. Steiner,

80, passed away on Dec. 7 in Edmonds.

Dr. Steiner, who retired in 2008 as Associate Dean for Student Services, had been a faculty member for more than 21 years, mostly in the Department of Endodontics.

"Jim Steiner was a true educator – one who was passionate about every aspect of dentistry," Dean Martha Somerman said. "He had so many spe-

cial talents, but above all he had a great love for our students and the UW. We will miss him deeply."

Dr. Steiner earned his DDS from Western Reserve University (now Case Western Reserve) in 1956, launching a 52-year career in dentistry. After two years as a dentist in the Air Force, he spent five years in private practice in his hometown of Wooster, Ohio. He then left for Seattle and the UW to pursue a master's degree in oral biology and a certificate in endodontics, both of which he earned in 1966. He then joined the faculty at the invitation of Dr. Eugene Natkin, his endodontics teacher, and became the department's graduate program director.

Dr. Steiner left the UW in 1971 to teach at Louisiana State University and practice privately, and later accepted an offer to head the endodontics department at UCLA. In 1992, he rejoined the UW Department of Endodontics, becoming an assistant professor and also serving for a time as acting chair. In 1998, he was appointed to the

Washington Dental Service Endowed Chair in Dentistry and began teaching Dental Practice Administration to fourth-year students, which he considered a highlight of his academic career.

As Associate Dean for Student Services, he was known as an accessible and sympathetic sounding board for students. At his retirement reception in 2008,

fourth-year student (now Dr.) Dan Bakko said, "He seemed like someone who could almost be my grandfather. He was engaging and he really took an interest in how things were going, where you were from."

Dr. Steiner later said, "You watch these kids come in green, and four years later, it's dramatic what happens to them," he said. "This place is special."

Colleagues and friends mourned his passing. Said Dr. James C. Mc-Graw (Endo '69), a past president of the Washington State Dental Association: "Jim Steiner was a treasure for his family, his friends, the dental profession and dental education in particular. He possessed a rare mix of compassion, humor, smarts, insight and ability to inspire the best in his students."

Dr. Linda Edgar (('92), President of the Seattle-King County Dental Society, studied pre-doctoral endodontics at the School with Dr. Steiner, who later helped recruit her and husband Bryan ('76) to co-chair the School's recordbreaking Campaign UW: Creating Futures fund-raising drive. She regarded him as an outstandingly positive influence in her life.

Said Dr. Edgar: "Jim was the kind of person whose love for his family and his students and concern for others changes lives forever. He was a positive mentor that I feel so fortunate to have known, and no words can describe the impact he has had on me personally and on our profession and its dentists."

Dr. Gerald Harrington (Endo '69), another iconic figure in our Endodontics department, said, "For all of us who were fortunate enough to have contact with Jim, we are better for having had him as a teacher, mentor and friend."

"He always had an innovative way of thinking about education, and new ways to teach," said Dr. James D. Johnson, Endodontics chair. "His passing leaves a void in our department and a void in the hearts of everyone in endodontics."

Dr. Steiner, who cherished his family, and his dogs, also had an interest in genealogy, which he hoped to spend more time pursuing in retirement. He was also a history buff with a special passion for the Civil War.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline; his children, Nancy, James, William and Christopher; and two grandchildren. ■

### Fund honors Dr. Steiner

An outpouring of support has led to the creation of the James C. Steiner Fund for Student Services and Support, which will be our School's primary student support fund. To help honor Dr. Steiner's memory, go online to www.dental.washington. edu and see the link in the News & Events window.

# continuing dental education

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 8

CE1071: The New Perio Medicine Protocol: Better Patient Outcomes. Better Practice Incomes. Timothy G. Donley, DDS, MSD Edward D. Hansen Conference Center Everett Events Center 2000 Hewitt Ave., Everett, Wash. 7 credit hours

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Designed for dentists,

hygienists and dental

assistants

CE1072: Clinical Grand Rounds in Oral Medicine: Cases of Orofacial Pain. Lesions and Disorders Ed Truelove, DDS, MSD and Oral Medicine Faculty (Limited to 50 participants) Morning: UW Center for Urban Horticulture, NHS Hall 3501 NE 41st St., Seattle Afternoon: UW School of Dentistry, Seattle Oral Medicine Clinic, B-221 7 credit hours Designed for dentists and hygienists

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 30**

CE1074L: Digital Dental Photography (hands-on course) Jason H. Goodchild, DMD UW School of Dentistry, Seattle Saturday AM Lecture: D-209 Saturday PM Lab: D-2 Lab 7 credit hours Designed for dentists, hygienists, and dental assistants

#### FRIDAY, MAY 13

CE1083: Oral Medicine and Women's Health Wendy Hupp, DMD Sheraton Bellevue Hotel 100 112th Ave. NE, Bellevue, Wash. 7 credit hours

Designed for dentists, hygienists and dental assistants

#### FRIDAY, MAY 20

CE1073: Recreational Drugs:

OMG! Windows into our brains?
Bart Johnson, DDS, MS Hotel Deca
4507 Brooklyn Ave. NE, Seattle
7 credit hours
Designed for dentists, hygienists, and dental assistants

For more detailed course information or to register online, visit our website at www.uwcde.com or contact the School of Dentistry CDE office toll-free at 1-866-791-1278, or at 206-543-5449, or e-mail cde@dental. washington.edu.

