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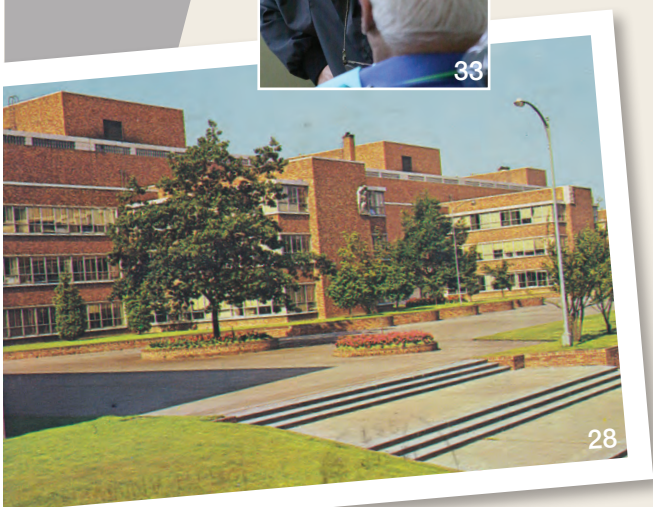


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We're making connections for you

Hello, everyone! As your new UW Dental Alumni Association president, I would like to introduce myself and share some exciting news about what our association has been doing.

I'm a Husky through and through – undergraduate (BS in neurobiology, 2000) and dental school (DDS '04, Perio '07). My husband, Ben, is an anesthesiologist who also trained at UW. I have spent the past seven years practicing periodontics in Bellevue and teaching at UW as an affiliate faculty member. Ben took a job in Helena in 2010, and I have commuted between Washington and Montana with our son for the past four years. I finally made the move to Montana this summer so that our family could be together and settle down in one location. I am now practicing in Helena and enjoyed a lovely summer and am looking forward to a great ski season coming up soon.



We are sad to leave Seattle, but I do not ever intend to let that UW connection drift away. How could I? After all, the UW and our School of Dentistry gave me the training and education I needed to do what I love and helped me build a wonderful life and family. And I am sure that I am not the only member of our association who feels that way.

There was another great benefit from my time as a UW dental student: the close friendships I formed with my classmates. There is nothing like that shared experience – those long hours in the D-1 simulation lab, the mountain of memorization for so many courses, the thrill of being a new clinician in third year, spending time at a dental school in Sweden with Dr. Lars Hollender, graduation, our 10-year reunion, and so much more. These will be special relationships throughout our lives, and I want to ensure that our association does everything it can to help sustain them.

That is why I am excited about a new project by the association, called Class Connections. Our goal is to create a unique web page for every

Remember: the Alamo!

If you're going to the ADA annual sessions in San Antonio this fall, make a date to join us for our UW Dental Alumni Association reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel. Please RSVP by Oct. 1 to randyn@uw.edu or call 206-543-7297. Hope to see you on the River Walk!

graduating class in our school's history. Each page will have several years of class members' news and photos, along with reunion notes. There will also be memorial notices about classmates who have passed on.

It is going to be a quick, easy way to catch up with your classmates and hang on to those precious friendships. You will find the link on our alumni page: <http://dental.washington.edu/alumni-friends/>. Class Connections also includes The History Project, in which we're asking alumni to contribute their memories of the School – there are some great stories to be told!

Since we have just started this venture, we have only a few class pages so far. But we hope to expand this significantly over the next couple of years.

How can you help? Keep sending those notes and photos about what has been going on in your life to Randy Newquist, our Director of Dental Alumni Services, at randyn@uw.edu. We want to hear from you!

And, of course, it all starts with your membership in our association. We do so many worthwhile things, including funding \$60,000 in scholarships each year, supporting our annual White Coat Ceremony and more. So please – if it is time to renew your membership, send in your dues right away.

I have always been proud to be a Husky dental alum, and with our school headed to new heights under Dean Joel Berg, that pride will keep growing. Let's keep our connections and Alumni Association strong as we move into the future!

JESSICA SWOBODA ('04, PERIO '07)
UW Dental Alumni Association President

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

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- Mentor Program to match students with mentor dentists
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- Practice Opportunities Program and Listing
- Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award
- Class Reunions

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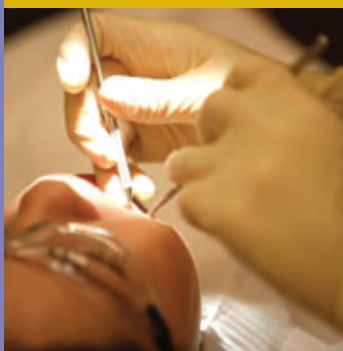
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- FALL** Football Brunch, Golf Tournament, ADA Reception, Mentor Reception
- WINTER** Beginning A Practice / Practice Opportunities
- SPRING** Ernest Jones Lecture, Spokane Reception, Dean's Club Dinner (Distinguished Alumnus)
- SUMMER** PNDG Exhibit, White Coat Ceremony

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Moving ahead while looking back

The pace is really picking up at our School as we move into the new academic year. We're now just one year away from implementing our restructured curriculum and the new clerkship system of pre-doctoral clinical rotations, and I can't begin to tell you how excited I am about these and other developments.

We're already seeing substantive changes as we move toward our goal of training a true "dentist of the future." This fall, we'll launch a new screening clinic that will help us funnel many more patients into comprehensive care by our pre-doctoral students.



With all this change going on, we've been focusing our gaze squarely on the future. But we also need to stop every now and then and take a look back. That's why I'm so pleased to see the launch of the

History Project in the *Dental Alumni News* and on our website.

Long before I ever came to the UW, I knew this school by reputation – and what a reputation! As director of the Pedo residency program at the University of Texas at Houston, and during later posts in the corporate world at IONOS-America, ESPE Dental AG and Philips Oral Healthcare, I was well aware of the UW's stellar record in clinical training and research. That reputation played a big part in my decision to seek the post of Chair of Pediatric Dentistry and come here in 2003.

After 11 years, the past two of them as dean, I can say with even greater conviction that this reputation was deserved in every possible way. There's a reason why it's not just idle talk for us to claim preeminence in dental education: Here at the UW, we are standing on the shoulders of

some of dentistry's most formidable thinkers and doers. You could easily populate just about the entire alphabet with those iconic names, from Bill Ammons to Ralph Yuodelis.

It hasn't just been our teachers and researchers, though. You – our alumni – have helped cement our national and global reputation in dentistry through your skills and the quality of your dental practices, as well as your own research, presentations and participation in study clubs and other continuing education.

So it's exciting to see recollections from alumni such as Dr. Carrie York, Class of 1991, who has been a stalwart of our Restorative Dentistry affiliate faculty for more than 20 years. This issue also features contributions from two key educators in our past: Dr. Paul Robertson, who was Dean from 1992 to 2001, an extraordinary stretch in our history, and Dr. Ken Morrison, our very first Chair of Restorative Dentistry.

I hope you'll join this great venture by contributing your own memories. (You'll find details on Page 32.) You, our dental alumni, have been a vital part of our history and helped put us in the forefront of dental education. And the History Project will help show how we got there – and are now poised to enter an exciting future.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joel Berg". The signature is fluid and cursive.

JOEL H. BERG, DDS, MS
Dean

REMEMBER: THE ALAMO!

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SAN ANTONIO

Dean Joel Berg invites you and a guest to the University of Washington School of Dentistry Reception at the

AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SESSION IN SAN ANTONIO

Saturday, October 11, 2014

5 - 7 p.m.

Marriott Rivercenter Hotel

Grand Ballroom, Salon B

101 Bowie St., San Antonio, TX 78205

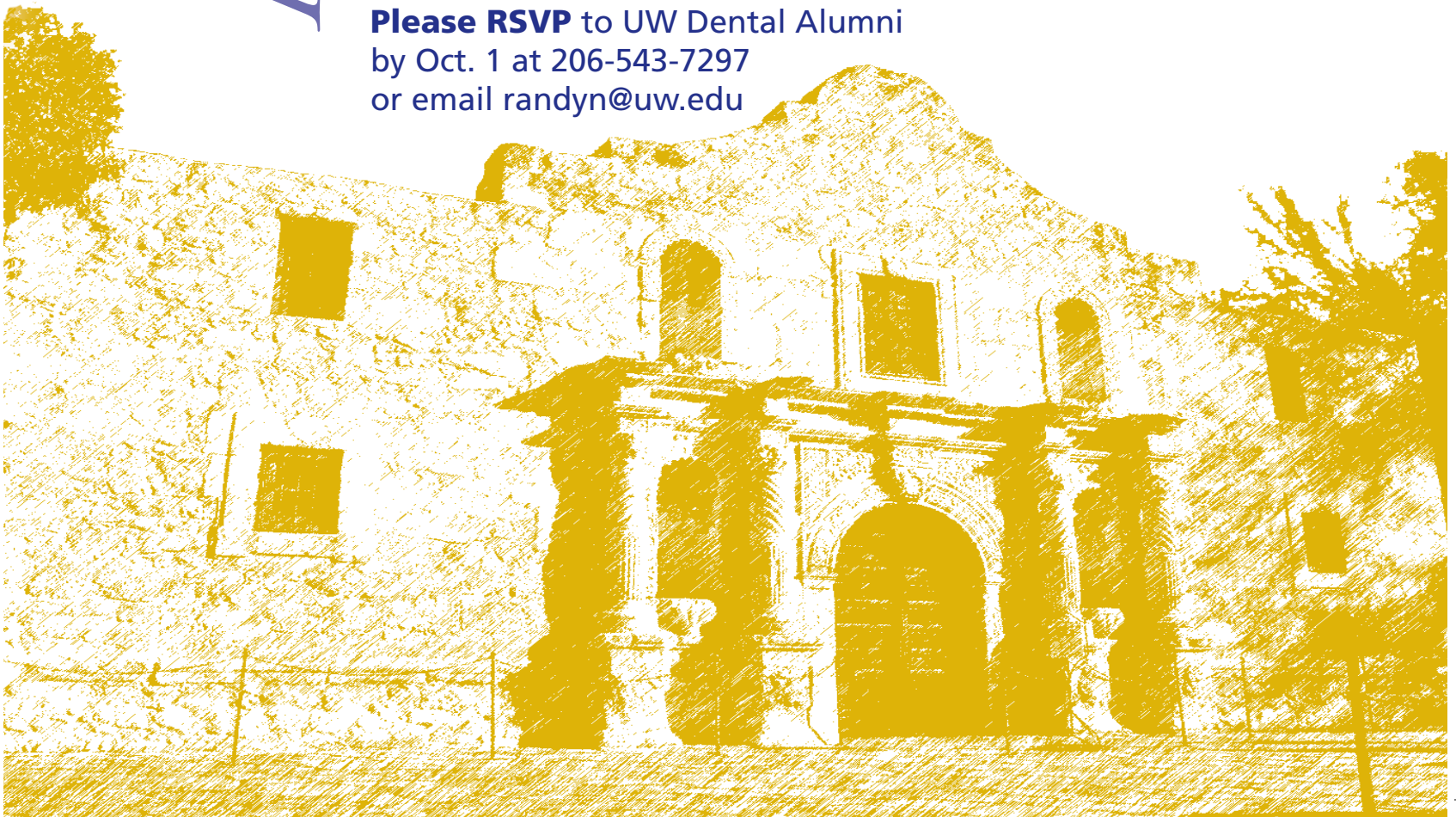
(located on the banks of the River Walk)

Complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Please RSVP to UW Dental Alumni

by Oct. 1 at 206-543-7297

or email randyn@uw.edu



Alumni volunteers sought for major Seattle outreach

Dean Joel Berg is urging alumni to join him in volunteering for one of Seattle's biggest public health outreach events – a sprawling volunteer coalition that will provide medical, dental and vision services to thousands of people Oct. 23 through 26 at Seattle Center.

Our School of Dentistry has joined the Washington State Dental Association, Seattle-King County Dental Society, Washington Academy of General Dentistry, Washington State Dental Hygienists Association and others in the dental community to recruit volunteers. More than 600 providers are required to treat as many as 1,000 patients a day.

In all, more than 30 Pacific Northwest organizations are linking up to stage the Seattle/King County Clinic, hosted by Seattle Center at Key Arena in partnership with the humanitarian group Remote Area Medical (RAM).

The event will target Puget Sound's underserved and vulnerable populations, especially the refugee and immigrant communities. While pediatric patients will be accepted, the emphasis will be on treating adults.

Dr. Jeff Parrish ('79) and Dr. Michael Karr ('80), the event's dental directors and longtime dental humanitarians, are urgently seeking volunteers. Among those who have stepped forward with Dean Berg are leading faculty members such as Dr. Thomas Dodson, Chair of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and Dr. Peter Milgrom of

Oral Health Sciences.

"I'm thrilled that our School is part of this great humanitarian effort, and I hope that many of our alumni, faculty and students – especially our residents – will volunteer for at least a day," Dean Berg said.

Dr. Parrish said that experienced dentists are urgently needed, especially



John Merner (left) and Selam Misgano of Seattle Center join Dr. Michael Karr at the RAM volunteer recruitment table at the Pacific Northwest Dental Conference in June.

general dentists, endodontists and oral surgeons. Volunteer dentists are strongly encouraged to bring their dental assistants or hygienists along if possible to maximize efficiency. Because thousands of patients are expected, proficiency is a key consideration, so pre-doctoral student volunteers will be encouraged to serve as screeners and dental assistants.

Dr. Parrish also noted that retired dentists are welcome to offer their services. Under a special plan, the state will pay for their temporary license and provide free malpractice coverage. Retired dentists must be eligible for licensure (have a current license that is expiring and don't want to maintain

it). Out-of-state dentists, public health, military and other providers can come in on a temporary license if they are currently licensed somewhere, he said.

RAM originally conducted such events overseas, but in recent years has extended its focus to U.S. cities. It provides all the infrastructure and supplies for an event, including radiography and sterilization services.

In Seattle, Dr. Parrish said, dental care will include gross debridement, extractions, anterior flippers, anterior and bicuspid root canals, and some restorative treatment. Complex cases will not

be accepted, and patients with high blood pressure or similar risk factors will be screened out during triage. General anesthesia and sedation dentistry will not be offered.

The main goals for providers will be to relieve infection and pain. Radiographic services will be available for the proposed care as needed, Dr. Parrish said.

Seven continuing-education credits will be offered to volunteer

dentists. Washington State Dental Association volunteers can simply swipe their WSDA membership card. Other dentists can fill out a form to receive credit. ■

How you can help

To register as a volunteer, go to www.ramvolunteers.org.

For more information,

contact Dr. Parrish at jeffparrish@msn.com

or Dr. Karr at

karrdds@msn.com.



Dr. Jeff Parrish

Dr. Sara Gordon named Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Dr. Sara Gordon of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) has been named Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the School of Dentistry, Dean Joel Berg has announced. Her appointment will take effect on Oct. 1, pending approval by the university's Board of Regents.

In this newly created post, Dr. Gordon will oversee administration of the School's academic programs as well as curriculum development, student progress, academic regulations, educational technologies, regional academic operations and the continuing dental education steering committee. Dr. Wendy Mouradian, the School's Associate Dean for Regional Affairs, Curriculum and Educational Technology, had assumed those duties on an interim basis for the last several months and is now retiring.

