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UPCOMING EVENTS

FULL BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 18, 2005
Washington Athletic Club
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

BITE OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by the Dental Students
Saturday, April 23, 2005
Eaglemont Golf Course
Mt. Vernon, WA
Tee Time: 12:30 pm

UW SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY TALENT SHOW

Saturday, April 30, 2005
HUB Auditorium
7:00 pm

DEAN'S CLUB DINNER

Saturday, May 7, 2005
Fairmont Olympic Hotel
Spanish Ballroom
Downtown Seattle
6:00 pm – 9:30 pm

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY SPRING BARBEQUE

Saturday, May 21, 2005
UW Waterfront Activities Center
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY GRADUATION

Saturday, June 4, 2005
UW Meany Hall
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DENTAL CONFERENCE

Thursday and Friday, July 14-15, 2005
Washington State Convention Center
7:00 am – 5:00 pm both days

7TH ANNUAL DENTAL ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, September 23, 2005
Washington National Golf Course
Auburn, WA
Tee Time: 8 am

Join us for Washington Weekend

April 21-23, 2005

The University of Washington's first campus-wide block party! We'll be featuring department open houses, class reunions, live entertainment, tours of university facilities and lots more.

There's something for the entire family, from the spring football game to the campus art walk. We sure hope you'll come to campus, make yourself at home, and discover all the great things happening right here in your backyard. Come celebrate all the UW has to offer!

'Come Together Washington' Celebrates UW Advancements, Kicks Off Public Phase of 'Campaign UW: Creating Futures'

"A University does not stand apart from the world, but in deep connection to it," proclaimed Mr. William H. Gates ('49, '50), UW Foundation Chair and "Campaign UW: Creating Futures" General Chair. On October 15, 2004, many representatives from the University of Washington and the community took part in "Come Together Washington", a celebration to honor all who have played a role in advancing the future of the University of Washington, and the contributions made by UW to our region and our world.

His remarks dazzled an already captivated crowd, which was treated to comments by Hubert P. Locke, Professor and Dean Emeritus of the UW Evans School of Public Affairs and the Master of Ceremonies; UW President Mark Emmert, giving his largest address since taking office last year and Bill Gates III, Co-Founder of Microsoft Corporation and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

And while the threat of rain may have been light for an October evening, the feeling of the room was heavy with anticipation of hearing from Bill Gates III, the celebration's first keynote speaker. The audience was captivated by Gates' subsequent story of his personal and professional relationship with the University. Gates shared with the audience stories of UW graduates who had developed the technique for smallpox vaccination, engineered a vaccine for Hepatitis B and pioneered the design of jet planes and spacecraft. "The UW is (also) home to Dr. Linda Buck, who won this year's Nobel Prize in Physiology or

Medicine two weeks ago. She was born in Seattle, earned degrees at the UW, and is a professor here now. This is world-class hometown talent." The audience responded with thunderous applause. "But the most important point to remember here," said Gates, "... The UW can't keep sustaining us unless we keep supporting the UW."


UW President Mark Emmert was the second keynote address of the evening. The University of Washington's 31st president, and 1975 UW graduate, took center stage to summarize what was already evident from the expression on his face: "This stage, at this university, with this community of people, is by far the most exciting and gratifying place I could possibly be at this moment in my life..." Touching on themes of partnerships, high academic standards and the challenges of our time Emmert concluded, "The University of Washington will focus, not on what it can become, but on what it can do — how our faculty, students and alumni can channel the UW's incredible intellectual riches toward creating a wiser, healthier, more prosperous, and more humane society." Emmert returned to his seat, and a standing ovation.

Mr. William H. Gates, the final keynote speaker of the evening, described by Locke as the individual who "has done more to contribute to the University than any other single citizen." spoke that evening as the "Campaign UW: Creating Futures" General Chair. "I am full of pride for all that tonight represents: A true coming together — with our shared belief that the work that we do today,

tomorrow and every day has profound implications for our future," Gates observed.

And as quickly as it had begun, the evening concluded with an invitation: for each guest to share the ideas heard on the podium, and to inspire others to join with us in hope that we "Come Together Washington."

Since July of 2000, the University-wide campaign, "Campaign UW: Creating Futures", has raised more than half of the UW's \$2 billion goal. The UW School of Dentistry seeks to raise support for endowed chairs and other faculty support, scholarships and loans, the Center for Early Childhood Oral Health (CECOH), building renovations, and funds for uncompensated care and community service. To date, the School of Dentistry has raised more than \$9 million.

More information on the University of Washington School of Dentistry can be found online: www.dental.washington.edu 

Edgars' Pledge \$250,000 for Endowed Professorship In Restorative Dentistry

BY DANA ROBINSON SLOTE
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Bryan C. Edgar, D.D.S. and Linda J. Edgar, D.D.S., are one of the Seattle-area's most successful and influential couples in the dental profession. This husband-and-wife team have been practicing general dentistry together in Federal Way for the past thirteen years, and are renowned not only for their comprehensive approach to dental care, but also for their tireless role as leaders in oral health. They are also recognized for their resolute financial support to the education of future dentists in Washington State.

As graduates of the UW School of Dentistry, Linda and Bryan Edgar represent the best of our alumni support. In 2004 the Edgars pledged \$250,000 for a professorship to the School of Dentistry that will help ensure our ability to recruit and retain the best and brightest faculty.

In November 2000, after completing the School of Dentistry 50th Anniversary Campaign they kicked off "Campaign UW: Creating Futures," with their pledge of \$110,000. These funds combined will enable our school's students to improve their abilities as clinicians.

"I am overwhelmed by the Edgar's ongoing generosity and support," said Martha Somerman, Dean, UW School of Dentistry. "This pledge is yet another demonstration of their wonderful commitment to our profession, and their leadership in making this pledge will help to ensure the legacy of the UW School of Dentistry as one of the great dental schools." added Somerman.

Pledging more than a quarter of a million dollars may seem like an ambitious goal, but it comes as no surprise to those who know the Edgars.

"We get tremendous rewards out of making a difference," said Linda. And while gifts of this magnitude provide the School of Dentistry with an incredible opportunity to make precisely that kind of difference, one's gift need not be as monumental as the Edgars', nor donated all at once.

"When Bryan and I were approached about gifting back I wasn't aware that you could pledge a large gift and pay it each month over a long period of time," Linda said earnestly. "For our family, this made our donation – that will live on long after us – easier to manage," she added. Consider the Edgars' "Crown A Month" concept, one which they use as a catalyst to encourage others to donate as well: Each month the Edgars suggest a "gift back" of the equivalent of one procedure each month to their alma mater. "By donating \$1,000 each month, over five years (or 60 months) that gift quickly grows into a \$60,000!" proclaimed Linda.

With the help of the Edgars, and many other generous supporters, the School of Dentistry seeks to engage other alumni, friends and family to raise support for endowed chairs and other faculty support, scholarships and loans, the Center for Early Childhood Oral Health (CECOH), building renovations and funds for uncompensated care and community service. To date, the School of Dentistry has raised more than \$9 million.

Without a doubt, the Edgars' prioritization of "gifting back" serves as a venerated example. The Edgars' financial support – and that of each of our friends, family and alumni — is imperative to creating that future of excellence for our

students, for our faculty and for our profession.

The University of Washington School of Dentistry is fortunate to be the recipients of the Edgars' remarkable generosity of time, talent and resources. The UW School of Dentistry is grateful for their outstanding service to the profession and for their willingness to continue to serve us in the coming years and beyond.

Bryan and Linda Edgar live and practice in Federal Way. Drs. Linda and Bryan Edgar are also available by phone: (253) 838-9333. Dr. Bryan Edgar's email address is edgardds@earthlink.net. Dr. Linda Edgar can also be contacted via email: drledgar@earthlink.net.

If you have questions about donating to the School of Dentistry please contact Alex O'Neill at the University of Washington School of Dentistry's Office of Development by phone: (206) 543-6017 or via email: alexo@u.washington.edu. More information about the UW School of Dentistry is available online: www.dental.washington.edu. Additional information about "Campaign UW: Creating Futures" is also available online: www.uwfoundation.org. 📧



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MARK DRANGSHOLT

Dentists, like most people, find that their life goes through different passages or phases. After dental school, most effort is on beginning a practice, becoming self-sufficient, usually finding a mate, starting a family, and paying off student loans. Next, the focus is commonly on building the practice, the family and wealth. After a few decades of practice, when these goals and needs are close to fulfillment, many begin to search and question their original life decisions, and ponder if there is more to life.

Now, twenty one years after graduation from dental school, I see that many of my classmates, midstream in their passage, do wonder if there is more they can do in their life to make a contribution to humankind. A growing number of dentists have gone on missions to developing countries to provide free dental care. Others are active in dental societies or providing free or low cost services to people in our own state. Some participate in non-dental organizations, churches or schools. But an even larger group, in my estimation, feel compelled to do something outside of their dental practice, and possibly out of their "comfort zone," and they are unsure how to do it – how to make that contribution, how to "give back" to society in a measurable, concrete way.

To answer this question, I say – consider your great, alma mater, University of Washington. We are educating the dentists and dental leaders of tomorrow. We are on the forefront of groundbreaking research in basic and clinical sciences. We provide important services such as continuing dental education, outreach and care for underserved and complex patients. The multiplier effect of teaching, with each student treating thousands of patients in their life, compared to practice, is 50 fold; for research, with any positive effect potentially affecting six billion people for untold years, the effect can be infinite. You can participate in this awesome mission that your School and University partakes in numerous ways: teach part-time in one of the clinical programs, serve as a mentor to one of our fine dental students, participate on committees that need community representation, or give to one of many deserving programs, such as endowments for faculty positions, scholarships or building renovation.

Perhaps the most enduring and endearing memory I will have after stepping down as alumni president is seeing other UW dental alumni, not wealthy by any means, stretching to give substantial amounts of their hard-earned money to the School to fund specific programs, because they know and believe that it will help the School and society. As you pass through your life, and decide at some point to "give back," think of the School of Dentistry. You may find surprising the great feeling of satisfaction it can bring to you. 🐻

Mark Drangsholt



Mark Drangsholt
Class of 1984



President Mark Drangsholt
addresses the crowd at the
Dental Alumni Football
Homecoming Luncheon.

Washington Dental Service Announces \$250,000 Gift to Establish Endowed Professorship



WDS President and CEO Jim Dwyer.

As donors to the UW School of Dentistry, the Washington Dental Service (WDS) represents the best of our corporate community supporters: last fall, the WDS announced a \$250,000 gift to establish

the WDS Professorship in Dentistry. This gift was also matched with \$125,000 from the University of Washington's Matching Initiative, bringing their total gift to \$375,000.

Their generous donation will provide permanent funding to attract or retain a distinguished faculty member who shows great promise as a leader in oral health programs. Together, these funds have enabled our dental students to improve their ability as clinicians, said Martha Somerman, Dean, UW School of Dentistry. Thanks in large part to the generosity of the WDS the UW School of Dentistry will remain one of the top dental schools in the nation, she added.

"The first person to fill this position will be a faculty member recognized by his or her peers as a scholar with exceptional promise in providing the dental profession with education and research on issues related to children's oral health," said Somerman. The endowed professorship has been designed to reward an individual with a focus of research on oral health and susceptibility to oral diseases, with the long-term goal of reducing and ulti-

mately eliminating oral health disparities in the Pacific Northwest.


The professorship reflects the ongoing commitment of Delta Dental/ Washington Dental Service toward excellence in oral health care, continued research with oral health disparities, and education at the pre-doctoral, post-doctoral, and practitioner levels. "Washington Dental Service's commitment to improve the oral health of the citizens of Washington State has continued to grow throughout our 50-year history," said WDS President and CEO Jim Dwyer. "We are excited about continuing our partnership with the University of Washington School of Dentistry in creating this professorship with great expectations that focused research and education will lead to significant advancements in oral health in our community and beyond," added Dwyer.

