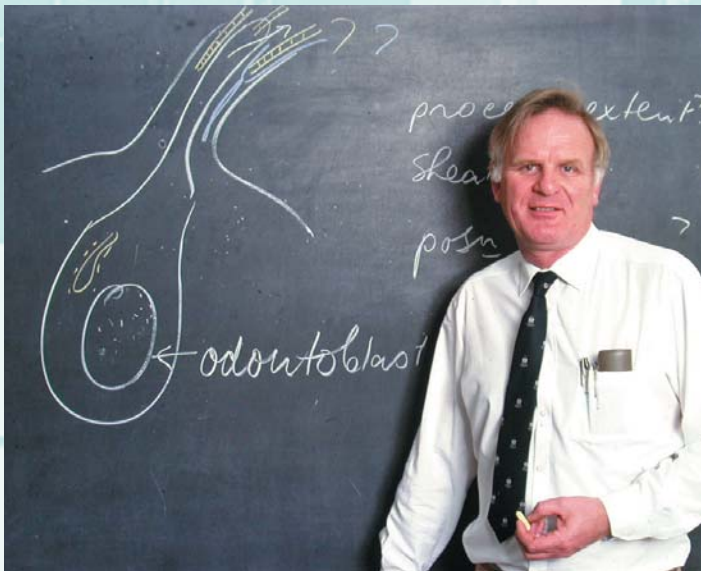


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Maintaining Our Leadership Role

For the Faculty of Dentistry, September is the beginning of rejuvenation. A new entering class of DDS students has just taken the oath of commitment in our White Coat Ceremony and, if first impressions are of value, the profession still has a promising future. This fall, two of our prominent, retired faculty members, Norman Levine and George Zarb, will be inducted into the Order of Canada.

On July 1st, Dr. Barry Korzen retired after six years as the Assistant Dean, Continuing Education, Alumni Affairs and Development. Barry took the Faculty's activities to new heights and set a high standard in all three of these areas.

Like the Olympics, records are meant to be broken and if the first two months of his tenure in this position are any indication, Dr. Robert Carroll, who has assumed this position, will be raising the bar even further. Bob came to us from the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario and has an extensive experience in the private practice of dentistry.

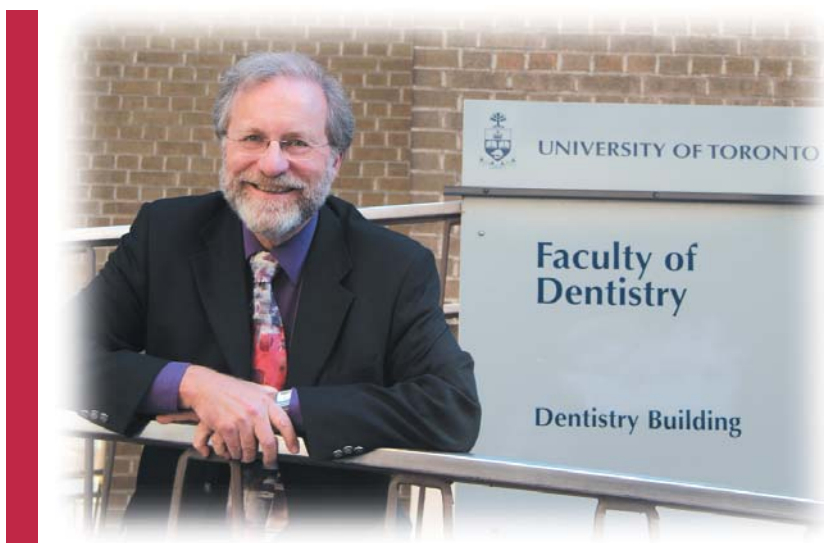
Unfortunately our Faculty, and academic dentistry in general, lost one of its leaders this summer. Dr. Richard Ten Cate, Dean Emeritus and a past Vice Provost Health Sciences, passed away after a brief illness this summer. Dr. Ten Cate will be remembered for his considerable contributions to this Faculty and University, as well as to oral health sciences and dental education in general. His life and contributions are remembered in a profile in this edition of your alumni magazine.

The Faculty of Dentistry continues to maintain its leadership in both basic and applied research. This edition further highlights some of the contributions our staff and students are making to the health of the population. We are justifiably proud of our student research program and I'm sure you'll share this pride after reading about one of the success stories on page 25.

By the time you get this edition, another successful Golf Day will have come and gone and hopefully I had an opportunity to spend time with some of our alumni and friends. Without your support, the Faculty could not retain its national and international prominence.

I hope you had a pleasant (if not a little wet) summer, and look forward to a productive fall and winter.

DAVID MOCK 6T8



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The Excitement of a Fresh Start

Once again, it is my pleasure to extend a warm 'welcome back' to everyone for another academic year. It is with mixed feelings that I am back again as President of the Alumni Association – pleased that I am able to continue in the role of president for another year, yet disappointed that we won't have the opportunity to benefit from the leadership of Dr. Ragna Bersenas who would have been our new president. On a bright note, Dr. Bersenas is planning her retirement and establishing new homes in Midland and Italy – and we all wish her well.

In academic life, September signifies a fresh start and much excitement as we embark on another school year. This year is no different. The excitement began with the White Coat Ceremony where we continue the tradition of welcoming our first year students to the profession as they take the Oath of Commitment.

It is also a fitting start to the year that so many alumni and friends of our Faculty showed their support and commitment by participating in our annual Golf Tournament. Again a sold-out success, the rain held off, the golfers had a fabulous day

and all proceeds will support student activities. We thank our golfers and all of our sponsors for their ongoing generosity.

Another notable aspect of our fresh start is the excitement of working with our new Assistant Dean, Continuing Dental Education and Professional Development, Dr. Robert Carroll. Developing new ideas to build on our treasured traditions, Dr. Carroll will undoubtedly continue to facilitate our growth into a stronger Alumni Association. Of course, to accomplish this goal, we rely on the support of all of our alumni. We encourage you to become involved, maintain ties with your alma mater, renew friendships with your classmates, and learn together through our CE courses. What a great way for each of us to start our year too!

CAROLYN POON WOO 8T5



Dedicate a Workstation

Provide a lasting legacy on a plaque, engraved with the name of your choice, prominently displayed on a workstation. Have your name and year of graduation noted, honour the memory of a friend or relative, or mark a special lifecycle occasion.

Dedications may be made with a donation of \$1,800 and may be paid over a three year period.

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A Different Type of Restoration

Don't Bash Heavy Metal 'till You've Tried It!



Joe Foster 8T1 decided to put his skills to work on a different type of 'restoration' – that of a four ton 1942 Bren Gun Carrier. It has no wheels, but its metal tracks and V8 engine provide propulsion. For the last two years it has sat in his garage being restored from a rusty, seized-up wreck, into a driveable, working machine.

The wreck in question was found near his Haliburton cottage, resting as a 'display' next to an abandoned saw-mill, the area now an eco-tourism destination for campers and snowmobilers. For 15 years Joe drove past it, until he decided he needed a project and approached the owner with an offer to buy and restore it.

Ford of Canada built 20,000 of these British designed Carriers, their function being to 'carry' ammunition, supplies, and equipment while offering armour-plate protection from small arms fire. Joe's Carrier was apparently bought as government surplus by a lumber company around 1960, and used as a tractor. Most of the armour had been cut off to lighten it, the headlights had been shot out by hunters, and the instrument panel was a mess of shattered dials. Plenty of abuse and neglect and therefore the perfect project!

Not all was bad news though. The engine was intact, the tracks actually moved, so towing was possible, and although rust was abundant, nothing had completely rusted through.

Joe set to work, his goal being to have the engine start on the first try.