"I'm delighted to welcome Dr. Gordon to our School and the UW," Dr. Berg said. "She is a superbly qualified dental educator who will play a critical role as we install a revamped curriculum to produce a true dentist of the future." Dr. Gordon was selected from among four finalists after a nationwide search.

"We're changing our curriculum to be even more strongly evidence-based and aligned more effectively with a new clinical training system of intensive clerkship rotations," Dean Berg said. "For some time, we've seen the need to have a separate associate dean focusing squarely on academic affairs as we prepare to implement these changes in the fall of 2015."

Dr. Gordon said, "I'm very excited about coming to the UW, and I fully share Dean Berg's vision of a forward-looking dental school curriculum. The

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—Dr. Sara Gordon



School of Dentistry has a great history and tradition, and this is a wonderful opportunity to be on the cutting edge of dental education."

Since 2006, Dr. Gordon has been Associate Professor in the Department of Oral Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences at UIC's College of Dentistry. Her other appointments include associate membership in the UIC dental school's Center for the Molecular Biology of Oral Diseases and an adjunct associate professorship in the College of Medi-

cine's Department of Pathology.

Previously, she held dental faculty appointments at the University of Detroit Mercy and in Canada at the University of Western Ontario and Dalhousie University. A dual American and Canadian citizen, she received a DDS from Dalhousie University, a master's degree in pathology from the University of Western Ontario, and a BA in English from Dalhousie and a BS in biology from St. Mary's University in Nova Scotia.

She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and is also a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and Canada's Royal College of Dentists in oral medicine and oral pathology. She is currently Director of Oral Pathology Graduate Education at UIC.

In 2003, she became acquainted with the UW when she attended the School of Dentistry's Summer Institute for Clinical Dental Research Methods. She has been an active researcher and presenter, with more than 40 peer-reviewed journal publications and several book chapters, and has participated in more than 130 professional development workshops and presentations. She has also been a reviewer for *Journal of Dental Research*, the *Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*, the *Journal of Dental Education*, *Special Care in Dentistry*, and the *Journal of Investigative and Clinical Dentistry*.

In addition, she has been active in community service through organizations including the UIC Dental Charity Foundation, American Diabetes Association, Children's Bridge International Adoptions and Bryony House Domestic Abuse Shelter. ■

Dr. Mouradian retiring, will continue to advise

Dr. Wendy Mouradian, the founder of the RIDE regional program and one of our School's most respected leaders, has announced that she will retire on Sept. 15.

While Dr. Mouradian will be officially retiring from her full-time duties, she will continue to work part time to advise on curriculum revision, interprofessional education and the RIDE program, Dean Joel Berg said.

"It's all but impossible to imagine where we'd be without her voice and vision," Dean Berg said. "When you look at the intersection of medicine and dentistry, there are very few people who figure as prominently as Wendy Mouradian." He said that he will temporarily take the lead role in the proposed expansion of the Regional Initiatives in Dental Education program, with Dr. Mouradian's support.

Dr. Mouradian said the time was right for her move, with Dr. Sara Gordon's arrival on Oct. 1 as the new Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (see Page 10), as well as Dr. Frank Roberts taking leadership of the RIDE program and Dr. John Evans ('75, Oral Path '78) heading up implementation of the School's revamped curriculum – all areas where Dr. Mouradian has played major roles.

"Changes in clinical efficiency, organizational structure and curriculum are moving forward to define the dentist of the future with a truly unique UW vision," she said. "It has been a great privilege contributing to this work."

Dr. Mouradian, who most recently has been Associate Dean for Regional Affairs, Curriculum and Educational Technology, has long been one of the nation's most visible and influential

voices in efforts to improve children's oral health.

A pediatrician by training, she co-chaired the first national summit on children's oral health in 2008, and several years earlier organized the U.S. Surgeon General's Conference on Children and Oral Health for the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. That conference was part of the rollout of "Oral Health in America," a landmark report from the Surgeon General in 2000.



In 2009, she co-edited a special issue on children's oral health by the journal *Academic Pediatrics*, examining progress made toward the goals set by the surgeon general's report. She also has served as an oral health advisor to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and has co-chaired an American Association of Medical Colleges and American Dental Education Association joint panel to develop common curricula for medical and dental students.

In 2010, the federal government named her an oral health advisor to the Health Resources and Services Admin-

istration (HRSA), the agency primarily responsible for improving access to health care services for people who are uninsured, isolated, or medically vulnerable. She took on these duties in addition to her work at the UW, where she was also a professor of pediatric dentistry and pediatrics at the Schools of Dentistry and Medicine and also held adjunct appointments in Dental Public Health Sciences and Health Services (School of Public Health).

More recently, she has led our School's discussions with the School of Medicine on incorporating oral health more fully into the medical-school curriculum. She has also been a national leader in enlisting pediatricians to help fight childhood dental disease, playing

a key role in the AAP's efforts to get its members more involved in caries screening and prevention.

One of Dr. Mouradian's signature achievements was RIDE, which this year graduated its third cohort of students. The innovative program, in which students spend their first year and part of their fourth year in Eastern Washington, seeks to address access-to-care issues in rural and underserved areas of the state. It also offers students an enriched clinical experience and has been a leader in distance-learning technology.

Noting that the state Board of Health has recommended expanding the RIDE program to address dental workforce needs for underserved populations, Dr. Mouradian said, "We now think about wanting RIDE types of experiences for all students."

Said Dean Berg: "We would not have this groundbreaking program without Wendy."

Dr. Mouradian, who spent more than a decade in private pediatric practice in Washington state, came to our School in 1998 after serving as director of the craniofacial program of Seattle Children's hospital. She was named associate dean in 2007. ■

Dr. Kokich, Dr. Harrington honored at Dean's Club dinner

Dr. Vincent G. Kokich and Dr. Gerald W. Harrington, two iconic faculty members who exerted lasting influence on their professional disciplines and the School of Dentistry, were honored on April 26 at the 30th annual Dean's Club dinner at McCaw Hall in Seattle Center.

The event drew about 280 guests, matching the all-time attendance mark, which was set last year when the dinner was held at the newly remodeled Husky Union Building on campus. Dr. Douglas Walsh ('78), president of the Dean's Club Board of Trustees, served as master of ceremonies.

Dr. Kokich ('71, Ortho '74), one of our School's most acclaimed alumni, received the Dean's Club 2014 Honorary Lifetime Member Award, bestowed posthumously for the first time. The award recognizes club members who have given extraordinary service and support to



Dr. Vincent Kokich Jr. (Ortho '99, GPR '97, center) accepts his late father's Honorary Lifetime Member Award from Dr. Douglas Walsh ('78, left) and Dr. Peter Shapiro (Ortho '73).



Dr. Gerald Harrington (Endo '69) displays his Distinguished Alumnus Award, flanked by Dr. Eugene Natkin (Endo '62, left) and Dr. Douglas Walsh.

the School over an extended span.

Dr. Kokich, considered one of the world's foremost dental educators, passed away on July 24, 2013 at the age of 68. He compiled a three-decade record as one of our School's most ardent supporters. As Professor of Orthodontics, he also helped build the UW's reputation as a top center of orthodontics education, and during 25 years on the lecture circuit, was a leading advocate of interdisciplinary dentistry.



Dr. Vincent G. Kokich

His son, Dr. Vincent Kokich Jr. (GPR '97, Ortho '99), who is an affiliate faculty member in the Department of Orthodontics, accepted the award on the family's behalf.

Dr. Harrington (Endo '69), Profes-



Dr. David Pitts (Endo '77), Nancy Hertl and Dr. Norbert Hertl (Endo '79)



George Englund, Judy Allen and Dr. Robert Allen ('66)



Dr. Charles Bolender and Mamie Bolender

Dr. Harrington and former Chair of Endodontics, received the Dental Alumni Association's 2014 Distinguished Alumnus Award. The award recognizes alumni who by their professional achievements have earned great distinction, improved the dental profession and the public's welfare, and brought honor to the School and the UW.

Dr. Harrington served as a full-time Endodontics faculty member starting in 1969 and chaired the department from 1993 until he retired in 2001. He also directed the graduate Endodontics program from 1972 to 2001. As chair, he enhanced the department's strong tradition and reputation, and as a teacher, compiled a record highlighted by 18 awards for teaching excellence from dental students and the bestowal of the Bruce R. Rothwell Distinguished Teaching Award, our highest faculty honor. He was also an active and influential researcher, contributing to numerous journals and serving on 48 graduate research committees.

Both awards were presented by long-time friends and colleagues of the recipients who were also previous recipients of the respective awards. Dr. Kokich's award was given by Dr. Peter Shapiro (Ortho '73), the 2012 honoree, and Dr. Harrington's award was presented by Dr. Eugene Natkin (Endo '62), the 2013 honoree. ■



Dr. David Minahan ('75) and Mark Konings



Fourth-year students Eric Olendorf (left) and Tyler Ruple received leadership awards.



Dr. Gerald Harrington, Dr. Patricia Rothwell ('84) and Dr. Susan Hollinsworth ('78)

It's DDS-Day for Class of 2014

Sixty-six members of the Class of 2014 received their doctoral hoods on June 7 during the School of Dentistry's annual graduation ceremony at Meany Hall on the UW campus.

The graduates included eight students in the Regional Initiatives in Dental Education (RIDE) program.



Dr. John Townsend

Five graduates came from the school's International DDS program, in which foreign students already holding a DDS or its equivalent take the last two years of dental school at the UW as a prelude to U.S.

certification. During the proceedings, the school also recognized four recipients of master's degrees in oral biology.

Special guests included several members of the school's Class of 1964 and their spouses.

Faculty member Dr. John Townsend (Pros '73), invited by the students to deliver the keynote speech, urged the graduates to appreciate the help and support they had received from fam-

"We've emphasized the biomechanical and mechanical aspects [of dentistry] these four years, but honesty and integrity trump skill."

— Dr. John Townsend, keynote speaker

The Class of 2014



ily, friends, faculty and teachers before dental school, and asked them to think about ways in which they could repay this help.

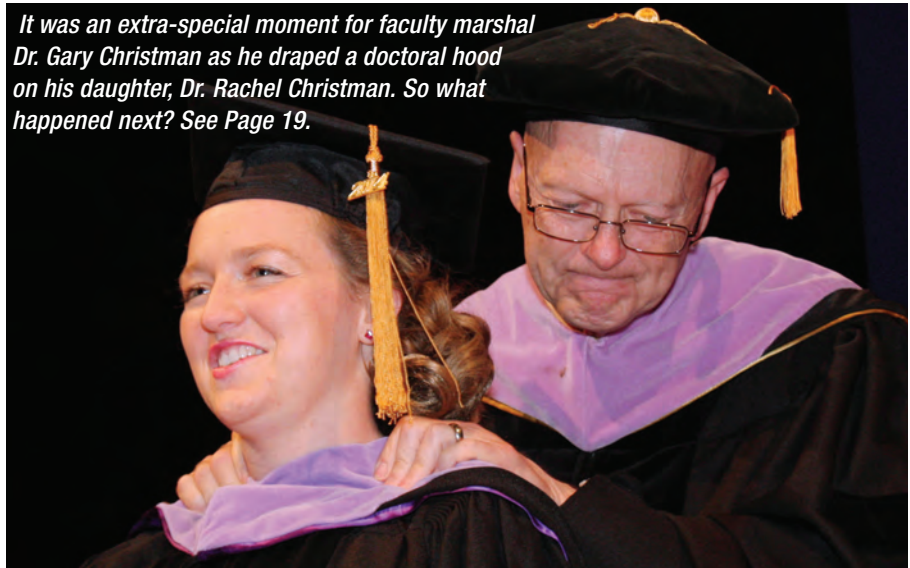
He told them to take any anxiety about their future in stride, saying: "Take each step at a time, just the way you did during your dental education."

Dr. Townsend also stressed the continuity of dental education. "The

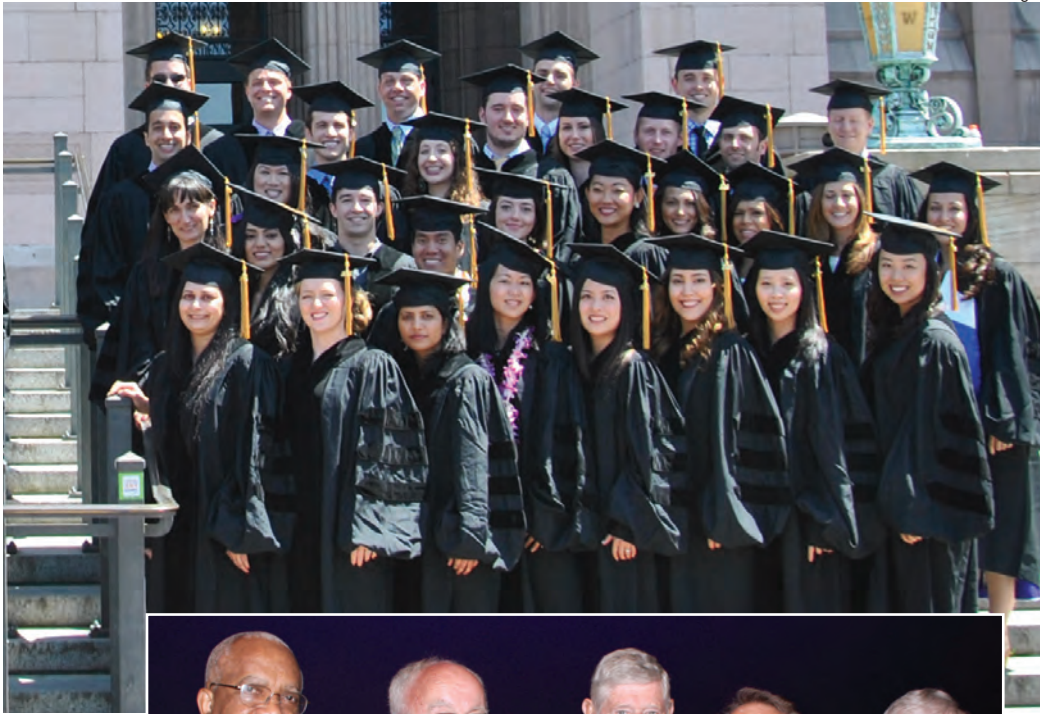
dental degree is a license to keep learning," he said. "It's a continuing challenge to maintain your knowledge and skill level in your profession." He also spoke of the personal qualities they would need.

"With patients, the challenge is to be confident without being overconfident," he said, adding: "We've emphasized the biomechanical and mechanical aspects

It was an extra-special moment for faculty marshal Dr. Gary Christman as he draped a doctoral hood on his daughter, Dr. Rachel Christman. So what happened next? See Page 19.



GradImages



Members of the Class of 1964 helped celebrate the occasion. From left: Dr. Robert Flennaugh, Dr. James Ward, Dr. Alan Brooks, Dr. George Gunderson and Dr. James Menzies.

[of dentistry] these four years, but honesty and integrity trump skill.”

Opening the ceremony, Dean Joel Berg told the graduates: “I hope you look at these four years as just the start of a lifetime of dental education. I hope you’ll practice and support evidence-based dentistry. I hope you’ll understand the value of research in everything we do as dentists. And I hope you



Dr. Eric Olendorf

continue to uphold the highest ideals of integrity and professional ethics.”

