Discipline Head Reports

For this issue we asked our discipline heads to share highlights and goals directly with alumni. From celebrating 50 years as one of North America’s longest running disciplines, to recognizing the important role that our part-time instructors play in preparing students for what lies ahead, these reports will give you a window into what is taking place in their programs.
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Connecting Dots

The start of school brings connections: new students joining the Faculty; meeting future lifelong friends; patients entering our clinics; instructors getting to know students; and established clinicians supporting new graduates through those first days in professional practice. I invite all our alumni to connect and re-connect – with each other and with your Faculty.

Connecting to others enriches us, enabling each of us to give more to the people around us – to patients, colleagues, friends and most importantly, family.

This issue of our magazine celebrates and explores connections – class reunions, reports from our disciplines and specialties, introducing high school students to our profession, the Faculty’s long association with China, and supporting each other through the loss of treasured colleagues and friends.

Outstanding events will bring us together during the ODA Annual Spring Meeting: our fabulous Awards of Distinction Gala on Saturday, April 30th, and numerous class reunions.

If you’re attending the Pacific Dental Conference, our Alumni Reception will be the evening of Friday, March 11th. Don’t miss these chances to connect!

DAVID MOCK 6T8

The Dean’s Lecture Series 2010-2011

October 28, 2010
Dr. Giulio Gabbiani – a world renowned scientist in the fields of fibrosis research, wound healing and vascular repair.

November 18, 2010
Dr. Tom Van Dyke – his basic science investigations study complex interactions that are important in the pathogenesis of many disease processes.

March 22, 2011
Dr. Lauren Bakaletz – her long term research goal is to develop novel methods to treat, or preferably prevent, otitis media (middle ear infection).

All Alumni are invited to attend the free talks.
Please contact: Ms. Leah Raz at l.raz@dentistry.utoronto.ca to register your attendance or for any further inquiries.
Welcome Back!

A hearty welcome to returning students, staff and clinicians for another exciting year, and to our first year dental students. Orientation Week was highlighted with the White Coat Ceremony (see page 30) and the reading of the Oath of Commitment. Also, a special greeting to new graduates as you begin your road as dental alumni. Make plans now to reconnect with friends at the events listed below.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in our 9th Annual Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament at Copper Creek (look for pictures in the next issue of Alumni Today). The proceeds raised will help fund and enhance the quality of experiences available to our students for much needed student bursaries, scholarships, athletic uniforms, the Dentantics show, graduate conference travel, and graduation celebrations.

Alumni, this is your Association, your Alumni Association board. Help the Board develop a strategic plan for the future.

Plan to join us at our next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 9th, at the Faculty in the Dean’s Boardroom at 6:30 p.m. Please attend so that your voice may be heard.

There are many opportunities to meet with colleagues throughout the year – I look forward to seeing you at one of these soon.

Valerie Stavro 8T4

Be Part of the Action!

Don’t Miss These Upcoming Events

GOLF RETREAT
Alumni educational golfing retreat in Charlotte, North Carolina. 4 CE credits. November 4-7, 2010

WINTER CLINIC
Alumni Booth #321 at Winter Clinic. Friday, November 12, 2010

MENTORSHIP EVENT

STUDENT RESEARCH DAY
Earn 3 CE credits at the Faculty’s Student Research Day. Registration free. Tuesday, February 15, 2011

PACIFIC DENTAL CONFERENCE
Alumni Reception will be held at Vancouver’s Pan Pacific Hotel, Cypress Suite, Friday, March 11, 2011, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

ODA SPRING MEETING & ALUMNI AWARDS GALA
April 28-29, 2011 Alumni Booth and Reunions during ODA Annual Spring Meeting.
Saturday, April 30, 2011 Awards of Distinction Gala, Allstream Centre. Extend your ODA Spring Meeting experience at this premier dentistry social event.

Info at www.utoronto.ca/dentistry/alumni
6T0 Celebrates 50 Years!

It’s hard to believe that so many years have passed since we entered “Pre-Dents”, as it was called in 1955. That original group diminished a little after the first two years, but we were augmented over the next four years, especially in our final year. About 15 Ad Eundums joined us for that year. They were all practising dentists from Australia and the UK. Many had served as soldiers and airmen during the 2nd World War.

Besides teaching us how to really drink beer, they all went on to productive careers as dentists or specialists. John Hibbard became Director of Clinics at our Faculty and one was knighted – Sir Ian Gainsford – who, for a period was dentist to the Queen. The rest of us settled in Ontario, Manitoba and the U.S. as practise GP’s or specialists. Most gave back to the profession as teachers, researchers and contributory citizens.

The evening at the Faculty Club began with an open bar and hors d’oeuvres cocktail party. Throughout the reception and into the dinner Susan Alksnis (Alumni Relations) was present to ensure our satisfaction and enjoyment of the evening. The dinner began with greetings from Nate Greenberg (Toronto) who acted as host and MC. His humour and warmth was evident and appreciated throughout the evening.

Dean David Mock brought greetings from the Faculty, and introduced Peter Dean (Barrie) who had the sad duty of reading the list of our 20 deceased members. This was followed by a very moving invocation from our “Order of Canada” class president, Norm Levine (Toronto), followed by a sumptuous dinner.

The evening flew by, everyone exchanged greetings, asked questions, shared happy and sad events and generally enjoyed each other’s company.

MARVIN KLOTZ, CLASS OF 6T0

“I just looked at the reunion photos.... they are great, but surely someone has altered the photos to make us all look a lot older!”

Ross McElroy

Does your graduation year end in ‘1 or ‘6?

Contact the Alumni Office 416-979-4940 or see us at the Winter Clinic, Booth #321. We provide assistance to reunion organizers and class members seeking information about their reunion: contact lists, nametags, giveaways, venue suggestions, draw prizes, class memorabilia and more.