Surprisingly, new parts were still available from military parts dealers, but what could not be bought had to be fabricated. He faked the missing armour plate by using plywood – much easier to cut than half-inch steel!



The day finally arrived when the steering and brakes worked, the engine and transmission were re-installed along with a new battery and spark plugs. The first and second try hitting the start button were unsuccessful, but the third attempt resulted in a running motor and Joe was able to drive it out of the garage under its own power.

More months were spent fabricating numerous metal boxes, missing brackets, and upholstering the two seats. The engine came out a second time to fix a coolant leak. Ahh...the fun of it all!

In the fall of 2007, Joe decided to display the Carrier for Remembrance Day.

So far the project has taken Joe two years. He still has the last of the painting to do, and needs to research appropriate military markings for final detailing, but after the careful, gentle work he does in his practice during the day, he has really enjoyed "bashing heavy metal in the evening".



In the News

Toronto Dental Hygienist Receives Prestigious Award

Toronto resident and dental hygienist Evie Jesin 7T4 (shown on left) was honoured recently with the Distinguished Service Award presented by the Ontario Dental Hygienists' Association (ODHA). The award recognizes Ms. Jesin's outstanding service to the



profession of dental hygiene and to the association. A dedicated educator who has taught and mentored thousands of students during her 32-years in the post-secondary system, Ms. Jesin served on the Dental Hygiene Educators of Canada board and is currently a dental hygiene representative on the alumni board for the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry.

Calling All Retired Dentists

The Alumni Office is considering organizing courses in general interest programs such as photography, literature, history etc., for retired or semi-retired dentists and spouses. These programs would be held at the new Continuing Dental Education Centre on a weekday morning. The program would be two hours in length and would conclude with a light lunch and time to socialize.

If you would be interested in participating please contact Dr. Robert Carroll, Assistant Dean, Continuing Dental Education and Professional Development at 416-979-4942.

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO NOW?

If you know of any Alumni that have a story they should be sharing, or if you yourself are involved in an endeavour, organization, or event that you think would make interesting reading for other Alumni, please send it to:

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Department of Prosthetic Dentistry:

1. To scan and organize a digital library of the clinical photos used to document the prosthetic cases of the graduate students.
2. To update and quality assure a database on dental implant brands and manufacturers. When completed this will be the most detailed database of its kind in the world. This rewarding project will carry the volunteer's name on its title page.
3. To update and quality assure the department of Prosthetic Dentistry's database on clinical dental implant trials.

Volunteers must have some familiarity with Microsoft and Photoshop software.

Continuing Education Centre (new facility):

Help is needed during course registration and throughout the day. Volunteers are welcome to audit the courses for which they volunteer their services. Training in the use of the Centre's audio visual equipment and internet technology will be provided.

If you need more information or are willing to volunteer your time and abilities, please email Dr. Bernard Blackstien at bernie.blackstien@rogers.com or call 905-763-8711.

Reunions

Taking Time to Reminisce

Although no official reunion of the class of 5T3 took place this year, two members of that class, Charlie Stickel of Kaslo, BC and Clifford Murchison of Ottawa (*see photograph below*), got together at the Murchison cottage



in early July to reminisce. Charlie also had a great visit with two other classmates – Dr. Ron Finlay of St. Thomas, and Dr. Claude Forler of Elmira.



Celebrating 50 years

The 50th reunion of the Class of 5T8 was attended by 36 classmates as well as three of their mentors: Dr. John B. Macdonald 4T7; Dr. William McIntosh 3T7 and Dr. Gordon Nikiforuk 4T7. The celebration took place on April 10th at the Faculty Club, University of Toronto.

UPCOMING REUNIONS:

Dentistry:

Class of 5T9

It's time to start planning for next year's reunion. Please contact Bernard Crystal at 416-759-4961, or email bcrystal@rogers.com.

Class of 6T9

In very atypical fashion we are planning well in advance for our 40th reunion in the spring of 2009. We are hoping for an enthusiastic representation of our class. It promises to be an unforgettable event. If you have not done so, please send your email address, and the emails of fellow classmates, to Steve Zamon at stephenzamon@rogers.com.

Class of 7T9

Your reunion will take place on Thursday, April 30. Dr. Anne Tonisson, who is organizing the event, will have more details for the next issue.

Dental Hygiene:

Class of 6T4 – Finding Those Exceptional Women of 1964!

We are getting ready for our 45th reunion in the spring of 2009. In order to make it the success that it's been in the past Rosalie (Fineberg) Shapiro needs the email addresses of you and your classmates to be sent to: Rosalie.Shapiro@Rogers.com. Looking forward to a great time!

Class of 6T9 – Dental Hygiene Class We Need to Hear From You!

The University of Toronto Dental Hygiene Class of 6T9 is making plans for the 40th class reunion for the spring of 2009.

Lynn (Lawson) Foster needs to hear from you! Email your name and address to her at: lifoster@rogers.com or call 519-850-7894.

**Just had a Reunion?
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reunion pictures and
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Today editor.**

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WINTER CLINIC

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at Winter Clinic on
Friday, November
14th and share your
dreams and desires
for the Faculty of
Dentistry.*

ADI Convocation 2008

In Toronto, Ontario, on Thursday, April 10, 2008 the Annual Convocation of Fellows of the Canadian Section of the Academy of Dentistry International (ADI) was held in the Imperial Room of The Royal York Hotel. A total of 35 Fellows were invested. Inductees were: Dr. Duncan Y. Brown, Dr. Trevor A. Chin Quee, Dr. Sheldon A. Cooper, Dr. David S. Cornell, Dr. Randa Diwan, Dr. Paul M. Eisner, Dr. Jack Fingrut, Dr. Steven Jay Fremeth, Dr. Lawrence I. Gaum, Dr. John N. Gloag, Dr. George G. Grayson, Dr. Donna M. Green, Dr. Harry F. Hoediono, Dr. Peter Hong, Dr. Stephen R. John, Dr. Peter R. Kearney, Dr. Karim Lalani, Dr. Larry Levin, Dr. Steven Andrew Malo, Dr. Rollin Masayuki Matsui, Dr. Leland R. McFadden, Dr. Andrew S. Moncarz, Dr. Oliver C. Pin Harry, Dr. Vageesh Kumar Sabharwal, Dr. Omar Sarhan, Dr. Amil B. Shapka, Dr. Jonathan I. Skuba, Dr. Valerie Fay Stavro, Dr. Ian W. Tester, Dr. J. Lynn Tomkins, Dr. Robin Vincelli, Dr. Arnold E. Weingarten, Dr. Arthur T. Worth, Dr. John P. Zarb and Dr. Daniel J. Zeiter.

Guests who were present included the following ADI Fellows: Dr. Deborah



Stymiest, President of the Canadian Dental Association (CDA); Dr. Lloyd Skuba, Director CDA; Dr. Frank Stechey, President RCDS Ontario.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of Honourary Fellowships to Mr. Irwin W. Fefergrad, Dr. Asbjorn Jokstad and Ms. Eva Young.

Following the dinner, the induction ceremony began with the procession of the officers to the dais. The informal dinner arrangement allowed our officers to directly socialize with the inductees and their families and set the stage for the serious, formal

Front row: Harry F. Hoediono, Larry Levin, Don Stewart, Rex Fortescue, Arnold E. Weingarten, J. Lynn Tomkins.

Back row: John P. Zarb, Andrew S. Moncarz, Jack Fingrut, Sheldon Cooper, Rollin M. Matsui, Peter R. Kearney, David S. Cornell.

indoctrination of Fellows. As respondent for the class, Dr. Larry Levin delivered a very inspiring message.