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#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 21-22

## **CE1084L:** Surgical Periodontics for the General Practitioner (hands-on course)

 ${\bf INSTRUCTORS};$  FRANK A. ROBERTS, DDS, PHD AND I-CHUNG (JOHNNY) WANG, DDS, MPH, MS

This two day hands-on course for the restorative dentist will provide an overview and hands-on training in the latest periodontal methodologies including hard and soft tissue augmentation, clinical crown lengthening procedures, and surgical correction of periodontal defects. Through the use of detailed periodontal disease models with elastic replaceable gingiva (provided for the attendee to keep) the practitioner will explore the various periodontal findings, their diagnoses, and their surgical improvement. Attendees will place bone augmentation and regenerative materials, and they will perform soft tissue grafting, resective surgery, and appropriate suturing techniques. Attendees will need to furnish a limited number of surgical instruments/supplies (and a conventional high-speed handpiece) from a provided list.



# DR. FRANK A. ROBERTS is an Associate Professor and Program Director in the Department of Periodontics at the

University of Washington, as well as the Chief of Periodontics at the Seattle Veterans Administration Medical Center and a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology. Dr. Roberts teaches in both the pre- and post-doctoral dental programs, and his research involves understanding the molecular mechanisms of tooth enamel development, oral health in chronic neutropenia, and biology and imaging of the dental implant.



#### DR. I-CHUNG (JOHNNY) WANG received his dental degree from Chung

Shan Medical and

Dental University in Taichung, Taiwan; his Masters of Public Health from the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Public Health, and his Certificate in Periodontics and Master of Science also from UAB. Dr. Wang is a Clinical Associate Professor in Periodontics at the

University of Washington, was

the Chief of Periodontics at the University of Washington Medical Center, and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology. His research includes quantifying the effects of systemic health on periodontal status and the clinical outcomes of immediate and delayed implant placement and loading.

#### **CREDITS:**

14 hours

#### LOCATION:

UW School of Dentistry, Seattle – D-1 Lab

#### TIMES:

Registration and Continental Breakfast: 8 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Lecture and Lab: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

#### TUITION:

Before May 18: \$999/Participant After May 18: \$1009/Participant (Boxed lunch is included)

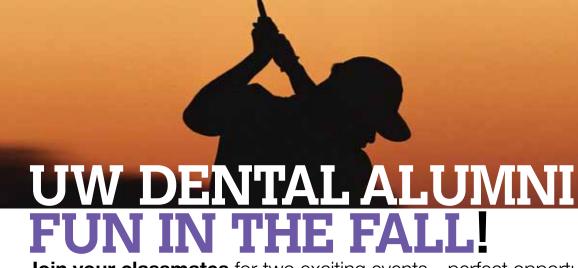
#### LIMITED ATTENDANCE:

This course is limited to 30 participants.

#### **REQUIRED MATERIALS:**

Attendees will need to furnish a limited number of surgical instruments/supplies (and a conventional high-speed handpiece) from a provided list.

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#### UW DENTAL ALUMNI FOOTBALL BRUNCH & GAME

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011

UW Huskies vs. U. of Hawaii Warriors (12:30 p.m.)
Brunch, entertainment, raffle prizes and surprise guests (10 a.m.)
Game and brunch, \$67 per person
Brunch only, \$25 per person
Parking, \$20 per car

I Wing Rotunda UW Health Sciences Center Seattle

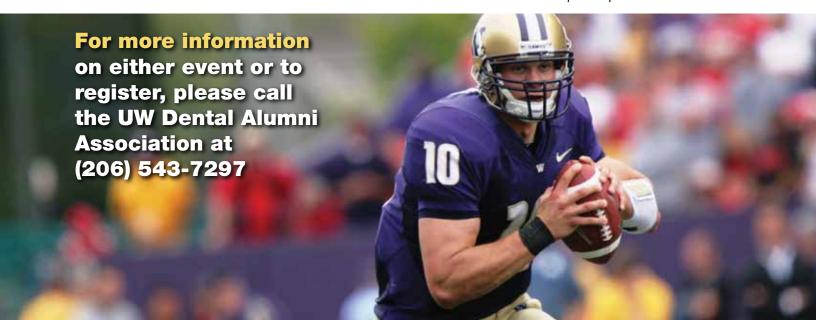
#### UW DENTAL ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, Sept. 16, 2011

Tee time: 12:30 p.m. Chambers Bay Golf Course (Site of 2015 U.S. Open) 6320 Grandview Drive West University Place, Wash.

Four-person scramble format, shotgun start \$149 per person (four people per team) Cost includes greens fees and barbecue dinner Walking only; no golf carts allowed

All are welcome to participate!



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## alumni calendar of events

#### MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011

UW Dental Alumni Full Board Meeting Washington Athletic Club, downtown Seattle 6:30 - 9 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2011

Annual Dean's Club Dinner McCaw Hall, Seattle Center 6 - 10 p.m.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2011

School of Dentistry Graduation Meany Hall 2 - 3:30 p.m. Dental Alumni Reception following

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 10, 2011

Dental Alumni Football Homecoming
UW versus U. of Hawaii Warriors
I Wing Rotunda, Health Sciences Building
Brunch: 10 a.m.

Game: 12:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, SEPT. 16, 2011

Dental Alumni Golf Tournament Chambers Bay Golf Course (Site of 2015 U.S. Open) University Place, Wash. Tee Time: 12:30 p.m.

Barbecue and awards to follow

To register for these or other UW Dental Alumni Association events, please call (206) 543-7297. Information is also available on the School of Dentistry Web site's alumni page at www.dental.washington.edu/alumni/alumni.php.