Also speaking was Class of 2014 president Dr. Eric Olendorf, who acknowledged a debt of gratitude to faculty members such as Dr. Townsend. He added a lighthearted twist with a list of things he had learned from his classmates (“Some people still actually consider paintball a sport”). ■

First Chalmers Scholarship awarded at ceremony

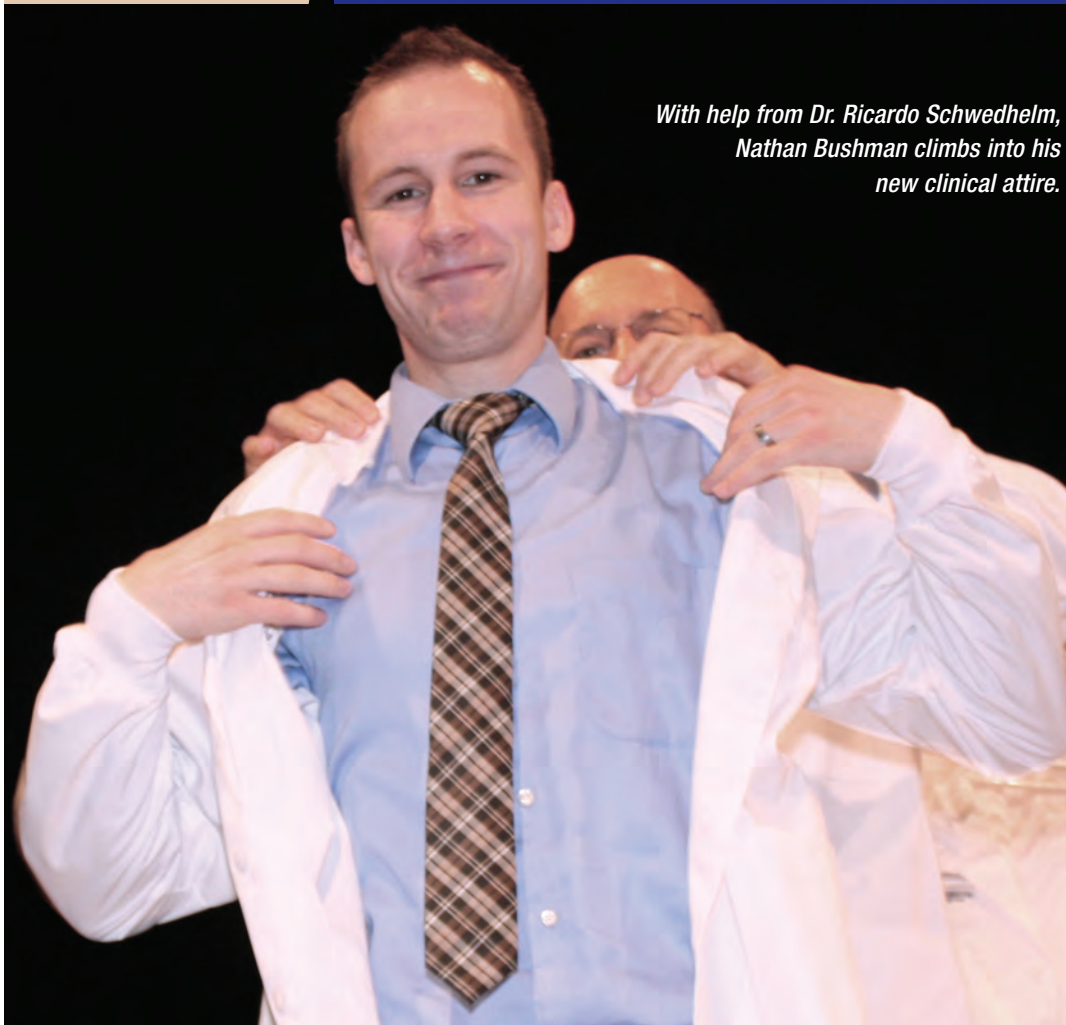
A new scholarship honoring the memory of a longtime Prosthodontics instructor highlighted our School’s annual Honors and Awards Ceremony on June 6.

The Ray Chalmers Endowed Scholarship was established this year in memory of Dr. Chalmers, who passed away in 2012. He was an affiliate instructor in pre-clinical prosthodontics for 30 years, and bequeathed part of his estate to provide dental scholarships. Todd Billington (’15) was named the inaugural recipient of the award, which was presented by Dr. Richard Frank (Pros ’68).

Our Dental Alumni Association, which now supports \$60,000 in annual scholarships, presented awards to Nicollette Bohn (’16), Chelsea Momany (’16), Jose Mendoza (’17), Jasmine Olson (’15), Justin VanRiper (’17), Daniel Warnock (’15), Melissa Wilcox (’17) and Jaemi Yoo (’15).



Dr. Richard Frank (Pros ’68), former Chair of Removable Prosthodontics, presents the first Ray Chalmers Endowed Scholarship to Todd Billington.



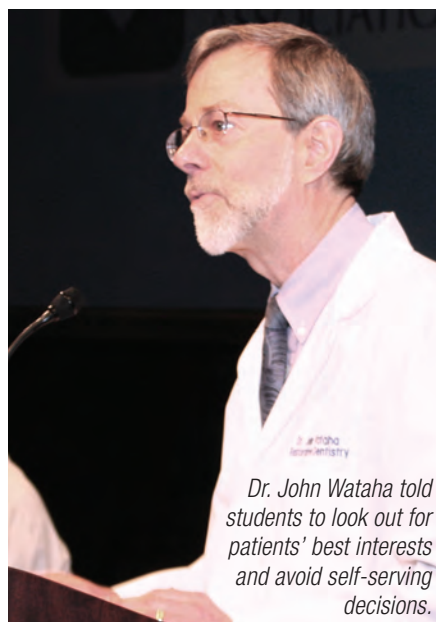
With help from Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm, Nathan Bushman climbs into his new clinical attire.

Class of 2016 dons its clinical coats

Sixty-seven members of the Class of 2016, including five in the International DDS program, received their official clinical coats on Aug. 16 in the School of Dentistry's 10th annual White Coat Ceremony.

The event, held before the start of their third year in school, signifies the students' taking on the role of clinical provider during their last two years of pre-doctoral training. The ceremony is sponsored by the UW Dental Alumni Association.

Keynote speaker Dr. John Wataha, Associate Dean for Information Management and Quality Improvement, imparted several key messages to the students. He framed his talk against



Dr. John Wataha told students to look out for patients' best interests and avoid self-serving decisions.

the experiences of his late father, an accountant and small-town Wyoming mayor.

"In clinic, you learn a lot about people, and you have to be careful not to judge them too quickly," he said. Dr. Wataha recalled how allegations of lawlessness and corruption led to his father being interviewed on the 60 Minutes television program and facing investigations by the IRS, the FBI and state authorities.

None of the charges were ever substantiated and no prosecutions ever resulted, but the whole business led to painfully fractured relationships between his father and townspeople who had lodged accusations, with trust irreparably broken.

"From my father, I learned the importance of friendship and trust," Dr. Wataha said. "Your job is to facilitate help, not judge. You have to look out for your patients' best interests."

Dr. Wataha also urged students to learn from their inevitable errors and conduct honest self-evaluations. He added: "Avoid the pitfall of convincing yourself that the most expensive treatment is the best thing for the patient."

"Time and life are short," he said. "Be a good person and clinician, starting today. You might not get a chance tomorrow. ... You are being given a chance to make a difference in people's lives. That's a marvelous gift."

Dean Joel Berg welcomed families and friends of the students to the ceremony. He told students that they'd be in for many surprises in the next two years and well beyond and urged them, "Don't ever think you've seen it all or done it all. Don't ever lose that capacity to be surprised. And when that surprise jumps out at you, don't waste it. Use it as a learning moment."

Class President Christine Melch led the students in reciting the traditional pledge of excellence, integrity and empathy. ■

Dr. Kimberly Espinoza is new DECOD director

Dr. Kimberly M. Espinoza, formerly a member of the University of New Mexico dental faculty and director of one of that state's primary special-needs dental clinics, began work on July 1 as the new director of our School of Dentistry's DECOD special-needs clinical program.

Dr. Espinoza had been an associate professor in the Department of Dental Medicine at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. For more than seven years she also directed the university's Carrie Tingley Hospital Dental Clinic, one of New Mexico's only two dental clinics for people with developmental disabilities.

"We're delighted to welcome Dr. Espinoza to the UW and DECOD," Dean Joel Berg said. "This is a very meaningful appointment for a number of reasons. For four decades, DECOD has been a critical resource for Washington citizens with special needs, serving thousands of patients both on campus and during on-site visits to group homes and other facilities.

"DECOD also embodies one of our school's core values: our continuing responsibility to care for patients who are vulnerable or at heightened risk for dental disease and its consequences."

The Dental Education in Care of Persons with Disabilities program, which began in the 1970s and records 3,500 to 4,500 patient visits a year, treats people with severe developmental or acquired disabilities. These include people with autism, retardation, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, multiple sclerosis and psychiatric disorders. In many cases, these patients – most of whom are financially disadvantaged and receive public assistance – have few if any other options for dental treatment in a community

"DECOD embodies one of our school's core values: our continuing responsibility to care for patients who are vulnerable or at heightened risk for dental disease and its consequences."

– Dean Joel Berg



Dr. Kimberly Espinoza

setting. The program also has a geriatric component for elderly patients with disabilities and those who are in independent living programs.

While DECOD has professional care providers, the program also involves dental students in patients' treatment. Dr. Espinoza's appointment coincides with a shift in DECOD's focus, Dean Berg said.

"In the past, DECOD has not just provided care, but has also been an important training ground for our

pre-doctoral students in treating people with special needs," he said. "We believe this has helped us produce dentists who are more sensitive to these patients' needs, and are better equipped and more likely to treat such patients after graduation."

Now, however, the program will expand to embrace post-doctoral training as well, Dean Berg said.

"We plan to integrate DECOD into the training of our graduate residency students, in particular those in our Advanced General Dentistry residency program," he said. "This is a natural fit, especially since the AGD program includes training in the treatment of medically complex patients. I believe this will not only enhance our own training, but will also let us expand DECOD's capacity for treatment."

Dr. Espinoza had taught in the UNM Advanced Education in General Dentistry residency program, where she served as a research mentor and trained dental students, faculty members, dental hygienists and dental assistants in treating patients with developmental disabilities. She has also worked with Special Care Advocates in Dentistry to update self-study training modules, and has been co-chair of the Special Care Dentistry Association's Council on Dentistry for People with Disabilities. She also served as the special-care dentist for UNM's Cleft and Craniofacial Team.

Dr. Espinoza received her bachelor's degree from Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, Calif., in 2000, her DDS from the University of Southern California in 2004, her Advanced Education in General Dentistry certificate from UNM in 2006 and a master's degree in public health from UNM in 2011. ■

Dr. Josh Manchester named Wands Fellow

Dr. Josh Manchester ('13), a first-year resident, has been named the recipient of the 2014-15 David H. Wands Fellowship in Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He is the ninth recipient of the \$10,000 award at the UW.

Dr. Manchester said he had already begun gravitating toward Prosthodontics training as a pre-doctoral student at the UW.

"I was impressed by all the Pros speakers who came here, like Dr. Gregg Kinzer and others," he said. "And as I did my removable pros requirement, I really enjoyed doing something and having it fit in the mouth. I like that sort of process."

Several denture cases that turned out well were especially satisfying, he said. "I did an immediate denture, and the patient I did it for was just so happy," he said. "I gave him back his smile."

Dr. Manchester grew up in Great Falls, Mont., where he was active in Scouting and reached the rank of Eagle Scout. The son of a petroleum engineer, he also had two uncles who were engineers, suggesting that a detail-oriented analytical streak ran in the family. Nobody among his relatives was a dentist. Instead, it was the family dentist who sparked his interest in the profession.

"He was very gentle, and very good at explaining things," Dr. Manchester recalled. "I remember him following us out to the waiting room to explain a procedure and what would happen next. That's a very big part of dentistry, especially in Pros."

After obtaining his undergraduate degree at Montana State University, he came to the UW, where his honors in dental school included the American Academy of Orofacial Pain Outstanding



Dr. Josh Manchester

Senior Award in 2013. He also served an AEGD externship at the University of Texas Science Center at San Antonio in 2012.

After dental school, Dr. Manchester completed a general practice residency at the University of Minnesota Physicians Dental Clinic. "It was a really good program," he said. "A lot of it related to Pros. I saw patients who were getting radiation and had to figure out treatment planning for people with dry mouth and an elevated risk of caries. I learned a lot of different facets of dentistry – endodontics, implants, periodontics, removable prosthodontics."

Once he obtains his Pros certification, he hopes to practice in Spokane with his wife and classmate, Dr. Elizabeth Manchester ('13), whom he met and married in dental school.

In Spokane, he plans to join study clubs and volunteer as an affiliate dental

faculty member at the UW, something he anticipates eagerly. As a pre-doctoral student, he served as a teaching assistant in Dr. Kavita Shor's removable complete dentures course, and said he greatly enjoyed the experience.

"I really appreciate Dr. Wands' generosity in supporting the fellowship endowment," Dr. Manchester said. "I think it makes a considerable difference to the specialty's current residents who will become the future mentors of Prosthodontics."

Dr. Wands, who was a UW School of Dentistry faculty member in the Department of Prosthodontics for 22 years, originally established the fellowship at the University of Maryland in 1994 in recognition of the shortage of dental school educators and to offer financial assistance to those interested in academic dentistry. In 1998, he launched a similar fellowship at the UW with a \$500,000 commitment. Since the fellowship's inception at Maryland, a total of 13 awards have been made.

In 1967, Dr. Wands graduated with honors from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, University of Maryland, and afterward served for seven years with the U.S. Public Health Service. He then returned to the University of Washington as a half-time faculty member and taught both undergraduate and graduate Prosthodontics, achieving the rank of Clinical Professor.

In addition to endowing the fellowship, Dr. Wands is a member of the UW School of Dentistry Dean's Club and was instrumental in forming the UW Graduate Prosthodontic Alumni Association. In 1999, he was honored by the Dean's Club with its highest award, Honorary Lifetime Member. He is a Life Member of the Academy of Prosthodontics and Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics. ■



Dr. David Wands

Delta Dental gift honors Dr. Jack Neal

Dr. Jack Neal, a prominent Seattle-area oral and maxillofacial surgeon who passed away on April 15, will be honored with a new endowment at the School of Dentistry.

The Delta Dental Jack E. Neal Endowed Fund for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery will be launched with a major gift from Delta Dental of Washington, on whose board of directors Dr. Neal served for eight years. The endowment will provide financial support for pre-doctoral and post-doctoral students studying in the school's Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program.

"Our school greatly appreciates Delta Dental's generous support of one of our key programs," said Dean Joel Berg. "It's a very fitting and meaningful way to honor the memory of an outstanding dentist who was thoroughly dedicated to serving the community."

"We are grateful for the opportunity to have served with Jack on the Delta Dental of Washington Board of Directors," said Joanna Lohkamp, chair of the board. "Jack brought to the board a warm and generous nature that contributed to better decision-making across stakeholders. With this gift we're pleased to celebrate and recognize Jack's distinguished service to his profession and to our company."