An invitation is extended to all Fellows to join the executive officers in inducting a new class of Fellows in Vancouver, British Columbia, at the time of the combined meeting of the Canadian Dental Association and the Pacific Dental Conference to be held March 5 - 7, 2009.

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As our 'Thank You', the names of all dentists who supply teeth by the end of June 2009 will be eligible for a Draw Prize. Congratulations to Dr. Kenneth Lawless 6T9, this year's winner.

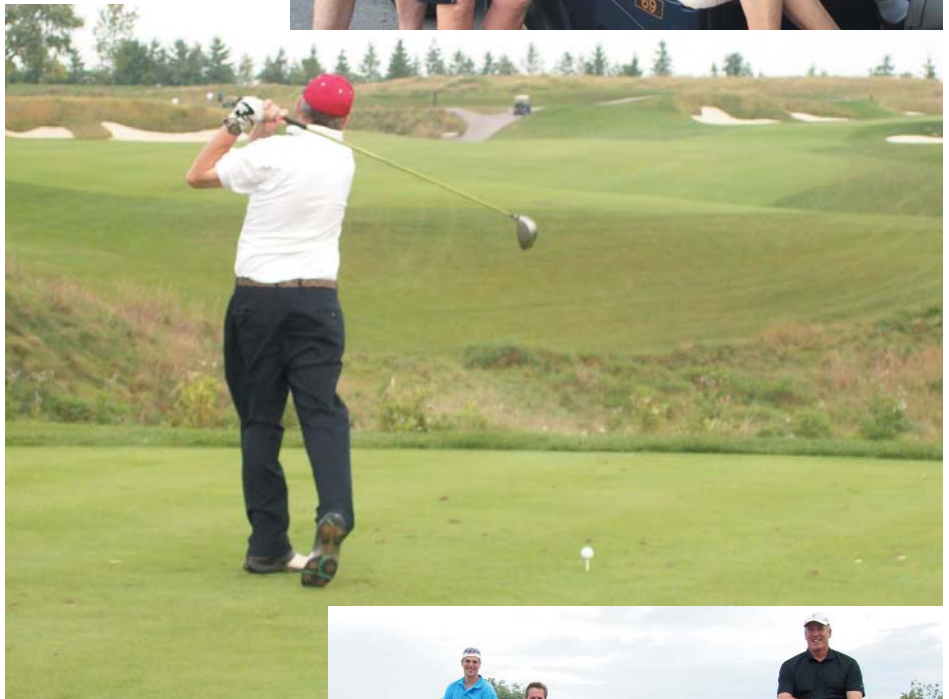
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Send your reunion, class news, comments, questions, letters or other input, along with photographs, to: Editor, Alumni Today, University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry, 124 Edward Street, Toronto, Ontario M5G 1G6, or e-mail barbaramurray@fastmail.fm no later than Friday, November 14. Submissions may be edited due to space limitations.

Dental Alumni Association Seventh Annual Golf Tournament

The 2008 Alumni Golf Tournament was a great success both from a financial and fellowship point of view and the sold out Tournament was enjoyed by all. The volunteer committee, under the direction of Dr. Frank Kalumet and Dr. Peter Tonisson from the Alumni Association and Mr. Jim Blair and Mr. Graham Flanagan from Scotiabank, did a terrific job of organizing the event and obtaining some impressive door prizes, give aways and silent auction items.

Proceeds from the event are directed to student activities that not only help enrich the educational experience of students, but also assist in preparing them to become better members of the dental profession once they graduate. The Faculty is grateful for the support from the sponsors, volunteers and attendees that make this event such a special and worthwhile day.



Our sincere thanks and appreciation as always to our hardworking committee members who put so much effort into making this event run smoothly:

Planning Committee: Co-Chairs

Jim Blair, Graham Flanagan, Frank Kalamut, Peter Tonisson

Volunteer Committee Members

Harvey Branicky, Gene Cervini, George Christodoulou, David Cowan, Tom Giftakopoulos, Jeffrey Kirshenbaum, Brian Laski, Valerie Stavro, Tuui Tonisson, Dan Vassel, Bruno Venditelli, Benny Venditti, Jack Zosky





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Dr. Gary Glassman and Dr. Glen Partnoy



Remembering a True Icon

Richard Ten Cate BSc., BDS., PhD., D.Sc. (Hon) UWO., DDS (Hon) Nihon University

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is passing on June 19, 2008 has left a legacy that can be seen in the impact he has had on countless colleagues in the oral health research community, and among dental practitioners who studied with him.

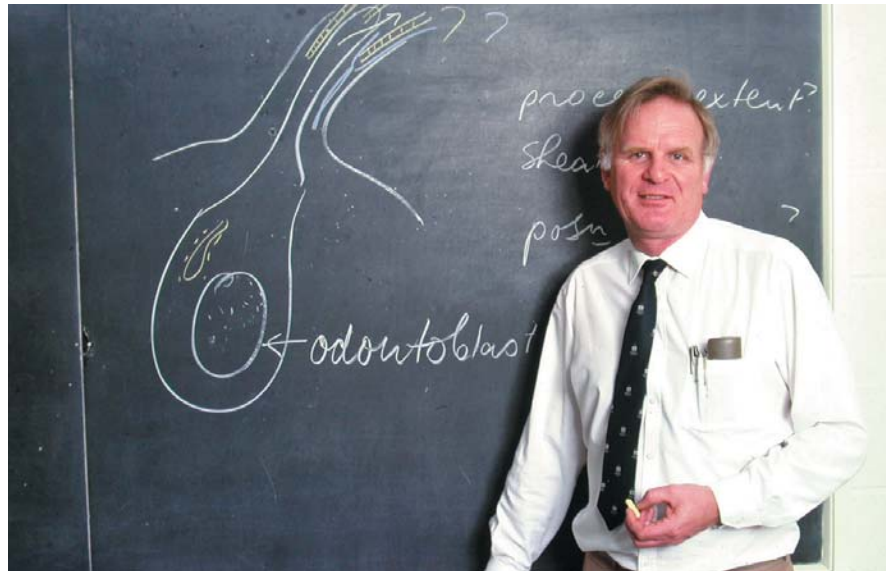
Richard received his education at the University of London and came to the University of Toronto in 1968 as Full

Professor. He taught histology for 35 years at the Faculty of Dentistry and carried out landmark research in oral histology and connective tissue biology. He was inspirational in attracting graduate students and research funds to the Faculty, and played a pivotal role in securing support to attract and retain young faculty so that the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Toronto was able to become a world leader in dental education and dental research.

Richard's first scientific article on the histochemistry of tooth development was published in 1959. His subsequent discovery, with Toronto protege Eric Freeman and graduate student Douglas Deporter, of the intracellular pathway of collagen degradation changed the prevailing paradigm of physiological collagen turnover, leading

to extensive exploration of the intracellular pathway by Toronto colleagues Tony Melcher, Calvin Torneck and Christopher McCulloch and their many graduate students.

Richard's research was recognized worldwide and he was elected to the Presidency of the



"Dr. Ten Cate was one of the most inspiring of all my Professors. I always had a deep interest in biological research, but it was he who inspired me to enter an Academic/Research Career. I will never forget how, during our undergraduate lectures in Histology, as he described biological principles that were currently held (while we as dutiful University of Toronto students wrote everything down), would then punctuate his lecture with that 'clipped' and glorious "BUT" and then proceed to explain how he and his colleagues then went on to solve the problem through innovative and seminal research studies, thus changing our understanding of cellular biology forever."

HOWARD TENENBAUM DDS, DIP. PERIO., PHD, FRCD(C)
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MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL

"In addition to being my very noted teacher in Grad School, Richard had a direct impact on my appointment with a group of very talented and dedicated people to the department of Periodontics and then "gave us" Richard Ellen as head and my best academic years followed. For this I will always be grateful.

