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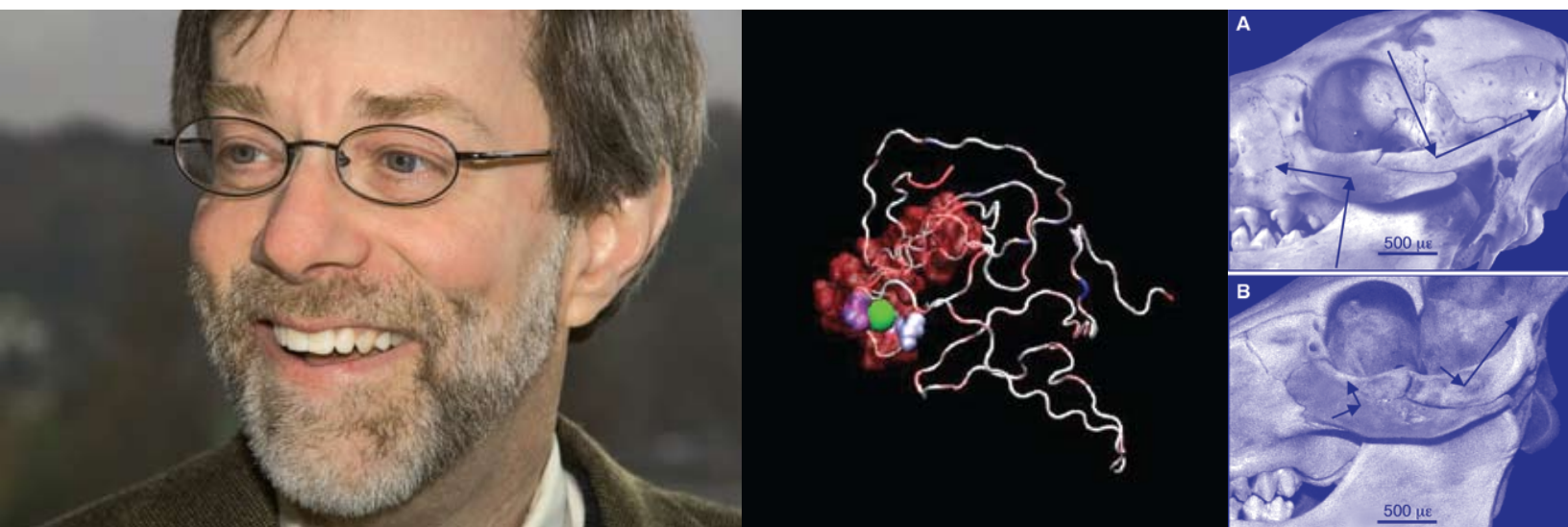
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Dr. John Wataha

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Message from the Dean

In an open letter to "... the entire Staff and Faculty at the University of Washington" Zach Lowe ('06) wrote:

"...I truly believe now that I have completed dental school, that the education that I received at University of Washington is second to none..."

Since the early 1950s, more than four thousand dental students like Zach have reaped the benefits of an extraordinary education from the UW School of Dentistry. Zach's letter made me pause to consider what constitutes a distinguished educational experience: Is it the facility, the "bricks and mortar"? Yes, to a certain degree. Is it the culture? Without a doubt. Is it the staff, friends, alumni and other supporters of our School? Of course. Is it our faculty? Absolutely!

The UW School of Dentistry is truly fortunate. We know that great faculty attracts equally-great students. From Dr. Ed Truelove, DDS, MSD, who has dedicated his career to the School and holds the distinction of being the University's longest-serving Chair, to Dr. John Wataha, DMD, PhD, the newly-appointed Chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, we have been fortunate to recruit and retain faculty and staff who command the profession's widespread admiration and respect. This is made evident through their work, which is known worldwide. Moreover, our culture is unique. I have never seen such close interaction or true collaboration amongst colleagues within a dental school or across the campus community. Above all, the spirit of, and commitment to, community service here is palpable and pervasive. Its impact extends far beyond our immediate surroundings. You will be reading a lot more about these and other "points of pride" in this issue of *Dental Alumni News* and in future editions, too.

As we approach the end of our eight-year, \$15 million fundraising effort, we are pleased to report a successful outcome of "Campaign UW: Creating Futures". Later this year, we will recognize our staunch supporters who have helped to cement our success in this important endeavor. In future editions you'll also read about the unprecedented generosity of individuals and organizations, such as that of the Washington Dental Service and their Foundation, whose historic \$5 million dollar gift will create the Washington Dental Service Building for Early Childhood Oral Health (ECOH) to launch an innovative joint program with the School and Seattle Children's Hospital and Medical Center.

As for Zach, he promises to return to the School next year. Until that time, we'll relish his letter and the impact he's having on the oral health of his community. In closing, he wrote:

*"... I was truly blessed with my dental education at University of Washington
...I could not have received a better education anywhere..."*

He embodies our promise for the future, my vision for the school, and serves as an esteemed example of pride and commitment for us all.



Martha J. Somerman, Dean





President's Message

Thanks to dental alumni support, we had a great 2007. The White Coat ceremony celebrating the transition of sophomore students from didactic to clinical instruction was successful and the fall alumni golf tournament and football brunch were well attended too. The Dental Alumni Association co-sponsored a November mentor reception with the WSDA which brings together the dental students and their dentist mentors from the community. This event drew 150 participants and provided an excellent opportunity for the students to meet dentists who understand the pressures of being a student and the concern students have for the big step into practice after graduation. We also had a very successful Ernest Jones Lecture which drew 900 people.

On the financial front, 2007 was also a standout year. Due to the generosity of our alumni, as this edition of Dental Alumni News goes to print, we have raised \$2.1 million in the Dental Alumni Class Challenge Campaign. The Association has also created a new UW Dental Alumni Endowed Student Scholarship Fund. This will allow us to continue increasing the amount of scholarships we are able to give to dental students each year. The University matches each donation or pledge 50 cents on the dollar to this fund and so far we have over \$200,000 in pledges and gifts. The matching funds are available through June 30, 2008. Thanks to everyone who took the time to call and pledge, we truly appreciate your participation in funding these scholarships.

Have you ever wanted to donate your time and expertise to the dental school? As you are probably aware, there are fewer state dollars available for full-time faculty positions so affiliate faculty play an increasing role in the clinical education of our students. Come join the faculty one day each week and help keep our dental school one of the best in the nation. If you are interested in helping in the clinics at the School or would like to donate to the Scholarship Fund, please call Dental Alumni at (206)543-7297 and they will be glad to guide you to the proper department contact.

That's it for me! I've enjoyed my two years as your president; the time sure went by fast! Thanks to all of you for your support of the UW School of Dentistry.

Michael W. Johnson, ('82)

An evening to celebrate

Drs. Karen D. Sakuma and Robert D. Allen



Dr. Karen D. Sakuma ('79) has been selected by the Dean's Club Board of Trustees to receive the 2008 Dean's Club Honorary Lifetime Member Award. The Award was established to recognize a Dean's Club member who has given outstanding service to the UW School of Dentistry.

Since graduating in 1979, Dr. Sakuma has been an example to her peers of service and dedication to the School. She has been an affiliate faculty member at the School in Pediatric Dentistry/ ECHO and the Medical School for over 20 years. She has also served as Dean's Club President and on the Dean's Club Board for over ten years, and is a major donor to the School, notably to the Rothwell Fund, Dean's Fund for Excellence and to the Early Childhood Oral Health (ECHO) program. She serves on the School of Dentistry Campaign UW: Creating Futures committee for vital fundraising. She is a great resource and advocate for the School and the profession.

Dr. Sakuma maintains a full-time practice in Kirkland. Her positions of leadership include chair and member of the American Dental Association Council on Membership, Washington State Dental Association Executive Council, and as the first president of the Seattle-King County Dental Society Foundation, which is dedicated to improving the oral and overall health in our community.

Dr. Sakuma has a passion for dentistry and education. She has said, "It is a privilege to have graduated from the UW and I continue to teach with the outstanding faculty and students at the dental and medical schools because it pays back many dividends in my own continuing education at one of the premier educational institutions in America. I hope others will join in growing the success of the UW Dental School."



Dr. Robert D. Allen ('66) has been named the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus by the Dental Alumni Board of Trustees. The award recognizes alumni, who, by their professional achievements and contributions, have distinguished themselves, enhanced the profession, improved the welfare of the general public and brought honor to their alma mater.

Continuing dental education and service have always been high priorities for Dr. Allen. After he opened his private practice at Northgate in 1970, he continued serving as an affiliate faculty member in Restorative Dentistry and Prosthetic Dentistry. He has shared his passion for dentistry by mentoring students and undergraduates considering careers in dentistry. He served on the Washington Dental Service Foundation Distinguished Professorship Committee for ten years. He is a charter member of the Academy of Operative Dentistry. He was the UW Dental Alumni Association president in 1978. He was president of the Seattle-King County Dental Society. He has served on the WSDA Executive Council and two terms on the WSDA DentPAC Board. He has lobbied in Washington, D.C. on behalf of the American Dental Association.

Outside of dentistry, Dr. Allen has been named "Rotarian of the Year" and has been president of the North Seattle Rotary Club. He serves on the board which governs the community where he lives and he has been a leader in his church.

Dr. Glen Johnson has said, "Dr. Bob Allen is an ideal choice for this award. In his 45 years since graduation, he has not only maintained a high quality, patient-orientated practice, but has consistently and continuously given generously of his time to organized dentistry, area study clubs, several professional organizations, Rotary International, and Shoreline civic activities. He remains enthusiastic about dentistry and doggedly promotes high quality treatment. Bob is a role model for all of us in and outside the profession."

Save the Date

UW School of Dentistry Dean's Club Dinner

May 10, 2008 *Saturday Evening*

24th Annual Dean's Club Dinner

SPECIAL GUESTS OF HONOR:

ROBERT D. ALLEN, DDS

2008 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD RECIPIENT

KAREN D. SAKUMA, DDS

2008 DEAN'S CLUB HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENT

THE GRAND HYATT SEATTLE

721 PINE STREET, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

If you would like to nominate an individual for the 2009 Distinguished Alumnus Award, please contact your class representative.



Campaign Update

from Co-Chairs Drs. Bryan ('76) & Linda ('92) Edgar

The "finish line" is in sight and as Campaign UW: Creating Futures draws to a close this June, we continue to receive many generous gifts from individuals and organizations. Thanks to the kindness of alumni and friends, we have made remarkable progress during our eight-year fundraising effort. But many additional opportunities to participate in the Campaign remain.

