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We've moved the date to coincide with the ODA's Annual Spring Meeting!

Please plan to join with us on Saturday, April 30, at the Allstream Centre and honour:

DR. JACK COTTRELL 7T5

DR. CHRISTOPHER MCCULLOCH 7T6

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Buying a ticket to the Gala will help ensure the continuance of the Access to Care Fund and enable us to move closer to our goal of ensuring that not a single patient in the Faculty's clinics discontinues treatment because of financial hardship.

BREAKING NEWS:

Anne Mroczkowski, Co-Ancor of News Hour Toronto on Global Television has signed on to emcee the 2011 Awards of Distinction Gala!

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Two Opportunities to Reconnect

It's the Faculty's largest annual event – and this year we're making it possible for even more alumni to attend.

With attendance approaching 650 in recent years, the Gala attracts alumni, partners in industry and organized dentistry, faculty, and student leaders. By moving the date of this year's celebration to coincide with the ODA's Annual Spring Meeting, alumni who already plan to be in Toronto for the ODA meeting, or for their class reunion, can take the opportunity to continue socializing, help raise funds, and honour our distinguished Award recipients (see profiles on pages 18-23).

The Gala is not only an opportunity to reconnect with classmates and faculty, it also raises funds to make dental care available to those individuals in our community who otherwise could not afford it. As dental professionals we have the ability and the responsibility to offer help and support to many people in a variety of ways. The Access to Care Fund is enabling us to do this (see page 16). Your attendance at this year's Gala will help open the doors of our Faculty's dental clinics to those who most need our help.

Another great event for alumni to reconnect is the annual ODA President's Cup hockey game (see page 15). This year it takes place on home ice at Varsity Arena on Saturday, April 2nd. An extremely competitive match between U of T and Western, the atmosphere is charged with excitement as both sides cheer on their team. I hope to see many alumni there at the game and the after-party, both of which promise to be a lot of fun – and hopefully celebration – for our Dents team!

DAVID MOCK 6T8



“If you're at ODA Annual Spring Meeting, don't miss our Gala. Earlier in April, help cheer on the Dents hockey team.”

No Preparation Required!

100 students had pizza with 30 alumni on a cold January evening. It was a chance for students to ask us about the transition from school to practice.

Remember being a student, unsure of what to do after graduation? Residency? Choosing a good associate position? Heading North? Establishing rapport with office staff? Work/life balance? Which organizations to join?

If anything, the list of choices and questions is longer now than when many of us finished school. And students need opportunities to talk to someone who is not their instructor, especially if they don't come from dental families.

Mentors did not have to prepare in advance. We just came ready to talk – and eat pizza.

To be notified of upcoming mentorship events, contact Sabrina Martinez, Manager of Alumni Relations, sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca

Another great way to help students is to volunteer with the Gala. The Gala is raising funds for the Faculty's clinics so that more patients can complete their treatment plans – this makes it easier for students to complete their required clinical competencies. The Gala "jobs" are pretty easy – ask your family and business contacts to donate to the silent auction or invite your friends in dentistry to buy tickets to the Gala. We'll provide everything you need to proceed. The Gala is an easy sell, since it is absolutely a great party, usually with dancing 'til midnight. Sabrina Martinez is the contact for the Gala as well. Email her and join the fun!

VALERIE STAVRO 8T4

"...the list of choices and questions is longer now than when many of us finished school."



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 416-979-4940 or email sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca

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Alumni in the News

Alumnus Receives Honorary Degree

On June 18, **Dr. Peter Zakarow** 5T6 received Durham College's first honorary credential during the 2010 spring convocation ceremonies.

A native of Oshawa, Peter graduated as a dental surgeon from the University of Toronto in 1956 and soon established a dental practice in his hometown, which he operated for more than 40 years.

Dr. Zakarow began his active association with Durham College in 1982 as a college governor, volunteering and canvassing for donations at numerous fundraisers. After serving as vice-chair of the board of governors, he was named board chair in 1985, a position he held until 1987. Also, as a member of the Durham College Dental Advisory Committee, he was instrumental in implementing the college's very successful Dental Hygiene program and curriculum. This included calling on his fellow dentists to help provide dental equipment to students, and personally pledging an annual scholarship to outstanding students in the program.