"I admired him in more ways than one, but his best attribute, from my observation point, was the ability to be able and willing to make decisions on the best available information in the shortest period of time. Some might say that this is a way to take chances. I would call it leadership."

PETER BIREK DDS, MSC, DIP. PERIO

International Association for Dental Research in 1985.

He wrote textbooks on Oral Histology (five editions and five translations) which were the standard text for students of dentistry.

An educator, sought-after lecturer and graduate examiner, Richard also was instrumental in setting up a relationship between the Faculty here in Toronto and that of the West China University dental school in Chengdu, as well as developing a long-term post-doctoral and faculty exchange program with the dental school at Nihon University in Japan where he was awarded an honorary degree.

Richard served as Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry from 1977 to 1989, Vice Provost, Health Sciences for the University of Toronto from 1989 to 1994 and Associate Dean, Graduate and Postgraduate Studies at the Faculty of Dentistry from 1997 to 1998.

He was a "real University Professor" and will be sadly missed.

"When funding for sustaining my position in Toronto turned tenuous a few years after my arrival, and I was interviewing for positions elsewhere, it was Richard Ten Cate who worked hard with the University of Toronto administration to put together a rather creative financial package to keep me here until a tenure track position in oral microbiology materialized.

"My career had numerous boosts from Richard, not to mention the fact that he was the one who appointed Deporter, Birek, Tenenbaum, and McCulloch to the Faculty of Dentistry, (Turnbull and Freeman were already on board), essentially building a youthful and biologically oriented department of periodontics before I had the pleasure of leading it."

RICHARD P. ELLEN
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DIRECTOR, CIHR STRATEGIC TRAINING PROGRAM
CELL SIGNALING IN MUCOSAL INFLAMMATION & PAIN
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Taking the Direct Route

Barry Korzen stays true to his convictions as he makes major professional and personal life changes and takes on a voluntary role as Advisor to the Dean

He's been at the Faculty in the role of Assistant Dean Development & Continuing Education for a relatively short period of time – six years – but what he has accomplished in that time span is quite remarkable. His colleague, Dr. Santerre (see page 16), pays tribute to what his efforts have meant to the research department. In addition, Barry inaugurated new ceremonies such as the White Coat ceremony, for incoming students as their very first official function at the Faculty, and the Ring ceremony, which is the last function the Faculty holds for the students just hours before their graduation. He also conceptualized, and saw through to completion, the University of Toronto Centre for Continuing Dental Education – the first of its kind for a university in Canada. Perhaps most importantly, along with Dean David Mock, Barry has helped change the culture of the Faculty. A 6T8 graduate, Barry quickly decided



Why Barry and Corinne moved 5,500 miles!
Shown above, Corinne and Barry with son-in-law Avi Baumol, daughter Hadley holding their youngest granddaughter Tichelet, and grandchildren (from left to right) A.J., Elisheva, Ashira and Tifferet.

that general practice was not for him. Endodontics, the specialty he was most interested in, was just coming into its own as a unique field and had yet to be a recognized specialty in Ontario, so he spent two years at Harvard. It was while he was there that he experienced a different kind of interaction between staff and graduate students. "I knew that one of the most important factors in building someone's educational and interpersonal skills was the interaction

that students had with the faculty that taught them," he explains. "The University of Toronto has always been a beacon for dentistry in Canada; there is no question that even under the most difficult of regimes it was the leading edge, but I didn't learn the lesson of how to use my skill sets in a professional manner until I went to grad school."

That experience was a motivating factor in his applying to teach Endodontics at the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry. But the opportunity to become a catalyst for change was to be put on hold for another year. It was not until the administration decided to make endodontics a department that Barry once again applied, and this time was made head. He remained in that position for eleven years and it was during that period of time that he initiated an Alumni Association

"I often went to Barry for advice, even when the issue didn't necessarily pertain to his mandate at the Faculty. In fact, whenever I thought that I had an unsolvable problem on my hands, I could always count on Barry to give me at least three different and amazingly insightful solutions!"

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"Working with Barry in his Assistant Dean capacity for the past six years at the Faculty has been as much a pleasure as productive. Of course, I've known Barry since we both graduated in 1968, while we both were practicing dentistry in Mississauga and again at Mount Sinai Hospital. His open mind and innovative ideas have advanced the Faculty's mission and his calm and pleasant demeanor has made my job easier."

DAVID MOCK, DDS, PhD, FRCD(C)

PROFESSOR AND DEAN, FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
ARTHUR ZWINGENBERGER DECANAL CHAIR, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

program – the first real attempt to reach out to alumni and begin to nurture a sense of pride and belonging. The transformation of *Alumni Today* magazine to become a vehicle which would profile what was being done in the Faculty in terms of research and international recognition of faculty members, as well as highlighting the achievements and interests of alumni, was one way to start rebuilding bonds and hopefully give alumni a sense of pride in their alma mater. But it was during his term as Assistant Dean that he and Dean Mock forged what Barry calls a "tremendous working relationship". Their friendship can be traced back to the very start of their

"Through my affiliation with The University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry, I have had the pleasure of working with Barry on many different projects and committees. Our relationship, which began on a business and professional level, has developed into a very strong friendship. Barry is both a gentleman and a scholar."

JAMES BLAIR

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dental careers. As classmates and then as co-hospital staff members at Mount Sinai, where Barry became head of the Endodontic Division while David was Chief of Dentistry, their paths have continued to cross. Their mandate over the past six years has been to ensure that current students felt the real concern they had for them, and that as alumni both they and the Faculty would continue to maintain that good relationship.

But there were other forces at work in Barry's life. Those who know him well know that his family take first place in his life above everything else. He and his wife have an enviable relationship of mutual respect, and a close relationship with their daughter Hadley and her husband and their five grandchildren who live in Israel. Barry's support of the State of Israel is shared by his wife and daughter and was a determining factor in his daughter and son-in-law's decision to move there.

There is a big difference between saying you support an ideal and actually helping to make it happen. Barry has always taken the direct route and made things happen. He has done it at the Faculty in his professional life, now he is doing it in his personal life in his decision to relocate to Israel. Not a decision to make lightly, but one that Barry and his wife Corinne believe is the right thing to do.

Fortunately for the Faculty, Barry has agreed to take on a volunteer position as a special advisor to the Dean. What this means in practical terms is that Barry will do everything he can to motivate the dental profession and the dental industry to support the Faculty in ensuring that the new building moves ahead. He will be responsible for bringing potential partners to the table – trying to influence people who have influence in supporting the project. "There is no question that we will stagnate if we don't have the facilities to keep up with the advances that are taking place in our profession," says Barry. "Without a doubt the number one challenge now for the Faculty is building a new facility." And in keeping with his track record, Barry will be putting his considerable energies into ensuring that this goes ahead.

"Barry managed to personify goodness, decency, camaraderie, educational fervour all with a wonderful sense of humour in the essence of everything he was about and did. Because of these traits, the Faculty and the College were able to achieve several very meaningful projects together to benefit the profession, including the seminal work "Dental Emergencies in the Dental Office" where some of the leading lights in dentistry at the Faculty lent their vast skills to make this a most successful effort."

IRWIN FEFERGRAD, C.C., B.A., B.C.L., L.L.B.
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Taking the Direct Route

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J. Paul Santerre, Associate Dean Research, Dentistry, reflects on Barry Korzen's impact on the Dental Research Institute

"It was my good fortune that when I became Associate Dean of Research in July 2003 Barry was starting his second year as Assistant Dean, Development and Continuing Education. Up to that point research in the Faculty was completely disconnected from Barry's unit. This was a major limiting factor in terms of getting the message out into the dental community that our Faculty was doing really great things in terms of advances in health science research and development of innovative technologies and treatment approaches that were having an impact in the dental community and the general population at large.