1951
1956
1961 – 50th reunion!
1966
1971
1976

1981
1986 – 25th reunion!!
1991*
1996
2001 – 10th reunion!
2006

* Contact Dr. Lesia Waschuk at lwuschuk@gmail.com if you would like to be involved in planning the 20th reunion of the Class of 1991 planned for April 29, 2011.
The “All Muscle” Class of 8T5

The 25th reunion of the Dentistry Class of 8T5 was held on Saturday May 15, 2010 at the Gladstone Hotel. We had a slide presentation with pictures from the past and present. Our highly unscientific survey, which is conducted just prior to each reunion, concluded that we have gained a mean 13 lbs (all muscle) since graduation and that one of us is now a grandparent.

Thank you to the Alumni Association for the nametags, pins and aprons. The nametags were a great reminder of what we once looked like, as well as a reminder that our ability to read small fonts has diminished.

Thank you to Karen Burgess who did a fantastic job of picking the venue and menu. Thank you also to Nar Daljeet, Paul Zung and Tony Mancuso for their support for the reunion.

Congratulations to Charles Clarke and Anthony Tamberg for winning the foosball tournament organized by Dave Dalziel.

Paul Zung and Mitch Lynas, what can I say? The entertainment was amazing, your talents brilliant. You are both booked again for the 30th!

Laura Tam, Class of 8T5

The Most Meaningful of Reunions – Dental Hygiene 6T5

Well, didn’t we have a good time! A perfect day to have a garden party at Corinne Falconer’s in Toronto. Sixteen was a great turn-out after 45 years, and from the constant buzz of conversation and laughter we can conclude that we still enjoy each other’s company. Sylvia French summed it up best: ”The most meaningful of all reunions. Perhaps it is an increasing appreciation for those relationships that endure in our lives, however infrequent the contact”.

A decision to recognize colleagues who have passed away, and celebrate our classmates’ accomplishments, was made and we will be making a donation to the Canadian Fund for Dental Hygiene Education.

We would love to hear from classmates who missed this reunion as we plan to meet again in two years!

Jane Rogers and Linda Berry, Class of 6T5

4T5 – A VERY SPECIAL CLASS

They were the last dentistry class to be inducted into accelerated mode at 230 College St. Their third year dental exams were written in November of 1943 and they were then inducted into the Army for basic training and given subsistence allowance pay. The 58 class members, including two ladies, graduated with Dental Officer Commissions in May of 1945.

Now in their eighties and nineties, and 65 years from graduation, some class members were still able to get together this May to celebrate and reminisce as they have every five years since graduation.

We salute the surviving members of this very special class: Bill Burgman; Jim Burstein; Doug Cousins; Margaret Mahoney; Robert Murray; Morris Pearlman; Fred Stulberg; Frank Tropea; Joe Scarfone; Ed Buder; Jack Ledger; Dave Levin; Art Schwartz; Lorne Brooks; Ed Blond; Sherwin Cohen and John MacPherson.

Robert Murray, Class of 4T5
In the News...

Dental Public Health Appointment

Dr. Patricia Main 7T5, Registrar, Royal College of Dentists of Canada, has accepted an appointment as Interim Head of the discipline of Dental Public Health (DPH) as of September 1st, 2010. A senior member of the Faculty and a major contributor to our programs and the profession, Dr. Main is meeting a significant need at the Faculty with the sudden loss of Dr. David Locker.

Dr. Main has been an independent consultant since 2001 working with the federal government to impact policy change. She is not only a graduate of the DPH program, but was also DPH program director in 2008 – the year she took on her current position as Registrar at the RCDC where she has just had her term extended for a further two years.

Visit the U of T Booth #321 at Winter Clinic

Friday, November 12th

- Class reunion information;
  Class yearbooks and photos
- Information on student mentorship
- Faculty news
- Giveaways

Win two free tickets to the 2011 Gala in the Winter Clinic Bucks Auction

For more information contact Sabrina Martinez in the Alumni Office at 416-979-4900 Ext. 4587 or email: alumni@dentistry.utoronto.ca

WE’RE LOOKING FOR 100 YEAR OLD DENTISTS!

Be part of a commemorative issue that Oral Health Journal is planning to celebrate their 100th anniversary this year. If you know of a dentist who is around the century mark, contact us at 416-979-4900 Ext. 4587 or email alumni@dentistry.utoronto.ca

New President Elected

Dr. Lynn Tomkins 8T1 has been elected President of the Ontario Dental Association (ODA).

“I feel privileged to serve as President,” says Dr. Tomkins. “My first priority is to ensure every Ontarian knows that they need and deserve good oral health. When people have good oral health, it translates to good overall health. I hope to spend the year working hard to get that message across to the public.”

Dr. Tomkins teaches as an Associate in Dentistry and Clinical Instructor in the Department of Oral Diagnosis and Oral Medicine at the Faculty of Dentistry.

ODA Cup:
Cheer Dents Hockey vs. Western this Spring

The date for this year’s event, to be held at U of T, has not yet been firmed up, but it will take place either late March or early April. Look for more details in the next issue of Alumni Today or visit the Alumni website at: www.utoronto.ca/dentistry/alumni
Access to Care Fund
Providing Dental Treatment to Low Income Patients

“One of our Faculty’s objectives is the provision of oral health care to those who don’t normally have access to it. Another is to teach a sense of social responsibility to our students.”

DEAN DAVID MOCK

Finding a way to provide essential dental services to Canadians who just can’t afford them has been a goal at the Faculty throughout its history. Although our clinics treat many Canadians, there are still those who fall through the cracks – not because they don’t view dental care as important, but because they literally have to choose between this and essentials such as food and rent.

Announcing the Access to Care Fund at the spring 2010 Gala was a great moment. $110,000 was raised thanks to the hard work of our volunteer co-chairs Dr. Lionel Lenkinski 7T9, Dr. Carolyn Poon Woo 8T5, Melissa De Lorenzi and David Lind, as well as our lead sponsors: Nobel Biocare, Air Techniques, Henry Schein, RBC Royal Bank, and SciCan. But this is just the beginning.

In the words of Dean Mock, “This is an opportunity for the University and the Faculty of Dentistry to work with the profession and our graduates, getting more smiles on more patients.”

For more information on the Access to Care Fund, view the video at www.utoronto.ca/dentistry/alumni/donate.html or contact the Development and Alumni Relations team at 416-979-4900 Ext. 4590.