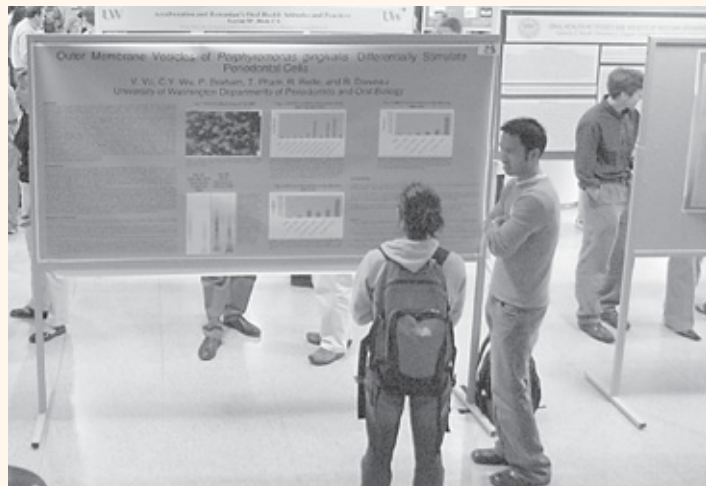
The establishment of this professorship is yet another example of ongoing collaboration between the two institutions, which also includes the wide use of WDS datasets in clinical dental research projects. Last September, Dr. Paul Robertson, dean emeritus, president of the International Association for Dental Research and the 2002- 2004 Washington Dental Service Distinguished Professor in Dentistry, and many faculty and staff participated in "Research Day 2004".

The day-long event, hosted by Dr. Robertson, offered an overview of the "heart" of the partnership and afforded listeners an opportunity to learn more about the use of the data warehouse created by the WDS in

1993 to store data on dental patient visits.

Dr. Robertson and others described the practical applications and use of WDS datasets and included presentations by Dr. Philippe Hujoel who described a study for which the WDS dataset was able to provide him more than 29,000 matching cases; Dr. David Grembowski, outlined three separate studies—the first from 1995, the last ending in 2004—for which Dr. Grembowski used WDS data to track a paradigm shift in dentists' approach to caries; Dr. Greg Huang, who described some of the pitfalls he discovered when tracking patterns of orthodontic care in the WDS data, and explained how he was able to avoid them; and, Dr. Tiina Oviir who was able to show the results of a study in which she used the WDS data to view cases of direct and indirect pulp capping, and determine the percentage of each in which the tooth was ultimately extracted.

WDS, a non-profit organization and the State's oldest and largest provider of prepaid dental benefits, pioneered dental coverage in 1954 at a time when most people considered tooth decay inevitable and private insurers considered dental coverage too risky. Washington Dental Service is a laureate of the University of Washington, with overall giving of more than \$2 million. 



DEAN'S COLUMN

It looks like spring is about to arrive, and with it, nature's promise of renewed growth and vigor is ready to be fulfilled.

As I reflect on this past year, it is with great pride that I write to tell you about our own growth and fulfillment at the School of Dentistry.

The year was off to a great start, thanks to Drs. Linda and Bryan Edgars \$250K pledge (read more on page 4).

In 1946, as a result of an initiative of the Washington State Dental Association (WSDA), the University of Washington School of Dentistry welcomed its first graduating class. Forty-four students in all, full of hope, and eager to embrace the School's mission — to provide exceptional education, ground-breaking research and outstanding community service — began what was to become a journey to excellence.

Now, almost sixty years later, we continue to accomplish that mission. Today, the University of Washington School of Dentistry is ranked among the top dental schools nationally. In little more than half a century we've grown into a premier dental school that's recognized across the country and around the world. Our students have performed exceptionally well in national boards, in research competitions and in widespread community activities. The faculty has been awarded new prominence in their achievements and reputation, and our staff continues their outstanding support of all school functions.

But these accomplishments did not happen independently.

Many of you have been long-time supporters of our School. To those of you who have given your time, money and other resources we thank you sincerely. You are the reason for our growth and success. Truly, your legacy of involvement over many years is a large part of what makes this School so special.

But there remains a great deal of work before us and we must turn to our own community to help us complete this work, to sustain our accomplishments and to create a future of excellence.

University of Washington President Mark Emmert recently addressed faculty members at a gathering I attended. He said, excellence is not a condition that sustains itself independently of our intervention and resources. This point needs to be emphasized, especially during a time when we are increasingly challenged to do more with fewer dollars.

Your continued financial support is imperative to creating a future for our students, for our faculty and for our profession. In October, many faculty, staff and students from the University of Washington and members of the community took part in "Come Together Washington", a celebration of the contributions made by UW students, faculty and staff to our region and our world. "Come Together Washington" increased awareness of the University's partnership with the community and honored all who have played — and will play — a role in advancing the future of the University.

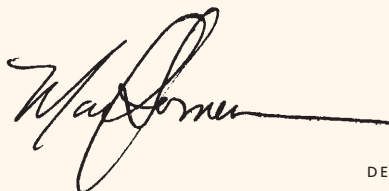
At that celebration it was announced that since July 2000, "Campaign UW: Creating Futures", the University-wide campaign has raised more than half of the University's \$2 billion goal. Each college and school, including the School of Dentistry, seeks to engage alumni, friends, and family to partner with us to achieve our goals. At the School of Dentistry, we are raising support for endowed chairs and other faculty support, scholarships and loans, the Center for Early Childhood Oral Health (CECOH), building renovations, upgrading the research laboratories and funding for uncompensated care and community service.

Over time, the UW School of Dentistry has advanced the frontiers of dentistry, provided superior oral health care in our clinics and, through our outreach activities, has prepared thousands of students to be excellent dental professionals. Indeed, we have much to be proud of.

But we must continue to work together to succeed in making our School a more modern facility — one that fosters the highest level of clinical education and research, with cutting-edge facilities for students and faculty, and one where patients are served in an environment that is welcoming and efficient. The needs are many and urgent.

During this phase of "Campaign UW: Creating Futures" we look to you to help us meet the School's most critical of needs, so that we can continue to grow to even newer heights of excellence.

We should all be proud of our outstanding history. With your continued involvement and a successful "Campaign UW: Creating Futures", we can look forward to a future that will even be more distinguished. 🍀



Martha J. Somerman, Dean

Dental Hygienists Invited to Join UW Dental Alumni Association

At the April 2004 UW Dental Alumni Association Full Board meeting, a motion was passed to include dental hygienists as part of the Dental Alumni Association. According to association president, Mark Drangsholt, DDS, "Thanks to the work of several unrelenting dental hygiene supporters, beginning January 1, 2005, all dental hygiene baccalaureate degree holders from the University of Washington may join the Dental Alumni Association as full alumni members with representation to the board. As the current president of the Dental Alumni Association, I encourage all hygiene graduates to become active members of the association."

Diane Daubert ('82), dental hygienist in the graduate periodontics clinic of the UW School of Dentistry, said, "I had been kept apprised of the progress on this issue for over a year by Mark Drangsholt, who was the major force behind this. As a 1982 graduate of the UW School of Den-

tistry with a BS in dental hygiene, I am thrilled by this development. There are many hygienists in the area who received a great education here and are now able to be a full member in the alumni association. I am happy to be recognized as a viable member of the dental community of the University of Washington."

Patty Doyle ('65), Dr. Amanda Tavoularis, past president of the Dental Alumni Association; and Norma Wells ('58), director of undergraduate dental hygiene education and associate professor, Dental Public Health Sciences; were among the many who played key roles in making membership a reality for UW dental hygiene baccalaureate degree holders. Says Wells, "Congratulations Mark and the Board for this milestone. Now, all dental hygiene bachelor of science degree graduates from 1952 to present may be welcomed into the School's alumni association." 🍷



Steve Hardymon, Executive Director of the WSDA, and his wife Sandy attended our reception. On the same night, a reception was held for Steve Hardymon as he received an honorary membership from the American Dental Association. Congratulations Steve!

ADA Reception in Orlando

Fifty alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends of the University of Washington School of Dentistry attended the Alumni Reception in Orlando, Florida at the American Dental Association Annual Session. Dr. Robert O'Neal, Associate Dean, and his wife PD were the hosts for the event held at the Marriott Grande Lakes Orlando Hotel on October 2nd. 🍷



Dr. Joel Berg and Dr. Mark Drangsholt at the reception.



Dr. Mark Walker talks to other guests.



Deanna Fraker, PD O'Neal, Ross Fraker, and Robert O'Neal.



Dr. Bryan Edgar, Dr. Robert O'Neal and Dr. Linda Edgar.



The reception served as a fun gathering of friends.



6th Annual Dental Alumni Golf Tournament

The 6th Annual UW Dental Alumni Golf Tournament was held on Friday, September 24, 2004 at Trilogy Golf Course at Redmond Ridge. Fifty of our alumni participated and had a great time. The day started off with thick fog and made the first few holes very interesting. Then the fog cleared and it became a beautiful warm day.

This is the second year that Trilogy has been open and our second year playing the course. Most felt it was a very enjoyable course to play and offered unique challenges. After golf, the group enjoyed a barbeque lunch and awards ceremony. Mark Grace ('94) was again the organizer and chair of the event. 🏆



Marv Grossman and Mark Grace '94.



Craig Anderson '71 and Mark Grace '94.



Class of 1971 is congratulated by Mark Grace '94.



Luncheon at Trilogy Golf Club.

2004 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Long Drive Winner (Hole # 18)	Dan Thacker	Class of 1984
Closest to the Pin (Hole #4)	Craig Anderson	Class of 1971
Closest to the Pin (Hole #12)	Marv Grossman	
Class Competition – 1st place	Mike Doyle	Class of 1971
	Dennis Miya	Class of 1971
	Gary Lincome	Class of 1971
	Craig Anderson	Class of 1971
Class Competition – 2nd place	Dave Richardson	Class of 1982
	Steve Bean	Class of 1982
	Louis Cheung	Class of 1982
	Adam Fettig	Class of 1982
1st Place Overall	Dan Thacker	Class of 1984
	Brian Mayer	Class of 1984
	Tracy Quickstad	Class of 1984
	Tom Quickstad	Class of 1984

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WSDA, School of Dentistry Mentor Reception

The Washington State Dental Association (WSDA), the School of Dentistry and the UW Dental Alumni Association sponsored the Mentor Reception on Friday, October 8, 2004. The event was held at the Center for Urban Horticulture and drew 175 alumni dentists, students and friends of the School of Dentistry.

The purpose of the reception is to have an event where students can meet the dentists who serve as their mentors. The goal of the WSDA and the School of Dentistry is to have each dental student assigned to a dentist in the community

that they can meet, get to know, visit their office, and feel comfortable asking the many questions and concerns that they have in preparing to be a practicing dentist.

A short program featured WSDA President Larry Lawton, Dean Martha Somerman, UW Dental Alumni President Mark Drangsholt, and Student Council President Chris Piper. 🍷

If you are interested in being a mentor to a dental student, please call Amanda Tran at the WSDA at (206) 448-1914.



Beginning A Practice, Practice Opportunities Program

The UW Dental Alumni Association sponsored the Beginning A Practice/Practice Opportunities Program for 3rd and 4th year dental students on Wednesday, January 26, 2005 at the Center for Urban Horticulture. This program is held every two years and helps the students understand the many options that they have when they graduate. Seventy-five dental students and their guests attended the event which consisted of a buffet dinner, program, and discussions with speakers and representatives from a variety of practice opportunities.

Ross Drangsholt ('92) was chair and Master of Ceremonies for the evening. The first part of the evening was the "Beginning A Practice" program. Alumni speakers who participated were Carrie York '91, Reid Winkler '98, Mark Drangsholt '84, Sherwin Shinn '74, and Michael Martin '97. They talked about their experiences in being an associate, going into the military, deciding to do a specialty, a GPR, Public Health, academics and research, or to buy a practice. They shared the do's and don'ts of the choices they made and how each student needs to find what path will make them happy.

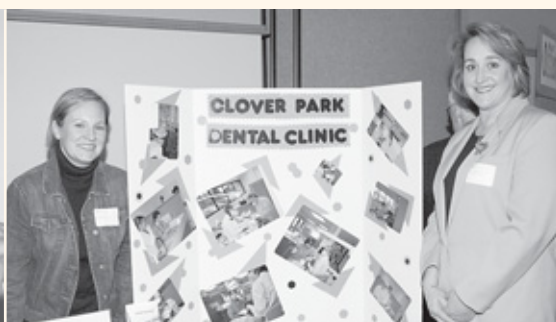
"THIS EVENT WAS PERHAPS THE MOST USEFUL AND NEEDED EVENT I HAVE ATTENDED. I DERIVED A LOT OF INFORMATION FROM IT, AND MADE SOME GREAT CONTACTS. IT HELPED ME QUITE A BIT."