Dental Nurses of 5T0 Celebrate 60th Reunion

The Old Mill Inn was the venue for this year's reunion luncheon. Sadly, since our last get together six classmates have passed away and one of our regulars, **Beth Richardson (Martin)**, was unable to attend. Shown



from left to right, standing, are: **Miriam Webb (Bailey)**, **Marion McDonald (Anderson)**, **Elinor Hull (Fraser)**. Seated: **Dorothy Long (McNiven)**, **Joan Gunn (Ehnes)** and **Betty Stacey (Bennett)**.

BETTY STACEY 5T0

"I am very pleased to present this award to Dr. Zakarow on behalf of the college," said Don Lovisa, president of Durham College. "Dr. Zakarow is a firm believer in community involvement and has always been extremely dedicated to us. I am thrilled to recognize him as a friend and college champion and thank him for his ongoing support. This is an exciting moment in Durham College's history."

Dr. Lynn Tomkins Named One of Canada's Most Powerful Women

Congratulations to **Dr. Lynn Tomkins** 8T1, ODA President, who has recently been recognized as one of Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100™ Awards, in the KPMG Professionals award category. This is Canada's most recognizable award for the country's highest achieving female leaders in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors. Dr. Tomkins joins a community of 522 women across Canada who have received this recognition.

She has been teaching in the Oral Diagnosis and Emergency clinics at the Faculty for many years and brings a wealth of clinical experience, superb skills, integrity and enthusiasm.

The complete list of 2010 winners can be found at top100women.ca.

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

Contact Sabrina Martinez at sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca or 416-979-4940. 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. For up-to-date reunion events during ODA Spring Meeting see: oda.on.ca/attendee-main-page.html

1951 • 1956 • 1961* – 50th reunion! • 1966**
1971 • 1976 • 1981 • 1986 – 25th reunion!!
1991 • 1996 • 2001 – 10th reunion! • 2006

*50th reunion of 6T1, contact harveyorfus@hotmail.com

**45th reunion of the Class of 6T6 will be held on Friday, April 29. Contact dents6T6@gmail.com or randylang@rogers.com

The Arbor Awards

THE ARBOR AWARD WAS CREATED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO IN 1989 TO RECOGNIZE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERSONAL SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY. THE DEDICATION, LOYALTY AND GENEROSITY SHOWN BY ALUMNI AND FRIENDS HAS ADDED SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE EXPERIENCE THAT STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND ALUMNI ARE ABLE TO ENJOY.

This year's Arbor Award recipients:

Dr. Manjinder Lalh and Dr. Randy Lang



Shown above, left to right: Professor David Naylor, President, U of T, Dr. Manjinder Lalh and The Honourable David R. Peterson, Chancellor, U of T

Dr. Manjinder Lalh 9T8 Dip Endo is one of the key figures in the U of T Endodontic Alumni & Friends (AEF) group. He practices in Edmonton, Alberta and is currently serving as the President of the Canadian Academy of Endodontics.

Since graduating from the Graduate Endodontics program in 1998 he has been a driving force behind AEF. Of particular significance is his leadership in steering the AEF group in its infancy and leading it to become what it is today.

Dr. Lalh has invested much time and effort, all voluntarily, to draft a constitution and bylaws. In addition, Dr. Lalh has established a tradition of hosting graduate students and alumni at convention dinners for a number of years.



Dr. Randy Lang 6T6 DDS, 6T9 Dip Ortho, was instrumental in the launching of the U of T Orthodontic Alumni Association in 1997. A lecturer in undergraduate and graduate orthodontics for more than 30 years, he has been a tireless co-president along with **Dr. Angelos Metaxas** 8T2 Dip Ortho, 8T4 MSc Dentistry.

Each year, Randy and Angelos chair one or two executive meetings, an annual scientific session featuring an internationally recognized speaker and alumni receptions at orthodontic meetings in Canada and the United States. His and Angelos' involvement with the Orthodontic Alumni Association has helped raise more than \$100,000 for the orthodontic discipline.

Randy practices orthodontics in Mississauga and received the Faculty's Award of Distinction in 2009.