In particular, the University has two matching opportunities for the Campaign and we are grateful to so many of you who have been inspired to help us garner these matching funds.

The Students First Matching Initiative provides need-based scholarships and fellowships for undergraduate, graduate and professional students alike. Increased financial aid reduces the staggering debt dental students incur upon graduation. The UW Dental Alumni Endowed Student Scholarship Fund is an example of this type of scholarship and will be matched fifty cents on the dollar. A five-year pledge can also be matched in its entirety if it is made before June 30 of this year 2008 and fulfilled by June 30, 2013.

Another powerful philanthropic tool is the **Faculty-Staff Retiree Matching Program** which allows faculty (including affiliates), staff and retirees to create a named endowment in support of students with a minimum investment of \$5,000 — and receive a dollar-for-dollar match by the University up to \$10,000. This opportunity can also be distributed over a five-year pledge and the School can still receive matching funds because of your wonderful generosity. Matching initiatives like these are rare, so please take advantage of this opportunity!

For more than half a century, the UW School of Dentistry has benefited greatly from individuals and organizations who have contributed to ensuring that the School remains an institution of distinction. The Partners in Excellence donor wall was created in recognition of those who have made an extraordinary commitment to the School through annual and major gifts. The donor wall, which was installed in the fall of 2007 outside the D-3 clinic, memorializes cumulative giving of \$50,000 or more. It will be updated each year to honor new major donors and serves as a lasting tribute to all of you who have donated so generously to the School.

Contributions of time and other resources are crucial to sustaining our success in an increasingly competitive dental school environment. The UW School of Dentistry is fortunate to have many loyal supporters in our midst who have a vested interest in preserving our reputation as a leading institution for dental education. We owe this honor to our superb family of lecturers, researchers, faculty, staff and students, but also to donors like you, who support the School.

With gratitude,

Bryan & Linda

Bryan and Linda Edgar jointly serve as the co-chairs on behalf of the School of Dentistry for Campaign UW: Creating Futures, and are past Dean's Club co-presidents. They live and practice in Federal Way.



For more information about Campaign UW: Creating Futures please contact Christina Harrison, Executive Director of Development: harrc@u.washington.edu.



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Student Awards and Honors

The UW School of Dentistry enjoys a reputation as one of the finest oral health institutions in the world. We have an abundance of talent that has made our School an example of excellence. As you read about some of the achievements of our students we hope you will experience the same sense of pride we felt in presenting a few examples of how our School continues to be among the top in the nation.

Student posters included in the Research Day poster session were judged as part of the **Dental Student Research Competition**. The competition, organized by the Research Advisory Committee and the UW Student Research Group, selected dental student **1 Cathy Hsu** ('10) to receive the 2007-2008 American Dental Association (ADA) Clinician Scholar Award. Cathy will represent the UW School of Dentistry in the national student research competition at the 2008 ADA meeting in San Antonio. Congratulations to Cathy and **2 Ara Greer** ('10) who took Second Place and **3 Joe Stout** ('10) who placed Third in the competition.

1 Rosana Bishai ('08) who was selected as the **2007 Academy of Dentistry International Terry T. Tanaka Student Humanitarian Award** winner. The Award was created to recognize volunteer services by "rising" fourth-year dental students who have served in a foreign country or a local area during their previous three years as a dental student. Rosana's receipt of this award represents

the first time that a UW student has been chosen as the winner. Requirements include the student to have rendered dental services, taught dental personnel, or assisted in training some local personnel to perform emergency treatments. The Award was presented during the US convocation in San Francisco during a black tie gala on September 26, where she received a \$500 check from Terry Tanaka in person.

In the winter of 2007, the UW School of Dentistry's fourth-year student volleyball team, The Drillers, earned the **5 and 6 Intramural Activities (IMA)'s co-rec volleyball league title**, capping off four consecutive, record-setting years of championships. Each team is comprised of dental students from the first-, third- and fourth-year classes. Since 2004, The Drillers, captained by **Heather Cunningham**, have dominated this league's championship games. In 2006, the championship was decided with a battle of wills between the school's co-rec teams, represented by the third- and fourth-year students.

White Coat Ceremony

Student Pledge

We commit ourselves to the continual pursuit of excellence in all our academic and professional endeavors. We hereby pledge to:

- Conduct ourselves with integrity by upholding and promoting ethical ideals and standards;
- Demonstrate compassion, empathy, and understanding for patients and colleagues;
- Aspire to leadership through initiative and professional conduct; and,
- Maintain a high level of competence through our commitment to learning.

Today, we make a lifelong commitment to enhancing professionalism within the practice of dentistry and the entire healthcare system. As students and as dentists, we promise to uphold these principles and dedicate ourselves to the profession.



Drs. Frank Roberts, Gabriela Ibarra, and Dean Martha Somerman



Signing a Student Pledge

It was the faculty's distinct pleasure to honor the accomplishments of the Class of 2009 at the Third Annual White Coat Ceremony in Hogness Auditorium on August 11, 2007. The presentation of the white coat symbolizes a transition from didactic education to clinical training as students begin intensive clinical work with patients. More than 400 family members and friends attended the ceremony, which included a moving speech by **Dr. Dolphine Oda** from the Department of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, who was selected by the students as this year's keynote speaker. A reception followed in the Magnuson Health Sciences lobby.

The third-year students would like to thank the UW Dental Alumni Association (UWDAA) for purchasing the white coats and for sponsoring the reception.

Annual Mentor Reception

Brings Together Dental Students, Mentor Dentists

The Annual Mentor Reception was held on Friday, November 16, 2007 at the UW Botanic Gardens. The event brought together 150 dental students at the UW, mentor dentists from the area and professional dental leadership.

The event was sponsored by the Washington State Dental Association (WSDA), the UW Dental Alumni Association and the UW School of Dentistry. The goal is to match each dental student to a dentist in the community whom they can get acquainted with and seek guidance from as they prepare to enter the dental profession.

The highlight of the evening was the socializing between the dental students and the mentor dentists. It is a great opportunity for the students to talk to individuals who understand the pressures of being a student and the concerns about the next step and choices after graduation. The evening included dinner and a short program featuring WSDA President **Dr. Dexter Barnes** ('69), UW Dental

Alumni President-elect **Dr. Ed Dolan** ('00), **Associate Dean Dr. Jim Steiner** ('66), mentor **Dr. Barry Feder** and Student Council President **Garret Yamaguchi** ('08).

If you are interested in being a mentor to a dental student, please call Randy Newquist at the Dental Alumni Office at (206)543-7297.





Coach Don James Attends Dental Alumni Brunch

The UW Dental Alumni Association Annual Football Brunch was held on Saturday, September 15, 2007 at the UW Botanic Gardens near campus. One hundred and twenty five of our alumni, faculty, staff, students, families and friends attended the event before the UW/Ohio State football game.

Legendary Coach Don James was the special guest speaker and a wonderful treat for all of those attending. As the UW coach, he guided the Huskies to six Rose Bowls and is one of only four coaches to win four Rose Bowl games. He took his team to 15 bowl games in his 18 years. His 99 Pac-10 victories are the most in conference history. He went around and talked to those attending and had pictures taken with them. He spoke to the group for about twenty minutes on how he prepared the team before games.

Dr. Ed Dolan '00 was the chair of the event and master of ceremonies. The event included a brunch, entertainment by the Greg Schroeder band, and a fun raffle. The football game was exciting too. The UW led at halftime over Ohio State but couldn't stop the Buckeye's potent offense in the 2nd half. Ohio State won 33-14 but the game was closer than the score indicates.

Special thanks to Washington Dentists' Insurance Agency (WDIA) for being the co-sponsor of this event.



UW DENTAL ALUMNI

FUN IN SEPTEMBER DAYS!

Join your classmates for two exciting events taking place in September. A perfect opportunity to gather a group for the football brunch and game or to gather a team from your class for the golf tournament.



UW Dental Alumni Football Homecoming and Brunch

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2008

UW HUSKIES VS. BYU COUGARS

Brunch, entertainment and raffle prizes

HUB EAST Ballroom UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
Seattle, Washington

Brunch begins at 10:00 am Game kick-off 12:30 pm



10TH ANNUAL UW

Dental Alumni Golf Tournament

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2008

ECHO FALLS GOLF COURSE TEE TIME 7:30 am
Snohomish, Washington

4 person scramble format, shotgun start
Barbeque and awards to follow

*For more information or to register, please call UW Dental Alumni
at (206) 543-7297 about either Septmeber event.*



Ninth Annual UW Dental Alumni Golf Tournament



The Ninth Annual UW Dental Alumni Golf Tournament was held on Friday, September 14, 2007 at Echo Falls Golf Course in Snohomish, WA. Forty alumni participated and enjoyed the challenging course. This was the first year the tournament went to the north. The day was overcast and a little chilly at the 7:45 am tee time but otherwise was enjoyable.

Dr. Mark Grace ('94) was chair of the event once again. After golf, the group enjoyed a barbequed lunch and awards ceremony outside on a patio area overlooking a beautiful waterway. Special thanks to all of our corporate sponsors including lunch sponsor Pacific Continental Bank and Washington Dentists' Insurance Agency (WDIA) our specialty sponsor. We also had five hole sponsors (listed below). We are very grateful for their generosity. A team played in the tournament from Pacific Continental Bank and we thank the U.S. Army Healthcare team for attending and having a display table at the event.