— DANNY EGHTEDAR, '05

The second half of the program involved the practice opportunities. Joining the students were Sheryl Fowler of Willamette Dental, Dr. Ken Kirsch of Western Dental Services, Debra Lewandowski of Cloverpark Dental Clinic, Natalie Gonzalez of the Department of Health, Amy Chang and Karla Clark with the Northwest

Regional Primary Care Association, Juno Whittaker with the WA Primary Care Office representing the National Health Service Corp and Chris Wilkins with the State Loan Repayment Program. Each

participant introduced themselves and then the students had the opportunity to move around the room and talk to each practice opportunity. The most valuable part of the evening was the ability to ask questions and talk to the alumni speakers and also the representatives from the practice opportunities. It helped the students realize that they have many options when they graduate and to explore those options. 🍷



Michael D. Spektor, DDS (Perio '79) Wendy S. Spektor, DDS ('82)

BY RANDY NEWQUIST, DIR., A.R.

**"If I am not for myself, then who will be for me?
And if I am only for myself, then what am I?
And if not now, when?"**

RABBI HILLEL

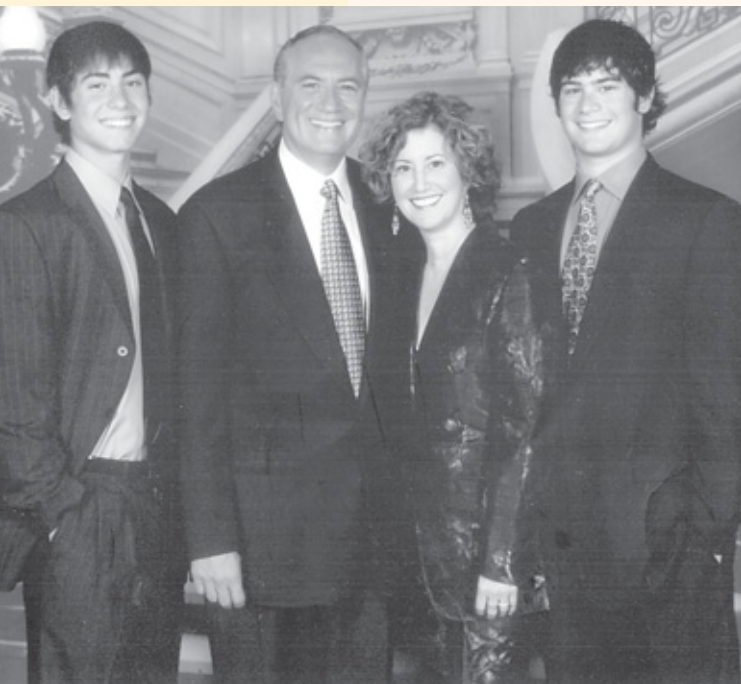
This famous saying from Rabbi Hillel, recorded in Pirkei Avot, has always been an inspiration to Drs. Michael and Wendy Spektor. Rabbi Hillel was known for his kindness, his gentleness and his concern for humanity. The Spektors have taken

his message to heart and used it as their source of inspiration in giving back to the people and community around them.

Dr. Michael Spektor received his certificate degree in Periodontics from the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 1979. Dr. Wendy Spektor received her

very supportive of each other as they balance their busy schedules involving family, work and community involvement. Wendy appreciated that Michael was so encouraging. He always stressed being positive, getting out of the box and broadening her education. As a result, Wendy has always enjoyed the "nuts and bolts" type of dentistry with an aesthetic flair and she has built an excellent reputation in her practice.

Michael taught full-time at the UW School of Dentistry for two years and then taught half time for fifteen years. Early on he worked with the undergraduate students and also the degree completion program for hygiene students. Later he worked with the graduate students and was also involved in a practice management course for the senior dental students. He has had a periodontic and implant private practice in Bellevue since 1981.

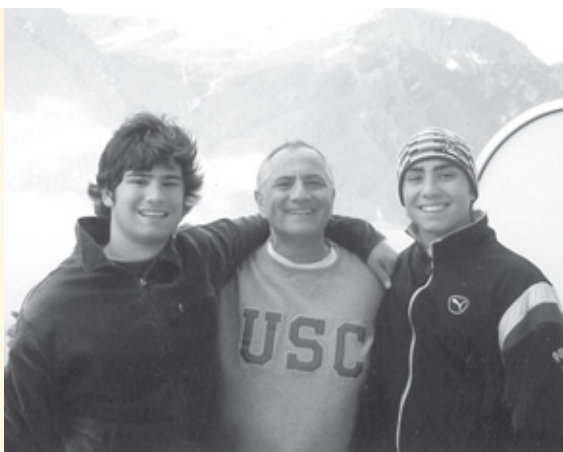


L to R, Spektor family – Jeremy, Michael, Wendy and Jordan.

D.D.S. degree from the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 1982. They met in 1978 when Michael was a graduate student in periodontics at the School of Dentistry and Wendy was a first year dental student. They were married and have had a true partnership ever since. Both are



Michael and Wendy biking around the Mendenhall Glacier in Alaska.



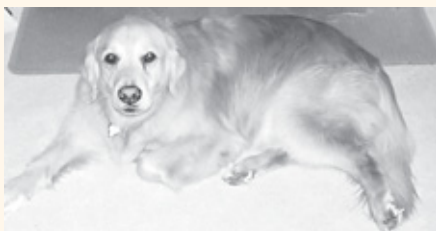
L to R, Jordan, Michael and Jeremy in Alaska.

Wendy served as an independent contractor when she graduated in 1982. Volunteering and getting involved were ways she built her leadership skills and helped her dental practice grow. Wendy organized the Washington State Association for Women Dentists. Even though the organization no longer exists, she felt it served an important purpose

in drawing women dentists together for support in the early years. Wendy has years of involvement in causes such as the YWCA Battered Women's Shelter, the Seattle Guild of Juvenile Diabetes and the American Academy of University Women

Mentoring Program to interest and keep young women ages 11-19 in the sciences. Wendy is a model for women who choose to excel, blending career, community leadership and family. Currently she is the Seattle Chapter President of the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity.

Michael served as the editor of the Seattle-King Dental Journal from 1984-85. He has served on the Seattle-King Dental Society Board and on the WSDA Communications and Marketing Committee. Both he and Wendy have been highly involved in the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity for Jewish Dentists. He served as President of the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle for two years. He was on the National Board of the United Jewish Communities. He is the Vice Chair of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee for Washington State. He has been involved in the Washington State Holocaust Resource Center which works with holocaust education in Washington State for grades 6-12. He also has been involved in political fundraising.



The dog Roxi Spektor.

Both Wendy and Michael are involved in grassroots lobbying for dentistry as members of DentPAC and AdPAC. They have traveled to Washington D.C. for training and spending time educating legislators on dental issues as well as fundraising for political campaigns of those who are sensitive to the needs and concerns of the dental profession. They find this is an excellent vehicle to protect the profession of dentistry and the well being of their patients.

Even with busy lives in the dentistry field and serving in the community, the Spektors feel their top priority is their family. They reside in Mercer Island, Washington. They have two wonderful sons. Jordan is nineteen and a sophomore at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Jeremy is seventeen and a junior at Mercer Island High School. They also have a golden retriever named Roxi. The Spektors enjoy spending time

together as a family, taking family trips together and doing fun activities together.

In their free time, Michael enjoys being involved in a softball league, the Seattle Mariners, golf, reading and enjoying the arts such as theatre and the symphony. Wendy enjoys her family, speaking,

marketing, fashion, reading and volunteering.

The Spektors are being honored by the Seattle Chapter of Hadassah on May 5, 2005 for their leadership, generosity and hard work on behalf of the Seattle community. The Gala will raise funds for the Hadassah Maxillofacial Dental Clinic for victims of terrorism.

When you are near Drs. Michael and Wendy Spektor, you realize they are both passionate about giving back to the greater community. They give their time, money and deeds to those passions that they feel will make the world a better place. They are examples to all of us of how Rabbi Hillel would want all to be. Drs. Michael and Wendy Spektor are an inspiration to me and to all who know them. 🌟



Michael and Wendy Spektor.

Dr. Vincent G. Kokich ('71, Ortho '74) Chosen As 2005 Distinguished Alumnus Recipient



Dr. Vincent G. Kokich has been selected by the Board of Trustees of the University of Washington Dental Alumni Association to receive its Distinguished Alumnus Award. The Award was established to recognize

individual alumna, who by their professional achievements and contributions, have distinguished themselves, enhanced the profession, improved the welfare of the general public and brought honor to their alma mater.

The award will be presented at the University of Washington School of Dentistry's 21st Annual Dean's Club Dinner to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2005. Please join us in honoring Dr. Vincent G. Kokich.

Dr. Kokich has had a distinguished career in the field of dentistry. As a student at the University of Washington's School of Dentistry, Dr. Kokich earned his D'DS in 1971 followed by his MS and Certificate in Orthodontics in 1974. Today, Dr. Kokich serves as a Professor in the Department of Orthodontics at the University of Washington and runs a private orthodontic practice in Tacoma, Washington. During his career, he has published 19 book chapters, 68 scientific articles, and 48 review articles and has given over 600 presentations throughout North

and South America, Europe, Africa, Australia and Asia.

Dr. Kokich's excellence in his field is evident through his many awards, which include the Sicher Research Award by the American Association of Orthodontists, the Strang Award (1994), the Schluger Award (2000), the ICO Award (2001), the Dewel Award (2002), and the AAED President's Award for Teaching Excellence (2004). He has presented several distinguished lectures, including The Salzmann and The Mershon Lectures for the American Association of Orthodontists, The McIntyre Lecture for the Canadian Association of Orthodontists and the President's Lecture for the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists. He has been elected to Fellowship in both the American College of Dentists and the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Dr. Kokich's accomplishments also include the position of Editor of Case Reports for the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, Associate Editor of The Angle Orthodontist, and Associate Editor of Practical Reviews in Orthodontics. He serves on the Advisory Board of the Journal of Esthetic Dentistry, the Editorial Boards of Seminars in Orthodontics, Clinical Orthodontics and Research, Dental Traumatology, and The Australian Orthodontic Journal. Dr. Kokich has also served as President of the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and the American Board of Orthodontics.

It will be a distinct privilege to honor Dr. Vincent G. Kokich with the University of Washington Dental Alumni 2005 Distinguished Alumnus Award on Saturday, May 7, 2005. Please join us in celebrating his many contributions to the School and the profession on this special occasion. 🍷

The Twenty First Annual Dean's Club Dinner and 2005 Distinguished Alumnus Presentation

at the

Fairmont Olympic Hotel
411 University Street
Downtown Seattle, Seattle, WA

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 7, 2005

Special Guests of Honor:

VINCENT G. KOKICH, DDS, MSD,

2005 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

RICHARD P. FERGUSON, DDS, MSD

2005 DEAN'S CLUB HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARD

The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres and no-host beverages
6:00pm

Dinner and program begin at 7:15pm



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I wish to attend the 21st Annual Dean's Club
Dinner on Saturday, May 7, 2005.

I enclose \$ _____ for _____ people. (\$80/per person)

Name _____ Dinner Selection _____

Guest _____ Dinner Selection _____

DINNER SELECTIONS

- A. Prawns wrapped in Prosciutto
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- C. Sheep's Cheese Ravioli (Vegetarian)

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I have enclosed \$80/per student for this purpose.
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student at the dinner. I have enclosed \$80/per student
for this purpose.



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Dr. Stephen Bayne explains the topic of Dental Bio-Materials.



Dean Martha Somerman talks about Regeneration of Teeth and the Periodontium.



Dr. Max Anderson speaking on Future Trends in Dental Benefits



Dr. Kenneth Anusavice, Sandi Anusavice, Marj Robertson, and Charles Bolender, the first distinguished professor.

Distinguished Professor in Dentistry Symposium

The Fifth Washington Dental Service Foundation Distinguished Professor in Dentistry Symposium was held in Seattle on Friday and Saturday, November 5-6, 2004 at the Seattle Waterfront Marriott Hotel. Dr. Paul B. Robertson, the Washington Dental Service Distinguished Professor in Dentistry from 2002-2004, was responsible for carrying out this symposium along with help from a committee that he appointed.