"Scientists are typically not accustomed to promoting their work outside of their area of expertise, so when Barry Korzen offered to meet with me early on to see what the Dental Research Institute was up to and how they could help us, I jumped at the opportunity. Barry's enthusiasm for what we were doing and where we wanted to take research within the Faculty was automatic and bursting with strategies to help us achieve our goals. Together with his assistant, Cheryl Appleby Jackson, he conceived of a plan to revise the purpose of the Faculty's Awards Gala and align it with a signature fundraising event for research, providing us with much needed funds for our internal grants program (which had \$200 in it when I started as Associate Dean Research) and laying the foundation for fundraising towards research facilities in the new Faculty of Dentistry building. Today, the DRI has a \$500,000 endowment generating about \$30,000 per year for pilot research projects, and another \$300,000 set aside for new building planning. His strategies also put research in the limelight since public relations for the Gala were linked to generating research articles for *Alumni Today* magazine, profiling our leading scientists to their industry donors at the Dean's breakfast meetings, and allowing DRI to be involved with the fund raising team for the Gala.

"I can't tell you the pride that I felt when members of the dental community at

large would talk to me about the pleasure they had to be involved with our research program. It gave our Faculty the chance to mingle with past and current students, their families, honoured guests, and friends of the Faculty at the Gala itself in order to share the great stories that were continuing to flow out of the Faculty. Barry's generosity of time and will was limitless and he is a true role model for all our faculty and students to aspire to. I wish him all the best in his new ventures, and hope that he finds the spirit of living that is drawing him so far away from us."

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Orofacial neuropathic pain? What is it?

Intractable pain following dental intervention is frustrating for the patient, and attempting to diagnose and control such pain is a major challenge for the clinician. To make our life as clinicians more complicated, this pain can occur in the absence of noxious stimuli or sign of infection or inflammation. Pain can also persist beyond the usual healing time, or spread to normal teeth and anatomical structures adjacent or distant to the source of injury. The poor localization of pain can lead to misdiagnosis of its source and result in mistreatment, such as sequential endodontic treatment or even extraction of “innocent” teeth without significant improvement in the patient’s comfort. It is only natural for us to wonder where such pain comes from and why it occurs and lingers without any identifiable signs of pathology. The answer is that there is a good chance that such pain is of neuropathic origin, i.e., initiated or caused by a primary lesion or dysfunction of the nervous system. In other words, such pain differs from the “traditional” one that is perceived acutely in response to noxious stimuli. It results from the continuous plasticity (remodeling) of the central and peripheral nervous systems in response to a (sometime long forgotten) initial insult.

In the trigeminal system where somatosensory nerves can be damaged during dental/maxillofacial interventions, such as endodontic treatments, deep restorations, extractions, placement of implants, and injections of anesthetics, orofacial

“This randomized controlled clinical trial will be the first to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and tolerance of pregabalin in the treatment of orofacial neuropathic pain.”



Left to right: Dr. Thuan Dao, Dr. Peter Watson, neurologist from the Faculty of Medicine, and Mrs. Helen Grad, pharmacist at the Faculty of Dentistry

neuropathic pain (OFNP) is often poorly understood and labelled as atypical odontalgia, atypical facial neuralgia, or phantom tooth pain. In fact, the reported prevalence/incidence rates vary between 3 and 12%, with 83% of OFNP patients stating that their pain started with a dental treatment. Health

insurance data bases in the general population in Quebec, and more than 20 states in the United States reveal that about 0.5% of the claims were from patients with OFNP. It is also reported that

patients with atypical facial pain consulted an average of 7.5 professionals.

Although OFNP is associated with significant impairment of quality of life, disability, and expenditure of medical/dental resources, evidence for its effective management is lacking and extrapolated from guidelines for non-trigeminal neuropathic pain. So, how do we manage OFNP? A collaborative

effort to answer this question is taking place. Within the Department of Biological Sciences at the Faculty of Dentistry, Dr. Thuan Dao is heading a clinical study to evaluate the efficacy of pregabalin in improving pain and quality of life of patients with OFNP. Her team includes Dr. Peter Watson, neurologist from the Faculty of Medicine, Mrs. Helen Grad, pharmacist at the Faculty of Dentistry, and Dr. Guy Petroz, anesthesiologist at the Hospital for Sick Children.

This randomized controlled clinical trial will be the first to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and tolerance of pregabalin in the treatment of OFNP. The research protocol has been approved by Health Canada and the Human Ethics Board of the University of Toronto. The clinical trial is set to start by October 2008. An example of the referral form can be found on the other side of this page.

Should you wish to have more details about the study, or if you wish to refer patients and be part of the exciting endeavour, Dr. Dao and her research team can be reached at 416.979.4900 Ext. 4326 or email: thuan.dao@utoronto.ca.

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Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ is having orofacial pain for over 6 months, is currently free of dental caries and infection, and does not present with any identifiable orofacial pathologies.

I understand that Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ may be offered pregabalin or placebo during the clinical trial. I understand that the medication/placebo titration and follow-up will be performed at Dr. Watson's office, at 89 Humber College Blvd. in Etobicoke.

Dr. _____

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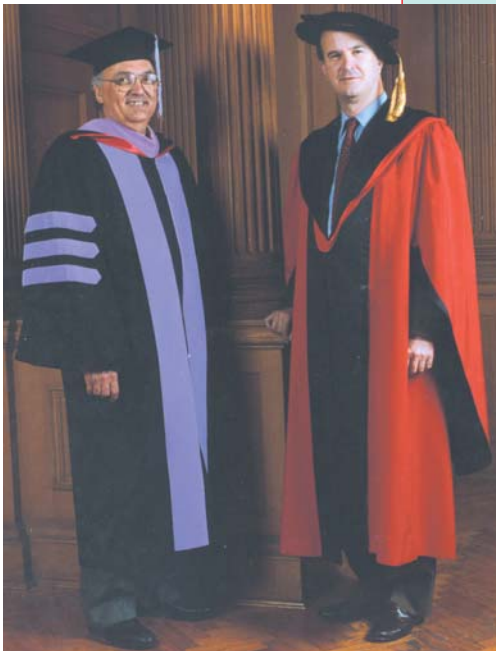
*“Prophets are not without honour
save in their own country”
— so goes an old adage.*

In the case of George Zarb, his country has recently recognized him by awarding him our highest honour, The Order of Canada. So the question remaining is: will our faculty, alumni and industry equally honour him as we seek to raise one million dollars to establish the George Zarb Professorship Endowment Fund.

Dr. Zarb has been recognized internationally for his life-long commitment to advancing Surgical/Prosthodontic synergies at all levels of scholarship – service, education and research. Our Government has recognized his contributions, and it is therefore right and fair that the University of Toronto should honour one of its most distinguished scholars through the establishment of a Professorship that bears his name. The incoming president of the Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Dr. Dan Omura, will be officially endorsing this campaign in his upcoming newsletter this fall.

“George Zarb has not only brought great distinction to the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry, but is amongst the most respected clinical scholars in the field of Prosthodontics internationally.”

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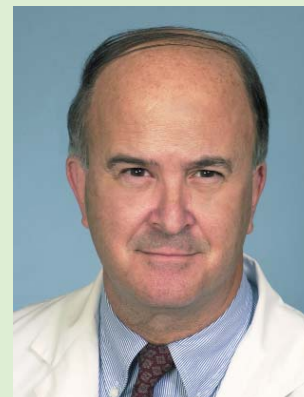
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Faculty Members Recognized with the Order of Canada

The Order of Canada is awarded to Canadians who have made a recognizable difference to our Country. This honour, the highest in Canada, was established in 1967 to recognize extraordinary Canadians and their extraordinary achievements. The Faculty is proud to announce that Dr. Norman Levine 6T0 (left), and Dr. George Zarb (right), have been so recognized.