THE FACTS

Every year more than 15,000 people turn to the Faculty’s dental clinic for their oral health care.

80% of them don’t have basic dental insurance benefits.

75% of them live on a family income of less than $40,000 per year.

Bottom line: hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of essential dental care is not being carried out as a result of our patients’ inability to pay fees.
Judith E. Dixon-Moody
On February 12th, 2010, we lost a loving wife and mother, good friend, dedicated dentist and classmate. Judy (8T6) lost her six year battle with breast cancer, but not without a valiant fight. She maintained her downtown Toronto practice almost until the end, caring more about others than herself. She took her illness in stride. “It is what it is,” she would say and kept right on going.
In the little churchyard in Cheltenham, beside the church she and her husband were married in, is a stone marker bearing her name. Attached to that name is a lifetime of good memories, lessons learned, fun had and tears shed – the very essence of a life well lived.
In loving memory of my dear friend and hero.
Tamara Sosath 8T6

Colin (Frank) Sorensen
Dr. W.H. Treleaven 5T1 called the Alumni Office recently to notify us of the death of his classmate Dr. Sorensen. At his suggestion, Dr. Sorensen’s sister, Eileen S. Ready, wrote an obituary which was published in the July/August issue of Ontario Dentist.
It details the moving story of her brother’s wartime experiences, and the numerous occasions on which he narrowly escaped death by execution before returning to Canada to enter the Faculty of Dentistry.
From being shot down over the desert in North Africa, to his attempted escape from a German prison camp, Frank’s experiences, as detailed in Ontario Dentist, are a must read, and an incredible account of one man’s endurance.
A member of the Ontario Dental Association and the Canadian Dental Association for 38 years, Frank retired to British Columbia in his later years. He died on February 4, 2010 and is survived by his wife Betty and children Glenn, Stephen and Vicki.

Margaret Branscombe
An alumnus of the University of Toronto Dental Nursing Class of 5T3, Margaret met her husband, Emery 5T3, while he was also there at the Faculty of Dentistry. After marriage, she split practice time and child-raising time until 1975 when she returned to George Brown College to obtain her diploma as a Dental Hygienist. Following that she practised with Emery for 25 years in Toronto where her gentle methods won her many friends and admirers. During this time she was a croquet enthusiast, first at the Toronto Cricket Club, where she was president of the croquet group for four years, and then at Riverwood, Florida.
Mary passed away on November 13, 2009 in her 76th year after a long struggle with cancer. She is greatly missed by her husband, Emery, and her daughter Robin and husband Dave and two grandsons Nathan and Jon.

Share Your Memories – Honour a Loved One
Please send your personal tributes and memories of those alumni who are no longer with us, to:
The Editor, Alumni Today
University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry
124 Edward Street, Room 527, Toronto, Ontario M5G 1G6
or email: alumni@dentistry.utoronto.ca
Accompanying photographs should be sent either as high res attached jpegs or original photographs mailed or dropped off at the Faculty. Please notify us if you wish photographs to be returned.
CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION

2010

September 2010
- Infection Control – Sunday, September 26, 2010
- Buying and Financing a Dental Practice and Other Issues for New and Recent Graduates – Wednesday, September 29, 2010

October 2010
- Medical Emergencies – Friday, October 15, 2010
- Nitrous Oxide and Oral Sedation – Saturday, Sunday, October 16, 17, 2010
- Giving Your Patients Something to Smile About: Composite Artistry Simplified – Friday, Saturday, October 22, 23, 2010
- Prevention and Management of Complications in Implant Dentistry – Friday, October 29, 2010

November 2010
- Fiber Posts – Wednesday, November 3, 2010
- Stopping Outside The Box – Restorative Update 2010 (Lecture)
  Hands-On Predictable Composite & Glass Ionomer Restorations – Friday, Saturday, November 5, 6, 2010
- CPR Recertification – Wednesday, November 17, 2010
- Infection Control: What’s Bugging Your Office? – Friday, November 19, 2010
- Beyond Aligners: Staying on the Straight and Narrow in Orthodontics – Saturday, November 20, 2010
- Retreatment in the Era of Implants?! – Friday, November 26, 2010

December 2010
- Office Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for the General Practitioner – Friday, Saturday, Sunday, December 3, 4, 5, 2010

2011

January 2011
- Predictable C&B Impressions and Simplified Temporization – Friday, January 14, 2011
- Practice Management and Financial Considerations for the Dentist in Mid Career – Wednesday, January 19, 2011
- Small Field-of-View Cone Beam Computed Tomography – Friday, Saturday, January 28, 29, 2011

February 2011
- Conservative Dentistry and Evidence-Based Clinical Care – An Optimal Approach to Treatment Planning – Friday, February 11, 2011
- Dental Implant Surgery: Beyond the Basics – Friday, Saturday, February 25, 26, 2011

March 2011
- Ultimate SYNERGISTIC Team “1+1=3” – Friday, March 4, 2011
- CPR Recertification – Thursday, March 24, 2011
- Participation Course with Multiple Hard and Soft Tissue Lasers – Friday, Saturday, March 25, 26, 2011

April 2011
- Medical Emergencies – Friday, April 1, 2011
- Nitrous Oxide and Oral Sedation – Saturday, Sunday, April 2, 3, 2011
- Endodontic Solutions: Strategies for Endodontic Predictability and Profitability – Friday, Saturday, April 8, 9, 2011

May 2011
- The Art and Techniques of Digital Dental Photography; A Communication Tool in Dentistry – Friday, Saturday, May 6, 7, 2011
- Perio 360°: From Herodontics to Implants – Saturday, May 14, 2011

June 2011
- Capture the Perfect Smile and Prepare Effective Marketing and Educational Material for your Practice – Friday, June 3, 2011
- The Hottest Topics in Dentistry Today – Friday, June 24, 2011

For more course information & registration go to www.cde.utoronto.ca or call 416-979-4902.
A great loss to the profession... an exceptional teacher and researcher

David Locker, BDS, PhD, DSc, FCAHS

David Locker joined the Faculty of Dentistry at U of T in 1985. An internationally renowned researcher, and one of the earliest dentists to hold a doctoral degree in medical sociology, Dr. Locker revolutionized the quantification of oral health and disease through his work on patient-based measures of oral health-related quality of life.