Dr. Neal, who practiced in Seattle and Kirkland for 40 years, served terms as president of both the Washington State Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the Western Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He was active in the Seattle King County Dental Society and the Washington State Dental Association, and served on several boards including the Washington Physicians Health Program and the Physicians and Dentists Credit Bureau.

In addition, he provided charitable care for patients through the Washington State Dental Association Ac-



Dr. Jack E. Neal

cess Program and the Donated Dental Services Program. He also played an instrumental role on the Delta Dental board in helping provide dental care to more than 800 underserved children throughout King County.

After graduating from Furman University in South Carolina, Dr. Neal received his DDS from the University of

Maryland School of Dentistry. He then served in the U.S. Army Dental Corps in Frankfurt, Germany.

After his military service, Dr. Neal entered the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery residency program at the University of Iowa, where he pursued clinical and laboratory research on bone grafting and reconstruction and received a master's of science degree. In 1973, he moved to Seattle and began private practice in Kirkland. He was certified by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in 1976.

"The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is grateful to Delta Dental for its leadership in supporting OMS education, and to Dr. Neal for his outstanding contributions to the profession," said Dr. Thomas Dodson, chair of the department. "The vitality of our educational activities ensures that the UW will be the program of choice for top candidates." ■

That's one proud dad



Emotions overflowed after faculty marshal Dr. Gary Christman presented a doctoral hood to daughter Rachel at graduation. (See Page 14.)

Grace Fellowship aids Restorative Dentistry

Our Department of Restorative Dentistry has received a significant boost with the creation of a new endowment: the Mark R. Grace Endowed Faculty Fellowship in Restorative Dentistry.



Dr. Mark Grace

The new endowment was created by alumna Dr. Kristine Grace ('96, OMS '00) in honor of her spouse, who is also an alumnus ('94). Dr. Kristine Grace practices as a

board-certified oral and maxillofacial surgeon in Puyallup and serves as an

affiliate faculty member at our School. Dr. Mark Grace practices general dentistry in Seattle and serves on the Dental Alumni Association board as his class's representative and also on the Dean's Club Board of Trustees. He has also taught as an affiliate faculty member here.

"This is a wonderful gift for a number of reasons," said Dean Joel Berg. "It's the first fellowship we've created for our Department of Restorative Dentistry, and I hope it will inspire similar gestures of support from our other alumni. It also addresses a criti-



Dr. Kristine Grace

"We are grateful to the UW School of Dentistry for our professional achievements," Dr. Kristine Grace said. "Mark especially feels a connection and actively participates in the Alumni Association and Dean's Club. I felt it would honor Mark's commitment to the UW School of Dentistry by

setting up an endowment to help faculty in Restorative Dentistry."

Dr. Yen-Wei Chen (Grad Pros '08), Assistant Professor of Restorative Dentistry, was named first recipient of the fellowship.

Candidates are selected from among faculty members who have demonstrated outstanding potential for scholarly and professional contributions in Restorative Dentistry.



Dr. Yen-Wei Chen

"I am honored to get the chance to expand the educational opportunities for UW students to ensure they remain competitive in the dental practice of the future," Dr. Chen said.

Dr. Chen holds a DDS from Taipei Medical University. He is a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and American College of Prosthodontists, and is board-eligible for the American Board of Prosthodontics. His clinical interests focus on esthetics and implant restorative dentistry, while his research interests focus on all-ceramic systems and the application of CAD/CAM technology in restorative dentistry. ■

Dr. Tolas honored for milestone



Several dozen alumni and friends met at Daniel's Broiler in Bellevue June 21 to celebrate Dr. Andrew Tolas' 50 years of service to our Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Alumni came from as far away as Georgia to honor Dr. Tolas, who trained them in the intricacies of chairside anesthesiology. Clustered around Dr. Tolas (seated) are (from left) Dr. Tom Hohl (OMS '74), Dr. Philip Worthington, Father Richard Ward, Dr. Frank Collins (OMS '77) and Dr. Roger Meyer ('61, OMS '66).

UW forges link with leading dental school in Thailand

A new agreement between the School of Dentistry and Thailand's leading dental school is expected to generate more faculty exchanges and research collaborations as it helps expand the School's global footprint.

Dean Joel Berg visited Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok during a trip to China and Thailand in January in the first step of formalizing the agreement. A delegation led by Dr. Suchit Poolthong, Dean of Chulalongkorn University Dental Faculty, paid a reciprocal visit to the UW on Aug. 8. At that time, Dean Berg and Dean Poolthong signed a memorandum of understanding, as they did in January.

"Federal and state resources for dental education and research have been static or even shrinking for some time now," Dean Berg said. "That's our new reality, and that's why it's more

important than ever for us to be creative in seeking out new partners."

In addition to research partnerships and faculty exchanges, Dean Berg said, the schools will also share ideas about dental curriculum and the future of the dental profession.

Chulalongkorn brings impressive assets to the partnership, Dean Berg said. Thailand's largest dental school, founded in 1941, teaches a full range of dental specialties and has a robust research program, including a requirement that all students perform research. It has a six-year predoctoral program with graduate specialty certification programs spanning one to five years. The school places strong emphasis on public health, conducting large-scale clinical outreaches that include a mobile special-needs pediatric clinic.

Tuition and fees are subsidized by

the Thai government, with students required to perform government service for three years after graduation unless they repay their financial obligation. Tuition costs a total of \$30,000 for the six-year DDS program, which admits 140 students each year.

During his August visit, Dean Poolthong gave a brief presentation on the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and its new ventures that are reshaping regional dental education.

The new ventures include efforts to standardize and synchronize dental education across Southeast Asia, he said, with educational components including general and subject-specific competencies and a regional credit-transfer system.

The initiatives' goals are for patients to receive a more consistent standard of oral health care around the region, employing evidence-based dentistry that reflects local populations and their health needs while acknowledging member states' diversity. ASEAN also seeks to facilitate a freer flow of dental professionals across the region, Dean Poolthong said. ■

Dean Joel Berg and Dean Suchit Poolthong of the Chulalongkorn University Faculty of Dentistry commemorate their schools' new partnership during a signing ceremony at the UW on Aug. 8.



Dr. Lou Shuman delivers Ernest M. Jones Lecture

Dr. Lou Shuman, an internet dental marketing strategy expert, presented the 44th annual Ernest M. Jones Memorial Lectureship on March 28 at Meany Hall on the UW campus. Dr. Shuman's lecture was titled "The internet: What's happening today that should change the way you're doing business."

Dr. Shuman is president of the Pride Institute, a dental practice management consulting group based in Novato, Calif. His expertise lies in internet strategy, strategic relations, emerging technologies, digital marketing methods and operational practice management.

In his presentation, Dr. Shuman cov-

ered social media, internet technologies and the optimal mix of traditional and online marketing.

The lectureship, our School's signature annual continuing education event, was created in honor of the School's founding dean. It is supported by an endowment that has drawn contributions from more than 900 alumni and friends of the School. This support ensures that the lecture will be presented free, in perpetuity, to all dentists, dental school faculty and students, and dental co-professionals.

The event is organized by the UW Dental Alumni Association, which also supports the lectureship. ■



Dr. Lou Shuman (right) receives a plaque commemorating his appearance from Dr. Dexter Barnes ('69), chair of the lectureship committee.



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Dr. Peter Moy to give Worthington lecture



Dr. Peter K. Moy of the UCLA School of Dentistry will present the 2014 Worthington Lecture on "Implant Dentistry Today: Role of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon" on

Oct. 1 at the School of Dentistry.

Dr. Moy, who is Nobel Biocare Endowed Chair in Surgical Implant Dentistry at UCLA, is an oral and maxillofacial surgeon practicing privately in Los Angeles. He holds an adjunct faculty appointment in UCLA's Department of Hospital Dentistry and, since 1991, has been co-director of UCLA's Dental Implant Center.

This year marks a departure in the lecture's presentation. A separate event in the past, it will now be part of the "Grand Rounds" lecture series established last fall by Dr. Thomas Dodson, Chair of our Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. With the Grand Rounds lectures drawing a broad audience that includes physicians, surgeons, general dentists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, pre-doctoral and graduate dental students, the new format is expected to help the Worthington lecture reach a more robust mix of listeners and promote even more productive cross-disciplinary exchanges.



Created in 2000, the Worthington lecture honors the service of Dr. Philip Worthington, who retired in 1998 after chairing our

Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for more than 20 years.

Information on the Grand Rounds lecture series can be found on our School's website at <http://dental.washington.edu/oral-and-maxillofacial-surgery/oms-grand-rounds/>. ■

New MD/OMS certificate

The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMS) has announced the launch of its MD/OMS certificate program, known informally as a "dual-degree program," according to OMS Chair Dr. Thomas Dodson.

The OMS Department recently received approval from the UW School of Medicine to expand its current four-year residency program to the revised six-year interdisciplinary curriculum. Candidates selected from among this fall's applicants for the OMS residency program that begins in July 2015 will form the first class under the new six-year curriculum.



"If one is to be trained as a surgical subspecialist, it makes sense to have a basic understanding of the principles and practice of general surgery." —Dr. Thomas Dodson, Chair of OMS

Students in the six-year program will receive an MD degree from the UW School of Medicine and participate in general surgery training as well as earn their OMS certification. Plans call for the residency to continue to admit three students each year.

"If one is to be trained as a surgical subspecialist, it makes sense to have a basic understanding of the principles and practice of general surgery," Dr. Dodson said.

Residents will serve two years on the general surgery service, Dr. Dodson said, adding, "They'll still get the full OMS experience that they get under the four-year program."

The program will be structured as follows:

- Year one: OMS intern
- Year two: Matriculation with advanced (third-year) standing in the UW School of Medicine
- Year three: Fourth-year training in the School of Medicine and qualifica-

tion for MD degree

- Years four and five: Assigned to general surgery service
- Year six: Chief/senior OMS resident

The new program aligns the UW with the leading OMS programs nationally. Today, 43 of the 103 post-doctoral residencies in OMS offer the dual-degree track exclusively.

"My goal here is to produce leaders," Dr. Dodson said. "Leadership can be measured in many ways and attained in academics or in service to the community or specialty."

Dr. Dodson said his department

has negotiated with the UW's Graduate Medical Education office to fund the general surgery portion of training, and that he is looking at ways to help further defray residents' additional medical school tuition costs.

At the same time, he voiced his appreciation for the Delta Dental Jack E. Neal Endowed Fund for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, which will benefit the new program. The fund was created this year in memory of a leading Seattle-area OMS surgeon who passed away in April. It was launched with a major gift from Delta Dental, on whose board Dr. Neal served for eight years.

"It is my goal to encourage the exponential growth of this fund," says Dr. Dodson. "With participation from alumni and support from the dental community, we can one day have a sustainable fund that defrays the incremental tuition of pursuing the MD degree." (See Page 19.) ■



Dr. Mats Kronstrom (far left), OKU chapter president, and Dr. Hai Zhang (far right) join scholarship winners (from left) Kathryn Parker, Cameron Laseley, Chelsea Momany, Christopher Davis and David Shin. Not shown: Yelena Chuvashova.

OKU honorary society awards scholarships, inducts members

The UW chapter of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honorary society awarded scholarships to the top two students in each of the classes of 2015, 2016 and 2017 and also inducted faculty and graduating student members at its annual banquet on May 28 at the UW Club.

In addition, the OKU chapter bestowed the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence on Anisoara Begun of the Class of 2016. The award is given to a rising third-year dental student in recognition of scholarship, character and the potential promise for the ad-

vancement of dentistry and service to humanity.

Scholarships, awarded on the basis of class standing, went to Kathryn Parker (first) and Cameron Lasley (second), Class of 2015; Chelsea Momany (first) and Christopher Davis (second), Class of 2016; and David Shin (first) and Yelena Chuvashova (second), Class of 2017.

Dr. Patrick Taylor (Endo '88) of the Department of Endodontics affiliate faculty was inducted as a faculty member, while Diane Daubert (Dental Hygiene '82, Oral Biology '09) of the

Department of Periodontics faculty received honorary membership.

Seven graduating fourth-year students were inducted as alumni members: Leigh Armijo, Dallin Dance, Shane Drew, Allison Millard, Tyler Morgan, Hunter Simpson and Timothy Souquet. ■

School joins 'virtual fair' for prospective students

On April 29-30, the UW joined dozens of other U.S. dental schools in an online forum in which prospective dental students could speak with admissions officials free of charge.

The 2014 ADEA Pre dental Student Virtual Fair, sponsored by the American Dental Education Association, featured representatives of more than 40 dental schools.

In addition to talking directly with officials, prospective applicants could watch presentations about financing a dental education, ADEA's Associated American Dental Schools Application Service, and the dental school application process. They could also browse and download brochures, videos and dental school information, as well as network with other dental school applicants in a live chat forum. ■



Dr. Mats Kronstrom (left) and Dr. Hai Zhang congratulate Anisoara Begun, winner of the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence.

Endo residents earn research honors

Three Department of Endodontics residents won honors during the annual American Association of Endodontists (AAE) annual sessions in May in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Jesus Machado and Dr. Jason Latham won third place and 10th place respectively in the research poster competition. They were mentored by Dr. Avina Paranjpe, Assistant Professor in the department.

Dr. Joao Barbizam won an award in the Oral Research Presentation category.

This marks the 11th straight year

that our School's residents have won at least one award in one of the AAE competitions, which are open to residents from programs around the world. ■



Dr. James Johnson, Chair of Endodontics (left), and Dr. Avina Paranjpe, research mentor, celebrate with Dr. Jesus Machado and Dr. Jason Latham (right) at the AAE sessions.

UW leads oral health research workshop at Peru university

In May, our School of Dentistry led a weeklong workshop in Peru that expanded its clinical research training activity into the Southern Hemisphere for the first time.

The First Latin American Workshop on Clinical Research Methods in Oral Health, held May 12-16 at Cayetano Heredia University in Lima, marked an extension of similar training the UW has offered for more than two decades in Seattle and in Asia.

The 35 participants, culled from 60 applicants, represented mostly junior faculty from Latin American colleges and universities who have a strong interest in oral health research, according to Dr. Ana Lucia Seminario, one of the workshop organizers along with Dr. Tim DeRouen, former Act-

ing Dean and currently Director of the Center for Global Oral Health at the UW. Since 1992, he has directed the Summer Institute in Clinical Dental Research Methods, and for the last several years has led clinical research training sessions at several universities in Thailand under a grant from the Fogarty International Center of the National Institutes of Health. He is also the president of the American Association for Dental Research for 2014-15.

The Peru Workshop, also supported by a \$25,000 Fogarty grant, was led by School of Dentistry faculty including Dr. DeRouen and Dr. Seminario, as well as Dr. Joanna Scott and Dr. Lisa Heaton. The workshop faculty also included the

UW's Deborah Dickstein, from the Division of Human Subjects, and Dr. Jorge Luis Castillo (Ortho '00), chair of pediatric dentistry at Cayetano Heredia University and president of the International Association of Pediatric Dentistry.

The workshop covered subjects including:

- Introduction to epidemiologic research methods
- Behavioral research in dentistry
- Randomized clinical trials
- Ethical issues
- Biostatistics
- Study design

Dr. Seminario said the workshop underscored the value of a face-to-face presentation.