Dr. Collins Woodside ('97) will be the chair of the tournament in 2008. It will be held at Echo Falls Golf Course.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS

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2007 Tournament Results

1st Place **52.0**

Paul Reamer '85, Tom Conlon '69,
David Hanson '65, Robert D. Allen '66

2nd Place **54.3**

Alan Munk '75, Mark DiRe '75,
Mark Svore '75, Brett Fidler '75

3rd Place **54.4**

Mike Doyle '71, Gary Lincicome '71,
Charlie Johnson '71, Craig Anderson '71

Long Drive Winner

Leigh Sinni, Pacific Continental Bank

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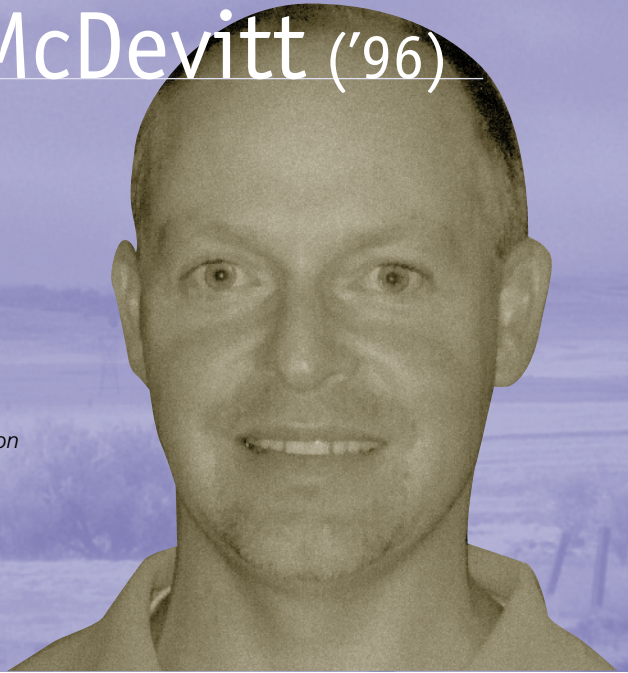
Danny Davidson '82

GUEST COLUMN

In the field with Dr. Shawn McDevitt ('96)

Yakima Valley Dental Society

Yakima resident dentist, Dr. Shawn McDevitt was elected president of Yakima Valley Dental Society from 2005-2006. He held the office of vice president from 2004-2005, and the office of Secretary/Treasurer from 2003-2004. He has been in private practice for 11 years. We asked Dr. McDevitt to contribute to this issue by giving us an update on YVDS's latest projects and goals for the future.



We are always looking for ways to improve access to oral health, and in recent years, the Yakima Valley Dental Society has made tremendous in-roads in both education and access to oral healthcare.

The Yakima Valley Dental Society has been involved in a number of projects within the Yakima community, with a particular focus on children and education. Our focus and philosophy center on trying to inform pregnant mothers and parents, with children ages zero to six, about the importance of proper oral hygiene.

To this end, the Yakima Valley Dental Society developed a close collaboration with the University of Washington, the Department of Social & Health Services and the Washington State Dental Association (WSDA) to create an Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD) program in Yakima County. This program, developed more than a decade ago, has focused on educating parents on the prevention and detection of early childhood oral health diseases by providing oral health education and access to quality dental care.

The idea of the ABCD program has been to involve as many dentists as possible in offering this care to patients, many of whom are DSHS members. Numerous dentists in our community recognize the importance of oral healthcare education and treatment and have stepped up to the challenge of serving this important population. By getting patients into multiple practices early, and having them exposed to consistent and on-going care, we hope to address oral hygiene issues for these young children and their families before those issues become an emergency.

Because of the commitment shown by so many of our community-based dentists, access to oral healthcare in the Yakima Valley has never been better. We have a number of clinics that treat a huge number of DSHS patients, including two farm workers clinics in Yakima and a farm workers clinic in Toppenish. We also have some large private clinics in town that have also stepped in to serve local DSHS patients.

Our dental society is also interested in raising awareness about changes in dentistry, particularly where improved techniques and technology is concerned. We hope to educate patients on how dentistry has changed, which helps us counterbalance much of the fear experienced by adults and children alike. And the best way to counterbalance fear is to try and educate parents about all the new techniques and technologies available, before their fear affects their children. There are some wonderful ways to treat children and make it a pain-free experience, so early education, for both children and adults, is key. By focusing on this type of education, we can meet our primary goal of educating parents in being proactive in preventing the kinds of problems that caused the fear in those patients in the first place. It's a win-win for all of us.

Our society is fortunate to have brought in numerous continuing education opportunities over the last several years, thanks to a coordinated effort with Burkhart Dental and the Summit Study Group of Seattle. The future of dentistry is bright in Yakima, and we look forward to welcoming new dentists and specialists to our area.

Meet Dr. John Wataha, DMD, PhD

New Chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry



“Dr. Wataha is a highly regarded educator and researcher who recognizes the significance of incorporating evidence-based dentistry into our curriculum for developing ‘master’ clinicians and life-long learners.”

DEAN MARTHA J. SOMERMAN, DDS, PHD

Dr. John Wataha, the new Chair of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, understands the strong legacy of leadership he inherited in January. “Restorative Dentistry has deep traditions of excellence, and only by understanding this rich history can I hope to facilitate the growth and evolution of this great group of people.”

A legacy of leadership, a tradition of excellence

The Department's legacy spans more than five decades and has flourished under the leadership of six highly capable and competent departmental chairs. In January, Dr. Wataha took the reins from Dr. Glen Johnson ('78), who has served as Interim Chair since 2006 until Dr. Wataha's appointment earlier this year, and Dr. Dick McCoy ('61), who announced his retirement as Chair in June 2006.

It is clear that the Department is on a path of constant growth in an effort to meet the increasing demands of dentistry. For example, the inclusion of an esthetic dentistry course, an emphasis on caries risks assessment and preventative restorative techniques, and an Implant training for all students are indicative of the efforts made by the Department to help integrate students' educational experience, and cement the Department's national reputation nationwide for teaching and research. Faculty members within the department maintain an ongoing program of clinical and basic science research. These projects in the areas of biomaterials, preventive dentistry, and clinical restorative dentistry — coupled with heavy reliance on volunteer and part-time instructors — are precisely what have allowed the Department to maintain its reputation for excellence in research and teaching.

“...a thoughtful leader who listens.”

“Given the wealth of great teachers and ideas generated in the Department over the years, John's leadership skills will guide the people and the ideas toward achievement of Departmental goals and to great success,” said Dr. Joel Berg, DDS, MS and Chair of the Search Committee. “He is a thoughtful leader who listens.” It is Wataha's abilities to bring together diverse opinions and interesting ideas and form a cohesive action plan that have made him a leader.

A man of many interests

Dr. Wataha claims that his trajectory into academic dentistry was “influenced by 25% luck, 25% fear, 25% courage, and 25% vision...” He comes to the UW from the Medical College of Georgia, where he was Professor in the Department of Oral Biology and Maxillofacial Pathology with joint appointments in the Dental Materials Division, Department of Oral Rehabilitation and School of Graduate Studies. A Stanford alumnus, Dr. Wataha earned his BS in Chemistry in 1978 and DMD from Oregon Health Sciences University in 1982. After five years of private practice in Salem Oregon, Dr. Wataha decided to pursue an academic career and in 1992 he earned his PhD in Oral Biology/Biomaterials from the University of Michigan. While at Michigan, he was voted *Instructor of the Year* by second-year dental students for three consecutive years, and in 2002, Dr. Wataha received the *Teaching Excellence Award* at the Medical College of Georgia. Dr. Wataha has published 27 book chapters and has more than 120 peer-reviewed publications.

Dr. Wataha will continue to pursue his research interests, which address an interface among the disciplines of dental materials science, basic cellular biology and clinical practice. He will also maintain his existing collaborations with international investigators on interdisciplinary projects focusing on the cellular and molecular interactions between oral tissues and materials — a field known as biocompatibility.

Of living in Seattle, he said: “For (Mary Jo) and me this is a bit like coming home because we have a history here in the Pacific Northwest....” He and his wife of twenty-six years are eager to take advantage of all the city has to offer. Wataha is also an accomplished pianist and a composer. “My music is a source of great energy to me; it is more than a hobby and less than a profession.”

“...the biggest most important challenge we face is finding ways to teach our students to be passionate about excellence and about continuing to learn.”

DR. JOHN WATAHA

The Department: Then, and now...

Today the Department of Restorative Dentistry is responsible for sixty-eight percent of all pre-doctoral teaching, and encompasses the majority of the School's 500-plus affiliate faculty members, many with three or more decades of service to the school in this capacity. Under Wataha's direction, the department will continue to offer a post-doctoral graduate program in Prosthodontics and maintain an ongoing program of clinical and basic sciences research with numerous projects in the areas of biomaterials, preventative dentistry and clinical restorative dentistry.

“I think that every dental school and department across the country has had to make many adjustments in response to financial, intellectual, and demographic changes,” said Wataha. “However, I think that as a group, the biggest, most important challenge we face is finding ways to teach our students to be passionate about excellence and about continuing to learn,” he said.

“These are the tools that will serve them best in their 30-40 year careers. To meet this challenge, we must be constantly improving ourselves—intellectually and technically. We must keep abreast of what our constituents' need, what our alumni are worried about, and how we can best serve our students and our community. We must try to be in a position to be the resource for our students and alumni, and be their leaders. To do this in the framework of constraints that face any department, we must learn to work together in new ways. To me, this is the greatest challenge. But it also is a very exciting challenge,” Wataha concluded.

“His history shows that he is ultimately concerned about quality. He exudes quality while challenging people in the ideal fashion to encourage them to do their best,” said Dr. Berg

“Dr. Wataha is a highly regarded educator and researcher who recognizes the significance of incorporating evidence-based dentistry into our curriculum for developing ‘master’ clinicians and life-long learners,” said Dean Martha J. Somerman, DDS, PhD. “Dr. Wataha has a wonderful personality to deal with the many different requirements of the Chair position,” said McCoy. “Because of the huge scope of our teaching effort, he needs to deal with a multitude of different personalities. He appears to be very well suited for this task. In addition, his history in material research with Dental Manufacturers is what we need to move our research effort of the Department forward.”



L to R: Glen Johnson, John Wataha, and Dick McCoy

Welcome “UW Dentists”



L to R: UW Dentist Dr. Thomas Flemming and dental assistant Penny Galloway

Over the past two years, the Board of the Faculty Practice has been considering the best options for the direction of the practice for the future. After careful evaluation of options, the Board and Dean Somerman in consultation with Department Chairs decided in August 2006 to build the new group practice here at the School on D-4. The Dental Fears Research Clinic (DFRC) has moved and now has a designated entry for their patients, D-458. Faculty in the departments of Oral Medicine, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics and the Oral Pathology service will continue to practice in their own departments' clinics.

The faculty practice, also known as UW Dentists, offers a variety of services, consultations with experts in their field, and referrals to appropriate providers. Services include General and Esthetic Dentistry, Dental Hygiene, Endodontics, Implants, Periodontics, Full-mouth Rehabilitation, Oral Surgery, Orthodontics, Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain, Dental Fears and Maxillofacial Prosthetic Rehabilitation Services.

This new, important resource for our School will encourage a more streamlined patient flow and easier access to care for our patients, and a resource for alumni and dentists in the community who are looking for options for specialty referrals.