A valued member of our Faculty and Associate Dean, Graduate and Postgraduate Studies, his death this year has triggered a heartfelt response not only from members of our Faculty, but from colleagues and students around the world. Some of these international tributes are shared here.

In the words of one of his friends, Dr. Barry Gibson, from the University of Sheffield, England, “We loved him. He was a dear friend and he will be sorely missed.”

Tributes from colleagues and friends can be read online at www.utoronto.ca/dentistry.

“David was one of those rare people who combined a brilliant intellect with a marvellous talent for interpreting and analyzing a range of apparently unconnected concepts and formulating a coherent synthesis. The dental profession in general, and the scientific public health community in particular, owes him a great debt of gratitude.”

Professor Aubrey Sheiham
University College London, England

“David was always a guiding (and leading) light in behavioural science research. His willingness to share information, discuss new research, and along the way have fun will always remain with me. He is sorely missed by all who had the good fortune to encounter him. This is a great loss for the dental community to whom he gave so much.”

Professor Colman McGrath
The University of Hong Kong

“I am forever grateful for the privilege of being one of David’s post-graduate students in Dental Public Health. He was an exceptional teacher and researcher, and an inspiration to me. Much of my success in my public health career is largely attributed to David. I will never forget the sincerity and respect that he showed towards his students.”

Dr. David Wiebe, Member of the CDHSRU
Graduated from the DDPH program at U of T in 1994

“An amazing man! Brilliant intellect, puckish sense of humour, warm and engaging personality. Generous both personally and professionally. A truly great loss to the profession and to those who knew him personally. My deepest sympathies to his family, friends, students and colleagues.”

Dr. Raul Garcia
Boston University
Wenyuan Shi, Professor and Chair, Section of Oral Biology, UCLA along with U of T grads Drs. Jack Li 9T7 and Xiafei Dai 9T8, joined with Dean Mock this summer in welcoming a delegation from the West China School of Stomatology, Sichuan University. The delegation, which included the Chinese university’s Dean, arrived at our Faculty to see and photograph some of the amazing pieces of dental history memorabilia that Anne and Jack Dale (both 5T8 graduates) have spent countless hours preserving and chronicling, and which are on view in the Faculty’s dental museum. The cultural revolution destroyed many Chinese historical artifacts, explaining why the delegation was so excited to tour the Faculty’s museum. Helen He, Faculty Librarian, and her staff provided the delegates with all of the historical information they needed.

It was a graduate of our own Faculty who was responsible for developing quality oral health care in China. Dr. Ashley Lindsay introduced modern dentistry to China in 1907, creating the first dental Faculty and ultimately the College of Stomatology in what has become Sichuan University. The first Dean of the dental school, he went on to become Vice Chancellor of the University. (The top right photo shows Dean Mock at the entrance to the University where the bust of Dr. Ashley Lindsay is displayed.)

The connection with our Faculty has endured over the years. In 2007 Dean Mock spoke at Sichuan University’s Faculty during its 100th anniversary. This September Dean Mock was once again hosted by the University, this time to attend the 100th anniversary of the medical school. Along with Associate Dean of Research Dr. Dennis Cvitkovitch and Interim Director of Graduate Studies Dr. Morris Manolson, the Dean discussed a new exchange of graduate students and faculty which will continue to strengthen the ties between our two Faculties, East and West.

Participants of the Chinese delegation:
Xuedong Zhou, Dean, Professor of Oral Biology and Cariology; Vice President, Sichuan University
Jie Tang, Professor of Dental Education
Yu Chen, Professor of Oral Pathology
Min Wang, Professor of Prosthodontics
Wei Li, Professor of Dental Materials
High School Students Consider Dentistry as a Profession

Faculty and students worked together this summer to offer high school students a glimpse of what it’s like to pursue a career in dentistry. The Summer Mentorship Program (SMP) was launched in 1994 by the Faculty of Medicine, in partnership with the Association for the Advancement of Blacks in Health Sciences and First Nations House. The program is aimed at encouraging African-Canadian and aboriginal students, who are traditionally under-represented in the health sciences, to consider careers in health care.

Dr. Luch Valenzano 6T3, Assistant Dean, Clinics, and staff Lucy Ferraro and Gaye Donnan worked with co-founder of the program Diana Alli. With the support of our students – and our practice manikins – we were able to give participants a realistic experience of what it’s like to perform dental procedures.

The four week intensive program kicked off with high school students attending an academic conference composed of students from the various health sciences. Aditya Patel, a third year student at the Faculty, was chosen to represent dentistry. “I am proud to have been involved in this program and grateful for the opportunity to mentor students eager to be professionals,” said Aditya.

“I found the trip incredibly insightful because before that day I had never considered dentistry as a viable career for my future... The trip to the Faculty of Dentistry was a highlight, not only of the program but also for my life, as it gave insight and provided me with the reminder that it is always important to keep an open mind.”

Walter Byrne
High School Student
Summer Mentorship Program 2010
“The Faculty of Dentistry experience was amazing! I really think that it resonated with students... I will not be surprised if many of them decide that they do want to pursue dentistry as a career.”

JOSEPH ACQUAYE
Coordinator 2010 Summer Mentorship Program

“Today I got a first hand glimpse of the amazing care shown to our high school students from the Summer Mentorship Program in your state of the art dental labs. Our students felt like VIPs... truly privileged with the compassionate care, support and awesome experiences made possible by you and your team.”

DIANA ALLI
Co-Founder
University of Toronto Summer Mentorship Program
Discipline Head Reports

Dr. Ernest Lam
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND HEAD
DISCIPLINE OF ORAL AND
MAXILLOFACIAL RADIOLOGY

Two recent graduates of the MSc specialty program in Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, Dr. Noura Alsufyani and Dr. Milan Madhavji, successfully challenged the National Dental Specialty Examination administered by the Royal College of Dentists of Canada. Dr. Alsufyani also successfully challenged the certifying examination of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology in November, 2009. Since our post-graduate students began challenging the American Board examination in 2005, we have accrued a very impressive 100% first-time pass rate.