"Culturally, it has a lot of impact when someone from a developed country goes to a developing country," she said. "It also shows us the need for more training, and our goal is to encourage more evidence-based research." ■



UW faculty members leading the First Latin American Workshop on Clinical Research Methods in Oral Health in Lima, Peru included (front row) Dr. Joanna Scott (far left), Dr. Lisa Heaton (second from left), Dr. Tim DeRouen (third from right) and Dr. Ana Lucia Seminario (far right). Another key participant was Dr. Jorge Luis Castillo (third from left), who received his orthodontics specialty training at the UW and is now chair of pediatric dentistry at Cayetano Heredia University and president of the International Association of Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. Worakanya Buranaphatthana named Magnuson Scholar

Dr. Worakanya Buranaphatthana, a first-year PhD candidate in Oral Biology in the Department of Oral Health Sciences, has been named a University of Washington Magnuson Scholar for 2014-15.



Dr. Worakanya Buranaphatthana

Dr. Buranaphatthana was one of six UW Health Sciences students to receive the \$30,000 award, which is one of the university's highest. Recipients are chosen on the basis of academic performance and potential contributions to research in the health sciences

Dr. Buranaphatthana, a native of

Thailand who earned her DDS there, is pursuing research that focuses on bioengineered cell therapy, bone biology and immunology.

The Magnuson Scholars program commemorates the late Sen. Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, a leading advocate of biomedical research who played a key role in establishing the National Institutes of Health, Medicare and Medicaid. ■

Dr. Mouradian gives Harvard's Giddon lecture

Dr. Wendy Mouradian of our faculty discussed "The Intersection of Dentistry and Medicine in the Future" as she presented Harvard University's Donald B. Giddon Annual Lecture in Behavioral Medicine and Dentistry in April.

Two of the major questions she addressed during her lecture, which is sponsored by the Harvard School of Dental Medicine, included:

- What are the likely roles of the dentist of the future, and what kind of training will best prepare today's students to take on these roles?
- What kinds of opportunities and challenges does the changing health care system present for oral health care in the future? ■

Three pre-doctoral students earn national scholarship awards

School of Dentistry students Jose Mendoza, Chelsea Momany and Todd Billington have received national scholarship awards.



Jose Mendoza

Mendoza, now a second-year student, received a 2013 Annual Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship from the National Hispanic Health Foundation, affiliated with the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University. He accepted the two-year, \$5,000 award last November at the Sixth Annual California Scholarship Gala in Los Angeles.

Mendoza was one of two first-year dental students out of 20 health profession students to receive the award. He participated in the U-DOC at UW, a five-week residential summer enrichment program for high school students interested in health careers.

All scholarship recipients – which include medical, nursing, public health and policy students – exhibited exceptional academic performance, leadership and commitment to the Hispanic community.

Mendoza and 10 other students received the \$5,000 scholarship, funded through the United Health Foundation. Nine were given \$2,000 for one year.

Momany, now a third-year student, was awarded the 2013 American Dental Association Foundation's Predoctoral Dental Student Scholarship. She was one of 25 recipients of this annual scholarship, which helps academically gifted second-year predoctoral dental students defray a part of their professional education expenses. The ADAF accepts one application per school per program, submitted by the school on behalf of the student. Awards of up to \$2,500 each are bestowed.



Chelsea Momany



Todd Billington

Billington, now a fourth-year student who was one of the School's AmeriCorps students in summer 2012, received the 2013 ADEA/Johnson & Johnson Healthcare Products Preventive Dentistry Scholarship.

This yearly scholarship awards \$2,500 toward tuition and fees to 12 pre-doctoral dental students who have demonstrated academic excellence in preventive dentistry.

The scholarships are provided through an educational grant from Johnson & Johnson Consumer & Personal Products Worldwide, a division of Johnson & Johnson Consumer Companies. Students are nominated by their dental school dean or dean's designate. ■

faculty updates



Melanie Lang

Two new faculty members have joined our Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Harborview Medical Center.

Dr. Melanie Lang (GPR '92), who received MD and DDS degrees at the University of Florida-Gainesville and had been practicing privately in Spokane, started on Sept. 1. She also has completed a one-year cosmetic surgery fellowship at the University of Alabama. **Dr. Srinji Chandra**, who holds MD and DDS degrees from the University of Florida-Jacksonville and has specialty training in head and neck surgery with microvascular reconstruction, started on Aug. 1. They join **Dr. Jasjit Dillon** at Harborview, where they will help broaden the clinic's core expertise, said **Dr. Thomas Dodson**, OMS Chair.



Srinji Chandra



Hai Zhang

Dr. Hai Zhang of Restorative Dentistry, Interim Director of our Graduate Prosthodontics program, has been named Basic Science Research Section Editor of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. His selection was based on research, activity, published works, academic standing, scholarly achievements, commitment to the specialty, and editorial experience.



Richard Darveau

Dr. Richard Darveau, Chair of the Department of Periodontics, has been elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology in recognition of his record of scientific achievement and original contributions that have advanced microbiology. Dr. Darveau also collaborated on a new study that shed further light on how *P. gingivalis* can evade the body's immune response and trigger inflammation in blood vessels outside the oral cavity. The study was published in the July 10 issue of the journal *PLOS Pathogens*.

Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm, Acting Chair of Restorative Dentistry, completed the 2014 Chairs and Academic Administrators Management Program (CAAMP) in



Ricardo Schwedhelm

Atlanta on July 17-19. CAAMP is a leadership and management course designed specifically for department chairs and academic administrators within colleges and schools of the health professions. Since its inception in 2009, more than 300 administrative leaders from institutions over the country have participated.



Donald Chi

Dr. Donald Chi of Oral Health Sciences has received a William T. Grant Foundation mentoring grant. The Scholars Mentoring Grant was designed to support the professional development of William T. Grant Scholars and help researchers of color reach higher levels on the career ladder. The award facilitates the growth of

Scholars as strong mentors attuned to the career development challenges disproportionately faced by their junior colleagues of color. It also helps mentees become more skilled researchers with broader professional networks. Dr. Chi also had a study on immunization and topical fluoride refusal by parents of children published in the July edition of the *American Journal of Public Health*. His research found a significant relationship between the two behaviors, which has important implications for disease prevention and public health.

UW researchers, including several from the School of Dentistry, collaborated on a study of salivary testing for chronic graft-versus-host disease (cGVHD) published in the July issue of *Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation*. Funded by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research and the Morrell Fund, the study identified two novel potential salivary cGVHD biomarkers. It also demonstrated that there is coordinated regulation of protein families involved in inflammation, antimicrobial defense, and tissue protection in oral cGVHD that also may reflect changes in salivary gland function and damage to the oral mucosa. The researchers included **Dr. Richard Presland**, **Dr. Kenneth Izutsu**, **Dr. Thomas Morton**, **Lloyd Mancl** and **Melody Missaghi** of Oral Health Sciences and **Dr. Mark Schubert** and **Michele Lloid** of Oral Medicine. Others from the UW were **Ivana Devic**, **Catherine Pan**, **Min Shi** and **Jing Zhang** of the Department of Pathology. ■

The History Project

*Join us as we remember
our School, our people, our times*

Won't you walk down Memory Lane with us? As the UW School of Dentistry nears the 75th anniversary of its founding, we're reaching out to alumni for the History Project, part of our new Class Connections alumni venture. (See Dr. Jessica Swoboda's message on Page 5.) We're asking you to reflect on your time at our School – the people, the programs, the achievements that have made us what we are.

This won't be a traditional history with dates, times and places. Instead, it will be a collage of recollections that will help show where we've been as we head into an exciting future. We'll also

add contributions from senior and emeritus faculty and staff who have loomed large in our history.

To kick off the project in this issue, we'll share reminiscences from alumna and longtime affiliate faculty member Dr. Carrie York, plus two key educators: former Dean Paul Robertson and Dr. Ken Morrison, our first Chair of Restorative Dentistry. The History Project will become a regular feature in the *Dental Alumni News* and will also be featured on our School's website; look for the link on the Alumni pull-down menu.

We welcome your participation! (See Page 32 for details.)

– Steve Steinberg, Dental Alumni News Editor

*Artist's rendering of Health Sciences Center on 1967 postcard.
(Courtesy of Dr. Gerald Harrington)*



Dr. Carrie York

Dr. Carrie York ('91), who is in private practice on Mercer Island, served as an affiliate faculty member in Restorative Dentistry for more than 20 years.



Toughest stretch of school: For me it was second year, and I think that's true for most of my classmates. I have one friend, though, who really didn't like the first year, but then it turns out he was great with his hands and he did fine in second year. I was better with the books, so I did fine first year. Making your hands do what you're supposed to do for the second year is really hard, to create the things you're supposed to create.

Third year was hard because it was different, and now you're working with patients, and that's stressful. I remember the first filling took me forever, but at the same time you're working with patients, so it's different than just being in the lab working on plastic teeth, or fake teeth for that matter.

Fondly remembered: Dr. [Herb] Kashiwa was the head and neck anatomy guy, and he was great. Dr. [Brian] Toolson was really personable and kind and nice and I love him. I still do Christmas cards with him. [D-1 head lab technician Bill Loew] was wonderful and caring and good and nice and not flustered, and he didn't get all mad at you and look frustrated, like "You people..." He was never like "That's just stupid." He was very "Yes, OK, let's try to fix this."

I have a picture of Dr. [Marty] Anderson with a crown and a cape on and he's knighting someone. I wrote in our little caption, "He's our king," and I think he's knighting someone with a giant mirror.

Lighter moments: In second year, we had just learned how to get each other numb, and we were in the old D-1 lab and somebody said [to a classmate], "I dare ya – I'll pay ya ten bucks if you get yourself numb." So he sets up this mirror on the cart and then got his syringe and his needle, and he got himself numb. It was pretty funny. We were all watching him, looking at the anatomical landmarks, because we just learned all this. He's like, yeah, he did it himself in the mirror. Rock on! Now he's an orthodontist and he doesn't get anybody numb, so it's sort of humorous.



Dr. Carrie York (center) relishes the relationships she forged as a student with classmates such as Dr. Elizabeth Bell (left) and Dr. Katherine Hakes, who remain friends to this day. (Courtesy of Dr. Carrie York)

"I remember the first filling took me forever..."

– DR. CARRIE YORK ('91)

[Another classmate] was really a ladies' man. We had a holiday gift exchange, and he would always get these obnoxious pinup calendars – weird stuff that he was always so proud of, he's such a big ladies' man. Now he practices in Alaska.

Practice management learning curve: I learned things as an associate over time. I also did temporary stuff or did temporary hygiene and I learned things from other offices, like "Ooh, that works," or "Ooh, that doesn't work," and it was kind of interesting to learn different pieces of the business like recall, or how do you call different people, how much do you charge for this, or how do you run the day. It took a long time till you got comfortable – I mean, it's still something I struggle with every day, the whole "I gotta have enough money to pay the bills" kind of thing. It's still something you worry about.



With fellow student Jay Morrow ('90), presenting an award to Dr. Robert Canfield of Restorative Dentistry. (Courtesy of Dr. Carrie York)

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“We had the top percentile on national boards. We had 1,000 applicants for 50, 60 positions. It’s like when the Huskies were headed to the Rose Bowl.”

– DR. PAUL ROBERTSON, FORMER DEAN

Dr. Paul Robertson

Dr. Paul Robertson was Dean of the School of Dentistry from 1992 to 2001. After continuing to teach in the Department of Periodontics, he retired at the end of this spring.



Dentistry’s ties with the School of Medicine: I think dentistry tends to be isolationist, and most dental schools across the United States are isolated from the other schools on the campus – they just train dentists and that’s it. This school was established at exactly the same time as the medical school, and as a result the relationships between the medical school and dental school were excellent and remained excellent –

Dr. Paul Robertson credits fellow former Dean Karl-Åke Omnell (right, with the late Dr. Johnny Johnson, ’55) with laying the groundwork for the successful renovation of the D-1 Simulation Laboratory.



so excellent that in fact when the search proceeded for the [current] medical dean, Paul Ramsey, I was named chair of the search committee as dean of dentistry. ... It’s a very good example of how much interaction there was between the two schools.

Becoming a research powerhouse: Roy Page, Beverly Dale, Tim DeRouen, Sam Dworkin, Sue Herring and their colleagues contributed in a major way to make this the number-one research dental school. All held joint appointments in Medicine or other Health Science schools. Moreover, Roy Page insisted that all faculty contribute to research in some way. Linda LeResche [currently Associate Dean for Research] is still trying to keep that movement going.

Stability in the deanship: I think Karl (Dr. Karl-Åke Omnell, his predecessor, who served from 1981 to 1992) and I had a similar outlook about the importance of trying to combine teaching and research and patient care and public service. That was a role that gave the school stability and the faculty a chance to pay attention to their teaching and research rather than be involved in the political upheaval [that the School faced in the 1970s].

A dean’s constituencies: I worked for the faculty, I worked for the patients, I worked for the students, I worked for the [UW] president through the provost, I worked for government agencies, I worked for the Food and Drug Administration, and keeping all of those constituencies happy is a full-time job. ... I tried to go to every district dental society meeting every other year so that I could be in Kitsap and Yakima and Spokane, because the School of Dentistry represented the state and had students from all over the state. ... [At the outset of his deanship,] the alumni just reached out and welcomed me, just hugged me, and made me feel like I was home.

Life in the old lab: The old laboratory was stainless steel, flat, tables as far as you could see. It got way too hot in the summer with all the Bunsen burners and it got way too cold in the winter because all the seals on all the windows were failing. ... In all fields, people realized that we needed to move more and more toward learning how to do things on a simulator that was close to a human being,



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as close to a human being as possible. At the same time, the D1 lab was in shambles. It was dirty, it was unhealthy, it had students there at 3 o'clock in the morning.

Karl should get all the credit [for the new D-1 lab, which was built during Dean Robertson's tenure]. He got the university to give him about half a million dollars to have a study conducted of the dental school facility, which had been built in the 1940s. ... So Karl had an outside, unbiased group, architects and engineers, come in and survey this place and make recommendations on how it could be upgraded in situ.

So when I arrived, Karl had a road map all laid out for me, and one of the major recommendations was that a whole new simulation and bioengineering approach be taken to the D1 laboratory. Make it multi-use. There wasn't even Internet to everybody's office when I arrived here at the dental school! There were just stations where there was Internet. So the place had fallen behind in a physical sense. Well, I used Karl's work – submit to upper campus, through upper campus, to the Legislature for seed money for the D1 lab and other clinical areas that were serving the public – DECOD, for example, which was unique. And they gave me something over \$3 million. And I took that, and they hinted that I needed to do everything I could do to match it.

The campaign was a resounding success and we did very well, and not only did we totally demolish the D1 lab and put in the simulators, we also put in Internet lines in every office. [Other changes included] new rugs, paint, new lights, new dental chairs, new technology, new equipment and then as a faculty, everyone got excited doing that.

Dr. Charles Bolender (then Chair of Prosthodontics): Chuck Bolender chaired the D-1 planning and construction. He was way ahead in educational processes. He had an honors program. He took seniors who were really interested in prosthodontics, made them honor students. They then would meet quarterly with the whole faculty at a nice dinner and they'd talk about new and innovative approaches. And those honor students would pay back by teaching, coming back the next year and teaching. Every one of them did it. And so the prosthodontics clinic which used to be located on D-4 was filled with these new graduates who were Chuck's honor students. And everybody jumped on that bandwagon.