For more information please contact Debbie Eanes, manager of the faculty practice (206) 685-8258 and uwdentists@u.washington.edu or online: www.UW-Dentists.org

General Practice Residency (GPR) Program Transition

Because the General Practice Residency (GPR) and Hospital Dentistry programs take care of the people that no one else can help, each play a vital role in addressing the health care needs of our community's underserved populations. Together, these programs offer the only after-hours emergency care in the State, providing thousands of patient visits each year for the developmentally disabled, psychiatric patients, those who are phobic, and medically-compromised patients, who may be undergoing treatment for cancer, heart disease, stroke or other debilitating conditions.

The GPR program serves three area hospitals and one community clinic: Harborview Medical Center, Odessa Brown Children's Clinic and the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center. In July 2007, the Hospital Dentistry Clinic, which was previously located at UW Medical Center's Roosevelt Building, reopened in the Health Sciences Center Room D-258 as a division of the Department of Oral Medicine. The Hospital Dentistry Clinic has eight treatment rooms, three attending dentists, three residents and seven dental support staff (hygienists, assistants, office staff).

The Clinic will continue to offer treatment to faculty and staff, patients requiring assessment and management for dental clearance or stabilization prior to medical treatment for cardiac, oncology, transplant medicine, and other clinical services. The Clinic will also continue to specialize in dental care for individuals with complex medical problems. Following sixteen years of service as Director of General Practice Residency (GPR) Program and one year as Acting Director of Hospital Dentistry, **Dr. Bart Johnson** has decided to pursue his interests in private practice. **Dr. Ana Martinez** and **Dr. Bob Nieman** ('79) now serve as co-directors of the GPR Program and as attending providers in the Hospital Dentistry Clinic.

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Since its founding in 1946, the UW School of Dentistry has benefited significantly from the generosity of countless individuals who have helped ensure that the School remains an institution of distinction.

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ADA Reception

Draws Large Crowd for Bay-area Event

Dean Martha Somerman hosted the UW School of Dentistry reception at the American Dental Association (ADA)'s Annual Session in San Francisco, California. The event was held at the W Hotel near the Moscone Convention Center on Saturday, September 29, 2007. The reception was attended by alumni, faculty, students and friends of the School, including Washington State Dental Association (WSDA) President **Dr. Dexter Barnes** ('69), and several alumni who live in the Bay area such as **Dr. Carol McCutcheon** ('83), **Dr. Phyllis Chen** ('98) and **Dr. Jim Oates** ('79) who came up from Paso Robles for the event.

Besides socializing and enjoying excellent food, those attending were able to watch the Husky football game between the University of Washington and top-ranked University of Southern California (USC) on a large screen TV, which generated extra excitement and enthusiasm.

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Profiles in Service

The UW School of Dentistry has an abundance of talent that has made our school an example of excellence. In this issue we focus on three of the more than four-thousand alumni who inspire us to serve and give back to our community.

Mae Chin

Professor and DECOD Clinic Co-Director Mae Chin ('63 Hygiene, '84 Education) believes giving back to her Alma Matter means more than donating money or resources. It's also about giving of one's time and talents — something which Chin knows a little bit about given her commitment to managing the School's Dental Education in Care of Persons with Disabilities (DECOD) Program.

Since 1974, DECOD has served thousands of patients, many who are typically overlooked by traditional dental care programs. Chin and Co-Director Glenn Govin, with the help of their students and fellow staffers, provide dental services to adults with severe developmental disabilities (like cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, or autism) or acquired disabilities (spinal cord and traumatic brain injuries, strokes, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, or multiple sclerosis).

"Challenges abound for persons with disabilities and their caregivers," Chin said. "Just getting to an appointment with an oral health care provider is a big accomplishment when there are so many personal tasks to tend to."

These clinics are conveniently located in a variety of settings within Seattle, including Keiro Nursing Home, Providence Mount Vincent Nursing Center, Seattle Medical Rehabilitation Center and Heritage House. But Chin's commitment to this program extends far beyond the I-5 corridor and she often travels hundreds of miles to provide much-needed oral health care. Chin coordinates travel for dental students and volunteers to the Alternative Residential Services in Walla Walla, Reliable Enterprises in Centralia, Frances Haddon Morgan Residential Center in Bremerton, Delta Rehabilitation in Snohomish, and to private homes to serve patients who are not able to get regular care. "Once there, it's the professional's job to make thorough assessments and come up with treatment and home health care plans that will help the patient achieve the best oral health possible."

Chin's academic career path did not always include dental school. She enrolled in a DECOD course as part of her graduate studies and "liked the challenge" of working with developmentally disabled adults and children. But it wasn't until a chance meeting with Dr. Roy Mar ('56) that she discovered she could establish a career out of helping others. "Through his mentoring and encouragement to be the best I could be, I changed my major from nursing to dental hygiene."

A first-generation Chinese American, Chin's empathy and compassion for others facing challenges results from her own life experiences and the hardships she witnessed within her community while growing up. Like Mar did for her, Chin encourages and mentors students who are preparing for a career in dentistry and who want to learn to care for patients with physical, mental, and emotional disabilities, as well as the medically compromised elderly.

Within the dental community, Chin is well-known for encouraging fellow alumni and dental professionals to find a way to be of service to their profession or in the community. She asks them at every opportunity to think how they can use their skills and interests to participate in professional or community activities. "Consider the time you have to give, family obligations, and start small to get an idea of what the project really involves. Then commit."



Mae Chin



Kyoko Awamura & Thomas Morton

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Dr. Kyoko Awamura ('87 DDS, '96 Pediatric Dentistry), a pediatric dentist and part-time faculty member at the UW School of Dentistry, and her husband, Dr. Thomas Morton, ('74 Pathology, '75 Oral Medicine), a professor in the UW School of Dentistry, have not only been generous donors to the School, but they have also made a contribution through service to the University and the surrounding community.

The School of Dentistry and the discipline of dentistry both have special meaning to these "double Dawgs." In 2002, their generosity helped to establish the Peter K. Domoto Fund for Children and in 2006 they created the Endowed Fellowship for Pediatric Dentistry/ Oral Biology Leadership in Children's Oral Health Research, which provides support for graduate students who are jointly enrolled in the Department of Oral Biology's PhD program and the Department of Pediatric Dentistry's specialty degree program.

"I became a Pediatric Dentist because of Dr. Peter Domoto, my mentor," says Awamura. "He was the Chair of pediatric dentistry when I graduated from dental school and he took me under his wing. I loved and admired him so much that I wanted to be just like him."

A native of Japan -- and an aspiring dentist since age 10 -- Awamura is a first-generation immigrant who came to the United States on a Rotary Club-sponsored exchange. At 17 years of age, she opted to stay in the U.S. and continue on to college. "I feel very fortunate to be able to realize the American Dream," she says, "so I feel it is my duty to serve those who are less fortunate."

Equally important to Awamura and Morton is their desire to leave a legacy of positive experiences for their patients and to prepare the next generation of dental students for a career in dentistry. "We want to help those who want to pursue an academic career," says Awamura. "I am very happy that I chose dentistry as my career. I want to help educate the next generation of my colleagues." And they do.

In addition to her private practice and teaching at the University, Dr. Awamura travels to Lake Washington Technical College each spring to talk with dental hygiene students about the field of pediatric dentistry. In her "free" time, she speaks to her son's Japanese School class about oral health.

For Dr. Morton, 2007 marked his fourth year on the executive committee for the Washington Section of the American College of Dentists. He is actively involved with the Seattle-King County Dental Society's Membership Committee and Mass Disasters Committee. He has also contributed to numerous committees and task forces such as the Governor's Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS and the State's HIV/AIDS Dental Task Force in the late 1990s. Morton belongs to the American Academy of Forensic Science and has been a member of the American Academy of Oral Pathology since 1975. For more than three decades, he has also been a consultant to the King County Medical Examiner and has worked on many high-profile forensics cases.

"I have always operated under the concept that I am helping the individual and his or her family and friends when I help with an identification," he says. "I view it as a form of public service."

Giving to the dental profession through public service is just one more way UW School of Dentistry alumni like Drs. Awamura and Morton are contributing to the success of the next generation of dental professionals.

One Good Turn Deserves Another

How the talents of Dr. Brian Toolson inspired the generosity of Dr. Scott Andrews and his wife, Lisa

Thirty-six.

That's the number of times **Dr. Brian Toolson** ('67) has been voted by students to receive a dental school honor during his career of service spanning almost as many years. Having dedicated his professional life to the success of the next generation of UW dental students, from all accounts Dr. Toolson is worthy of this unprecedented honor. And so, when his former student, longtime friend and colleague, **Dr. Scott Andrews** ('80) and his wife, Lisa, established an endowment in his name, the only one astonished by the gesture was Dr. Toolson.

The Andrews created the Brian Toolson Endowed Scholarship for Excellence in Removable Prosthodontics with a \$100,000 gift, which will receive an additional \$50,000 in matching funds from the UW through the Students First Matching Initiative. The Scholarship will be awarded each spring to three second-year students who have demonstrated excellence in Removable Prosthodontics, the discipline to which both men have devoted their careers.

The Andrews' motivation for a gift of this significance was inspired by the philanthropy of another faculty member, **Dr. David H. Wands** ('72) Prosthodontics, who established a \$500,000 endowed Fellowship for the Graduate Prosthodontic program in 1999.

"I cannot say enough about Dr. Toolson and how he has impacted my life," says Dr. Andrews of his long-time mentor and friend. "What inspired Lisa and me to create an endowment in Dr. Toolson's name was the man himself. He always went out of his way to help anyone who needed his assistance. There is a reason why he wins the Teacher of the Year Award almost every year."

With a dental career covering more than thirty years, Dr. Toolson is one of the most celebrated and revered teachers on campus and in the community. He received his DDS from the UW in 1967 and his MSD in Prosthodontics in 1977. He joined the Department of Prosthodontics in July of 1972 and became an Associate Professor in 1980. Dr. Toolson also served as Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics from 1995-2003 and as Interim Dean of Clinical Affairs in 2003. He has received numerous additional honors, including the Outstanding Instructor Award a record twenty-seven times and the Teacher of the Year four times. He has also been selected as commencement speaker five times. Most notably, Dr. Toolson was chosen for the Bruce R. Rothwell Lifetime Achievement in Teaching Award in 2005 to honor his extensive accomplishment and long-term commitment to excellence in dental education.