The clinical and educational research endeavours of our undergraduate and post-graduate MSc and PhD students were showcased at meetings of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology in Louisville, Kentucky, and the European Association of DentoMaxilloFacial Radiology in Istanbul, Turkey.

The new Kodak 9000 3D small field cone-beam CT system was installed in the Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology clinic earlier this spring and is available to Faculty dental patients as well as through outside referrals from community-based practitioners. Email oral.radiology@dentistry.utoronto.ca for a referral form or call 416-979-4932 Ext. 4377.

From celebrating 50 years as one of North America’s longest running disciplines, to recognizing the important role that our part-time instructors play in preparing students for what lies ahead, discipline heads take this opportunity to share with alumni what is taking place in their programs.
With responsibility for six undergraduate courses as well as overall direction of the clinical comprehensive care program (CCP), teaching is a significant part of our mandate.

We are fortunate to have the combined expertise and assistance of over 100 experienced clinicians from private practice as pre-clinical and clinical sessional instructors, who generously provide their time to help us give the best possible clinical education to our students.

Restorative Dentistry has recently lost a valuable faculty member with the retirement of Dr. Jim Brown 6T8 in June. Dr. Wafa El-Badrawy has agreed to an increased full-time commitment to the Faculty and will now assume the coordination of the DDS2 pre-clinical program vacated by Dr. Brown.

Retirement is a time for renewal and an international search has resulted in the appointment of a new full-time, tenure-stream faculty member for Restorative, Dr. Grace Mendonca Dias de Souza, from Brazil. Her major research interest is in the field of ceramics, and she has also had significant restorative teaching experience.

Our most recent faculty member in Restorative, Dr. Anuradha Prakki, is responsible for the new Dental Anatomy course, which she has updated and modernized, including the development of original digital educational tools to assist student learning.

Dr. Laura Tam 8T5 performs a level of teaching and scholarly activity that is remarkable for her 60% position at the Faculty. She has recently been promoted to Full Professor in recognition of her significant accomplishments over the years.

Dr. Omar El-Mowafy, Full Professor since 2002, collaborates closely with several universities in Egypt and has acted as co-supervisor for PhD students from Alexandria, Ain Shams, Cairo, Mansoura and Suez Canal as well as his own graduate students in Toronto.

Dr. Dorothy McComb MSc 7T4 was a key speaker at the Pan Territorial Health Initiative Conference in Whitehorse, Yukon in February. A member of the CDA Clinical and Scientific Affairs Committee as well as the Clinical Sciences representative to the RCDC Council, Dr. McComb received the Teacher of the Year award in 2010 from the DDS4 class and has been significantly involved in the curriculum review process over the last two years.

The Faculty is currently putting into place major curriculum changes that will result in increased clinic time for students. This will enable increased emphasis on total patient care for assigned patients in the CCP and should significantly improve the student clinical experience.

Dr. McComb is proud of the educational programs and significant accomplishments of the members of Restorative Dentistry and would like to acknowledge the extremely capable administrative assistance of Iris Bazzaco, in recognition of the important role she plays in the discipline’s success.
50 Years of Specialty Training

It’s one of the oldest accredited advanced education programs in Pediatric Dentistry in North America, but if it had not have been for Dr. Norman Levine, and his insistence on this program, who knows whether the Specialty Program in Pediatric Dentistry at the Faculty would have celebrated its 50th anniversary this May.

The past 50 years have seen our Faculty training almost 100 specialists in Pediatric Dentistry, most of whom have stayed in Canada and make up over a third of all the pediatric Dentists in Canada.

The Celebration

The 50th anniversary celebration took place on May 1st. The Norman Levine Graduate Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Day continuing education event and dinner was well attended by many former alumni of our program. The scientific program was on Endodontic Care in the Young Permanent Dentition given by Dr. Martin Trope, an international authority on this topic and his former graduate student, Dr. Blayne Thibodeau who is not only an endodontist in Saskatoon, but is married to one our alumni Dr. Anjani Koneru MSc OT8 (Ped Dent). The event was attended by members of the executive from the Canadian Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the Ontario Society of Pediatric Dentists. All present were thrilled that Dr. Norman Levine was there.
Looking Back
In the early 60s the clinical specialty of Pediatric Dentistry was in its infancy in North America. There were no Pediatric Dental Specialty programs in Canada and DDS alumni who were interested in pursuing a career in Pediatric Dentistry were heading south to the United States to complete their specialty training. But there was one U of T alumnus who wanted to pursue a specialty career in Pediatric Dentistry but for a combination of reasons, some personal some financial, could not go to an American program. That person was our own Dr. Norman Levine. He approached Dr. Stewart Alexander (Sandy) MacGregor, who was Chair of U of T’s paedodontic program and founding Chief of the dental program at the Hospital for Sick Children, and convinced him to start a specialty program in Pediatric Dentistry at U of T. Dr. MacGregor became the first Chair (Head) of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Toronto.

The key faculty members who helped establish the program were Dr. Gordon Nikiforuk, Dr. Jack Paynter, Dr. Murray Hunt, Dean Roy Ellis and Mr. Bob Granger with Dr. Herb Sorenson at SickKids. Dr. Marjorie Jackson was the first clinical specialty program director.

If it were not for Norman Levine and his insistence, who knows if our program would have ever started. Norman became the first graduate with a Diploma in Pedodontics from the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto.

Kudos to Our Alumni
In the late 1960s Dr. MacGregor moved on and for the next three years Dr. Keith Davie headed up the discipline. From 1969 to 1981 Dr. Arlington Dungy was the Head of Pediatric Dentistry at SickKids, and the late Dr. Roderick Moran developed the dental program at the Ontario Crippled Children’s Centre and Bloorview which has since evolved into the Bloorview Kids Rehab facility. Dr. Moran was responsible for obtaining the Ministry of Health funding for the oral dental rehabilitation of children with craniofacial anomalies.