The topic of the symposium was "Clinical Dental Practice: Current and Future Trends." The speakers at the two-day program were Dr. Maxwell H. Anderson, Dr. Kenneth J. Anusavice, Dr. Stephen C. Bayne, Dr. Harold L. Crossley, Dr. Kenneth S.

Kornman, Dr. Roy C. Page, Dr. Martha J. Somerman, and Dr. Margaret M. Walsh. The symposium focused on: diagnostic testing for oral disease, periodontal risk assessment, smoking prevention and cessation, control of dental caries, regeneration of teeth and periodontium, future of dental biomaterials,

pharmacological issues in dentistry, and reimbursement policies on dental practice. The four moderators on the program were Dr. Paul B. Robertson, Dr. Carrie K. York, Dr. Mark V. Walker and Dr. Linda J. Edgar.

Four hundred people attended the symposium and enjoyed a feast of topics and learning. It was a wonderful gathering for attendees to see their friends in the dental community and to enjoy talking to each other.

A special thank you to the Washington Dental Service Foundation and also Kaiser Permanente and Permanente Dental Associates, P.C. for providing generous financial support to this symposium. 🐾



Dr. John Liu, Dr. Karl Ake Omnell (the 2nd distinguished professor in dentistry), Dr. Lena Omnell, and Dr. Carrie York.



Dr. Paul Robertson, the 5th distinguished professor in dentistry.



Dr. Paul Robertson addressing speakers and committee at dinner.



Dr. Sam Dworkin (the 4th distinguished professor in dentistry), Dr. Mark Walker, and Dr. Roy Page (the 3rd distinguished professor in dentistry).

Director of Development Appointed to School of Dentistry



Alex O'Neill

In October, 2004 **Alex O'Neill** assumed the post of Executive Director of Development, Alumni Relations and CDE for the School of Dentistry. O'Neill previously served at

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, first as Director of Guilds and Special Events, and most recently as Director of Major Gifts. She comes to the UW School of Dentistry with fifteen years of fundraising and non-profit leadership experience, and spent the last seven years raising money for cancer research. Other positions she has held include Director of Development and Community Relations for Medina Children's Services and a similar position at Merrywood School in Seattle. Prior to returning to her native Northwest, she was also District Director for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Phoenix.

"I am thrilled at the prospect of fundraising for a dental school with such a stellar reputation," said O'Neill. "The opportunity to participate in the effort to further improve the UW School of Dentistry is something I am eagerly looking forward to," she added.

O'Neill will lead the campaign for the School of Dentistry during "Campaign UW: Creating Futures," a University-wide campaign to raise \$2 billion for the seventeen schools and colleges that make up the three UW campuses in Seattle, Tacoma and Bothell. The School of Dentistry has already raised more than \$9 million. The funds raised during this campaign will pay for a remodel of clinics and labs, student scholarships, faculty support and other dentistry programs.

Also joining the development staff at the

School of Dentistry is Associate Director of Development **Christina Harrison** and Director of Communications **Dana Robinson Slote**. Christina Harrison's background includes more than fifteen years of experience in non-profit fundraising and management in the Pacific Northwest. She has worked as the Director of Corporate Development and Director of Major Gifts for KCTS Public Television, as well as Development Director for the state field office of the National Audubon Society. She has been on board since mid December.

Director of Communications Dana Robinson Slote is the newest addition to the staff. She brings more than eight years of media relations and public affairs expertise to the School of Dentistry. Prior to joining the School of Dentistry, Robinson Slote provided communications and marketing know-how to a host of government entities and non-profit organizations and most recently worked as Communications Director for the 2004 Seattle Public School Levy Campaign. 🐾



Christina Harrison



Dana Robinson Slote

STUDENT PROFILE

Jennifer Palm



When our dental students leave the School to join the world of dental professionals, by what criteria would we judge their success while studying dentistry? Did

they focus and get all they could out of their didactic and clinic education? Were they active in the American Student Dental Association? As upper class students, did they mentor incoming students? Were they active in programs offered to students by the Washington State Dental Association (WSDA) and other professional dental organizations?

In all these categories, Jennifer Palm ('05), is a tremendous success.

On January 28, WSDA Dental Legislative Day, Jennifer took the lead in organizing UW School of Dentistry students to travel to Olympia with WSDA members to meet with legislators and talk about current dental legislative issues. This will be Jennifer's fourth year working on this project and she is very pleased that this year, UW dental students have been able to set up even more appointments with legislators than last year. "This project," says Jennifer, "is a good way to train students to start taking a leadership roll." She says that the WSDA has recognized the importance of involving students early in their dental school career and just recently changed their constitution to allow a student member. As a result, Jennifer is now on the DentPAC board, the political action committee for the WSDA. "We have mutual goals, the American Student Dental Association and the WSDA," says Jennifer. "We can be twice as effective when we combine efforts."

Though she grew up in a very non-political household, Jennifer has felt the call to be active in politics since first

coming to the UW as a third-year transfer student. Over the years she has studied politics and also been active in several local campaigns.

As someone who has planned to become a dentist since she was eight years old, Jennifer has the training and conviction to be active in organized dentistry—to work to further the profession. She learned to respect good oral health care from her mother, who, unable to afford dental care when she was young, had to have several extractions. Not wishing her children to suffer that same fate, she started taking Jennifer and her two brothers to dentists when they were young. At that time, she decided she wanted to "be one of those ladies in the dentist's office." Later, she decided she wanted to be the dentist in her own office. "I love this profession," she says, "and want it to remain a good profession for me to be in. I really enjoy being involved in organized dentistry and being able to enact change."

Though she has loved being a dental student and says this has been the most exciting time of her life, Jennifer says she feels that the dental education she received at the UW has prepared her well and she is ready to make the move from dental student to practicing dentist.

One of the unique things about our School, she says, is that we do comprehensive dental care. Students see patients for an initial exam and then follow them throughout their treatment, unlike some schools where students see people randomly. "Here students manage patient care just as it is done in private practice and get to work with all the departments. It is my favorite part of the way our clinical care is run," she says. "Overall I think it is the best education we can get to train us how to become general practitioners." She adds that she has really enjoyed working with the phenomenal instructors at the UW School of Dentistry, and really appreci-



L to R – Greg Gillespie ('05), Shawreen Gonzalez ('05), Jennifer Palm ('05) and Paul Nielson ('05) at the Capitol.

ated discussing cases with individuals, who provided great guidance in patient care and in her education.

A Hazen High School and Bellevue Community College graduate, Jennifer earned her BS in biochemistry, with a minor in Medical History and Ethics, and in Philosophy from the UW. She is very close to her two younger brothers. One is 23 and in college. Both she and her youngest brother, age 17, will graduate this year—making them both 2005 graduates. The first college graduate in her extended family, she was able to fund most of her undergraduate work with scholarships and work. Although she dearly appreciates the scholarship support she has received while in dental school, like many students, she will be nearly \$150,000 in debt when she graduates.

However, she is not letting that deter her from being optimistic about her future in dentistry. As soon as she gets her license to practice, hopefully in August, Jennifer will work as an associate in a dental office in Lynnwood with the intent to buy into the practice. She made this contact at last year's WSDA Pacific Northwest Dental Conference, and they have met once a month with a facilitator since July 2004, arranging her integration into the practice. Jennifer's experience working in many dental offices as a dental assistant, full-time for five years while an undergraduate student and part-time during summers between dental school years, has given her a good feeling for how she would like her practice to be run.

Jennifer is truly a fine example of a dedicated and successful dental student. We wish her that same success as she works hard to help enrich the dental profession in the coming years. 🍀

Dan G. Middaugh Dental Student Professional Service Award

On Thursday, February 10, 2005, five students from the UW School of Dentistry were awarded \$1,000 scholarships in recognition of their service as student leaders. The five students were Chris Piper ('05 and student council president), Ryan Doyle ('05 class president), Peter Pellegrini ('06 class president), Michael Bowman ('07 class president), and Derick Hahn ('08 class president). The award was presented to each at a special dinner held in their honor at Palisade Restaurant.

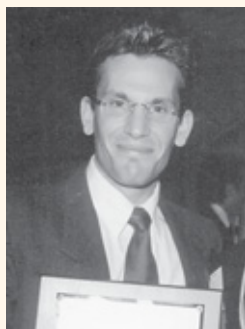
Also attending the event were Dan Middaugh (the host of the award and current President-elect of the WSDA), Steve Hardyman (executive director of the WSDA), Gregory Kaveney (executive director of Seattle-King County Dental

Society), Collins Woodside (president-elect of the UW Dental Alumni Association), Alex O'Neill (executive director of Dental Development, Alumni, and CDE) and Randy Newquist (director of Dental Alumni & Development Events).

At the dinner, the students and the professional leaders were able to socialize and get to know each other better. The students gained valuable insight into the role and importance of organized dentistry. Dan Middaugh commented about the reason he felt it was important to set up this award: "I have established this award to encourage students to continue their involvement in organized dentistry as dental students and as practicing members of the profession after graduation." 🍷



Back row L to R: Randy Newquist, Greg Kaveney, Derick Hahn, Ryan Doyle, Chris Piper, Collins Woodside and Dan Middaugh. Front row L to R: Alex O'Neill, Peter Pellegrini and Michael Bowman. Not pictured: Steve Hardyman.



Peter Pellegrini, ('06), won the ADA Master Clinician Competition for his research, "Characterization of the genes transcriptionally regulated on *P. gingivalis* biofilms," at the annual session of the American Dental Association in Orlando, Florida on

October 2, 2004. This was the fourth Master Clinician Program of the International Association of Student Clinicians-American Dental Association (SCADA). At the banquet following the competition, Pellegrini was presented with a plaque by Dr. Michael Alfano, dean of New York University College of Dentistry.

Pellegrini, who won the School of Dentistry's 2002 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) research competition and presented that work at the 2003 ADA/DENTSPLY Student Clinician Program, was invited to compete this year in the Master Competition. He worked independently on the research that he presented this year with assistance from Dr. Kyewhan Park and in the laboratory of Dr. Richard Lamont.

Xi Psi Phi, an international professional dental fraternity established in 1889 and boasting thousands of members, both students and alumni, was disbanded on the UW campus in 1972. This fall, the Xi Psi Phi came back to life through reactivation efforts by **Peter Pellegrini** and about 25 other UW dental students.

On November 19, 2004, the UW School of Dentistry chapter of Xi Psi Phi held a ceremony to reactivate the chapter and initiate all of the new members. Dr. Larry Doyle of Oregon Health Sciences University, the supreme president of the fraternity, along with six other council members, performed the ceremony and established the Beta Alpha chapter, of which Pellegrini is the president.

The fraternity's mission, says Pellegrini, is to bring student and alums together, to serve the community, to unite the School of Dentistry's four

classes of students, to network, and to serve the School's volunteer programs. They will also work nationally with Ronald McDonald, serving food, and performing dental screens on patients at the Ronald McDonald House near the UW and will serve as mentors to the children. They also plan to conduct an oral hygiene program at Seattle Girls School.

The fraternity is eager to recruit new members, as students and alumni involvement with this program can broaden the positive benefits of the fraternity's activities. Please contact Peter Pellegrini at peter54@u.washington.edu, if you are interested in joining.

For the first time, the University of Washington School of Dentistry and School of Medicine jointly hosted the **American Medical Student Association (AMSA) Primary Care Leadership Training Program** on August 2-6 in the UW's Magnuson Health Sciences Center.

The goal of the 2004 conference, titled "Health Disparities and the Health Workforce," was to educate medical and dental students on the causes of health disparities and how the makeup and diversity of the workforce influences health care delivery and health outcomes among underserved populations. The conference also covered advocacy and health policy, leadership skills, interdisciplinary work, communication skills, mentoring, professional ethics, and careers in health care.