L to R: Scott Andrews and Brian Toolson with student and patient

"Surprised and honored!" confesses Dr. Toolson, who has been teaching and lecturing full-time since 1971. "(Dr. Andrews) could have just as easily established the endowment in his name but to have my name attached to something that will help students is a great honor." Dr. Andrews first met Dr. Toolson in the mid-seventies, when he served as his Prosthodontics advisor. Dr. Andrews considers himself fortunate to have worked with him in this capacity. "School was tough enough but to have a smiling face to encourage you was great. He was always there to help you and no question was too silly to ask."

"I hope that I have been kind and helpful to students and made their journey through dental school a little easier... That is what is important to me." For Dr. Toolson, though, his proudest accomplishment is his family. "I have been married to the same wonderful person for 45 years, raised 5 children that are doing well and have 15 grandchildren. That is my legacy."

For Dr. Andrews and a generation of students, Dr. Toolson's impact goes far beyond that. States an emphatic Dr. Andrews, "I wanted to give something back to the school and the teacher who gave me so much.... I hope other dentists will donate money to their favorite teacher or department and remember that this school awarded them with a great education."

If you would like to contribute to the Brian Toolson Endowed Scholarship please contact Dentistry Development.

UW School of Dentistry Announces

Two 2007 David H. Wands Fellows in Graduate Prosthodontics

The University of Washington School of Dentistry is pleased to announce the choice of **Dr. Jennifer Emerson ('02)** and **Dr. Madelyn Fletcher Stark** as the 2007 David H. Wands Fellows in Graduate Prosthodontics. This year's decision was unique because of the committee's decision to bestow the award on two recipients, rather than choosing one over the other, as in previous years.

Dr. David Wands, ('72), MSD, and a former UW School of Dentistry faculty member in the Department of Prosthodontics, established the \$500,000 David H. Wands Endowment Fellowship in Graduate Prosthodontics in appreciation of his prosthodontics alma mater. The intent of the Fellowship is to provide financial support for graduate students enrolled in the UW Graduate Program in Prosthodontics, leading to the award of a Certificate in Prosthodontics and/or a Master of Science in Dentistry.

"The demand for educators in Prosthodontics is immense," said **Dr. Ariel J. Raigrodski DMD, MS**, Associate Professor and Director, Graduate Prosthodontics, Department of Restorative Dentistry UW School of Dentistry. "Consequently, the Wands Fellowship committee determined that it was appropriate and necessary to name both Dr. Emerson and Dr. Fletcher as 2007 Wands Fellows, with a full \$10,000 award for each, in hopes of making a more substantial impact on the future of dental education and on the lives of our graduate students with Dr. Wands' generous gift."

Emerson, a Seattle native, attended Mount Rainier High School where she completed the International Baccalaureate Diploma program earning a BS in chemistry at Yale University. She graduated in 2002 with awards in "Governance & Service" and "Hospital Dentistry" from the University of Washington School of Dentistry. In 2003 she earned a certificate in General Practice Residency (GPR), and spent three years on faculty in Hospital Dentistry at UW.

Fletcher Stark, grew up on a farm in Chehalis, Washington. She attended Walla Walla University, and graduated in 2000 from Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. After two years of full-time teaching at Loma Linda University, she joined her father's practice in Tumwater, Washington, before becoming a resident in Graduate Prosthodontics at the UW School of Dentistry.

Dr. Wands graduated with honors from Baltimore College of Dental Surgery and earned his MSD and Certificate in Prosthodontics from the University of Washington in 1972. He served for many years with the U.S. Public Health Service, achieving the rank of full Commander before moving back to Seattle to join the UW Prosthodontic Department faculty as an assistant professor in 1974. He held a faculty appointment at the UW for 23 years, in addition to establishing a private practice in 1980 limited to fixed and removable prosthodontics in Olympia, Washington.



Faculty News

It is because of our students, staff and faculty that the UW School of Dentistry enjoys unprecedented success. We have an abundance of talent that has made our School an example of excellence. While many factors play into the support of this reputation, we pause to recognize just a few of our faculty members' achievements which help to ensure that our School continues to be among the top in the nation

HONORS

Dr. Doris Stiefel, ('51) Medicine ('71) DDS, received the **Carolyn Danz Lifetime Achievement Award** on September 9 during the 93rd Annual Meeting of the Kline Galland Center and Affiliates. The Caroline Kline Galland Home, a nursing facility located in the Seward Park neighborhood. The Award was bestowed on Dr. Stiefel for her "contributions to the field of dentistry to seniors and the disabled." Dr. Stiefel has served as the chair of their Dental Committee since 1981.

Drs. E. Ricardo Schwedhelm and **Ariel Raigrodski**, faculty members in the Department of Restorative Dentistry, were inducted as **Distinguished Fellows** into the **International College of Dentists (ICD)** during the the Convocation on September 28 at the Hilton Hotel in San Francisco during the ADA annual meeting. The ICD is a world-wide dental honorary with chapters around the world. Membership is by invitation only.

Dr. Mark Drangsholt ('84), Chair of the Nomination Committee, presented the Bruce R. Rothwell Teaching Awards during this year's Faculty Retreat. **Dr. John Evans** ('75), Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, received the Bruce R. Rothwell Distinguished Teaching Award in recognition of outstanding and innovative teaching. **Dr. James Stoddard** ('61), Department of Restorative Dentistry, received the Bruce R. Rothwell Lifetime Achievement in Teaching Award to honor his extensive accomplishment and long-term commitment to excellence in dental education. **Dr. Patricia Rothwell** ('84); sister -in-law Donna Kilburg; and niece Molly were also present at the ceremony. Both recipients received a plaque and \$3,500. In addition, their names will be inscribed on a perpetual plaque on display outside the Office of the Dean.

The American College of Prosthodontists and the UW School of Dentistry are teaming up for the **American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) Esthetic Continuum**, August 15th and 16th, 2008. This two-day program will provide clinicians and laboratory technicians with a unique comprehensive update in esthetic dentistry from leaders in the field, including **Drs. Joseph Kan, Robert Kelly, Daniel Edelhoff, Gerard Chiche, Vincent O. Kokich** ('99), **Hisham Nasr, Harel Simon** and **Ariel Raigrodski**, who will close the program with his lecture titled "Update on Zirconia-Based Restorations: A Clinical Perspective."

Thanks to the tireless efforts of Dr. Raigrodski, this event marks the first occasion that the American College of Prosthodontists is teaming up with the University of Washington for Continuing Dental Education at the national level.

Please mark your calendars and take advantage of this unique program. More information is available by calling: (206) 543-5923



A life LESS ordinary

Alumni Profile: Dr. Sid Gallegos ('81)

Many Americans fear heights, crowds – even dentistry. But alumnus ❶ Sidney (Sid) Gallegos' foremost fear is less common: being ordinary.

"...In my life's journey I can tell you that there are extraordinary people all around who I admire and respect. I expect that I'll continue challenging myself and others in this 'unordinary' life."

Dr. Gallegos, a pediatric dentist with a private practice in Federal Way, Washington, has challenged himself throughout his career. Much of his work has involved serving the under-served, and children in particular. Gallegos is an advocate at heart. Case in point: in the late 1970s, Gallegos joined a Hispanic committee comprised of students, health professionals and health administrators working to address the health care needs of the Spanish-speaking community in western Washington. This committee was able to obtain a federal grant, and together, they founded Sea-Mar Health Clinic, the first Hispanic Health Clinic in Western Washington. Today, Sea-Mar operates ten medical clinics and ten dental clinics, and continues to provide medical and dental care, as well as elderly nursing care, mental health, substance abuse, and other social services for numerous multi-racial communities in these areas.

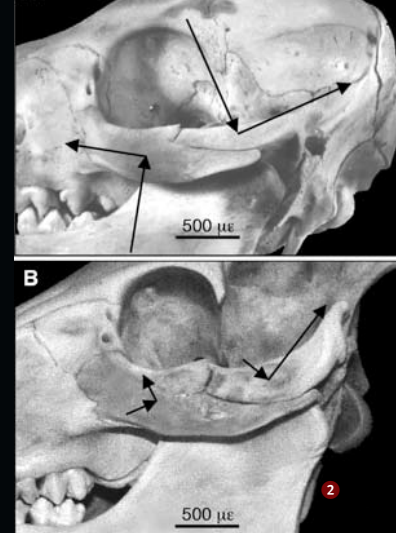
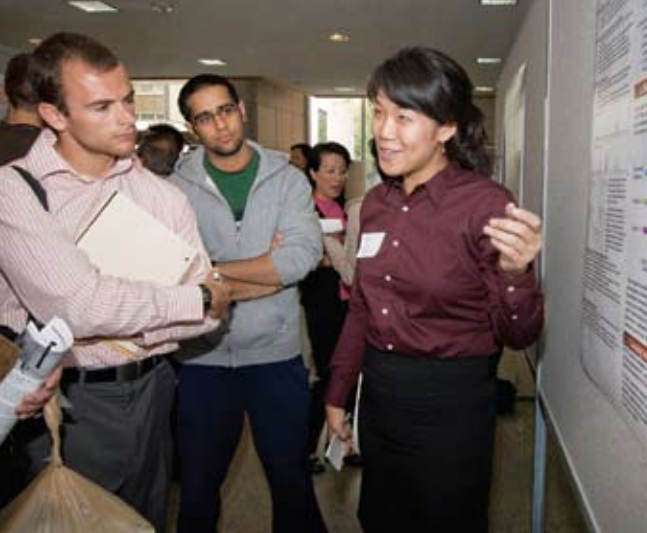
Far from ordinary, Gallegos' career has been filled with challenges and triumphs, often in pursuit of serving the low-income, underserved and the underinsured. In the 1990s he was an early advocate for the Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD) Program which focuses on preventive and restorative dental care for Medicaid-eligible children.

"I'm always amazed at stories about how dentists travel to far countries on missions to treat impoverished patients... yet here in this country we have thousands of patients who need dental care and don't have access to treatment.... If every dentist in this country treated one patient or family pro-gratis yearly it would make a significant difference in our society..."

As a dental student, Gallegos also faced financial hardship. Much of his education was financed with student loans and a National Health Service Scholarship. Realizing how expensive dental schools have become, he feels compelled to work to ensure that financial aid is available to those who need it most. "The costs students face today are skyrocketing annually," explains Gallegos. "Many students are incurring tremendous debt in funding their education. Educational funds are getting more difficult to find." Gallegos' commitment was made manifest last October when he helped to convene a group of over sixty stakeholders for the School's first ❷ "Partners in Diversity" Dinner in Seattle. The program featured ❸ UW President Mark Emmert and Associate Dean of Educational Partnerships Dr. Douglass Jackson, and brought together alumni, students, faculty, staff and community leaders from eastern and western Washington. The discussion focused on the growing disparity in oral healthcare among underrepresented communities in our region and how the stakeholders and the School could attract and retain students from this constituency into dental professions. "Needless to say, any funds that a student can receive will be of help. The committee is ambitious and is working hard at setting and achieving goals," says Gallegos.