Dr. Tony Hargraves was the next Head of Pediatric Dentistry and then, in the late 70’s, our own Dr. Norman Levine agreed to come to the Faculty on a full-time basis to take on the role of Head of Pediatric Dentistry. In 1981 Dr. David Kenny PhD arrived as the new Dentist-in-Chief at SickKids, and appointed Dr. Douglas Johnston as the Head of Pediatric Dentistry. Norman was Head until 1993 when he decided to step down at which time Dr. Michael Sigal was appointed to the position, which he holds at this time. At SickKids Dr. Johnston become the Chief and Dr. Peter Judd MSc became the Head of Pediatric Dentistry. Other than Dr. Hargraves, these are all alumni of our program!

Looking Forward
As the program celebrates the past 50 years we look forward to the new generation of Pediatric Dentistry Alumni ensuring that our program continues to grow and make a difference in the oral health of children for the next 50 years.
The Discipline of Endodontics has been busy with its ongoing quest to upgrade and improve teaching programs and facilities. Early in 2010, the Discipline was instrumental in obtaining a new Kodak 9000 3D cone-beam CT imaging system, which has since been installed in the clinical facilities of the Discipline of Radiology. This new CBCT imaging system will significantly improve our ability to diagnose and treatment-plan complex cases. Another important upgrade is the installation of Kodak RVG 6000 Digital Radiography in the Graduate Endodontics Clinic. This major undertaking has become financially feasible through the generous contributions from the clinical instructors, the Dean, Carestream Health Canada who discounted the sensors, and the graduate students who each purchased a subsidized sensor for their use in the clinic. The last, but certainly not the least of the upgrades, is the Discipline’s obtaining new Carl Zeiss microscopes for the Graduate Endodontics Clinic.

We are making an important change in the Undergraduate Endodontics Program. Starting in January 2011, the second year class will be split into two halves for the pre-clinical course, which will run continuously until May. This will allow students to be fully prepared for providing endodontic care to patients starting in September of their third year, compared to their predecessors who attained this capability only in April of their third year. We are very excited about these developments. To meet this challenge we have recruited six new part-time instructors: Drs. A. Encioiu O18, A. Azarpazhooh MSc DPH O17, D. Leung, J. Madras, J. Rapp O11 and A. Grossman.

We are truly fortunate to have the support of these individuals, and of the endodontic community at large in the city and beyond.

Another important development in the Undergraduate Endodontics Program is the expanded reliance on podcasts (online lectures or webinars) for delivery of the didactic component. In the upcoming year 2010/11, students across 2nd, 3rd and 4th years will review no less than 15 podcasts recorded by the Endodontics Discipline staff – over one-third of all content included in the course.

Under the leadership of Dr. Gevik Malkhassian MSc Endo O17, Preclinical Endodontics course director, we are bracing ourselves for a very busy winter term with two classes performing different pre-clinical procedures at the same time and in the same space.
It’s been a busy year for both staff and students in the DPH program.

Dr. Herenia Lawrence, Associate Professor, along with her partners in Australia and New Zealand, were awarded a 5-year grant for their project which is looking at ways to reduce the disease burden and health inequalities arising from chronic dental disease among indigenous children.

Laura Dempster PhD 0T7, Assistant Professor and Kamienski Professor in Dental Education Research, spent a year as a Visiting Professor at the Wilson Centre for Research and Education.

Professor Emeritus James Leake 6T6 was the lead writer of the recently released survey conducted by Health Canada, which provides the first clinical data on the oral health status of Canadians in over thirty years.

Dr. Leake was also one of three recipients who this year received the Distinguished Service Award from the Canadian Dental Association.

We are also proud of the achievements of our Alumni: Dr. Patricia Main 7T5, Registrar of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada has just had her term as Registrar extended for another two years. Dr. Main has also agreed to accept an appointment as Interim Head of the discipline of Dental Public Health. (See page 8.) In 2009 Dr. Peter Cooney, Canada’s Chief Dental Officer was named Chair of the Public Health Section of the World Dental Federation (WDF), as well as public health representative on the Dental Amalgam Task Team of the WDF.

In February 2010 Dr. Carlos Quiñonez PhD 0T9 co-hosted a one day symposium of local provincial, federal and international leaders with the goal of building oral health equity in Ontario. Dr. Quiñonez was also named to the Dental Stakeholder Advisory Group, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. This group provides advice to the Government of Ontario concerning its new Low Income Dental Program. In addition he was named lead writer of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences initiative on access to dental care in Canada, and co-lead of the Patterns and Pathways of Inequity research program, a 5-year grant associated with the Applied Research network Initiative of the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

All in all a busy and productive year for our discipline.

Amir Azarpazhooh DPH 0T7 was selected as a Cochrane Canada author trainer by the Cochrane Library, Ottawa, in 2010. He has also received a Certificate in Evidence-Based Dentistry from the American Dental Association Center for Evidence-Based Dentistry/The Forsyth Institute in Boston, and joined the Scientific Advisory Board of the Journal of Endodontics.

Congratulations are due to our students including Paola Calvasina, a Masters Student in the DPH program who was a World Fellowship Awardee from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International; Constantine Batsos who was awarded the Glenn T. Mitton Medal for the student with the highest standing in the DPH program in 2010; and Laleh Sadeghi who is one of the students highlighted in the first issue of “The Student Voice”, a publication initiated by the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion.
The Faculty Clinics are teaching clinics and hence require and rely on Clinical Instructors to provide guidance and support for our undergraduate students and graduate residents.

The vast majority of our Clinical Instructors are in full-time private practice and still find the time to devote a half-day, a full-day or sometimes even more to ensure our students achieve their clinical experiences and, even more importantly, ensure the Faculty patients receive the oral health care they need.

On behalf of the Faculty I would like to thank all the Clinical Instructors for generously giving their time, professional expertise and tremendous dedication.

It is with great excitement that we look forward to the upcoming year with the knowledge that we can tap into the newly established Access to Care Fund and provide even more dental care to patients most in need. (See page 9 for more details.)