The national conference opened with welcome addresses from UW School of Dentistry Dean Martha Somerman, UW School of Medicine Assistant Dean of Multicultural Affairs David Acosta, and Jane Rollinson, president of major accounts for United Healthcare. Marilyn Krichko, the founder of the OARS program, conducted a workshop on teambuilding and leadership development. Conference speakers included U.S. Representative Jim McDermott, winner of the 2004 UW Distinguished Community Service Award, who spoke on "Policy and Advocacy," faculty from the School of Dentistry and School of Medicine; Dr. Wendy Mouradian, Department of

Pediatric Dentistry; Dr. William E. Lafferty, director, UW Health and Policy Research Track; Dr. Joel Berg, professor and chair of UW Department of Pediatric Dentistry; Dr. Marty Lieberman; and, Don and Ruthie Shoulderblade, Sun Dance priests from Montana. Polly Olsen, director of the Native American Center of Excellence, spoke on "Self-reflection through Social Mapping."

"The purpose of this exciting week-long conference is to educate students about the important issues in primary care, develop leadership skills for future primary care physicians and dentists, and engage students in curricular reform and health policy issues," said the chief coordinator of the conference, Dr. Rama Oskouian, a fellow in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. "We are very excited that this year the Leadership Training Program is a collaboration between the Schools of Medicine and Dentistry, and it will bring together medical and dental students from all over the country."

The 40 students attending the conference visited community centers to give presentations to promote healthy living, covering topics such as how to stop smoking, the benefits of exercise, oral health care, good nutrition, and STD prevention. They also visited community health centers to learn how they are funded and managed, to witness interaction between medical and dental practitioners, and to learn what type of patients attend these clinics.

AMSA, the conference sponsor, is the oldest and largest independent association of physicians-in-training in the United States. The organization focuses on five strategic priorities: universal healthcare, disparities in medicine, diversity in medicine, leadership development, and transforming the culture of medicine. Funding for this conference is from the 'Achieving Diversity in Dentistry and Medicine' (ADDM) project of the federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and Procter & Gamble. Special thanks go to UW dentistry students Josh Taff ('06), Ben Ruder ('06), Rebecca Bockow ('07), and medical student Deepti Gupta, who assisted in coordinating the conference.

Winners of the 2004-2005 OMNII Postdoctoral Research Fellowship were announced in May 2004 at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Session in San Francisco.

Dr. Kristin Johannsen, a rising second-year resident in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, is one of three recipients of the \$7,500 fellowship.

Kristin's research topic is entitled "The Accuracy of DIFOTI versus Radiographic Bitewings in Diagnosing Interproximal Caries in Primary Posterior Teeth." Her principal advisor is Dr. Joel Berg, chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, and her masters thesis committee consists of Dr. Lars Hollender, Dr. Douglas Ramsay, and Dr. Lloyd Mancl. Over the next year, Kristin intends to image eight interproximal areas in each of 100 patients. The study will focus on the space between the first and second primary molars. 🐾

SPOTLIGHT ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENDODONTICS

There have been many changes in the Department of Endodontics over the past year and a half. Dr. James D. Johnson became Chair of the Department and Advanced Program Director. There have been improvements and technology upgrades in the Endodontic Graduate and Pre-doctoral Clinics, as well as changes in the curriculum to reflect current trends in endodontics.

Undergraduate Program

The undergraduate curriculum consists of the following courses: ENDO-521 (which is an introduction to clinical endodontics, including diagnosis, and treatment techniques performed on extracted teeth), ENDO-534 (clinical procedures, diagnosis and treatment of endodontic emergencies, and surgical management of endodontic

problems), ENDO-535 (management of a variety of technical problems frequently encountered in endodontic cases, and the treatment and management of the endodontic aspects of traumatic injuries to the dentition), and ENDO-630 (the Undergraduate Endodontic Clinic).

Instrumentation with nickel-titanium rotary instruments has been taught in the pre-clinical laboratory course, ENDO-521, for three years. Rotary instrumentation is now the technique which is practiced in the Undergraduate Endodontic Clinic. This has resulted in improved techniques of cleansing and shaping canals.

Drs. David Pitts and Tiina Oviir have done an outstanding teaching job in the pre-doctoral endodontic program as evidenced by the University of Washington's recent number one national ranking on Part 2



Dr. Tiina Oviir in the research laboratory with Dustin Pagoria.

of the National Boards. University of Washington students were in the top quintile in every part of the test, including first on the Endodontic section of the test. Additionally, UW graduates do exceptionally well on the endodontic sections of state board examinations, including the Western Regional Dental Board.

Graduate Program

The Endodontic Graduate Program continues to be among the most competitive in the nation. Each year there are well over one hundred applicants for three positions. The last two years, the winners of the Alpha Omega Scholarship Award for the highest grade point average in the graduating class at the University of Washington, School of Dentistry have been selected to continue their education in the Post-Graduate Endodontic Program at the University of Washington. These top scholars are Dr. Tim Gatten ('04), and Dr. Scott Starley ('05). Another measure of the keen competition for a place in the Graduate Endodontic Program is that many applicants have PhD degrees. This year we selected Dr. Shiwei Cai for a position in the first year graduate class. Dr. Cai completed his PhD in Oral Biology at the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 2004. Starting in the summer of 2005 will be first year resident Natasha Flake. She will enter the program after receiving both a DDS and a PhD in



Dr. Tiina Oviir at the centrifuge in the laboratory.



Dr. Shahread Sarraam and Dr. David Pitt discussing a case.

June from the University of Maryland. Current graduate students Kenji Beppu, Theron Eichenberger, and Susie Roberts all had class standings of seventh or better in their respective dental school classes.

A needed renovation and upgrade of the Graduate Endodontic Clinic has begun. The microscopes have been upgraded with new technological advances. They are equipped with beam splitters which allow for the attachment of digital cameras and video recorders. Flat screen monitors on retractable and moveable arms have also been added. Endodontic graduate students may now document both surgical and nonsurgical cases done with the microscope with both digital still images, as well as digital video. This will drastically improve their ability to critique treatment, document cases for the American Board of Endodontics, and improve patient care. The monitors let the graduate student and faculty view cases through the microscope at the same time without interrupting treatment. The faculty



Dr. Susie Roberts provides endodontic treatment under the microscope, while Dr. James Johnson and Dr. Tiina Oviir view Dr. Roberts' treatment on the monitor.

member can view the area of interest on the monitor while the graduate is viewing the same area under the microscope. This saves the faculty member from having to sit down and refocus the microscope to view what the graduate student is seeing, saving time and improving communication.

Digital radiographic technology has been added to allow graduate students to be trained with this new and important technological advance.

At the 2004 Annual Session of the American Association of Endodontists, four post-graduate endodontic students won awards for table clinics and research poster presentations. Drs. Christopher R. Sabourin and Timothy L. Gatten won the 4th place award in the Graduate Student Table Clinic Presentations, and Drs. Rachelle S. Hecht and Theron D. Eichenberger won the 7th place award in the Graduate Student Poster Research Presentations. The competition was sponsored by Dentsply, Inc and was open to endodontic graduate students in all of the programs across the country.

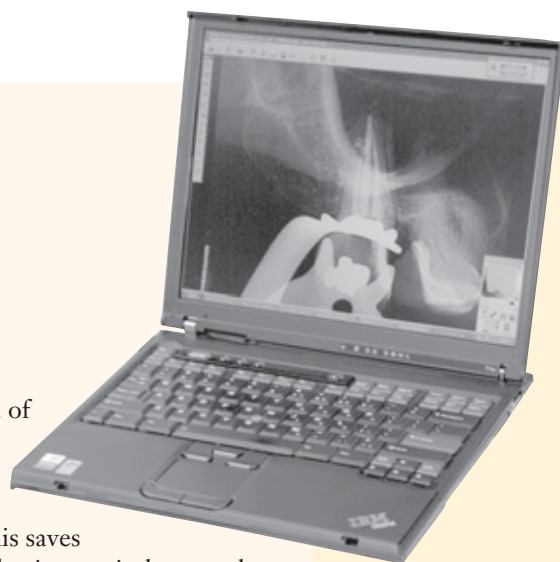
The Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association has approved the addition of one more graduate student in Endodontics per year beginning with the class that will start in the summer of 2005.

Professor Emeritus and former Chair of the Department of Endodontics, Dr. Eugene Natkin has continued to teach his outstanding and unique series of Endodontic Radiology Seminars to endodontic graduate students. He has imparted his knowledge to generations of students and is very much appreciated.

Research

Research within the endodontics department has included novel methods of endodontic access through porcelain restorations, trends in endo-

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Digital Radiography in the Graduate Endodontic Clinic



Global Microscope in the Graduate Endodontic Clinic with digital still and video cameras mounted.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENDODONTICS

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dontic care in the Washington Dental Service population and investigations of the heat induced during ultrasonic post removal. Ongoing research involves studies into endodontic smear layer removal, effectiveness of different local anesthetic agents, investigation into methods of pulp vitality testing, human dental pulp stem cell regulation, early detection in healing of periapical inflammatory lesions by means of digital subtraction radiography and comparison to traditional radiography, and effects of root canal treatment on periapical trabecular bone structure using digital imaging analysis with mathematical morphology and box counting.

Research has been a cooperative effort with other schools within the UW, including the School of Engineering and with other departments within the School of Dentistry.

Future research will include defining host cytokine and bacterial markers in human dental pulp, and the development of better tools in diagnosing pulpal disease in cooperation with the Department of Oral Biology; and, in conjunction with the restorative department, the effect of the white mineral trioxide aggregate on odontoblasts and cementoblasts compared to that of gray mineral trioxide aggregate.

Faculty and Staff News

PROMOTIONS

The following affiliate faculty members were promoted to the rank of Affiliate Associate Clinical Professor:

- R. John Bull, DDS, MSD
- Dean Burnett, DDS, MS
- Ali Etemad-Moghadam, DDS, MS
- Ted Pilot, DDS, MSD
- Tom Rude, DDS, MSD
- Jeffrey Short, DDS

APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS

- Dr. David Pitts, Dr. Rick Taylor, and Dr. James Johnson serve on the Scientific Advisory Board of the Journal of Endodontics.
- Dr. Tiina Oviir and Dr. David Pitts serve on the University of Washington Faculty Senate.
- Affiliate faculty member, Patrick Taylor serves as a director of the American Association of Endodontists.
- Dr. David Pitts received the 2003 Dr. Bruce R. Rothwell Distinguished Teacher Award from the UW School Of Dentistry in recognition of outstanding and innovative teaching. Dr. Pitts serves as the school representative on the ADEA Council of Faculties and Dental School Faculty Representative on the UW Dental Alumni Association Board, and as an editorial advisor for Endodontic Practice for the General Practitioner. Dr. Pitts concluded a term as Dental School Faculty Representative on the Endodontic Committee of the Western Regional Examining Board.
- Donna Chasteen received her certificate for fifteen years of dedicated service as a dental assistant within the UW School of Dentistry Department of Endodontics in December of 2004.
- Dr. Mahmoud Torabinejad (Grad Endo, 1976), one of our distinguished alumni, concluded a very successful year as American Association of Endodontist President in 2004.
- Dr. James Johnson is an AAE nominee for the position of expert advisor to the Dental Products Panel of the FDA Medical Devices Advisory Committee. Dr. Johnson also serves as an endodontic consultant to the Commission on Accreditation of the American Dental Association.
- Dr. Tiina Oviir will present a poster entitled "Endodontic and Extraction Rates after Pulp Capping in Permanent Teeth" at the IADR meeting in Baltimore in March 2005. 🐾



Dr. James D. Johnson

Spotlight on the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Philip Worthington Lectureship

Emeritus Professor Dr. Worthington has made many contributions to the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Certainly one of the important contributions was his pioneering efforts in the field of endosseous implants. He is an internationally recognized expert in the field of implant dentistry. In recognition of his many contributions, his former residents, colleagues, and friends established the Philip Worthington Lectureship.

The Lectureship provides the opportunity to bring an expert oral and maxillofacial surgeon to share his/her knowledge with the residents, faculty and community clinicians. The first recipient will be named this year. The Department will continue fundraising to change the Lectureship to the first faculty chair in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. The chair will be named the Philip Worthington Chair in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Faculty

The Department has energetic and dedicated full and part-time faculty. Dr. Galia Leonard pursues her interests in trauma, reconstructive surgery, and cosmetic surgery. Dr. Rafael Alcalde is expanding his interests in orthognathic surgery and sleep apnea. Dr. Jessica Lee serves as director of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency Training Program while maintaining a busy surgical practice in orthognathic surgery, sleep apnea, and reconstructive surgery and research programs in orthognathic surgery. Dr. John Evans has returned to the faculty full-time and continues to manage the undergraduate oral and maxillofacial surgery teaching program.