Era of good feeling: People felt good about the school. Educationally and clinically, we were highly ranked in the country and the number-one research dental school. ... And I

could go out and talk to the alumni who had been here during the hard times and say we had a 100 percent pass rate on the regional boards. We had the top percentile on national boards. We had 1,000 applicants for 50, 60 positions. It's like when the Huskies were headed to the Rose Bowl.

I think part of it was that I really enjoyed it. The chairs of the departments were not my chairs, they were my friends. And we'd argue over most major decisions, but we were all friends, and we're friends today, and I enjoyed it. And my own research was going well and then I became the coordinator of Health Sciences. ... We were an equal partner with Medicine, with Nursing and with Arts and Sciences and Engineering and so it was just a good time, just a happy, good time.

They offered me a third term and I said, "You know, I've had 10 years and I enjoyed every minute of it." With another five years, I don't think I would do as good a job, because it's a hard job. And so I was lucky on both ends. I arrived at exactly the right time and I left at exactly the right time.

Dr. Ken Morrison

In 1970, Dr. Ken Morrison became our first Chair of Restorative Dentistry after the merger of the Department of Fixed Partial Dentures and the Department of Operative Dentistry.



I think probably the greatest reason for any success I had as a chairman was because of the part-time staff of practitioners who came to spend either half a day or a day a week with students. There's just absolutely no question – I had the cream of the crop of dentists coming to work with students, and I used to call every year and ask if they would still be willing to come and work with students. Well, my successor was out of the [military] and what he did, he started to call these guys up and tell them when their days would be. Boy, they told him to go to hell.

“I just marvel at the fact that those [World War II veterans] came back from the service and took dentistry and spread out everywhere, and I was real privileged to teach them.”

– DR. KEN MORRISON, FIRST CHAIR OF RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY

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The renowned Dr. Gerald Stibbs: Gerry Stibbs was ambidextrous. He was the most skilled operator I have ever seen. They set up a session for him to make a movie of gold foil operation, and usually the cameraman who was shooting, they have to stop, go back and make corrections. They started the movie and Gerry started the operation, and there never was a hitch. They went completely through that operation, beginning to end, never had to pause to make a correction. Now, that is talent!

I asked Gerry if he would teach a student elective in gold foil operations, and he thought about it for a bit and he said, "Yeah, I think I could do that." So I told the senior class that they had an opportunity to do gold foil operations under the most talented man there was in the field. I said, "I know you're not going to have much gold foil in your practice and very few can do that, but you'll learn a discipline that will be valuable to you regardless what you do." So they bought it and we had those students down there with Gerry, and it was great to see.

Biggest challenges: Making sure that my students were getting the instruction that was appropriate, whether it was in the laboratory or in the clinics, and that required a good staff and I was fortunate in having that. I think we produced pretty

Dr. Morrison calls Dr. Gerald Stibbs (front row, third from left), whom he asked to teach students an elective course in gold foil, "the most skilled operator I have ever seen." (Courtesy of Dr. J. Martin Anderson)

good dentists, and they had to pass the state board, of course, when they graduated. One of the state board examiners said, "If I flunked one of your graduates because of his training, I'd have to flunk everybody else from other schools," so you know that was pretty great.

Favorite teaching moments: I think the courses I taught in dentistry to the returning [World War II] veterans – those were my favorite courses. Those guys were just strictly business, and it was a pleasure to teach those guys – they just turned out to be fine dentists. Many of them became leaders in their communities, and of course you could see that when you're traveling around a little bit. You'd meet them and visit with them and find out what they're doing, and that's very rewarding.

... I just marvel at the fact that those guys came back from the service and took dentistry and spread out everywhere, and I was real privileged to teach them.

Dr. Saul Schluger: Well, they brought Saul from New York to establish the Department of Periodontics, and Saul had an overpowering personality. He did a hell of a job. He really put that department on the map and he earned the respect of everyone in this area.

Dr. Eugene Natkin and Dr. Gerald Harrington: They did a great job with the Endodontics department. They put that department on the map too, and they did a first-rate job. ... [Gene has] a hell of a sense of humor, but he's also very, very, very meticulous about anything that he taught, and Gerry is right along in that department.

Dr. Gerard Schultz: Some part-time instructors came to me and said, "You know, that Schultz is just so damn slow, I don't know if he's gonna make it," and I said, "You just simply couldn't be more wrong. The reason he seems so slow is that Gerry holds himself up to a very high standard, and Gerry won't give up until he either meets or comes as close as he is capable of coming to meet that standard, and that is Gerry Schultz." Absolutely, and that proved to be true throughout his career.

Dean Maurice "Jack" Hickey: He was a great administrator. Any time you had a question for him, he'd check this little spiral notebook he always had in his shirt pocket and then tell you "Yes," "No" or "I'll get back to you within 24 hours." And he always did. ■

Let us hear from you!

If you have a great memory (or a few) from your time at the School, send it to us at ss55@uw.edu with "History Project" in the subject line. There's no limit on subject matter or length, and we especially welcome photos in any format – digital or print.





DR. THERESA CHENG

Connecting veterans with care

Dr. Theresa Cheng (Perio '85) found herself deeply moved by the article in the *Seattle Times*: A woman had dropped everything to care for her 22-year-old-son, who had been seriously wounded while serving in Iraq.

With three sons of her own and a Seattle-area practice in which she and her staff made annual volunteer outings, Dr. Cheng felt compelled to offer help. She offered the soldier's mom free care – and that was just the beginning. She went on to provide care for other family members of veterans and, ultimately, the veterans themselves.

Today, Dr. Cheng runs a program that matches veterans with dentists who provide free care. Her grass-roots effort

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Contributing Editor

doesn't garner monetary contributions or much publicity, yet it has steadily grown during the past six years. About 150 dentists in Washington and elsewhere have joined forces with her to treat about 30 veterans a year. Now she's casting a net for more dentists.

"Besides dental work, the trust, caring and social aspects that we provide is a powerful healing factor to these veterans," says Dr. Cheng. "Oftentimes, they tell us that this restores their faith in humanity."

Dr. Cheng focuses on low-income veterans who have served in war zones as long ago as World War II.

Typically, veterans find Dr. Cheng via the Internet or are referred by Veterans Affairs social workers or vet centers. To assess eligibility, needs and commitment, she requires the veteran's discharge document and conducts a phone interview, after which she finds a nearby dentist.

Most veterans require fillings, extractions or a partial denture. Some dentists have done crowns and almost full-mouth rehab cases. The goal is to relieve pain and infection and make the patients reasonably comfortable. With a dental home, the veterans can obtain cleanings and quick exams. If they have a cavity later, they'll come back for that. "It's all about relationships," says Dr. Cheng.

Some young veterans just need a cleaning and preventive care, while others may need much more. "They take meds and have dry mouth," says Dr. Cheng. "Others want their whole mouth taken care of or an infected tooth taken out."

Dr. Cheng's philosophy is to provide care at the veteran's comfort level. And whatever dentists are willing to do, she can match them with a veteran.

Martin Brazier, an Air Force veteran who served in Vietnam, called Dr. Cheng to inquire about treatment for himself and his wife after reading about the dentist in the *Seattle Times*.

"The VA takes care of most medical challenges, but not all of them," he says. "They don't take care of the dental side unless you've been wounded in combat and have a certain percentage of disability. ... After 2008, the economy went south and we could not afford the dental help that we needed."

After initially seeing an Issaquah dentist, he was referred to a dental specialist with great results.

"I was treated with a lot of quality care and respect, like other people," Brazier says. "I go back to the Issaquah dentist for checkups and cleanings every six months. My wife went to a dentist in Issaquah and it was a really phenomenal experience for her.

"It's been a major, major blessing for Dr. Cheng to step up to do this. No one should go without dental care."

"There is a perception among the dentists that low-income



Dr. Theresa Cheng (right) and assistant Christine Hong care for a World War II veteran during a volunteer day for veterans in 2013.

veterans are gun-toting, hotheaded, uncaring people,” Dr. Cheng says. “There’s an undercurrent of being scared.” She has a different take, however.

“They really are the sweetest people – so patient, so grateful, so accepting. They’ve endured so much. Many are going to school and looking for a job and/or a place to live. Some are going through a divorce, too.”

Several School of Dentistry alumni have answered Dr. Cheng’s call. “I got involved when Dr. Cheng contacted me directly to see if I would be interested in helping a vet she was seeing who lives here in Bellingham,” says Dr. Eric McRory (’95). “I’m not sure how Dr. Cheng got my name, but I was willing to help, as I have some veterans in my own family and I especially appreciate the job that all veterans have done for our country in the past 10 years in the Middle East.”

Another alum, Dr. Meghan Crawford (’09), had opened her Seattle practice last fall while hoping to provide donated care. She also read about Dr. Cheng in the *Seattle Times* and thought her program sounded like a good fit. She’s already doing an immediate complete upper denture and removable partial lower denture for one veteran and plans to do follow-ups and cleanings as needed.

“The veterans in Dr. Cheng’s program are participating because their oral health is important to them,” says Dr. Crawford. “It’s very satisfying as a dentist to not just deal with emergencies and extractions, but also to help someone improve their health and function long-term.”

Surprisingly, veterans don’t receive dental benefits from the

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—Dr. Theresa Cheng

VA unless they have 100 percent service-connected disabilities. Other programs are available, but their sliding scales can still be prohibitive.

Because veterans are fiercely independent, Dr. Cheng clearly defines their obligation: Maintain good oral hygiene. Be on time for appointments. Save up and plan for subsequent cleanings and dental care.

“It would be great if all our dentists do something for low-income war veterans, be it with mobile vans or at their office,” says Dr. Cheng. “Specialists are very much needed too, and I encourage the general dentists to approach the specialists they usually work with.”

After selling her Issaquah, Wash., practice two years ago to Dr. Ken Akimoto (Perio ’98), Dr. Cheng worked in the office twice weekly until June. While she continues to volunteer at the Medical Teams International dental van in Seattle-Bellevue and doesn’t rule out full-time practice again, her priority remains the “Serve Our Vets” program.

“I need more time to get it going,” says Dr. Cheng, who says she hasn’t registered the all-volunteer program as a nonprofit because she prefers to keep things simple. “I don’t want to do fund-raising,” she says.

“Theresa is an amazing, caring person. I got involved because she asked me,” says Dr. Susan Hollinsworth (’78), an affiliate professor for Dental Public Health Sciences who has a practice in Kent, Wash.

“I would encourage other dentists to treat veterans because they deserve our support and they are extremely appreciative of the services we provide for them,” says Dr. Hollinsworth. “It truly warms your heart and makes you feel proud to be an American and thankful for the service they provide for us.” ■

Want to help? Here’s how

For more information or to volunteer your dental services, contact Dr. Theresa Cheng at drcheng2014@gmail.com. She also welcomes leads to other health professionals who might be interested in helping veterans. Learn more at her website: www.serveourvets.weebly.com. You can also watch a video about her outreach at www.youtube.com/watch?v=n2WWwIaSGG0.

DR. DOUGLAS DIXON
Department of Periodontics

Enjoying a return engagement

Between Dr. Douglas Dixon's Periodontics certification at the UW in 2001 and his full-time return, 13 years elapsed. They'd been productive years, including exciting research in microbiology and immunology as an Army periodontist. But all the same, he remembers how pleased he was to be back.

"When I came back, I saw so many people from 13 years ago," he recalls. "That tells you people are happy to be here doing what they're doing."

He's happy about his new job, too: This summer, Dr. Dixon started as the director of our Graduate Periodontics program, overseeing the work of the department's residents, with four new ones arriving each year. The challenges he faces are clear to him.

"How do you take a storied program and make it better?" he asks. "How do you take the strengths of the past and balance them toward the future?"

He's no stranger to challenges, however. The Pennsylvania native grew up in a blue-collar Pittsburgh clan, the first one of his family to attend college. With his interest in the basic sciences and gregarious nature, dentistry held a natural attraction.

"I really like having the opportunity to sit and talk with patients," he says, also noting his strong interest in research.

"We really have the best of both here – a phenomenal clinical program and great research," he says.

It was that reputation that attracted him here for his Perio training. After graduating from the University of Pittsburgh in 1989, he earned a DMD from Pitt's dental school in 1993 and completed an Advanced Education in General Dentistry residency at Fort Campbell, Ky., a year later. For four more years, he served as an Army dentist in Germany, Hungary and Texas. Then it was on to the UW.

"I really loved Seattle – it was great being here," he says. He'd arrived too late to study under the storied Dr. Saul Schluger, but there were still plenty of other high-profile figures in Perio.

"Bob O'Neal was the program director, and he was great to me," Dr. Dixon says, adding that he thoroughly

enjoyed learning from teachers such as Dr. William Ammons (Perio '70) and Dr. Robert Johnson (Perio '71). And there was more.

"You had those phenomenal UW departments of immunology and bioengineering," he says. "[Dr.] Rich Darveau (now Chair of Perio) was really getting on a roll with his research. Grad Pros was also doing phenomenally well. ... It was just exciting listening to these guys, being in a seminar with them."

At the same time, Dr. Dixon was working on his PhD in oral biology, which he completed in 2005. Then he took a post as a senior research microbiologist at the USADTRD-Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Great Lakes, Ill. He became the institute's chief of immunology and deputy commander.

From 2009-12, he taught in the Army periodontics program at Fort Gordon, Ga., and served as regional research director. From 2012-14, he was Dental Clinic Commander (OIC) and Chief of Periodontics at West Point, where his many cherished memories include a surprise meeting with former President George W. Bush during an early-morning gym workout.

Now he's back here with his wife of 22 years, Jennifer, and their son, 12, and daughter, 16. He's intrigued by the potential of genome research for periodontics and oral health in general. "We could learn how to be proactive [in treatment] for the next 10-15 years of a patient's life, rather reactive," he muses. "We're still treating cases of significant periodontal destruction, and now we are beginning to understand the genetic basis of these conditions."

Acknowledging Perio's special relation with Grad Pros, he believes that dentistry will continue to be ever more interdisciplinary: "A full-mouth multi-specialty approach to care is the future."

Dr. Dixon hopes to imbue his students with a certain esprit. He puts it this way: "Our program doesn't just pick individuals, but rather, the programs strives for those who will be leaders, excellent clinicians and researchers." ■



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

The Role of CD44 Receptor-Ligand Interactions in PDL Cell Migration

PI: Dr. Tracy Popowics

The long-term goal of this research is to define the role of CD44 receptor-ligand interactions in the migration responses of periodontal ligament (PDL) cells such that therapeutic strategies to promote periodontal healing may be developed to target these mechanisms. Traumatic dental injury often includes tearing of the PDL or loss of the tooth upon impact. Current treatments include a lengthy time period for recovery (6-12 months), such as in replantation of the tooth followed by splinting. Engineering PDL cell migration to the wound environment holds the potential to speed the tissue's healing. Our hypothesis is that CD44/hyaluronan (HA) interactions mediate PDL healing through regulation of PDL cell migration. The rationale for this hypothesis is that the CD44 receptor regulates the formation of focal adhesions on the cell surface that participate in cell movement. Additionally, a localized build-up of low molecular weight hyaluronan (LMW-HA), a pro-migratory ligand of CD44, occurs at wound sites. Thus, this study will investigate the role of CD44/HA interactions on the migration speed, traction forces, and focal adhesions of PDL cells. Migration paths of CD44 wild-type (WT) and knockout (KO) PDL cells will be analyzed in culture using live microscopy with single-cell tracking. Micropost technology will be used to quantify cellular traction forces and focal adhesions. The results of this study will demonstrate the role of CD44/HA interactions in the mechanics of PDL cell migration and explore an important new direction for treatment of wound healing in oral tissues.