This summer saw our Clinic staff and students involved in the University of Toronto Summer Mentorship Program which offers high school students, who are traditionally under-represented in the health sciences, the opportunity to consider a career in health care. See pages 14-15 for more photos and student comments.

This has been a year of distinction for three of our professors in Biomaterials/Bioengineering – Dr. Davies, Dr. Santerre and Dr. Simmons.

Researchers at U of T Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering and Princess Margaret Hospital, led by U of T’s Professor J.E. Davies (a full professor in Dentistry), have mapped out the differentiation of highly therapeutically useful mesenchymal stem cells, which they have harvested in vast quantities from umbilical cords – tissue normally discarded at birth.

Dr. Paul Santerre, Chair, Biomaterial Dept., and Full Professor at the Faculty, was the recipient of the Julia Levy Award from the Society of Chemical Industry – Canada, which recognizes successful commercialisation of innovation in Canada in the field of biomedical Science and Engineering. Former Director of the Dental Research Institute, Dr. Santerre is Director of the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering.

Dr. Craig Simmons PhD OT0 was the 2010 recipient of the McCharles Prize for Early Career Research Distinction and the new McCharles Fellow. The award honours exceptional performance and distinction in early career research on the part of a pre-tenure member of the Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering. Dr. Simmons is shown here with Faculty Dean Cristina Amon.
International Honour for Richard Ellen

On May 22, 2010 Dr. Richard P. Ellen, Professor, Matrix Dynamics Group and Dental Research Institute, Faculty of Dentistry, and cross-appointee of the Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, Faculty of Medicine, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Medicine Honoris Causa, Linköping University, Sweden. LiU has one of the major health science faculties in Sweden, but it does not have a dental program making this appointment even more meaningful from an interprofessional standpoint. Professor Ellen was recognized for his leading research into bacterial-host cell interactions as a means to understand infection and immunity in the complex etiology of periodontal diseases. He was especially recognized for his promotion of interdisciplinary and international collaboration in health research training, and his long-term (30 year) record of personal collaboration with Swedish scientists. The citation also highlighted that Professor Ellen has proved to be especially “Sweden-friendly” in his pursuit of learning Swedish culture, his “excellent” command of the Swedish language, and his penchant for physical activity such as swimming and cross-country skiing.

HONOURING AN EXCEPTIONAL CAREER

Closer to home, the scientific and teaching career of Professor Richard Ellen was honoured at a reception/dinner and symposium held on June 27 and 28, 2010 at the Old Mill Inn. 80 guests, who travelled from as far as Japan and Sweden, joined with those from the United States and Canada. Four deans (Gordon Nikiforuk 4T7, Norman Levine 6T0, Barry Sessle and David Mock 6T8) were also in attendance along with John McDonald, former President of the University of British Columbia. Some of Richard’s colleagues included Ralph Burgess 5T7 and Jim Sandham from the Dept. of Microbiology and Cal Torneck 5T8 from the Dept. of Endodontics, along with a number of Richard’s students including Lawrie Yanover 7T7 (first PhD student of Richard’s) and Marco Magalhaes PhD 0T9 (most recent PhD student).

A small Faculty-associated jazz Samba band played for the guests at the reception and the band included Marco as well as Richard’s long-standing scientific collaborators Mike Glogauer 9T3 and Chris McCulloch 7T6.

The events were moderated by Howard Tenenbaum 7T8 and the final wrap-up was presented by Dennis Cvitkovitch, Associate Dean, Research, who provided a glimpse into the future of oral microbiology.

The organizers are grateful for the efforts of Marie-Christine Kean and to all of the attendees. One measure of the esteem in which Richard is held was that the reception/dinner and symposium were completely funded by the attendees.

Dr. Ellen is shown in Sweden at LiU accepting his degree of Doctor of Medicine Honoris Causa in full regalia – top hat and tails!
Valuable Experience Gained for Students on Summer Excursions

This past summer has been a busy one for our students. Some were involved in the University of Toronto Summer Mentorship Program (see pages 14-15 for the full story), or worked in the summer research program here at the Faculty, while others had the opportunity to travel overseas to further their research or operate dental clinics in remote areas.

Research presentation in Barcelona
This year’s Student Research Group/Alumni Travel award enabled two of our students to attend the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) Conference in Barcelona this summer and represent the Faculty on an international stage. Calling it an “incredible opportunity” both students also got to enjoy the architecture, beaches and food that Barcelona has to offer – a definite plus!

“Presenting our work at the IADR was a huge honour. I was thrilled with the amount of positive feedback our research received. It’s my hope that by presenting our work at the IADR it will have a positive impact on the way dentists around the world treat proximal caries.”

Stacey Kirshenblatt

“I would like to thank the Student Research Group and the Alumni Association for the student travel award that gave me the opportunity to present my research at the 2010 IADR conference. Our findings can have potential implications in understanding host mediated pathophysiology of common inflammatory diseases such as periodontitis and rheumatoid arthritis. I was both humbled and honoured to receive this award and for being able to represent our Faculty at such a well respected international event.”

Reza Termei

From bench science to clinical research – something for everyone
The summer research program at the Faculty of Dentistry is designed to help students explore different fields of dental research. Along with top notch investigators, students have access to resources and experts in the respective field. With a variety of research genres – from bench science to clinical research – there is something for everyone to experience. Aditya Patel was one of the many students who took advantage of the program this summer.

“For the past two summers I have been working with Dr. Bernhard Ganss in the Group in Matrix Dynamic department. The summer research program, and the mentorship of Dr. Ganss, has given me valuable academic and clinical experience.”

Aditya Patel DDS Third Year
Amazon, Brazil – A humbling experience

HELPING HANDS Medical Missions (HHMM) is a Catholic non-profit organization established in 1996 to provide health care needs throughout the developing world. From July 2-11, 2010, Matthew Chan (Fifth Year Perio/PhD Candidate) and Valerie Tom-Kun (Third Year Endo/MSc Candidate), along with fourth year dental student Claire Hong, participated in a mission with HHMM that took place in the Amazon of Brazil. The mission team consisted of 31 volunteers from Canada and the United States. The only dentists on the team, they were responsible for operating three dental clinics.