Our full-time senior faculty includes Dr. Mark Egbert, Dr. Lisa Kinney, Dr. Asuman Kiyak, Dr. Dophine Oda, and Dr. Ross Beirne. Dr. Egbert is chief of oral and maxillofacial surgery at Children's Hospital and Dr. Lisa Kinney is chief at the Seattle Veterans Administration Medical Center. Dr. Kiyak is very busy as director of the UW Institute of Aging while she continues an active NIH support research program. Dr. Oda

continues her devotion to educating undergraduate dental students, residents, and post-graduate dentists. She has recently developed a 'Case of the Month' to offer educational opportunities to the profession. Dr. Beirne completes his fifth year as chair. He is chief of Hospital Dentistry at both the UW Medical Center and Harborview Medical Center. He continues his participation with the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation, American Association for Dental Research, and American Dental Education Association, as well as serving on editorial boards of several journals.

Dr. Andy Tolas remains part-time faculty at HMC. His dedication to the Department is remarkable and very much appreciated by the residents and colleagues whom he has taught and continues to teach. Emeritus Associate Professor Dr. Dale Bloomquist continues to participate in the oral and maxillofacial surgery and orthodontic teaching programs.

The Department is privileged to have a committed part-time faculty that teaches in our undergraduate and graduate programs. The part-time faculty who come in regularly to teach our undergraduates are Dr. Franco Audia, Dr. Kathleen Isdith, Dr. Manny LaRosa, Dr. Sohrab Moshiri, and Dr. Chuck Walter. Dr. Subadar has just joined the part-time faculty. Part-time faculty involved in our residency training program at the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinic at the School of Dentistry include Dr. Rick Crinzi, Dr. Craig Neal, Dr. Doug Tripple, Dr. John Tidwell and Dr. Andy Vorono. These committed individuals generously give time from their busy practices to teach oral and maxillofacial surgery.

Faculty Educator Development Award

At the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) Annual Meeting in San Francisco, Dr. Jessica Lee received the Faculty Educator Development Award. This is a prestigious award given to promising faculty to encour-

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SPOTLIGHT ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

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Dr. Jessica Lee receives the Faculty Educator Development Award at the AAOMS Meeting.

age them to choose an academic career in oral and maxillofacial surgery. The award provides incentive to the faculty member to continue an academic career. Dr. Lee must commit to serving in a full-time faculty position for a period of six years. She will receive funds for the first three years of the award and the Department receives a one-time award for development of Dr. Lee. The department is honored that the AAOMS recognizes Dr. Lee's potential as an academic oral and maxillofacial surgeon.

Reunion

The Department organized a reception for alumni, residents, faculty and friends attending the Annual Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Meeting in San Francisco. It was a wonderful opportunity for colleagues to gather and renew acquaintances. It was also an opportunity for the current residents to speak with alumni. In addition, Dr. John Brouns, from Arnhem, and Dr. Reha Kisinisci, from Turkey, attended the reception. The Department hopes to make this an annual event.

Residents

Dr. Chad Collins and Antonio Caso completed the program June 2004. Chad has started practice with his father in Spokane and Antonio has established a practice in Walla Walla. Todd Carter (4th year), Tony Rea (4th year), Andy Kramer (3rd year), Sashi Narra (3rd year), Dr. Libby Kutcipal (2nd year), and Pardeep Brar (2nd year) continue in the training program. The two new residents are Forrest Bales and Jerald Pruner.

Emmanuel/Legacy Hospital Rotation

After the conclusion of more than twenty years of rotating resident to Arnhem, The Netherlands, the Department identified an expanded oral and maxillofacial surgery experience for our residents at Emmanuel/Legacy Hospital in Portland, Oregon. Dr. Eric Dierks, Dr. Bryce Potter, and Dr. Byran Bell offer our resident an expanded experience in midface trauma, head and neck oncology, TMJ surgery, reconstructive surgery, and otolaryngology. This rotation is sponsored by the Oregon Health Sciences University in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery chaired by Dr. Robert Myall. Dr. Myall has generously offered this opportunity for our residents.

Undergraduate Program

Our undergraduate dental student teaching program under Dr. John Evans' leadership continues to receive high marks from the students. The didactic course, OS 530, is presented by Dr. Evans except for a couple of lectures given by Dr. O. Ross Beirne. The course materials are available for students on the Web. The clinical course, OS 630, has been made pass/no pass and the students are now more focused on patient care. Dr. Rafael Alcalde has streamlined the local anesthesia course and Dr. Doug Jackson updates the anesthesia course yearly. These courses continue to improve and Dr. Evans' courses receive some of the highest marks from the third year students.

Research

The Department focuses on clinical and transitional research. Focus at Harborview Medical Center is on trauma. There are ongoing studies comparing various fixation plates including resorbable and nonresorbable plate. Studies also evaluate the association between high velocity facial fractures and injuries to the carotid artery. Faculty continues transitional studies related to implants, bone grafting, reconstruction, distraction osteogenesis, dentoalveolar surgery, and anesthesia.

Drs. Alcalde, Lee, Kiyak, and Oda continue to have research interests in orthognathic surgery, behavioral research, and pathology. Dr. Kiyak has support from NIH for her research.

Dr. Evans is the principal investigator for a project comparing laryngeal mask airways with endotracheal airways for maxillofacial surgery. Several faculty members from the Department of Anesthesia are participating in the study.

Conclusions

The Department is growing and reaching its goals. Clinical case load and our research efforts have significantly increased over the last few years. Our teaching programs continue to expand and improve. The Department benefits from a committed full-time and part-time faculty, as well as generous and dedicated support of alumni, faculty, friends, and the professional community. 🏠

Retirement Party for Dr. Murray Robinovitch

On January 20, 2005, colleagues, friends and relatives gathered at the University of Washington Faculty Club to celebrate Dr. Murray R. Robinovitch's academic career and retirement. Speakers included Dean Martha Somerman, Dean Emeritus Paul Robertson, Dr. Robinovitch's departmental administrator of thirty years, Ms. Colleen McKay, and Professor Robert Johnson; all of whom extolled Dr. Robinovitch's service to the School and shared warm memories of a faculty member dedicated to building a better dental school for present and future students.

In December 2004, Dr. Robinovitch retired as Professor and Chair of the Department of Periodontics. His 38 year academic career has included service as the Chair of three departments in the dental school, and significant contributions in teaching, research and administration to the School. Dr. Robinovitch, who is from Brandon, Manitoba (Canada), received his DDS from the University of Minnesota, and his PhD in Experimental Pathology from the University of Washington before joining the faculty of the Department of Oral Biology in 1966. Dr. Robinovitch instructed dental students in the structure and function of the oral tissues and on the biological basis of dental caries during the early stages of his career as he rose through the academic ladder. With an eye towards initiating more clinical activity, Dr. Robinovitch took a sabbatical leave and earned his Certificate in Periodontology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1981. Upon returning to the UW, Dr. Robinovitch served as

Chair of the Department of Oral Biology from 1982 to 1997, and as Acting Chair of Restorative Dentistry in 1982. Dr. Robinovitch was then recruited to serve as Chair of the Department of Periodontics from 1997 until his retirement.

Dr. Robinovitch enjoyed a long and successful career as a dental researcher. He is internationally recognized for his work on salivary gland function, and this expertise resulted in his serving for two years as Chair of the Oral Biology and Medicine Study Section that reviewed and funded research proposals for the National Institute of Dental Research. He also served as Director of the Salivary Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research, and as president of the American Association of Oral Biologists. Dr. Robinovitch also served on numerous University committees, and his most hazardous duty was serving as Chair of the University's Animal Care Committee. The latter service resulted in his home being picketed and his wife's car vandalized by demonstrators against medical research with animals. Dr. Robinovitch also served on the Advisory Committee on University Food Services whose acts also often elicited violent reactions from students and staff.

Dr. Robinovitch and his wife Lin now live in Bayview where they are enjoying retirement. Dr. Robinovitch continues to practice one day a week in Seattle, and will continue his involvement with the School as Professor Emeritus of Periodontics and Oral Biology. 🐾



Dr. Murray Robinovitch talking to Sylvia Domoto and Dr. Peter Domoto.



John Coulter, Marj Robertson, Dr. Paul Robertson, Lin Robinovitch, and Sylvia Domoto enjoying the evening together.



Dr. Murray Robinovitch talking to Dr. James Steiner.



Dr. Ken Izutsu and Colleen McKay.



Joel H. Berg, DDS, MS,

Joel H. Berg, DDS, MS, has been awarded the Lloyd and Kay Chapman Chair for Oral Health by the University of Washington Board of Regents, effective September 1, 2004. The Lloyd and Kay Chapman Chair for Oral Health, created by Dr. Lloyd and Mrs. Kay Chapman, was established in

2001. It honors former University of Washington School of Dentistry visiting lecturers Dr. Arnold Stoller and Dr. Donald MacEwan, recognizing their significant contributions to dental education and patient care.

Dr. Berg also currently serves as professor and chair of the UW Department of Pediatric Dentistry. He is an internationally known guest speaker and has published numerous abstracts, articles, and reviews in his field. He also serves as president of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation and as a member of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. His research interests include the development of a caries risk assessment educational program for dental professionals.



Jeffrey E. Rubenstein, D.M.D., M.S.

At the 52nd annual meeting of the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics held in Ottawa, Canada October 23-26, 2004, **Jeffrey E.**

Rubenstein, D.M.D., M.S., a professor and director of the UW Maxillofacial Prosthetic Service, was inducted as Vice President. The American

Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics is the voice of the subspecialty of Maxillofacial Prosthodontists, whose focus is the oral/facial rehabilitation by artificial means (prostheses) of patients who have experienced, tumor surgery, trauma, or birth disorders in the region of the head and neck. The organization currently has 260 members that service these patient treatment needs across the U.S. Dr. Rubenstein, whose research focus is on developing cutting edge technological approaches toward the orofacial rehabilitation of the patient with anatomical compromise in the region of the head a neck, will be responsible for organizing the scientific program for the AAMP's 53rd annual session. The session will take place at the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles October 23-25, 2005.

The Department of Oral Biology held its inaugural Research Day on Wednesday, October 6, 2004, at the UW Waterfront Activities Center. The retreat featured short oral presentations from 18 speakers highlighting the first-class research conducted within the oral biology graduate program at the University of Washington.



The oral biology graduate program is a multidisciplinary program involving School of Dentistry graduate faculty and others and has five active degree pathways: PhD, DDS/PhD., Master of Science, Master of Science for dental hygienists, and Master of Science in Dentistry with specialization in Oral Pathology. During the day-long program, the departments represented included anesthesiology, bioengineering, dental public health sciences, oral biology, orthodontics, orthopedics, pathology, pathobiology, and peridontics.

Participants that contributed to this successful event included oral biology regulars, joint and adjunct faculty, graduate students, and research staff. They were able to hear presentations on a number of topics, such as tissue engineering, neurobiology, innate immunity and antimicrobial peptides, the molecular biology of microbial pathogens, the genetics of connective tissue (collagen) disorders, opportunities for community partnership in oral health research, epithelial differentiation, and signaling and physiology of oral cells.

Dr. Presland, a research associate professor in the Department of Oral Biology, said of the retreat, "It was very successful as a forum to bring faculty and students together to discuss their work and to explore new possibilities for future research collaborations."

The retreat will likely become a biannual event in the Department's calendar.

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Dr. Richard McCoy has been appointed by Dean Martha Somerman as Director of Hospital Dentistry effective January 1, 2005. This is in addition to his role as Clinical Professor and Chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry. "The Director of Hospital Dentistry is a critical position for our School, the University and our community," says Dean Somerman, "and I am delighted that Dr. McCoy has accepted."



Dr. Paul Robertson

Dean Emeritus Paul Robertson is serving as chair of Periodontics for the first half of 2005, effective January 1, 2005 until Dr. Thomas Flemmig is able to relocate to Seattle in the summer. During his career, Dr. Robertson has been dean of the Faculty of Dentistry and

coordinator of Health Sciences at the University of British Columbia, chair of periodontology at the University of Connecticut, and chair of Stomatology at the University of California San Francisco. He was dean of the School of Dentistry at the UW from 1992-2001. In 2002, he was appointed the Washington Dental Service Distinguished Professor in Dentistry. He currently serves as president of the International Association for Dental Research.