Dr. Levine has been an international advocate for Persons with Disabilities, rising to leadership roles as the President of the American Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities and the first president of the Federation of Special Care Organizations in Dentistry. His legacy and vision live on today in these organizations that represent the interests of dental care for persons with disabilities globally. He has won or been awarded a multitude of honours for his work with persons with disabilities.

Whether speaking to the university community, professional dental organizations, government or the public he spoke as a man of integrity and leadership and has helped change the direction of pediatric dentistry and dentistry for persons with disabilities in our country.

Dr. Zarb is recognized by all who know him as a visionary and pivotal force in the careers of students, practicing dentists and specialists. He is arguably one of the most respected clinical scholars in the field of Prosthodontics.

His ground-breaking work in the field of osseointegration changed the dental paradigm in North America, and indeed world-wide, forever. It has changed the way we practice and has ultimately touched the lives of millions of patients who have had their quality of life enhanced through the science of osseointegration.

Pfizer Canada Announces Recipients of Neuropathic Pain Research Awards Program

First Awards Competition Dedicated to Neuropathic Pain Research

Dr. Thuan Dao, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Dentistry, is a recipient of the Pfizer Canada first Neuropathic Pain Research Awards Competition. This grant competition aims to fund and support independent neuropathic pain research in the areas of basic biomedical, clinical and health service and systems sciences. Pfizer Canada is strongly committed to improving the lives of Canadian patients suffering from neuropathic pain and is pleased to support Canadian medical innovation through this grant competition.



Seventeen research proposals were reviewed by an independent committee of Canadian medical researchers, chaired by Dr. A. John Clark, Medical Director, Calgary Health Region Chronic Pain Centre. Eight proposals were funded based on ranked scores from the independent committee. The recipients represent a diverse group of healthcare professionals and scientists committed to furthering research and understanding of neuropathic pain.

"This awards program recognizes the severity of neuropathic pain as a disease and the important work of some of Canada's leading researchers who are committed to understanding and learning more about neuropathic pain," said Dr. Clark. "The work they are doing is of tremendous importance to not only Canadian patients but people around the world who suffer from this disease."

Toronto Osseointegration Conference Revisited

The idea of commemorating that it had been 25 years ago since professor emeritus George Zarb organized the 1982 Toronto Osseointegration Conference came around in the fall of 2006. Large conferences usually require years of planning so it was a proud moment when on May 7th, 2008 we welcomed 1,050 participants from 38 countries to the Toronto

Osseointegration Conference Revisited. They came to the Metro Toronto Convention Centre to listen to 70 of the world's foremost experts on osseointegration and dental implant research answer questions about where dental implant practice and research came from, where we are today and where we seem to be heading. The Faculty was represented with seven speakers: Drs. James Anderson; John Davies; Asbjorn Jokstad, Robert Pilliar, George Sándor, Barry Sessle and Howard Tenenbaum.

The opening ceremony in the John Bassett Theatre set the tone for a perfect arrangement over the next two days. Opening addresses were made by the University of Toronto Chancellor, The Honorable David R. Petersen and the Ambassador of Sweden to Canada, Her Excellency Mrs. Ingrid Iremark. More opening remarks were made by the representatives of the scientific partners of the conference, which was the American Association of Oral and



Maxillofacial surgeons, the American College of Prosthodontists and the American Academy of Periodontology.

The speakers were divided into 24 theme sessions and had been teamed in trios according to their content expertise. The main themes reflected the significant developments in current and future application of implants to support intra- and extra-oral prostheses. Sessions focused on the treatment planning phase, i.e., the total treatment planning strategy, the surgery planning strategy and the restorative planning strategy; on patient-centred considerations, e.g., risk factors, healing predictability and probabilistic considerations of possible outcomes of the interventions; on interventions, i.e., the pre-surgical, the surgical, and the

restorative interventions and on biomaterials, i.e., for site optimizing, the actual implant and abutment materials, and ultimately for the different components of the supra-construction. Two more sessions focused on technology assessment and on educational requirements.

The 2008 Toronto Osseointegration Conference Revisited would not have been possible without the enthusiastic support from the industry and mainly from the two platinum sponsors, Nobel Biocare and Straumann, and our gold sponsor, Astra Tech. Moreover, several key people invested a vast amount of their time and effort to see this conference through under the directorship of Dr. Anne Gussgard. The 24 moderators were all amongst the Faculty of Dentistry teaching staff, while a number of postgraduate residents and undergraduate students very kindly volunteered to provide assistance during the event.

The proceedings from the Toronto Osseointegration Conference Revisited will be published under the title "Osseointegration on Dental Implants" by Wiley Blackwell due to be released in December 2008. It will be a privilege and honour to share the scientific knowledge presented during this conference to dentists and researchers throughout the world.

ASBJORN JOKSTAD DDS, PH.D.
Scientific Chair

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Graduation, Installation, Retirement...

New NLDA President Installed

Dr. Sneha Abhyankar was installed as the President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Dental Association, NLDA, on June 6, 2008. Sneha was at the Faculty from 1980 – 1989 as an undergraduate and graduate and post graduate student. In this period, she completed a diploma in Dental Public Health with Drs. James Leake and Don Lewis. She then completed her M.Sc. with Dr. Sandham. Her research was on LDH deficient *Streptococcus mutans*. She then finished her DDS in 1989 and has been practicing in Corner Brook, NL. Dr. Abhyankar is the sister of Dr. Gajanan (Kiran) Kulkarni who is a Tenured Associate Professor in Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry at the Faculty.



Dr. Sneha Abhyankar 8T9, President of NLDA with Dr. Deborah Stymiest, President, CDA.

Ph.D. Graduates

Congratulations to Ph.D. graduates Drs. Bryan Korithoski and Julianne Kus, of the Faculty of Dentistry, who received their Ph.D. degrees at the June 6, 2008 Convocation of the University of Toronto.

Dr. Kus completed her Ph.D. thesis, Diversity of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Type IV Pilins and Identification of a Novel D-Arabinofuranose Post-Translational Modification under the supervision of/in the laboratory of Drs. Lori Burrows and Dennis Cvitkovitch and with Drs. Cliff Lingwood and Richard Ellen as advisory committee members. Dr. Kus currently holds a Postdoctoral Fellowship at Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario in the laboratory of Dr. Debora Foster, Head of the Graduate Program in Molecular



Science. There she is focusing on molecular factors that allow the food and water borne pathogen *E. coli* O157:H7 to cause disease ("food poisoning") in humans.

Dr. Korithoski completed his Ph.D. thesis, Acid Tolerance and the Involvement of Secondary Metabolism in *Streptococcus Mutans* under the supervision of Dr. Dennis Cvitkovitch with Drs. Gavin Clark and Christopher McCulloch, members of his thesis advisory committee. Dr. Korithoski currently holds a Postdoctoral Fellowship position at the University of Gainesville, Florida.

Marking a Change in Direction

Dr. Jim Anderson and Janet deWinter retired from the Faculty this year. Janet is returning part-time while a new Implant Prosthodontic Unit coordinator is hired. Jim is continuing in the Maxillo-facial Prosthetic Unit of Sunnybrook Hospital. Friends raised the funds for a retirement golf day, and to purchase four paintings to recognize their accomplishments and contributions over many years to the Faculty of Dentistry. 'Sap Buckets' and 'Misty Morning' were each special to Jim and Janet. The two originals have been hung in the 3rd floor hallway outside the Prostho offices. Come by and peruse. Artist Judy deWinter also created a signed copy each for Janet and Jim's personal enjoyment.