“An essential experience that we gained from this mission was the respect for the self-worth and dignity of those we treat. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this trip possible.”

MATTHEW CHAN AND VALERIE TOM-KUN

A New Brunswicker in Singapore

When Andrew Halford arrived at the University of Toronto last fall from New Brunswick he knew that one significant component of his education involved carrying out research for his masters degree, but, in his own words, “I was unaware of the opportunities that this would present and where my future research project would take me.”

On the advice of his supervisors, Drs. Shimon Friedman and Anil Kishen, it took him all the way to Singapore this summer – a 24 hour trip that ended in the sweltering Singapore heat and gave Andrew the opportunity to carry out experiments at the School of Physics and Mathematics, Nanyang Technological University. His exposure to new techniques, graduate students from Malaysia, Singapore and Mexico, along with the Singapore culture, provided him with an unforgettable experience.

“I was surprised to learn the variety of backgrounds of the fellow graduate students I would be working with. I think they were equally as surprised with my background and I was quickly known and introduced as the dentist from Canada. This was a productive trip for both personal and academic reasons that I would not have undertaken unless my research took me there.”

ANDREW HALFORD
Greetings! As DSS President for 2010-2011 I am both honoured and excited to serve my term.

A recap of last year’s highlights:

- In November, Ali Sigal, with the help of students and staff, successfully ran a fund-raising gala for the Oral Health Total Health (OHTH) organization which, in March, ran a very successful Sharing Smiles Day event. Ali is the founder of OHTH, a non-profit organization with a mission to advocate, educate and improve the oral health care of persons with special needs.

- In January, with help from the Alumni Association, the students attended the annual International Dental Student Conference in Montreal.

- Lastly, in March, Shayna Levitan and Elena Gershenzon broke several legs organizing a stellar Michael Jackson inspired Dentantics 2010 event (“Driller”).

So what are the students up to now?

With their newly-donned white coats, the incoming Class of 1T4 is settling into life in dental school, and cannot shake that familiar feeling of freshman year, while at the same time revelling in the novelty that they will soon become doctors.

The second year Class of 1T3 is busy working on Dentantics 2011 while enjoying their final pre-clinical year without being the freshmen on campus.

The 1T2’s are too busy cowering in fear based on all the horror stories they’ve heard about third year, while the 1T1’s are still recovering from the toughest year in dental school and are too busy trying to get their credits together to even think about life after dental school.

Stay tuned for further updates as the year quickly progresses!

EDWIN CHANG
DSS PRESIDENT 2010-2011
GO = Get Orientated!

Orientation Week 2010 was a huge success. Students took part in a range of activities including a formal White Coat Ceremony, ODA luncheon, CN Tower Dinner, Amazing Race, and a trip to Niagara Falls. Throughout the week, students were informed about many products and services from our generous sponsors and created lasting memories of their first days as a dental student.

Orientation Week Coordinators:
Kristen Brandao, Matthew Chuk and Lauren Allen

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Reading the Oath of Commitment at the White Coat Ceremony before family, friends and new colleagues

The winners of the Amazing Race

Getting acquainted with the Faculty

Students showing their spirit during the traditional game of floss limbo

Taking it to the streets of Toronto – the Amazing Race

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Academic Awards 2010

Congratulations to all our graduating DDS award winners, and our sincere thanks to all the donors who make these awards possible.

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Swati Chiragh Ajwani

Orthodontic Book Prize
Fatma Emel Arat

Irwin Fefergad Award
Derek Aversa

Dr. Alan K. Joe and Family Scholarship in Orthodontics (Second)
Michael Anthony Lav Cho-Young

Dr. Paula Gregory Memorial Award
Karen Mai-Yee Chu

Joseph Harker Johnson Scholarship
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Paul Takahashi Scholarship
Karen Mai-Yee Chu

Dr. Boris Pulec Scholarship
Kevin Kaye Ming Chung

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Dr. Charles Hyman Moses Award
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Oral Anatomy Scholarship
Ghada Saleh Ibrahim

Edward G. Dore Award
Kimberly Anne Mason

Davis Orthodontics Award
Chynna Rae McLean

Barry H. Korzen Award in Endodontics
Sohila Methani

Harold Keith Box Prizes (Gold)
Danielle Nicole Musselman

Crown and Bridge Study Club (Toronto Academy) Scholarship
Danielle Nicole Musselman

Prosthodontics Prize
Danielle Nicole Musselman

Albert E. Webster Memorial Scholarship
Danielle Nicole Musselman (tied)

Harold Keith Box Prizes (Silver)
Paul William Mytnowych

Dr. Norman Levine Award in Paediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics
Paul William Mytnowych

Albert E. Webster Memorial Scholarship
Larisa Naderiani (tied)

Dr. Alan K. Joe and Family Scholarship in Orthodontics (First)
Priya Ramachandran

The Canadian Academy of Periodontology Prize
Ryan Samuel Schure

Hugh Alexander Hoskin Scholarship
Ryan Samuel Schure

Dr. Michael Oliver Memorial Scholarship
Ryan Samuel Schure

Academy of Dentistry Prize
Daniel Schwartzberg

S.A. MacGregor Prize
Daniel Schwartzberg

George Hare Endodontic Study Club Scholarship
Arash Shoja Saffar

John Earl Moser Memorial Prize
Arash Shoja Saffar

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Paul William Mytnowych

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Karen Mai-Yee Chu
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White Coat Ceremony

This year’s White Coat Ceremony was held August 31st at Hart House. Students entering the DDS program, and students in the International Dentist Advanced Placement Program, received this symbol of our obligations to our patients. Parents, spouses, children, and other guests joined in the celebration, as well as faculty members. Dignitaries included Dr. David Clark 7T6 representing the RCDSO (member of the governing Council and Executive Committee Member); Dr. Aldo Boccia 7T4, President of the American College of Dentists (Ontario Section); and Dr. Narendra Daljeet 8T5 Alumni Association Board member. Dean Mock gave the keynote speech and Faculty Registrar Margaret Edghill, along with the three dignitaries, placed coats on the students.
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