While the search for a periodontics graduate program director is being completed, **Dr. Raymond Wilkinson**, who has served as a clinical professor in the UW Department of Periodontics for more than two decades, has agreed to serve as acting director of the graduate program. Dr. Wilkinson served in the United States Air Force as chair of periodontics at a number of clinics in the U.S., Turkey and Germany. He received his periodontics training at Ohio State University and Wright-Patterson Medical Center. He is certified by the American Board of Periodontology and has received a number of awards in recognition of his scholarship and clinical expertise.

On January 13, the University of Washington Warren G. Magnuson Health Sciences Center and UW Medical Center paid tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. at a ceremony that included the presentation of Community Service Awards to one candidate from each of the six Schools that make up UW Health Sciences. This year, the recipient of the Community Volunteer Recognition Award for the School of Dentistry was Billing System Coordinator **Robert Russell**. During the almost two hour ceremony were several performances, including the amazing Eckstein Middle School Senior Jazz Band, the Ewajo Dance Workshop, and Kevin Warren of *Living Voices*. The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Bill Burton, for his work as Branch Executive Director for Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club. The keynote speaker was Dr. Stephen Bezruchka who spoke on "Martin Luther King Jr.'s Poor People's Campaign."

On September 7-10, 2004, faculty from the UW School of Dentistry presented a short course on clinical dental research methods for dental faculty from South East Asia. The course was presented at the invitation of the South East Asia Division of the International Association for Dental Research. UW Executive Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs **Dr. Timothy DeRouen** was the course organizer. He was assisted by **Drs. Mark Drangsholt** and **Jeffrey Sherman** of the Department of Oral Medicine, and **Dr. Charles Spiekerman** of the Department of Dental Public Health Sciences. Topics covered included principles of biostatistics, clinical epidemiology and study design, behavioral research, and randomized clinical trials. Support for the course was provided by the University of Washington International AIDS Research and Training Program, as well as by the South East Asia Division of IADR.

The course was given on the Thai island of Koh Samui, which is on the eastern side of the Southern Thai peninsula, and therefore was not damaged in the December Tsunami. Fifteen faculty from dental schools in Thailand and Taiwan participated. 🌟

Bruce R. Rothwell Teaching Awards

On Monday, August 23, 2004 at the Faculty Retreat held at the Columbia Winery, Dr. Mark Drangsholt and Dr. Patricia Rothwell presented the 2004 Bruce R. Rothwell Awards. Dr. Gerald Harrington was the recipient of the Bruce R. Rothwell Lifetime Achievement in Teaching Award and Dr. E. Ricardo Schwedhelm received the Bruce R. Rothwell Distinguished Teaching Award for Innovation and Excellence in Teaching. Dr. Schwedhelm, who teaches clinical courses in restorative dentistry, said "It has been my good fortune to have been mentored, both in my dental

education and in teaching, by several innovative, creative, and genuinely fine individuals, one of whom was Bruce Rothwell. I consider receiving this award a true honor." Dr. Harrington, who recently retired from the faculty in endodontics, remarked "Bruce Rothwell was a friend and colleague, and I am honored to have my name associated with his in this Award. I am indebted to Dr. Patty Rothwell and the selection committee and to Dr. Gene Natkin and those who were kind enough to nominate me for



Dr. Patricia Rothwell, Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm, Dr. Gerald Harrington, and Dr. Mark Drangsholt.

the Award. I am delighted to be the recipient." These awards were established in memory of Dr. Bruce Rothwell, former chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, who passed away in November, 2000. 🏠

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY RECEIVES RESEARCH AWARD FROM 3M ESPE

RAIGRODSKI, THREE OTHERS FROM UW TO STUDY EFFECTIVENESS, AESTHETIC OF ZIRCONIUM-BASED CROWNS

Dr. Ariel J. Raigrodski, D.M.D., M.S., is the Principal Investigator and one of four individuals from the University of Washington's School of Dentistry to have been awarded a four-year, \$145,000 grant from 3M ESPE, a manufacturer of dental products. The clinical study will evaluate the efficacy and aesthetics of anterior, all-ceramic, zirconia-based crowns. The zirconia cores of these all-ceramic crowns are manufactured using Computer Aided Design/Computer Assisted Manufacturing, or CAD/CAM, technology.

Historically, the cores of crowns have been manually designed by technicians. With the development and use of CAD/CAM technology, technicians can now create a custom design for each patient on the computer monitor, and fabricate tooth-colored cores from materials that otherwise could not be processed.

The material was and is still considered ground-breaking, due in large part to its strength. But many in

the dental profession expressed concerns about the aesthetics – or lack thereof. The research team that also includes Drs. Shwey-Chun ("Polly") Ma, D.D.S., M.S.D; Hai Zhang, D.M.D., Ph.D. and Glen Johnson, D.D.S., M.S. will look at improvements in the software which allow for better design capabilities and a thinner core than in the past. Additionally, they will observe the aesthetic value of each anterior crown designed with the new software and determine how it functions in the mouth over time. If successful it will allow Raigrodski, his colleagues and their patients to feel more comfortable with the results.

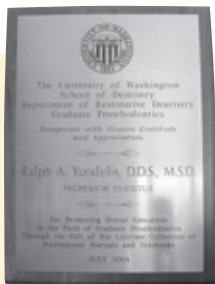
"This grant is an important step in creating more technological advancements that will foster the highest level of clinical education and research for our students, faculty and – above all – our patients." said Martha Somerman, Dean, University of Washington School of Dentistry. "Ultimately, they are the ones who will be better-served because of this study," added Somerman.



The material is already widely used by the dental community.

"It's exciting to have the opportunity to look at new materials and new technologies at the University setting," said Raigrodski. "I think such an involvement puts the Dental School at the UW at the cutting edge of restorative dentistry."

Dr. Raigrodski began serving as Associate Professor and Director of the Graduate Prosthodontics program in the Department of Restorative Dentistry in January 2004.



Ralph Yuodelis Recognition

On November 4, 2004, Dr. Ralph Yuodelis, the 2002 Distinguished Alumnus, was recognized at a

luncheon ceremony for donating his entire collection of books and magazines to the Graduate Prosthodontic program at the University of Washington. A fierce supporter of the program and long time director, Dr. Yuodelis was presented with a plaque honoring his service and generosity. An additional plaque of

recognition has been mounted in the Grad Pros library/conference room on the 6th floor of the "D" wing of the University of Washington School of Dentistry. 🏠



L to R – Dr. Richard McCoy, Dr. Ariel Raigrodski, and Dr. Ralph Yuodelis.

Dental Public Health Sciences October Clinic

On October 30, more than 20 dental students and volunteer faculty from the University of Washington Department of Dental Public Health Sciences drove two and a half hours to Longview, Washington, to provide volunteer dental care for over 60 adults and children. The Department, in collaboration with the Cowlitz County and Lewis County Community Health Partnerships, provided their services for the UW Community Dental Clinic at the Kaiser Permanente in Longview.

The trip was led by student Ryan Doyle, fourth year class president, and was attended, among others, by Drs. Phil Weinstein, Mandy Lam Gershony, Leann Yoda, Doug Jackson and Dan Haghighi. The Department of Dental Public Health Sciences and the volunteers involved have conducted the clinic since 1999, earning them a special commendation from the Cowlitz County Commissioners.

"Most of the families have no other dental care," noted Dr. Peter Milgrom, director of the clinic. "What stands out is the effort of our students, faculty, and commu-

nity volunteers to provide consistent preventive care to the children and disabled."

The organizations involved in the Community Health Partnership that participated in this fall's clinic include the Cowlitz and Lewis County Health Districts, FISH, St. John's Medical Center, Providence Medical Center in Centralia, Centralia College, and the major health insurers serving these counties. Kaiser Permanente Health Plan donates its facility and pays for the support staff and materials for the clinic. 🏠



Dr. Dan Haghighi, Dr. Doug Jackson and dental students working with a patient.



Dental students, attendees, and community volunteers at our morning staff meeting. In the back standing is Ryan Doyle, senior class president and student organizer of the clinic this year.


David Wands Fellowship

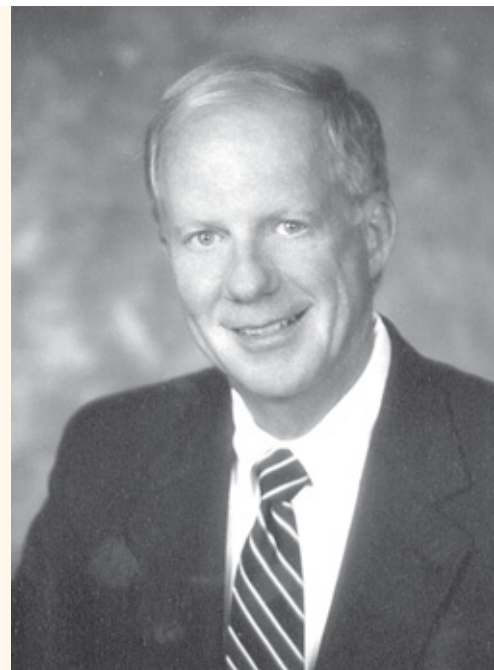
The Wands Fellowship in Prosthodontics provides financial assistance to a graduate student enrolled in a program leading to a Certificate in Prosthodontics and an MSD Degree who is also considering an academic career in dentistry.

Eligible candidates must be citizens of the United States who have earned either a DDS or a DMD degree from an approved dental school. Selection will be based upon outstanding academic achievement, clinical and/or basic research contributions, proven excellence in prosthodontic patient care and future potential. Preference will be given to candidates planning to pursue an academic career. After graduation, Fellows are

expected to hold a faculty appointment of the equivalent of two years of full time service.

For an application for the Wands Fellowship please contact:

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School of Dentistry



CLASS NOTES

CLASS OF 1950

W. Lowell Reed, Edmonds, WA. – I sold out my dental practice and have been retired from the field since June 4, 1992.

CLASS OF 1954

Donald E. Compaan, Redmond, WA. – Although I am now retired from my chairside dental practice, I am presently working with suppliers to upgrade the dental clinic at Foss Home and Village in Seattle. I established this clinic in 1992 with a grant from Washington Dental Service and help from the UW School of Dentistry, auxiliary and private donors. We have recently been given money from an estate and are creating a state-of-the-art facility for serving Foss residents and for training third and fourth year students in geriatric care. I continue to serve on the Admissions Committee at the UW School of Dentistry and am active with the International College of Dentists.

CLASS OF 1957

Fred Henninger, Oak Harbor, WA. – Fred and his wife LaDonna celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year at home in Oak Harbor, where Fred had practiced for his whole career after graduating from dental school and serving in the military. He reported that he lives only a few blocks from the office and he rode his bike to work every day.

The Henniger's gained celebrity status with a feature article entitled, "Love Story" in the December 8, 2004 edition of the Everett Herald. Their 50th was commemorated with a lengthy synopsis of their life in Oak Harbor and featured two photos (one in color!). Fred and LaDonna have four children and eleven grandchildren.

Class of 1959

Desmond G. Neff, Edmonds, WA. – Sold my practice in 1998. Bev and I are enjoying the life of retirement. This last summer we celebrated our 53rd wedding anniversary. I enjoy donating my time to the dental van for the Northwest Medical Teams.

CLASS OF 1960

Curtis French Smith, Bellingham, WA. – I have written a book, titled *The Brothels of Bellingham*, and have now sold a little over 800 copies. We have just about reached profit level!

CLASS OF 1963

Arthur A. Dugoni – On Saturday, August 28, 2004, the University of the Pacific named its nationally distinguished School of Dentistry the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. Dugoni, a graduate of the University of Washington School of Dentistry, has served as the University of the Pacific's dean for twenty-six years. Pacific became the first university in the United States or Canada to name its dental school after a current dean.

A black-tie gala in honor of the School's renaming was held at Louise M. Davies Hall in San Francisco and featured the official naming ceremony, musical entertainment, several video tributes to Dugoni, and well wishes from notable individuals such as U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein, U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer, ADA President Dr. Eugene Sekiguchi, ADEA Executive Director Dr. Richard Valachovic and DCA Executive Director Peter DuBois. An evening highlight was an appearance by comedian Bill Cosby, who performed wearing athletic attire with the new Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry logo.