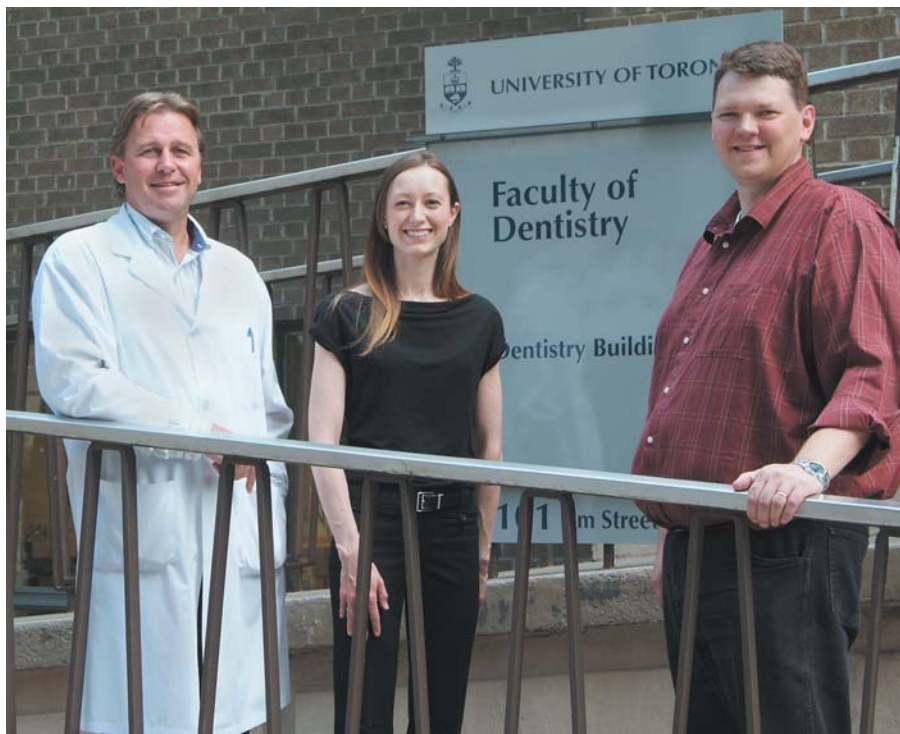


Summer Student Wins National Clinical Research Award

For the second consecutive year, a summer student at the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry has won the CDA/Dentsply Student Clinician Research award. "It is an honour to be recognized at a national research competition among dental students," says Audrey McNamara, who won for her research project comparing the osteoinductive activity of bioimplants. As part of the award, Ms. McNamara will present her research project at the 2008 American Dental Association Annual Session in San Antonio, Texas.

Designed to stimulate ideas, improve communication and increase student involvement in the advancement of the dental profession, this national clinical research competition is open to one dental student from each accredited dental school in Canada. "I am giving serious consideration to graduate research in dentistry," says Audrey "and this award has certainly encouraged me even further."

For a student to place first in this type of competition is obviously a matter of pride for the Faculty, but the benefits inherent in the summer student program for both student and Faculty are far reaching. The work that summer students do on projects, and the sometimes unexpected results that are obtained, often open up new avenues for deeper research by graduate



"Participating in this competition allowed me to have a first-hand opportunity to promote the importance of evidenced-based dentistry, or more specifically, clinical evidence-based dentistry. My investigation tried to bridge the gap between bench-top research and actual dental practice because it was a simple clinical idea that had a real-world application."

AUDREY MCNAMARA

(shown above with Dr. Cameron Clokie, left, and Dr. Sean Peel)

students. This can result in advantages to the wider community. In addition, students gain the experience of learning how research is conducted and evaluated, giving them a better ability to fairly evaluate literature and research when they are in private practice. "Hopefully," says Dr. Sean Peel, who along with Dr. Cameron Clokie supervised Audrey's work, "it makes students more aware of the questions that need to be asked. It also opens up a window for students to see what is involved in postgraduate programs, as

well as a chance to interact with residents."

Dr. Peel describes Audrey as the 'ideal' summer student. "She was very interested in the topic and wanted to gain a deeper understanding both of the project and how to conduct research in general. She was willing to go the extra mile, seeking out technical support to ensure her understanding of the equipment and methods was accurate."

Looking Forward to an Awesome and Successful Year

On behalf of the Dental Student Society, I would like to welcome everyone back from what I hope was a well deserved and enjoyable break. I am excited and fortunate enough to be a part of the 2008-2009 Dental Students Society (DSS) that is comprised of a dedicated core of students willing to invest their time and leadership to the advancement of student life at our Faculty. This year's DSS plans to work together with the Dean, Faculty administration and Alumni Association to ensure that education and extra-curricular activities are as memorable, meaningful and dynamic as ever. The DSS would like to wish the outgoing faculty advisor Dr. Korzen all the best in future endeavours. He will be missed for his enthusiasm and dedication to the student body. At the same time we welcome, and eagerly look forward to working with, Dr. Carroll, who will be the new faculty advisor on the DSS Council.



We hope to maintain the great job that the DSS did last year and to build on it for the future. As usual the year will be highlighted by *Dentantics*, which will be held on March 6th and 7th at the Isabel Bader Theatre. *Dentantics* Reps Cara Lindsay and Lani Kraus are excited as this year's theme will leave the audience screaming with laughter. We plan to organize many social events throughout the year including our annual Boat Cruise, Christmas Faculty Dinner and the DSS Awards Night in the hope that it will bring the students from all four classes together and promote a sense of collegiality. We would also like to thank all the dentists involved in the Alumni Mentorship Program for taking the time to teach us and share with us their life experiences and outlook on dentistry, and for always making us appreciate the fact that we are embarking on a great future and profession.

Community involvement is an integral part of our profession. This year we plan to have several different outreach programs to educate and promote the public

in terms of oral health care and to give the students a chance to extend their talents and resources to the community and we will be highlighting these in future issues of *Alumni Today*. The DSS is also currently working with the student societies from the other professional Faculties on a project known as *Imagine*. Our goal is to make *Imagine* the first student run clinic in Toronto, providing overall health care to the community. We have been working on this clinic throughout the summer and hope to have it running before the end of this year.

We will also be having our Second Annual Blood Drive at the Faculty on November 12th, 2008. We plan to make our Faculty a member of the Partner For Life Program with the Canadian Blood Services in the hope that this tradition continues down the years as it will help thousands of Canadians at many different levels.

On behalf of the student body, we would like to acknowledge the faculty, staff and alumni at our school for always doing their best in meeting our needs and demands even though it is not always an easy endeavour. We thank you for your commitment and support in paving our road to success as the next generation of dentists.

I hope that all the students have an awesome and successful year at the Faculty of Dentistry.

GLEN FERNANDES
Dental Students' Society President

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Dentantics 2009 to be held at the Isabel Bader Theatre on March 6 and 7.

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Bruce Tasios

students

This year's Orientation Week took place September 2 - 5, asking one very important question: "So, You Think You Can Drill?" Sixty excited first-year students participated, and answered with a resounding: "YES!".

Our first day of events started with a variety of introductory games, which ended with a competitive match of 'dental floss limbo'. The students then proudly attended the White Coat Ceremony, and Dean's Lunch. As the sun set on a beautiful Toronto day, the class of 2012 got dressed to the nines, and enjoyed a gourmet dinner at the 360 Restaurant, atop the CN Tower!