Functional Tooth Mobility

PI: Dr. Zi-Jun Liu

Mobility is a fundamental characteristic of dental biomechanics, allowing the tooth to move within its socket to disseminate and relieve loads. Tooth mobility is determined structurally by periodontal tissues (ligament, gingiva, extracellular matrix and attachments to cementum and bone) and functionally by occlusal and muscular forces, and has been one of the most widely used periodontal parameters to determine individual tooth prognosis. However, excessive mobility may not be a valid indicator for extraction, because mobility is also an intrinsic protective and adaptive response. Effective treatment planning requires an understanding of the normal range of tooth mobility during function. Surprisingly, functional tooth mobility has never been directly measured; thus we know neither the normal range of movement nor the threshold for "excessive" mobility. Consequently, clinical guidelines for the management of unstable teeth do not exist. The lack of such data reflects the difficulty of making intraoral measurements during normal function as well as the impossibility of performing invasive studies on human subjects, much less clinical patients. Hence, we propose to develop a mini-pig model. This species is the most accepted and well-described animal

analog to human mastication, and its multi-rooted posterior teeth are quite similar to those of humans. Through the innovative combination of implantable miniature transducer technology for measuring 3D tooth root displacement within its socket and accompanying alveolar bending and interstitial fluid pressure, we plan to examine the normal range of functional mobility of mesial roots of the maxillary first molar, and to assess how these physiological kinetics are affected by various degrees of alveolar bone loss. The work will establish proof-of-principle for the engineering methods involved and baseline data for planned future studies that will investigate the prognosis for teeth that are mobile because of loss of alveolar bone. The deliverables of the proposed study will be the first in vivo determinations of how chewing displaces teeth, and the potential translational payoffs will be to develop better clinical strategies to preserve compromised teeth.

Healing Tooth: Engineered Peptides for Dramatically Enhanced Dental Care

PI: Dr. Mehmet Sarikaya

Co-PI: Dr. Greg Huang

The proposed product is a dental restoration ingredient used to treat caries, hypersensitive teeth and loss of support anchoring the tooth to the jaw. The ingredient mineralization-directing peptide, named as MDP, in combination with Ca²⁺/PO₄-3 ions, will be added to a wide range of over-the-counter and clinical dental products for controlling remineralization of the structure for teeth. By doing so, common dental ailments such as hypersensitive teeth and caries, due to demineralization, can be prevented and/or reversed providing a novel treatment strategy. The peptide-based product will be a component in oral health products, e.g., toothpastes, mouthwashes, and clinical treatments for patients particularly vulnerable to caries and hypersensitive teeth.

Straumann Roxolid Implants

PI: Dr. Robert B. O'Neal

This is a randomized, controlled, multi-center clinical study evaluating two FDA-approved dental implants manufactured by the same company. The primary object of this study is to demonstrate that the two implants are equal when comparing their ability to maintain crestal bone height around the implant using dental radiographs over a period of 12 months. The secondary objectives of this study are to assess any difference in clinical outcomes between the two implants to include soft tissue response and patient satisfaction.

For details on any study at the School of Dentistry, contact Dr. Linda LeResche, Associate Dean of Research, at leresche@dental.washington.edu, or Mary Beth Cunningham at mec@u.washington.edu, or the principal investigator.

class notes

■ CLASS OF 1953

Dr. David O. Moline, Philomath, Ore.: Still practicing one day each week and enjoying it.

■ CLASS OF 1974

Dr. Sherwin Shinn, Gig Harbor, Wash.: Dr. Shinn and his lovely wife, Faria, proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Amnee Sameea, on March 16, 2014. She is already beautiful and talented well beyond her age. "Having and working with children is the key to longevity and this assures that I will live and prosper well into my 90s," says Dr. Shinn.

Dr. Shinn and his For World Wide Smiles nonprofit organization volunteered in rural Haiti during the last two weeks of July. "We had two dentists, two assistants, two equipment/sterilization techs, and a clinic operations manager from the States. We also had a dental hygienist from Australia and a Haitian dentist and interpreter on our team," he says. "Using portable dental equipment, we delivered over \$100,000 worth of quality dental care to several hundred patients. It was hot and sweaty and challenging, but we were proud to help so many deserving people who had no other access to dental care. Our next trip will be to Jamaica in the fall."

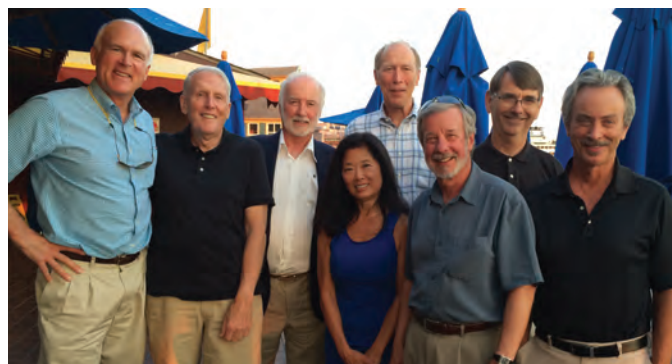
■ CLASS OF 1978

Dr. H. Kirby Skavdahl, Kennewick, Wash.: Still working four 10s at my perio practice. It has been a great journey to incorporate implant therapy into my practice and very satisfying to see how this technology has vastly changed treatment planning. I still work occasionally at Grace Clinic, where we serve the uninsured. I plan to retire in five years, so am beginning my search for an associate who would like to transition to full ownership at that time. I am also a leader in the Spear Study Club, founded by my classmate Frank Spear. I highly recommend his institute – an invaluable resource!

■ CLASS OF 1979

Dr. Darlene Chan, Seattle: Happily retired from clinical practice, immediate past president of American Association of Dental Consultants, current director of Washington Oral Health Foundation, owner of Yellow Bird Vineyard in Walla Walla – the first dry-farmed grapes in Washington State – and grandparenting 9-year-old Gabrielle.

Dr. Glenn Short was visiting from Rhode Island. A group of the class gathered on the waterfront to enjoy each other's company: Steve Schwager, Jeff Parrish, Glenn Short, Karen Sakuma, Dave Spooner, Jim Sledge, Dennis Welch and Bob Parker.



■ CLASS OF 1985

Dr. Keith Frome, Corvallis, Ore.: I am in private practice in Corvallis, Ore. In June 2013, my son Robert joined me in my practice. He graduated from Midwestern University School of Dental Medicine in Glendale, Ariz. in May 2013 with a DMD degree. Another son, Ryan, began dental school at Oregon Health & Sciences University in August 2012, but decided he wants to become an osteopathic physician instead. He has begun his studies at Rocky Vista College of Osteopathic Medicine in Denver. My third son, David, is applying to medical school. All of my sons are Eagle Scouts. Two of them were high school valedictorians. And all three served two-year missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. My only daughter, Melissa Frome Morrison, and her family recently moved back to Oregon after living in Ohio for four years.

I now have seven grandchildren, five from Melissa and two from Robert. Nothing could be better than being a grandfather!

I recently received the Silver Beaver Award in Boy Scouting for lifetime service. It was very humbling and unexpected. I was elected to the Linn-Benton Community College Board of Directors (or Trustees) in 2011 and now serve as board vice-chair. Next year I will serve as board chair.

My wife of 33 years, Wendy, is active in church and community activities. She has been president of our Church Relief Society organization three times. She was Cub Scout day camp director and program director in our district for three years. She was also president of our Church Stake Young Women's Organization for three years. Currently, she is the chairperson of the 4th Congressional District in the Oregon Republican Party. We live on 5½ acres and raise horses and chickens. Best wishes to everyone in the class.

■ CLASS OF 1988, ENDODONTICS



Dr. Patrick Taylor, Bellevue, Wash., was inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honorary society. Dr. Taylor, who is in private endodontic practice, was also elected treasurer of the American Association of Endodontists. An affiliate faculty member at the UW since 1998, he serves as president of the Dean's Club Board of Trustees. He also concluded a term as president of the Seattle King County Dental Society this spring.



Dr. Zerita Buchanan and Dr. Brian Buchanan

■ CLASS OF 1991

Dr. Brian K. Buchanan and **Dr. Rahmelle C. Thompson**, Lithonia, Ga., are proud to announce the anticipated addition of their daughter, Dr. Zerita Christine Buchanan, to Dental Dreams, LLC. She graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry on May 9, 2014. Zerita attended Lakeside High School in Seattle and graduated from The Paideia School and Spelman College in Atlanta, Ga.



Dr. Rebecca Piha ('09), Dr. Paul Amato ('03) and their children, Avram and Jake.

■ CLASS OF 2003 AND 2009

Dr. Paul Amato and Dr. Rebecca Piha, Seattle.: We welcomed Jake and Avram Amato to our family on Feb. 22, 2013.

■ CLASS OF 2004, PROSTHODONTICS

Dr. Chandur Wadhvani, Bellevue, Wash., received the "Best Clinical Innovations Presentation" award at the annual meeting of

the Academy of Osseointegration, held last March in Seattle. Dr. Wadhvani was in competition with 19 people for this award. The title of his presentation was "A Precision Implant-Locating Guide for Detection of Implant Prosthetic Misfit and Predictable Implant Radiography in a Simulated Model." This was a very nice recognition of one of our own at a meeting that has an international membership of 6,000.

■ CLASS OF 2008

Dr. Beth Jacobsen, Seattle: Dr. Beth Shaw, my partner and classmate, and I were featured in a local family-oriented magazine for the Laurelhurst and Windermere neighborhoods for our specially targeted Kids Days. We have themes with full costumes, decorations, prizes, balloons, etc., and see only kids all day long. It is a really fun way to get kids excited about the dentist and start their oral health care education as early as possible while eliminating the intimidation factor of traditional dentistry.

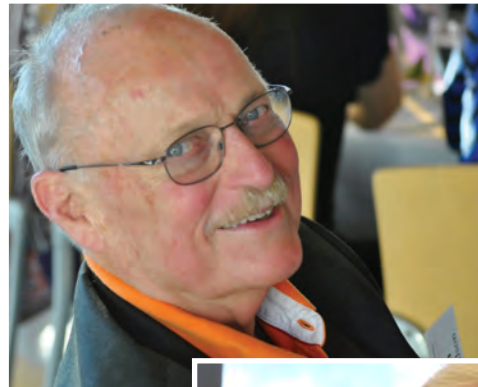
reunions

■ CLASS OF 1964

Thanks to the hard work of Tom Ware, our class representative, and his very able sidekick and bride, Linda Ware, the 50th anniversary celebration of the Class of 1964 was carried out with fantastic success. Randy Newquist, our great Director of Dental Alumni Services, was the anchor and guide for this much-appreciated celebration.

Four opportunities to meet, greet and reminisce about "the good old days" were planned and enthusiastically attended. Twenty-four classmates attended one or more of the scheduled events.

Dean Joel Berg invited the class to attend the graduation ceremony on June 7, 2014. Five '64 grads and four wives accepted the gracious invitation, and our presence was acknowledged with heartwarming applause.



On July 26, our class toured the School's clinics and labs.

A golf outing hosted by Harold Pebbles in Bremerton, Wash., on July 25 was attended by four classmates. There were no reports of under-par scores. The '64 class lunch was held in the University of Washington Club on the UW campus that day and was attended by 16 persons. Included in the group were some of the wives of the classmates and Randy Newquist.

On July 26, the classmates and some of the wives gathered for a tour of the new clinics and labs built since our graduation. What a big difference the years have brought. I suspect that we



■ CLASS OF 1964, *continued*

were all greatly impressed with the advances in equipment and dental facilities.

The class 50th-anniversary celebration was capped off by a delicious sit-down meal served in the Vista Café of the Genome Sciences Building. To add a little zest to the evening, an open

microphone was made available for classmates who had the urge to reminisce about glorious past events and personalities. Words of appreciation were heartfelt. Now it's on to 2019, when those of sound mind, body and disposition will answer the call to celebrate our 55th anniversary. —*Dr. Robert Flennaugh*



Back to school for the Class of 1964!



■ CLASS OF 1974



The Dental Class of 1974 held our 40-year reunion celebration at the Southcenter Doubletree Suites on June 13. About 50 classmates and significant others were in attendance. Together we acknowledged and agreed that the Class of '74 was the best dental class ever to graduate from the UW! We were honored by the appearance of Dean Joel Berg, who spoke about the future plans for education in our great school. We had several musical groups provide stimulating entertainment and an "open mike" allowed class members opportunities to share their memories and accomplishments. Collectively we realized that we have treated well over a quarter-million patients since graduation! A good time was had by all and it felt great to share the love again of our special brotherhood. —*Dr. Sherwin Shinn*

■ CLASS OF 1984

On June 13th over 40 members and spouses from the class of 1984 gathered at Daniel's Broiler in Bellevue. We had classmates come from as far as Florida and Hawaii to reminisce and create new memories. It was a great evening and we were fortunate to be invited by Mark Drangsholt and his wife, Heather Woloshyn, to continue the celebration at their home the following day. Everyone had such a good time we are already planning for another event! It was great to see everyone again!

■ SEND US A NOTE!

Your classmates and friends want to know what's happening in your life, so drop us a line. (Don't forget those photos, either.) Our Class Notes are also an integral part of our new Class Connections project for the Alumni pages on our website (see Page 5) – the more notes we have, the better. Please send your material to randyn@uw.edu. We're waiting to hear from you!

in memoriam

As always, we are saddened to note the passing of classmates, colleagues and friends. To read a fuller accounting of their life stories, please go online to our School of Dentistry Alumni page at <http://dental.washington.edu/alumni-friends/> and click on "In Memoriam" under "Alumni & Friends" on the right side.



DR. MELVIN J. DRESCHER CLASS OF 1950

Dr. Melvin James Drescher of East Wenatchee, Wash., a member of the School's first graduating class, died on Dec. 3, 2013. He was 90. He served in the Pacific Theater during World War II. After receiving his DDS, he and his wife, Marijo, moved to East Wenatchee, where Dr. Drescher established his dental practice in the King Street Building, which operated until his retirement in 1994.



DR. ROBERT G. MCLAUGHLIN CLASS OF 1950

Dr. Robert Gerald McLaughlin passed away peacefully on June 19, 2014 at the age of 94. He attended the UW as a member of the track team and was a graduate of the School of Dentistry's first class. He was a member of the Seattle Yacht Club for more than 60 years and one of the founding members of the Orcas Island Tennis Club.