"I would like to express my deepest appreciation for this recognition," stated Dugoni during his remarks at Davies Hall. "But most of all, I would like to thank all of you – my professional colleagues, friends and family – for allowing my the privilege and honor to serve dental education and our profession for the last 56 years, and for the past 26 years as dean. I have enjoyed every minute of it. For me, it has been a labor of love."

Dugoni is also currently serving as president of the American Dental Association Foundation, the philanthropic branch of the ADA dedicated to improving the oral health of Americans.

CLASS OF 1972

E. David Engst, Bellingham, WA. – I retired from private practice in orthodontics in January 2004 and now do volunteer dental work, mostly in Latin America. I am also training at Harborview Medical Center to refresh my oral surgery skills.

CLASS OF 1973

John T. Linvog, Seattle, WA. – Dr. Jon Hubert, my best friend and business partner, died on September 2, 2004 from complications in a battle with lung cancer. He practiced in Everett, Wash. for over 30 years and will be dearly missed.

CLASS OF 1974

Mike Medley, Olympia, WA. – Mike and Carol (RDH '74) Medley of Olympia are empty-nesters now. Son Patrick, 23, graduated this June summa cum laude in Chemistry and Physics from Harvard University. He was a Physics Fellowship for Graduate School at MIT in the fall. Jon, 20, is a sophomore pre-med student at Harvard University. He is majoring in chemistry, physics and football (*but not necessarily in that order!*).

CLASS OF 1975

Robert J. Lee, Everett, WA. – I retired in October of 2004 and turned the dental practice over to our son, Stephen. Looking forward to working on my golf game and trying to catch a few fish. Its hard to believe thirty years went by so fast.

James Lloyd Ribary, Gig Harbor, WA. – Larry Lawton and I are taking care of the Washington State Dental Association (WSDA) these days. Last September, I was elected secretary for a three-year term. Larry serves as the president. We need a great party for our 30-year reunion!

CLASS OF 1976

Richard W. Nash, Burlington, WA. – All class of 1976 members, start thinking about how to celebrate our 30th reunion. If you have any ideas, please let me know. Thanks, Rick Nash. rnash@cnw.com

CLASS OF 1977

Kenneth Earl Patterson, Twin Falls, ID. – Our youngest bird has left the nest. Gay and I are enjoying the empty nest, and we love when they come for a visit, too. The practice is doing well, life is a rewarding challenge. I enjoy playing violin in the Magic Valley Symphony. I have retired from the US Army Reserve. Seattle is still our favorite big city, but we love life in our small town.

CLASS OF 1979

Stephen L. Kirkpatrick, Olympia, WA. – My wife, Susan, and I bought a new office building in 2004. I designed my dental office: floor plan, cabinet and chair colors, etc. Check it out at www.OlySmiles.com.

Susan is an attorney (estate planning, probates, adoptions, guardianships) and has her office in the other 40% of our building. We moved in mid-November 2004, and enjoy the new offices and actually seeing each other! PS: The 25th Reunion was a lot of fun.

CLASS OF 1980

Gary E. Heyamoto, Bothell, WA. – As I wind up my term as the Washington Academy of General Dentistry (W.A.G.D.) President, I would like to thank my wife Cynthia for allowing me the time to “give back” to this wonderful profession. I encourage everyone to volunteer in any capacity in dentistry, their church and their communities.

CLASS OF 1987

Kyoko Awamura, Bellevue, WA. – I became a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in March 2004. I also moved my office to just 6 blocks from my house in Bellevue.

Class of 1997

Joseph C. Hwang, Edmonds, WA. – Ellason Anne Hwang was born July 1, 2004 at a healthy 7 lbs. 7 oz. I thought running a new practice was hard...

CLASS OF 1998

Randal J. Swanlund, Auburn, WA. – I have been living on Lake Tapps and practicing in University Place Tacoma for the past six years. Becky and I have two beautiful children, Drake, 4, and Olivia, 2. Nate Lukes, class of 1998, and myself organize a trip to Maui each year in January for a week of “CE” and an impromptu class reunion. If interested, email at wazzudr@comcast.net. Last year, we had seven classmates attend with their families!

Reid J. Winkler, Seattle, WA. – I am back in Seattle and a student once again. If you are around the Dental School, stop by the Orthodontic Department and say hello.

CLASS OF 1999

Jamie Kinoshita, Fircrest, WA. – Kinoshita has joined the staff at Rose H. Bailey, DDS, a dental practice in Olympia. She has practiced dentistry for five years, co-owning a dental practice in Gig Harbor, and has been an affiliate instructor at the University of Washington in the periodontal and restorative departments.

David G. Molen, Rochester, MN. – I will be completing my Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Residency in June 2005 and will be coming back to the Northwest to practice in the Auburn/Sumner area.

CLASS OF 2001

Carl Youngquist, Tacoma, WA. – Youngquist has purchased the Orting Dental Center, formerly the practice of Dr. Arlan Ellis. Youngquist, who grew up in the Parkland area, is a member of the American Dental Association and the Academy of General Dentistry.

CLASS OF 2003

Paul Amato, Seattle, WA. – I have moved from a Northgate office back to an office in downtown Seattle. My fiancée, Rebecca Piha, will be starting dental

school at the UW this Fall. We are both very excited about it. Any classmates or friends, please email me: PRA717@yahoo.com.

Terra Lee Bobb, Rhinelander, WI. – Terra Lee Bobb and Andrew Schmidt (Ortho, Class of 2004) were married on July 3, 2004 in Seattle. The wedding party included Jessica Rogers, Melanie Bian, and Trena Carpenter (all from the class of 2003) and Bryan Williams (Ortho, Class of 2003). Terra and Andy are living in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, where Andy is practicing with his father and Terra is an associate in a couple of general dental practices. They also have a new addition to the family...a yellow lab pup named Gracie.

Ronald H. Hsu, Carrboro, NC. – Misty and I are 18 months deep into a 36 month Pediatric program in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Ethan is growing quickly. The first body part he correctly identified was his tooth; no joke. We are having lots of fun here. Hope to see some of you later!

Garin M. Liu, Honolulu, HI. – I am a Lt. in the US Navy stationed in Okinawa, Japan. Just got orders to spend sometime in Indonesia to lend aid to the tsunami victims.

CLASS OF 2004

Eric J. Kvinsland, Gig Harbor, WA. – Kvinsland has joined the dental practice of his father, Dr. Jon H. Kvinsland, in Gig Harbor, Wash. A 1997 graduate of Washington State University with a bachelor's degree in business administration, he graduated from the University of Washington School of Dentistry in 2004, where he was the recipient of the Dr. Frank Guthrie award for restorative excellence. He is married to Bradie, has a 10 month-old son, Ryker, and resides in Gig Harbor. 🐾

Class of 1957 Celebrates its 45th Reunion on July 9, 2004

The Class of 1957 celebrated its 45th reunion this summer, a bit belated, but still enjoyed. The class usually holds a reunion every five years, but missed the 45th year in 2002 and planned a celebration in July to celebrate that anniversary. The reunion was organized by Drs. Mel DeMond, Tom Hayashi and Gordon Hungar, who met in the early spring of 2004 to plan for the event. The reunion was held on July 9, 2004 in the Marina Room at Carillon Point, Kirkland, Washington. Eighteen members of the class, with wives and significant others, enjoyed dinner and an evening of conversation.

Some discussion occurred on planning for the 50th reunion and Dr. Roy Velling was drafted to chair the reunion committee. Mel and Gordon have volunteered to assist, although they readily admit that Ellomae and Julie did most of the work for the 45th reunion!

For input and ideas regarding the upcoming 50th reunion, please contact:

Roy Velling	(206) 767-3480
Gordon Hungar	(206) 365-5738
Mel Demond	(509) 448-5657
Jerry Worden	(425) 745-9521

Class of 1976

All class of 1976 members, start thinking about how to celebrate our 30th reunion. If you have any ideas, please contact Rick Nash at: rnash@cnw.com. 🌟

T. Duane Wilson, Class of 1959

Duane Wilson died January 5, 2004 in Providence St. Peter Hospital, Olympia, Washington. Born November 14, 1934, in the old St. Peter Hospital, the only child of Theron and Birdie Wilson grew up on a farm located on the shores of Ward Lake. With a lifelong love of music, he studied piano and organ and played the saxophone while attending Olympia High School. He played the organ for chapel services during his active duty years with the United States Air Force and his saxophone with the Elks and American Legion bands. Duane and Helena Mae Chandler were married at the First Christian Church in Olympia on August 2, 1964 and had two children, James in 1966 and Ginny Lou in 1968. He was a dedicated and loving father.

During his years as a student at the University of Washington, Duane joined the Air Force ROTC, participating until he completed his dental school work in 1958. After graduating, he served his first active duty tour with the U.S. Air Force, where he was stationed in Biloxi, Mississippi and Hamilton Air Force Base in California. He remained in the active reserves for years, eventually being decommissioned after attaining the rank of Major. Duane also maintained his active dental practice in Tumwater until his death. He was both a dentist and a dear friend to many of his patients.

William J. Widman, Class of 1971

William J. Widman, a local dentist who had a thriving practice in Shelton since 1971, passed away suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Olympia on Sunday, October 17, 2004. He was 64, and had actively enjoyed three years of retirement.

Born April 17, 1940, William "Bill" grew up in Kennewick, Washington and received a bachelor's degree in Zoology from Washington State University. He then enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving four years, from 1962-1966. He graduated from the University of Washington School of Dentistry, where he made the Dean's List every year, and opened his practice in Shelton in 1971.

William was a fisherman, loved traveling, and was an avid gardener and pet lover. He was married to Sue Widman at the time of his passing. He has two sons, Corey and Darrin Widman, two stepsons, and many grandchildren.

Laurence Waldo "Buck" Mabbutt, Class of 1973

Laurence Waldo "Buck" Mabbutt, DDS, PS of Seabeck, Washington, passed away Monday, July 26th, 2004 after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. Born in Pasco, Washington, he graduated from Richland High School and attended Washington State University for three years before transferring to the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He served three years in the United States Army before returning to the University of Washington to obtain his orthodontic doctorate in 1978. During his 25 year dental practice in the Bremerton, Port Orchard and Silverdale areas, he also was an active member of the Puget Sound Orthodontic Study Club, American Association of Orthodontists, Kitsap County Dental Society, Washington State Dental Society, and held a position on the University of Washington faculty.

Dr. Mabbutt is survived by his wife, Joan Mabbutt and his five children, Ann Marie Rogers, Todd Louis Mabbutt, Christopher Laurence Mabbutt, Nicholas Alexander Mabbutt, and Prescott Nathaniel Mabbutt. He was an avid sportsman, loved traveling, entertaining and spending time with his family and friends. 🐾

First Annual UW CDE, Pediatric Dentistry Wine Program

The University of Washington Continuing Dental Education Program and the Department of Pediatric Dentistry sponsored the first annual Pediatric Dentistry Wine Program in Walla Walla, Washington. The program was held on October 29, 2004 and was entitled, "Pediatric Pearls for Your Practice." The conference was held at the historic Marcus Whitman Hotel and Conference Center.

Dr. Barbara Sheller and Dr. Joel Berg were the speakers for the program. Dr. Sheller practices both pediatric dentistry and orthodontics at Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center in Seattle. She spoke on the topic of behavior management. Dr. Berg is currently Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Washington. He is President of the

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation. He spoke on the topic of dental materials at the program.

This is the first of many successful programs in the beautiful setting of wine country. One hundred and fifty people attended the program from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. On the night before the class, there was a reception with wine tasting from four wineries and hors d'oeuvres, attended by more than 100 people. The evening after the lecture program, fifty people participated in the Winemaker's Dinner in which Marcus Whitman Hotel's Executive chef, "Bear" Ullman, together with Woodward Canyon's Rick Small created a six course meal especially for our group that was paired with four of Woodward Canyon's wines. The weekend concluded with a wine tasting tour to L'Ecole, Woodward Canyon, Three Rivers and Basel Cellars that was attended by thirty people. It was a great program and format and feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive. As a result, the program will be held again next year. 🍷



Mark your calendars for this year's Walla Walla Program.

It will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2005
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Dr. Marvin Berman will be the speaker.

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