"I've always felt that graduates of this great institution should give back in some fashion whether that (is) monetarily, as a volunteer on a committee, as an affiliate instructor, or as a goodwill ambassador." He adds: "(Dental school) was rigorous and demanded lots of time. Because of that hard work, today the majority of dental graduates live a high quality life in our society and what better way to demonstrate our appreciation than to give back to our school which taught us the skills to succeed in our profession."

Gallegos has distinguished himself among his peers throughout his illustrious 25-year career. He balances his work as a pediatric dentist with an equally-busy personal life. He is an avid fisherman, world traveler, aspiring black belt in the martial arts and father to daughter Anna Sofia. It would be hard to say he leads an ordinary life.



Spotlight on Research

After decades of innovative approaches to clinical research, the prevalence of practice-based-research across the country is increasing rapidly. In an effort to keep pace with this trend and the emerging needs of our students' prospective patient populations, UW School of Dentistry faculty are expanding the scope of their research to take place not only in the laboratory, but also in the "field"...

For more than six decades, the School has taken pride in advancing science to help address the most urgent oral health needs at home and abroad. As a result, the role of our faculty has evolved to encompass not only the teaching of current knowledge, but in creating new knowledge through research. While basic research in university laboratories will always be needed to unearth new approaches to prevention and treatment, the future of research is seemingly predicated on the application of new approaches executed outside the walls of the School.

Since its inception, the School has sought to prepare our dental students to be the most competent oral health care professionals possible. This is accomplished in part by immersing them in a curriculum that is grounded in clinical research but also includes rotations in-state and throughout the region. Subsequently, our dental students graduate with a better understanding of the practical applications of research and how it relates to improved oral health. It is this approach to student education that requires our faculty to be engaged in creating new knowledge as well as assessing how new knowledge affects what they teach.

It's been said that there is no better way to be involved in the process of discovery than to actively participate in a process. A recently awarded curriculum development grant from the National Institute of Dental Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) will provide the School with an opportunity to do just that. The grant, headed by Dr. Linda LeResche, will enable the School to further develop an atmosphere where

research is something dental students can participate in throughout their training and not only as a graduate student or academician. It will also afford students a chance to work more closely with faculty in elective courses to assess the amount and quality of evidence from research surrounding key clinical issues, which will influence how they and other dentists practice.

Equally-important to the future of the profession is the participation by existing dental practitioners who are eager to make a contribution to research and help shape the future of dentistry.

Participants who are enrolled in the NIH-funded Northwest PRECEDENT, the practice-based research network, conduct research in "real world" settings which impact the discovery process equal to that which occurs in the recesses of a laboratory.

In addition, the collaborative and multidisciplinary research environment at the University level encourages researchers to work with other scientists who have complementary expertise across departments and oftentimes across research institutions. For example, much of LeResche's research has involved people from other departments in the School, from OB/GYN and Psychiatry in the School of Medicine, and from the research center at Group Health. As a result of this trend towards cross-disciplinary collaboration, an increasing number of dental students have become interested in research, and more student-faculty research collaborations. Said LeResche, "As technologies change and our understanding of human biology and behavior is blossoming, research is becoming an increasingly important aspect of dentistry."



Students recognize the importance of this changing tide as well. “The departments of Dental Public Health and Oral Medicine are world leaders in creating profoundly strong evidence for the most clinically-relevant questions. The Oral Biology and Periodontics departments are deciphering the mechanistic bases of oral disease and through, collaborations with Bioengineering and Microbiology, are inventing solutions to many age-old problems in dentistry,” said fourth-year dental student Jeremy Horst (’08). “Through the interplay of basic sciences, bioinformatics, materials bioengineering, and clinical trials, we will create preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic strategies with increasing accuracy and long term efficacy. Our students will be exposed to this revolution in treatment modalities, putting our School’s graduates at the cutting edge of oral health therapy.”

Whether it is Dr. Richard Presland’s ❸ focus on key roles that proteins play in the formation and maintenance of vital barriers, Dr. Sue Herring’s ❷ research on the mechanical responsiveness of bones to Orthodontics, or Horst’s ❶ current research exploring the patterns found across many genomes to unlock the mysteries in mineralization proteins, it is this kind of innovation in research and the discovery of new diagnostic tools and materials used to pinpoint oral health trends and provide dental care to the people and communities who need it most that influences the School’s research program.

From tissue engineering, to bone and tooth biology, to TMJ,

intriguing topics will be found in every direction and on display this fall as students and faculty together explore current scientific initiatives at the annual Research Day symposium. What was once a low-key gathering has grown steadily each year and evolved into a showcase for our rich research agenda. The halls will be bustling with students and faculty bursting with pride – each equally proud to see the “fruits” of their labors tangibly displayed in posters and depicted in oral presentations – each holding the promise of new ways of treating and preventing conditions related to dentistry and beyond.

Said LeResche, the School is fortunate to be located in an environment that promotes a seamless exchange of ideas and collaborative development. “Through the intermingling of clinicians, researchers, lecturers, and undergraduate, professional, and graduate students, in six different health sciences schools housed under one roof, we innovate the future of healthcare.”

If the past is a good predictor of the future, the UW School of Dentistry will continue to innovate and lead the region in forward-thinking research efforts. This is what differentiates us from our peer institutions, colleagues and competitors and is what will continue to advance us through the decades ahead.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT



*L to R: Christina Feliz, Remy Choi, Devin Fischer, Sara Haley, Julidang Chue, Annie Sohn
Back row; clockwise: faculty members Bea Gandara, Gabriela Ibarra, Glenn Gavin Front, center: Donald Chi*

Class of 2007 gives 45th Street Clinic Homeless a Boost

Since its inception just over three years ago, the Homeless Teen Dental Clinic rotation at the 45th Street Clinic has provided an increasing number of students an opportunity to serve their community.

Dr. Donald Chi ('06) was inspired to help address the oral health care needs of homeless teens on his way back and forth to class along "The Ave." Subsequently, Donald researched the need, and gained faculty support and that of the Puget Sound Neighborhood Health Center at the 45th Street Clinic. He recruited a few classmates and presented a proposal for his project. The rest, as they say, is history.

The response to meeting the oral health care needs of the patients of the 45th Street Homeless Teen Clinic has been overwhelmingly positive. Since the evening clinic's doors opened, members of three classes of dental students and faculty advisors have participated in numerous clinic sessions. The American Dental Association (ADA)

has donated supplies and earlier this year, former class president **Dr. Remy Choi ('07)** stewarded a class gift in the amount of \$3,000.

To date, the Clinic has received \$500 in additional matching contributions. If you are interested in making a contribution to the 45th Street Homeless Teen Dental Clinic please contact Joseph Sparacio, Development Director, Puget Sound Neighborhood Health Centers: (206) 548-3061 or josephs@psnhc.org

The work of the 45th Street Clinic complements the dental care that the UW School of Dentistry provides to vulnerable populations. We applaud the Class of 2007 for their commitment to improving access to care and the solidarity expressed by our dental school community!

Class Notes

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CLASS OF 1951

Class of 1951 Legacy Scholarship has been recently created by Sam Anderson and Alberta Y. Tefft. The endowment is matched by the UW fifty cents to the dollar and will help dental students with the heavy debt load that they have getting an education today. Sam encourages all to donate. For more information, please call Dental Alumni Director Randy Newquist: (206)543-7297.

CLASS OF 1952

Dr. Rollin L. Hurd, Kirkland, WA. The following information is listed on the new WWII Memorial Registry online:

"Departed the continental U.S. with his unit on November 25, 1944 bound for Marseilles, France. As part of Task Force Linden, entered combat in Vicinity of Strasbourg on December 24, 1944 during the Battle of the Bulge and fought in the Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe Campaign. Recommended for Silver Star Medal for entering live mine field to save wounded comrade and removing him to safety. Honorably discharged as a Technician Fifth Grade on Mar 30, 1946 at Fort Lewis, WA. Earned the Bronze Star Medal; Combat Medic Badge, Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three Bronze Battle Stars, and the WWII Victory Medal."

CLASS OF 1958

Dr. Richard Westin, Bellevue, WA. We will celebrate our 50th class reunion on Saturday, September 20, 2008. A dinner will be held on the 20th and a golf tournament the day before. Mark your calendars. More information can be located in the "Reunion" section of this Newsletter.

CLASS OF 1959

Dr. Desmond G. Neff, Edmonds, WA. Bev and I are enjoying retirement. It has been nine years. Des does voluntary dentistry about two days a month on a mobile van for Medical Teams International. Bev's cancer has been in remission for a year. She is feeling great.

CLASS OF 1961

Dr. Roger A. Meyer, Smyrna, GA. I retired from the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery on July 1, 2007. Writing, travelling, tennis, bicycling, running, hiking, cooking, piano and more time for my wife, Sheila, and my grandchildren are filling my days. It's a real pleasure to no longer be a slave to my practice after forty years! It would be a pleasure to see you in Atlanta.

CLASS OF 1967

Dr. Marvin E. Swainson, Yakima, WA. After 40 terrific years of dental practice in Yakima, I am retiring. It's been great!!!

CLASS OF 1970

Dr. James C. Cockrell, Olympia, WA. Our oldest son will graduate from Tufts Dental School, May '08, and I hope will join me in the next few years so I can work less. Our youngest son graduates from the UW undergrad, June '08, and he will be applying to dental school for 2009.

CLASS OF 1972

Dr. E. David Engst, Bellingham, WA. I retired from orthodontics. I now spend about half time in Latin America doing dentoalveolar surgery. In March I operated in an abandoned hospital and lived with the Zapatista rebels in the mountains of Chiapas, Mexico.

Dr. Von W. Kuehn, Anacortes, WA. Since retirement in 1999, my wife Betty and I have been administrators of a Rotary International Dental Project. We are always searching for volunteer dentists to serve in rural eastern Guatemala. If interested, please contact us at vonbetty@comcast.net and we will be happy to give you more details.