Wednesday was the day to register for classes, and see what life as a dental student will be like. The ODA welcomed the new class to the profession of dentistry with a luncheon in the Great Hall at Hart House. The day ended with a dinner at Jack Astor's restaurant, and a night of clubbing on the town.

Thursday took us to Niagara Falls. The class enjoyed a wet ride on 'Maid of the Mist', lunch at Boston Pizza, a scare at 'Nightmares' haunted house, and a sophisticated wine tour and tasting in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Friday began with a day-trip to Centre Island. The rain held out long enough to enjoy some games, and a picnic lunch. Finally, this year's jam-packed Orientation Week wrapped up with the DSS BBQ at the ZIP house.

Overall, the week was one of excitement, fun and anticipation for the next four years!





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The Start of a New Tradition...

On Friday June 6th, as part of the pomp and ceremony that historically accompanies graduation day, the class of 0T8 began a new tradition. The University of Toronto Dental Alumni Association, in conjunction with the Department of Alumni Relations at the Faculty of Dentistry, held its first Ring Ceremony. Beginning with this year's graduating class, and in honour of the 120th Anniversary of the DDS degree at the University of Toronto, each recipient of a DDS degree from the University of Toronto received a sterling silver ring with the words "U of T Dentistry" wrapped around the circumference. Dean David Mock presided over the ceremony, congratulating those in attendance and welcoming them to the profession, and said that the ring would be a constant reminder of graduates' achievements and the tradition of our alma mater.

"The Silver Ring is visible evidence of the bond among U of T Faculty of Dentistry graduates and the University – a bond that recognizes that the practice of dentistry is a privilege that you have earned through your hard work and dedication and through the commitment of the faculty and staff of the University of Toronto to insure that you begin your practice careers equipped with the knowledge and skills to improve the health and well-being of your patients.

"This new tradition will send a clear message to new graduates about their role and responsibility in preserving the strong collective reputation that has been earned since 1888."

DEAN MOCK 6T8



Alumni of the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry are also invited to take part in this new tradition. Upon donating \$240 to the Dentistry Ring Fund, the Dentistry Alumni Association will present you with one of our sterling silver graduation rings.

Please call Sara Vanos at 416-979-4940 x 1 for more details.

Supporting Our Community

RBC proudly supports our community through The Dentistry Cares funds and recently made a second \$5,000 generous donation to the very important services covered through the fund.



Cheque presentation made by Niranjana Vivekanandan, Vice President Healthcare and Tina Sarellas, Regional Vice President Toronto Downtown of RBC Royal Bank to Dr. Robert Carroll, Assistant Dean, Continuing Dental Education & Professional Development

Enhancing the Quality of Service

Continuing education should be a significant priority in any professional's career especially for those of us in health care professions that have the privilege and responsibility to provide this important care to our fellow citizens. The dental profession has distinguished itself in this regard. I know of no other profession that has a stronger focus on this important goal. And the evidence suggests to me that this is not because regulators require it. Indeed, in my former role as Manager of RCDSO's continuing education department, I was proud of the extremely high percentage of my profession who not only complied with the minimum requirements but also exceeded them.

For years the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Toronto has been a leader in providing continuing education options for dentists eager to maintain their knowledge, skill, and judgment throughout their professional career. The Faculty is proud of the courses they provide free of commercial bias and often free of concern for the financial success of the course. This allows the Faculty to provide courses in important areas of dental science that few in the "cottage industry" of CE are able or willing to provide.

Like the profession itself, continuing education providers must constantly strive to enhance the quality of the service they provide to their constituency. Here at the Faculty we are making a significant investment in two key areas to do just that.

The first is the new Centre for Continuing Dental Education established with the generous support

of SciCan and Henry Schein Ash Arcona. The strategic location of the Centre, close to the intersection of 401 and 404, together with convenient and free parking will make educational programs provided at the Centre much more accessible to a broader range of Alumni. More importantly, the state of the art audio-visual system, demonstration operator with closed circuit video projection, and hands-on work benches make this facility one of the best dental continuing education facilities in the country. The Centre will allow the Faculty, and others who may wish to use it, to provide a wider range of programs with a hands-on component in a relaxed atmosphere, resulting in a great learning experience together with the fellowship that goes with it.

The second initiative will be in the e-learning area. The Faculty will invest in programs that will be available on-line or via CD/DVD so that dentists can take these courses in the comfort of their home or office at a time convenient to them. These e-learning courses will be designed to be about an hour in length, and will focus on providing key information to allow one an economical and time efficient way to refresh or upgrade one's knowledge in core areas of dentistry.

In my new role of Assistant Dean for Continuing Dental Education I shall work hard to maintain the great CE tradition and build on the foundation

of excellence of those who have gone before me. I look forward to working with the great staff at the Faculty, a committed Alumni Association, and a supportive and generous dental industry, with the combined goal of helping the profession to continue to provide the highest quality of dental care to the public we all serve.



DR. ROBERT CARROLL
Assistant Dean
Continuing Dental
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Development

DENTAL EMERGENCIES

The Faculty was a co-producer with RCDSO in the production of the CD *Dental Emergencies: A Guide to the Treatment of Patients Requiring Urgent Dental Care*.

All Ontario dentists have received the CD from RCDSO. Alumni in other Provinces can order the CD from the Faculty. Please contact cde@dentistry.utoronto.ca

The Faculty is proud of this educational product and recommends this program to all alumni.

2008-2009 CDE COURSES

September 20: Radiology 2008

Drs. Ross Barlow, Ernest Lam, Susanne Perschbacher

October 18-19: Oral Surgery for the GP

Drs. Reena Talwar, Albert Haddad, David Yarmand

October 24: Herbal Medications – Relevance to Dental Practice

Dr. Jose Lanca

October 29: Update in Dentistry

11 Speakers from Dental Disciplines

November 7: Do You Make Mythtaks? Myth: an idea or explanation which is widely held but untrue or unproven

Dr. Byoung Suh and Dr. Tony Pensak

November 21: Endodontic Instrumentation and Obturation Systems That Best Suit YOUR Style of Practice

Dr. Manor Haas

November 22: Do Your Crowns Fit?

Mark Behar, RDT

January 23 - 24: Predictable Techniques for Total Esthetics

Dr. Robert Lowe

January 30 - 31: Peridontal Surgery for the General Dentist

Dr. Gerry Pearson and Dr. Steven Corber

January 31 - February 7: Seminar at Sea

Dr. Howard Tenenbaum and Mark O'Farrell

February 6: Medical Emergencies

Dr. Dan Haas

February 7 - 8: Nitrous Oxide and Oral Sedation

Dr. Dan Haas and Dr. Michelle Tang

February 20 - 21: The Art of Temporization – The Blue-Print for Predictable Facial Changes through Esthetic Dentistry

Dr. Elliot Mechanic

March 6: Strategies for Successful Restorative and Implant Therapy Shifting Paradigms – Challenges, Considerations and Controversies

Dr. Fred Muroff and Dr. Robert David

March 13 - 14: Esthetic Dentistry – An Easy Approach to Predictable Anterior Direct Composite Restoration

Dr. Robert Margeas and Dr. Marcos Vargas

April 17: Endodontics – Title TBA

Dr. Cliff Ruddle

April 24 - 25: Ortho for the GP (Part 1)

Dr. Gerry Solomon and Dr. Angelos Metaxas

May 8: Implants – Title TBA

Dr. Mazen Dagher

May 22 - 23: Ortho for the GP (Part 2)

Dr. Gerry Solomon and Dr. Angelos Metaxas

May 29 - 30: Advanced Technology in Aesthetic Surgery

Dr. Robert Miller

June 12 - 13: Esthetic Dentistry – Clinical Techniques, Materials and Technology

Dr. Ross Nash



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