DR. WARREN F. MCNEAL CLASS OF 1950, ORTHODONTICS CLASS OF 1963

Dr. Warren Franklyn McNeal died in his sleep on Jan. 25, 2014. He was 87. He lived a life defined by adventure, as an Eagle Scout, professional, father, sailor and world traveler. A graduate of the UW's first dental class, he started his dental practice in 1951 in Yakima, Wash., and returned to the UW in 1961 for a two-year program in Orthodontics. He had a successful practice until his retirement.



DR. ALTON M.G. NELSON CLASS OF 1950

Dr. Alton Marvin Grande Nelson passed away on July 4, 2014 in Kirkland, Wash. He was 90. After serving in the Air Force as a navigator/bombardier in the Pacific Theater of World War II, he and his wife, Helen, moved to Seattle so he could attend the UW. He was in the School of Dentistry's first graduating class. For the next 63 years, the couple lived in Seattle, where he practiced in the Mount Baker district and then on Capitol Hill. His wife managed the dental practice and was also his assistant.

DR. ROBERT L. ANDERSON CLASS OF 1951

Dr. Robert L. Anderson passed away on March 10, 2014. He was 94. He practiced in Seattle until his retirement in 1999 and served as president of the Washington State Dental Association in 1974. He served with distinction as a lieutenant and then a captain with the 2nd Armored Division in Europe during World War II and was highly decorated for valor, and he also served as a dental officer in the Army during the Korean War.



DR. KENNETH E. MCVEY CLASS OF 1952

Dr. Kenneth E. McVey died on May 4, 2013 in Spokane, Wash. He was 90. He was the inventor of the E-VAC Dental Tip and a member of the American Dental Association.

DR. HARLAND B. PETERSON CLASS OF 1953

Dr. Harland B. Peterson died on Feb. 7, 2013. He was a beloved Tacoma dentist for 55 years.



DR. CHARLES O. EVANS CLASS OF 1955

Dr. Charles O. "Chuck" Evans died on June 18, 2014 at the age of 82. He practiced for more than 30 years in Parkland, Wash., with patients who included state senators and congressmen. He served in the Army, and was known as a gifted woodworker who also competed nationally in downhill skiing races.



DR. RUSSELL P. ESPOSITO ORTHODONTICS CLASS OF 1956

Dr. Russell Paul "Russ" Esposito died on May 31, 2014, at the age of 94. He completed his certification in Orthodontics specializing in maxillofacial surgery at the School of Dentistry, and practiced that specialty in Spokane, Wash. He served as an Army dentist during World War II and as a Navy dentist during the Korean War, and participated in charitable organizations, including services to reconstruct cleft palate deformities in children.



DR. ROBERT W. THOMPSON CLASS OF 1959

Dr. Robert W. Thompson passed away on June 14, 2014 at the age of 83. He practiced in Auburn, Wash., for more than 30 years. He volunteered his time with the elderly in a cerebral palsy home and was a certified Master Gardener. He was also a founding member of the Shank City Invitational Golf Tournament and played in the tournament for more than 40 years.

DR. JACK RICHARDSON ORTHODONTICS CLASS OF 1959

Dr. Jack Richardson of Beaumont, Texas, died on Feb. 6, 2013. No further details were available



DR. WILLIAM H. CLEAVER CLASS OF 1960

Dr. William H. Cleaver passed away on March 10, 2014 after a 10-year battle with lymphoma and leukemia. He was 77. He started his practice in downtown Seattle in 1960 and retired in 2004.



DR. FRANK Y. KITAMOTO CLASS OF 1965

Dr. Frank Y. Kitamoto of Bainbridge Island, Wash., died of heart and kidney complications on March 15, 2014. He was 74. A nationally respected Japanese-American community leader, he returned to Bainbridge after graduation to begin a successful 48-year dental practice. He was active in the Bainbridge Island Japanese community, the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Association, Friends of Minidoka and the Bainbridge Island School District Multicultural Advisory Council.



**DR. ANTHONY J. MILAN
CLASS OF 1965**

Dr. Anthony John Milan died on Oct. 8, 2013 in Tacoma. He was 80. Dr. Milan loved skiing at White Pass, spending time with family and friends, and golfing at Fircrest.



**DR. JAMES MACFARLANE
CLASS OF 1967**

Dr. James "Jim" MacFarlane died on Feb. 14, 2014 of natural causes while on vacation in Palm Desert, Calif. He was 72. Dr. MacFarlane belonged to the American Dental Association and Washington State Dental Association and was president of the Kitsap County Dental Society. He was also a founding member of the Northwest Academy of Dental Science. He contributed extensively to the community through dental services and mentorship, as well as participating in various other organizations.

**DR. BYRON M. NAKAGAWA
CLASS OF 1968**

Dr. Byron M. Nakagawa passed away on Nov. 21, 2013 in Seattle. He was 70. He was a beloved West Seattle dentist for many years.



**DR. CHARLES O. HOLMES
CLASS OF 1973**

Dr. Charles Oliver "Chuck" Holmes passed away on April 1, 2014. Practicing privately in Des Moines, Wash., he had a career that spanned more than 40 years. Early on, Dr. Holmes was active in the Seattle-King County Dental Society, serving on numerous committees. He was past president of the UW's Psi Omega dental fraternity, whose house he donated to the School of Dentistry with the national fraternity's consent after the chapter became inactive. Proceeds from its sale funded the Psi Omega Scholarship, which continues to be awarded.



**DR. CURTIS E. CARLSON
PERIODONTICS CLASS OF 1974, ORTHODONTICS
CLASS OF 1986**

Dr. Curtis Eugene "Curt" Carlson of Seattle died on March 19, 2014. He was 71. Dr. Carlson received his DDS from the University of Illinois Chicago Medical Center in 1969 and served in the U.S. Navy as an intern at Oaknoll Naval Hospital and as a dental officer on the USS Samuel Gompers. He attended UW's School of Dentistry for a combined four years of periodontal and orthodontic graduate school, while serving on the periodontal faculty, teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Dr. Carlson maintained a full-time private practice in Bellevue, Wash., for 40 years.



**DR. DANIEL M. TAYLOR
ORTHODONTICS CLASS OF 1980**

Dr. Daniel Miles Taylor passed away on Nov. 11, 2013 at his home. He was 63. He completed Orthodontics certification at the School of Dentistry and later served as an adjunct professor. He practiced near Snohomish, Wash., and was president of the Washington State Society of Orthodontics and a member of the American Board of Orthodontics and the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontists.

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SPOTLIGHT COURSE

■ FRIDAY, OCT. 31

CE1415: Clues to Your Patients' Health: The Most Common Physician-Prescribed Medications

This course is designed for dentists, hygienists and dental assistants.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Your patients are living longer thanks to their medications, but many of the physician-prescribed medications used by your patients have dental implications and side effects affecting your treatment plan. This presentation includes the indications, contraindications, and side effects of the most commonly prescribed medications. Many of these medications were not approved when you took your pharmacology course in dental school, and they represent 25 percent of all prescriptions taken by your dental patients. Familiarity with these drugs will provide the dental practitioner with a better appreciation for the health profile of your dental patient.

As a result of attending this course, you will know:

- Medications that could adversely interact with dental drugs.
- Why your patients are taking their medications.
- What oral side effects may be caused by these medications.
- Maximum doses for commonly prescribed pain medications.
- When not to prescribe NSAIDs.
- How to combine analgesics to maximize their effects.
- Indications and contraindications for opiate analgesics.
- Current recommendations for SBE and orthopedic prosthesis prophylaxis.



INSTRUCTOR: Harold L. Crossley, DDS, MS, PhD, is Professor Emeritus at the University of Maryland Dental School. Dr. Crossley received a BS in Pharmacy from the University of Rhode Island in 1964, and later an MS and PhD in Pharmacology. He received a DDS from the University of Maryland Dental School in Baltimore in 1980. Dr. Crossley has co-authored a number of articles and four books dealing with a variety of topics within the field of pharmacology. Other areas of expertise include the pharmacology of street drugs and chemical dependency.

LOCATION:

The Mountaineers Club
7700 Sand Point Way NE
Seattle

TIMES:

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

CREDITS: 7

TUITION (includes lunch):

Until Oct. 29 (\$25 more afterward): \$279/dentist, \$179/staff, \$251/current Dental Alumni Association member

REGISTER:

Download course application form or register online (available until two days before the course) at <http://dental.washington.edu/continuing-dental-education/ce1415/>

■ FRIDAY, OCT. 3

An Update on Implant Options for the Partially Dentated and Edentulous Patient Including Fixed Removable Prosthetics

Keith Phillips, DMD, MSD

This course is offered in partnership with the Seattle-King and Pierce County Dental Societies.

Register through Seattle-King County Dental Society.

Emerald Downs, Auburn

7 credits

■ FRIDAY, OCT. 17

CE1413: Sixth Annual Washington Dental Service Practice Management Course

Oral Health to Total Wellness: Discover the Links and Learn the Practical Application

Susan Maples, DDS

Center for Urban Horticulture, University of Washington

7 credits

■ MONDAY EVENING, OCT. 27

CE1417: Oral Ulcers and Sloughing Epithelium: An In-Depth Evaluation of the Causes

Dolphine Oda, BDS, MS

Health Sciences Building, University of Washington

-or-

Online as a live webinar

2 credits

■ FRIDAY, OCT. 31

CE1415: Clues to Your Patients' Health: The Most Common Physician-Prescribed Medications

Harold L. Crossley, DDS, MS, PhD

The Mountaineers Club, Seattle

7 credits

■ SATURDAY MORNING, NOV. 1

CE1421: Management and Prevention of Gingival Recession: The Interactive Seminar

George K. Merijohn, DDS

Health Sciences Center, University of Washington

3.5 credits

■ SATURDAY AFTERNOON, NOV. 1

CE1421L: KIWImethod® Minimally Invasive Gingival Grafting (hands-on course)

George K. Merijohn, DDS

South Campus Center, University of Washington

3.5 credits

■ FRIDAY, NOV. 7

CE1423: Save the Day with Emergency Preparedness!

Bart Johnson, DDS, MS

Center for Urban Horticulture, University of Washington

7 credits

■ FRIDAY, NOV. 14

CE1424: Dental Hygiene Update: Oral Cancer

Morning Topic: Affecting the Quality of Life of Your Patients Fighting Oral Cancer – Eric Statler

Afternoon Topic: Oral Epithelial Benign and Malignant

Lesions: Emphasis on Early Detection – Dolphine Oda, BDS, MS

This course is presented in partnership with the Washington State Dental Hygienists' Association.

Register through the Washington State Dental Hygienists' Association.

Shoreline Conference Center, Shoreline

7 credits

■ **SATURDAY, NOV. 15**

CE1425L: Provisionalization of Single Implants in the Esthetic Zone

Yen-Wei Chen DDS, MSD and Sul Ki Hong, DDS
Health Sciences Center, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, NOV. 21**

CE1426: Perio Topics for Today's Dental Practice

Morning: Perio Patient Information Management
Afternoon: Nutrition, Lifestyle and Perio: An approach that can change lives
Timothy Donley, DDS, MSD
Washington State History Museum, Tacoma
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, JAN. 30**

CE1440: Topics in Oral Medicine

Faculty of Oral Medicine
Location TBD
7 credits

■ **SATURDAY, JAN. 31**

CE1441: Having Fun Welcoming Special Needs Patients to Your Practice

Bart Johnson, DDS, MS
Health Sciences Center, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, FEB. 6**

CE1451: Law/Lewis Annual Lecture in Pediatric Dentistry

Martha Ann Keels, DDS, PhD and Barbara Sheller, DDS, MSD
The Mountaineers Club, Seattle
7 credits

■ **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MORNINGS, FEB. 14-15**

CE1455: To Biopsy or Not to Biopsy: Interactive Soft Tissue Oral Pathology for the Dental Practitioner

Dolphine Oda, BDS, MS
Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa on Kaanapali Beach, Lahaina, HI
8 credits

■ **FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND/OR SUNDAY, FEB. 20-22**

CE1456: The Art and Science of Anxiolysis and Sedation in 2015 and Beyond – Nitrous Oxide and Oral Sedation

David Donaldson, BDS, FDSRCS, MDS, FADSA, FACD, FAAOP, FICD
Fred C. Quarnstrom, DDS, FADSA, FAGD, FICD, FACD, CDC
Mark Donaldson, BSP, PHARM D, FASHP, FACHE
Friday: Center for Urban Horticulture, University of Washington
Saturday and Sunday: Health Sciences Building, University of Washington
7, 14, or 21 credits

■ **FRIDAY, FEB. 27**

**Success with Direct Restorative Dentistry
Direct Anterior and Posterior Composite Restorations by
Implementing Occlusion into Everyday Dentistry**

Jose-Luis Ruiz, DDS, FAGD
This course is presented in partnership with Seattle-King and Snohomish County Dental Societies.
Register through Seattle-King County Dental Society.
Lynnwood Convention Center, Lynnwood
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, MARCH 6**

CE1461: A Journey Through the GI Tract: Clinical and Nutritional Implications for the Dental Professional

Barbara Bancroft, RN
Location TBD
7 credits

■ **SATURDAY, MARCH 7**

CE1462: New Dimensions in Endodontics (hands-on course)

Alex Fleury, DDS, MS
South Campus Center, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **SATURDAY, MARCH 14**

CE1463: Technology in the Dental Office

Morning: Technology Fundamentals
Afternoon: Advanced Technology Topics
Marcus Bing, IT Expert
UW Health Sciences Center
3.5 credits half day, 7 credits whole day

■ **FRIDAY, MARCH 27**

**CE1464: Ernest M. Jones Memorial Lecture
Oral Health Products for Home Use: What Should I Recommend?**

Karen Baker, MS
Meany Hall, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, APRIL 10**

CE1471: Update in Periodontics

Faculty of the UW Department of Periodontics
Center for Urban Horticulture, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **SATURDAY, APRIL 11**

CE1472: Cone Beam Technology – lecture and workshop

Johan Aps, DDS, MS, PhD and Peggy Lee, BDS, MSD, PhD
UW Health Sciences Center
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, APR. 17**

CE1473: Controlling Dental Pain

Bart Johnson, DDS, MS
Center for Urban Horticulture, University of Washington
7 credits

■ **FRIDAY, APRIL 24**

CE1475: Offensive Dentistry

Brian B. Nový, DDS, FADI
The Mountaineers Club, Seattle
7 credits

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■ **SATURDAY, OCT. 11, 2014**

ADA Dean's Reception
5-7 p.m.
Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
Grand Ballroom, Salon B
101 Bowie St., San Antonio, TX

■ **SATURDAY, OCT. 25, 2014**

Dental Alumni Football Event & Game
UW vs. Arizona State University
Sun Devils
Time: TBD
Brunch: UW Health Sciences Center,
I Wing Rotunda
Game: Husky Stadium

■ **MONDAY, OCT. 27, 2014**

Dental Alumni Full Board Meeting
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Washington Athletic Club
Seattle

■ **THURSDAY, NOV. 20, 2014**

WSDA/Dental Alumni Mentor Reception
6-8:30 p.m.
UW Burke Museum
Seattle

■ **THURSDAY, FEB. 12, 2015**

Dean's Reception in Honolulu
5-7 p.m.
Harbor View Center
Pier 38, Honolulu, Hawaii

■ **SATURDAY, FEB. 14, 2015**

Dean's Reception in Maui
5-7 p.m.
Anuenue Lawn
Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa
Maui, Hawaii

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