Dr. Russell Bruce Timms, Longview, WA. Chediomyopathy and congestive heart failure forced me to retire from clinical dentistry in March, 2007. I continue to serve on the Washington Dental Board and examine for WREB and CRDTS. Golf is a new learned activity that I now have more time to enjoy. A retrospective look back at thirty-five years of clinical practice is nostalgic. Mt. St. Helens created a major speed bump in my practice experience and changed directionality. Two deployments to Bosnia with the U.S. Army Reserves also were memorable.

CLASS OF 1973

Dr. Burl B. Buskirk, Jr., Gig Harbor, WA. Because of a hereditary tremor, I have retired from dentistry and sold my practice of 34 years in Gig Harbor. I am currently in a Masters of Addiction Studies Program at Hazelden in Center City, MN and will graduate in April, 2008. I plan on starting a private practice in chemical dependency counseling in the South Puget Sound area.

Dr. Paul G. Rubin, Seattle, WA. I was awarded Master of the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology (IAOMT) at their annual Scientific Session in Las Vegas in September. Mastership is the highest award bestowed by the Academy, recognizing outstanding education, research, service and leadership in the IAOMT. I have been an active member and served on its Board of Directors for many years. I am in private practice in Seattle.

Dr. Dennis Jay Litowitz, Tacoma, WA. I retired in 2004. Divides time between fishing the flats from my house in Mt. Myers, FL and spending time in the Northwest at my home there.

Dr. Robert William McCulloch, Yakima, WA. I sold my practice on July 15th, 2007. I have and continue to help out at the YVCC Hygiene Clinic; so while not completely retired, I did give up the headaches and problems that staff, patients and third party payers can cause. Life is nice!

Class Notes

CLASS OF 1975

Dr. James L. Ribary, Gig Harbor, WA. I finally have my first grandson, Rowan James Ribary. I have been busy with WSDA activities. When you get a call from me, I am usually asking for your time or money!

CLASS OF 1976

Dr. Bryan C. Edgar, Federal Way, WA. I was appointed to the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation in January, 2007 and began to serve as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Washington State Dental Association this fall. Needless to say life has been very busy. We also had a great time at our 30th dental school reunion last year.

CLASS OF 1977-PROSTHODONTICS

Dr. Peter Stevenson-Moore, North Vancouver, BC, Canada. I am retiring on March 30th, 2008 from the Oral Oncology Program of the British Columbia Cancer Agency after 30 years, to concentrate on private practice.

CLASS OF 1978

Susan M. Hollinsworth reports that Dr. Jack Anderson of Sequim, WA. is a Lutheran pastor in Sequim and sings in the Peninsula Men's Gospel Group.

CLASS OF 1980

Dr. Gary E. Heyamoto, Bothell, WA. In November 2007, my practice expanded to include Dr. Tammy Eckart. A native of Green Bay, Wisconsin, we're proving "Packers" and "Seahawks" can co-exist. Seriously, I'm pleased to be working with such a talented, hard working younger dentist.

CLASS OF 1992

Dr. Linda J. Edgar, Federal Way, WA. I was elected in July 2007 to National Secretary of the Academy of General Dentistry.

CLASS OF 2003

Dr. Ronald H. Hsu, Vancouver, WA. Misty and I returned to Vancouver, WA in July 2006. In addition to our two Tar Heel children, we now also have a Husky boy. Planning for our five-year reunion is in full swing. If you have not been receiving emails from me regarding our reunion, please contact me at dr.ron.shu@gmail.com.

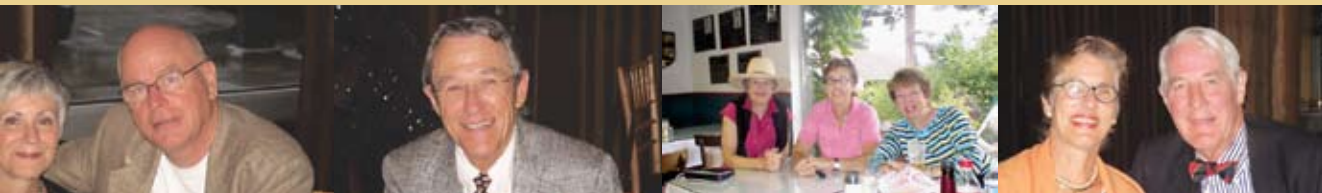
CLASS OF 2004

Dr. Nelson H. Chen, Bellevue, WA. I am happy to say that Advanced Dentistry Northwest is completed and open in Bellevue. The Advanced Dentistry Northwest Project started in mid 2005 from planning to completion of the building in July 2007. Digital integration and technology were implemented strictly to meet the demand for the 21st century. The whole office is networked and chartless for maximum efficiency and safety. The goal for the office is patient comfort, education, and superior service.

Another unique feature of the office is the building exterior siding system. It is a material called Ceraclad which has been proven to help avoid mold and health problems and dry-rot in walls. The reason why this system was chosen is simple: we wanted to provide superb materials not just to the patients, but also to the building that houses the patients.

Dr. Chen's practice in Bellevue





Class of 1967 Reunion: Terry and Sharen Grubb; Jack Bartoff; Sue McFarlan, Sis Woodside and Leanne Seims; Sis and Chet Woodside.

Reunions

CLASS OF 1958

Mark your calendar for our **50th Reunion Festivities**. We will have our Golf Tournament on Friday the 19th of September, Dinner on Saturday the 20th at Carolan Point in Kirkland. For more information, please call Dr. Richard Westin: (425) 746-1641 or (760) 778-1938 or by email: wyrbendr@aol.com

CLASS OF 1967

The Class of 1967 celebrated their **40th reunion** at an informal gathering at El Gaucho Restaurant on Friday, July 20 and a more formal dinner at the Waterfront Restaurant. Thirty two members of the class attended the festivities. The group talked about everything, from retirement plans and grandchildren to the health of fellow classmates. It was fun seeing all of the old guys and the group decided to meet more frequently, possibly annually. (Submitted by Dr. Chet Woodside, Class Representative)

CLASS OF 1977

Mark your calendars for our **upcoming 30th (somewhat late) Reunion**. It will be held on Saturday, July 12, 2008. More details coming soon. If you would like to help or if you have questions, please contact Megan Richards at megrichards@aol.com . I look forward to seeing all of you this July!

CLASS OF 1997

The class of 1997 held their **10th reunion** on July 21 at F.X. McRory's in downtown Seattle. The celebration was well attended including several spouses and some members traveled far to attend, even one classmate from Arizona! The families of our graduates have expanded considerably since our fifth reunion. At this time we have several individuals who pursued a specialty following graduation. We are proud to have in our midst four orthodontists, two pedodontists, one oral surgeon and one endodontist. A class list with up-to-date information was sent via email to the class. We are looking forward to our next reunion in another 10 years! (Submitted by Dr. Collins Woodside, Class Representative)

UW Prosthodontic Alumni Association Reunion

September 10-14, 2008 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Bellevue, Washington. The reunion will include a symposium and CDE course titled, "Implants in the esthetic zone: periodontal, surgical, restorative and laboratory considerations." For more information please call (425) 486-2715.

Class of 1997 Reunion: Kelly and Troy Garwood, Wallace and Alicia Wong, Pablo Nicado, Val and Joe Hwang, Steve and Ann Broughton



Please send class note updates (including marriages, births, professional news, awards, travel and photos); correspondence, death notices and remembrances (250 word maximum); and address changes to Dental Alumni News, UW School of Dentistry, Box 357137, Seattle, WA 98195-7137.

Class Notes

In Memoriam

Dr. Edward A. Olson CLASS OF 1953

Dr. Edward A. Olson, passed away on July 18, 2007. He was living in Sedona, AZ.

Dr. E. Ralph Schumacher CLASS OF 1959 (PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY)

Dr. E. Ralph Schumacher, Pediatric Dentistry, a longtime resident of Mercer Island, passed away on August 3, 2007. He was born in Dubuque, Iowa to Anna Martha Pearl Dausener and Erwin Manstedt Schumacher. Following graduation from high school in 1939, he went to the University of Northern Iowa and then enlisted in the US Army Reserve. He was called to active duty in June of 1943 and served in the South Pacific until January, 1946. He graduated from the University of Northern Iowa in 1947. He then entered the University of Iowa Dental School, graduating in 1956. He moved to Seattle in 1956 to serve a dental internship in the U.S. Public Health Hospital. Upon its completion, he attended the University of Washington Pediatric Dentistry Program and received his post graduate degree in 1959. During his entire professional career, Ralph gave generously of his time to the UW Pediatric Dentistry Department, the Ryther Children's Clinic, and over 15 years volunteering at the Odessa Children's Clinic in Seattle. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, Ham Radio enthusiast and a longtime Husky Football ticket holder. He retired in 1976 after a time in association with Dr. Wendy Spektor. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother. Dr. Schumacher is survived by his wife, Dorothy, children, Charles R. (Dianna), David E. (Paulette Evans), Kim Miller (Karim) and Charles F. Kouba; 7 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, and brother, Donald P. Schumacher, MD (Roma Jean) and family.

Dr. Sidney Calvo, CLASS OF 1966

Dr. Sidney "Stan" Calvo passed away on December 17th. He graduated from the UW School of Dentistry in 1966. He established his practice in Burien, WA. Stan was an accomplished musician. He played the trombone and piano. He also enjoyed skiing, boating, golf, and traveling. Among all of his attributes his love for his family surpassed all others. He married his childhood sweetheart, Barbara Kahn, in 1960. Together, they had three children and four grandchildren. Stan is survived by his wife Barbara, daughter Dr. Toni Waldbaum (Ron) and their children Solomon, Shayna, and Gabriel; sons Shaya (Sydney) and their daughter Sally Fortuna; and Dr. Richard Calvo (Leslie).

Dr. Richard A. Wendt CLASS OF 1966

Dr. Richard A. Wendt passed away on August 2, 2007 after a recent diagnosis of cancer. He was 67 years old. Dr. Wendt was born on February 22, 1940 in Everett, WA. After graduating from Everett High School in 1958, he continued his education with a BS at WSU, his DDS at the UW in 1966, and the UW Ortho Program in 1971. Dr. Wendt is survived by his wife of 39 years, Nancy Elizabeth (Vitalich) of Chula Vista, CA; daughters Lisa Marie (Craig Wallach) of Phoenix, AZ; Anne Nicole (Orien Yeckley) of Arlington, WA; and Lauren Elizabeth of Everett, WA. He was preceded in death by his parents, Louis A. and Lucy D. Wendt. Dr. Wendt was an amazing father, husband, and friend, and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Dr. Daniel O. Page CLASS OF 1967

Dr. Daniel O. Page passed away unexpectedly of complications of a pulmonary embolus at Washington Hospital in Fremont, CA on October 9, 2007. Dan is survived by his wife of 25 years, Karin Wigren. He is also survived by his daughter Heather Page of Santa Cruz, son Barry (Dayna) of Port Angeles,

WA, son Zack (Amy) of Eugene, OR and his grandson Dai Daniel. He is also survived by his mother, Dorothy Page, his sisters Sue (Rich), Ruby and Jean. Of the many passions Dan had in his life, first and foremost was his family. After serving two years as an officer in the Navy, he moved to Santa Cruz. He was the first endodontist in the area, arriving in 1972. Over the years he earned the respect of his many patients whom he treated with great compassion, respect and dedication. Dan was able to combine his three great passions, travel, photography and diving. To the great delight of those around him, he shared his photos and stories with the friends he made along the road. He will be sorely missed, but we are comforted in knowing that he lived his life to the fullest. He leaves the legacy of sharing his heart, his laughter, his kindness and caring for people.

Elizabeth Jean "B.J." Lewis UW FACULTY SPOUSE

Elizabeth Jean "B.J." Lewis, spouse of the late Dr. Thompson (Tom) McClung Lewis (Department of Pediatric Dentistry 1955-98), passed away on October 15, 2007. They were married 52 years before Dr. Lewis, for whom the Law/Lewis Endowed Lectureship in Pediatric Dentistry is named, had a long and impressive academic career in the School. As professor emeritus, he contributed to the School's academic program until shortly before his death in 1998.

Dr. Bruce Brownfield Smith UW FACULTY

Dr. Bruce Brownfield Smith passed away on October 28, 2007, following an illness. He will be fondly remembered and missed by his numerous colleagues and students. A second generation dentist, Dr. Smith was one of the original faculty members at the new University of Washington School of Dentistry, teaching Operative Dentistry, Crown and Bridge and Ceramics part-time. Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Smith was a founder and first President of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators (1952 and 1953) and was the recipient of the 1998-99 Seattle King County Dental Society Service Award in honor of his 57 years of dental practice. Most notably, he was the first in the United States to organize a closed circuit T.V. presentation of chair dental operations for the Washington State dental meeting in Seattle.

Kathie Long SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY STAFF

The Department of Orthodontics and School of Dentistry celebrated the life of Kathie Long on August 31 at the Waterfront Activities Center.

Grace Yang SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY STAFF

We are deeply saddened by the sudden loss of Grace Yang. Grace began her tenure with the Department of Clinical Services on April 21, 1997. She was a true friend, always cheerful, courteous, helpful and professional. On Tuesday, September 25 the School had planned to host our annual staff awards ceremony at the Don James Center. The afternoon was transformed into a lunch to honor Grace. Fellow staff members took this opportunity to share stories and observations about her wonderful qualities. Grace is survived by her husband Nong Wu and her two sons Norman, 18, and Nathan, 9. She will be greatly missed here at the School.

Seth Jordan VanDyke UW DENTAL STUDENT

Seth Jordan VanDyke, ('09) passed away suddenly on August 7 at age 35.



Dr. Alton Moore

UW FACULTY

1916 – 2007

We are deeply saddened by the death of Dr. Alton Moore who passed away on October 23, 2007. Dr. Moore was an original member of the UW School of Dentistry and joined the faculty as associate professor in the Department of Orthodontics in 1948, when he was recruited to organize the graduate orthodontics program in the newly-established UW School of Dentistry. He chaired the department until 1966, was Associate Dean of the School from 1966 to 1976 and served as Dean from 1977 to 1980. Dr. Moore was a member of the American Board of Orthodontics from 1960 to 1966, serving six years as Secretary and as President in the final year of his term. He received the Albert H. Ketcham Award in 1973, Jarabak Award in 1999 and the Dean's Club Lifetime Member Award in 2002.

Dr. Moore earned his DDS from the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) in 1945. After completing his Orthodontic education, he served on the faculty of the University of Illinois.

Dr. Moore had an enormous impact on our School and was instrumental in shaping the specialty of orthodontics. His research and writing contributed a great deal to the specialty and his teaching influenced the development of numerous orthodontists worldwide.

Dr. Moore's family hosted a remembrance at the University Club on November 11. His son, John, who is an orthodontist and longtime faculty member in the Department of Orthodontics spoke about his personal relationship with his dad. Others who spoke remembered the early years of the development of the School and the significant role that Dr. Moore played in setting the School on its ultimate path as one of the premier dental schools in the U.S. Members of the faculty of the Department of Orthodontics, including Drs. Bill McNeil, Don Joondeph and Bob Little spoke about Dr. Moore's significance as a leader in orthodontics, his skill as a teacher and his vision for orthodontic education, which has been emulated by other departments around the world.

Dr. Moore was preceded in death by Myrna, his wife of 62 years, who passed away in April 2007. He is survived by their three children Cathy Moore (Kim Taylor), Dr. John Moore (Laura) and Tannis Moore (David Rudesill); and three grandchildren, Tannis Rhoton (David Harper), Hillary Moore and Alissa Moore.

He will be fondly remembered and missed by his numerous colleagues and students.

CONTINUING DENTAL

THE FIRST PHILIP WORTHINGTON LECTURESHIP IN ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY took place at Hotel Deca on September 17, 2007 in Seattle. Forty people attended the event which honors **Dr. Philip Worthington** who served as Chair of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for eighteen years and is now Professor Emeritus. Dr. Brent Allan from Perth, Australia was the keynote speaker presenting the lecture titled "Computer-Based Treatment Planning, Guided Implant Surgery and Prosthetic Solutions."

The Philip Worthington Lectureship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery was made possible by the generous contributions of donors. The Lectureship enables the UW School of Dentistry to invite distinguished scholars to share new developments in the practice of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Philip Worthington, Dean Martha Somerman, and O. Ross Beirne



L to R: Laura Smith, Paul Robertson, Karl Ake Omnell, Roy Page ('63), Greg King and Charles Bolender

THE SIXTH WASHINGTON DENTAL SERVICE FOUNDATION DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORSHIP IN DENTISTRY SYMPOSIUM

took place on November 2 and 3, 2007 at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront. **Dean Martha Somerman** honored **Dr. Greg King**, Chair of the Department of Orthodontics and current holder of the WDSF Distinguished Professorship, for his leadership in organizing and convening the two day conference. The program titled "Meeting of the Minds: Dialogues on Orthodontics in Clinical Dental Practice" featured eight lecturers from as far away as England and attracted 177 participants.

The triennial symposium was established in 1989 with generous support from Washington Dental Service Foundation and continues to make a significant impact in dental education - drawing researchers, academicians and a community of practicing dentists together to share information and findings on state-of-the-art issues facing dentistry.

Kokich Farewell Lecture Benefit for the UW School of Dentistry

Benaroya Hall, Seattle Speakers: Drs. Vincent G. Kokich, David P. Mathews and Frank M. Spear

Topic: "Controversies in Interdisciplinary Dentistry: Is Your Team Making the Correct Decisions?"

Watch your mailbox for more information in the fall!

Save The Date

Friday, June 12, 2009

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APRIL 11, 2008

FORENSIC DENTISTRY LECTURE AND LAB

Stephanie Kavanaugh, DMS, MSD and Gary Bell, DDS, D-ABFO

APRIL 12, 2008

DIRECT COMPOSITE DENTISTRY

Mike Melkers, DDS, FAGD and Jeanine McDonald, DDS, FAGD

APRIL 18, 2008

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES IN THE DENTAL OFFICE

Bart Johnson, DDS, MS

APRIL 25, 2008

OPEN YOUR DOORS TO THE NEW PERIODONTICS – OPPORTUNITY IS KNOCKING

Timothy Donley, DDS, MSD (TACOMA)

MAY 2, 2008

DENTISTRY FOR AN AGING POPULATION

Sarah Dirks, DDS

MAY 9, 2008

ORAL HEALTH PRODUCTS FOR HOME USE – WHAT SHOULD I RECOMMEND

Karen Baker, RPh, MS

MAY 16, 2008

USE AND ABUSE OF THE TERM “EVIDENCE-BASED”

Philippe Hujoel, DDS, MS, MSD, PhD

MAY 17, 2008 AND JUNE 7, 2008 (TWO OFFERINGS OF THIS COURSE)

ORAL SURGERY SECRETS – ADVANCED TECHNIQUES

Karl Koerner, DDS, MS

JUNE 6, 2008

THE PERIODONTAL CO-THERAPIST: CONTEMPORARY PERIODONTOLOGY FOR THE HYGIENIST AND IMPLANT THERAPY AND THE HYGIENIST

Timothy Hempton, DDS

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APRIL 16, 2008

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Two New Collaborative Programs

AUGUST 15 & 16, 2008

Esthetic Continuum 2008

Experience a unique update of esthetic technology and techniques. Jointly sponsored by the American College of Prosthodontists and the University of Washington School of Dentistry.

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

Untangling the Confusion of Today's Restorative Materials

This evidence-based and private practice relevant course will present the latest information available on current dentin/enamel adhesives, composite resins, light-curing technology and dental materials. This course is jointly sponsored by University of Washington School of Dentistry, Seattle-King County Dental Society, and Pierce County Dental Society.

Edward J. Swift, Jr., DMD, MS

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Alumni Calendar of Events 2008

MAY

Thursday, May 8

Dean's Reception in Spokane

Doubletree Spokane City Center Hotel, Spokane
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 10

Dean's Club Dinner

Grand Hyatt Hotel, Seattle
6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 31

Bite Open Golf Tournament

Washington National Golf Club, Auburn
Tee Time 4:00 p.m.

JUNE

Friday, June 6

**UW School of Dentistry Honors
and Awards Ceremony**

Hogness Auditorium, Seattle Campus
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 7

UW School of Dentistry Graduation

Meany Hall, Seattle Campus
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

JULY

Friday and Saturday, July 10-11

Pacific Northwest Dental Conference (PNDC)

Come visit the UW School of Dentistry booth!
Washington State Convention Center
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 6

**UWDAA Brunch and
Football Homecoming
UW versus BYU**

HUB East Ballroom
Brunch 10:00 a.m., Kick-off 12:30 p.m.

Friday, September 19

10TH Annual UWDAA Golf Tournament

Echo Falls Golf Course, Snohomish
7:30 a.m. Tee Time, Barbeque lunch
and awards to follow

**For more information on these or other UW
Dental Alumni Association events, or to
register, please call (206) 543-7297.**

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