Alumnus Shawn Gosnell shares his Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games experience



*“Early in my undergraduate studies it was impressed upon me by people like **Dean Gordon Nikoforuk** that a successful career in dentistry must include involvement in organized dentistry and the community.”* SHAWN GOSNELL 7T7

Above: Shawn and his wife Sharon

2010 has been a very busy and exciting year for us. We have been so fortunate to have had the opportunity to host, and be a part of, the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Shortly after graduation from the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry in 1977, and an internship at Toronto Hospital for Sick Children, I travelled to Banff, Alberta for holidays and ended up practicing there for 25 years. In 2003 our family moved to the Sea To Sky Corridor of British Columbia where, shortly after our arrival, the IOC announced that the 2010 Winter Games had been awarded to Vancouver and Whistler.

There was no doubt that both my wife Sharon and I wanted to be fully immersed in the Games. Sharon worked primarily in course marshalling while my own



The Camera Sled operator (Trevor from Toronto) leads the pack out on the Men's 50km. Canadians are in the lead.



Supervisor Shawn kicks back at the end of the Gold Medal Hockey Game.



Marianne gives the underworked Integrated Security Forces sharing our office a chance to practice their techniques.

involvement evolved into a supervisory role. I recruited and managed a crew of 16 who were responsible for transporting all manner of people and equipment, as well as operating the multimillion dollar snowmobile cameras. One of our crew members from Toronto was Marianne Bulger, who was the daughter of my classmate **Michael Bulger 7T7** and niece of Toronto dentist **Joe Bulger 8T2**.

After the Olympics I took on the position of Assistant Chief of Course Nordic for the Paralympic Games. Our involvement with the Games necessitated seven weeks of holiday time during the Games themselves, in addition to the many hours of organizing between 2007 and 2010. While a smaller event, the Paralympics were a revelation in terms of the determination and persistence of the human spirit against all odds.

There were so many highlights from the Olympics, including seeing kids from our former ski club in Alberta representing Canada in Nordic events. Being a part of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games has been an experience that we will never forget.

SHAWN GOSNELL 7T7

In 2006, Shawn opened a solo private practice in Squamish and has just taken on an associate this fall.



Some of the Crew taking a break from post race duties to watch the Gold Medal Hockey Game on the Jumbotron.

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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Playing the course for a great cause!

The 9th Annual Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament was held at Copper Creek Golf Club on Friday, September 17. Always a well attended event, each year it is made possible through the generosity of our alumni, sponsors, golfers, donors and volunteers who come together for a great cause – our students.

Everyone who participated helped raise funds for student bursaries, community outreach experiences, student organizations and mentorship opportunities. These programs change the lives of today's students who will become tomorrow's clinicians, teachers and researchers.

Special thanks to our lead sponsors Altima Dental, Scotiabank and MBNA, and kudos for a job well done to Golf Co-Chairs **Peter Tonisson 7T6** and **Graham Flanagan** who led our Golf Committee, and volunteers: **Jim Blair**, **Frank Kalamut 7T9** and **Jeff Kirshenbaum 7T1**.



Save the date...
2011 Faculty of Dentistry Golf Tournament
Friday, September 16, 2011 at Copper Creek Golf Club, Kleinburg.





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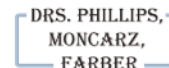
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FACULTY OF DENTISTRY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 15

Student Research Day

12:00 p.m., Faculty of Dentistry
Rm 207, 124 Edward Street, Toronto, ON

All the dental specialties will showcase their unique areas of research, much of which is having a direct impact in clinical applications. First keynote speaker will be followed by lunch and poster presentations in the auditorium. Second keynote speaker, along with an undergrad and grad student, will present in the afternoon followed by the awards presentation. Both students will be winners of the SRG (Student Research Group)/ Alumni Association Travel Awards. Keynote speakers: **Dr. Paul Santerre** and **Dr. Christopher Overall**. Wine and cheese reception and Clinical Tables to follow. No charge – alumni receive 3 CDE credits for attending. To register, contact Leah Raz in the Dental Research Institute at l.raz@dentistry.utoronto.ca.

MARCH 10 – MARCH 11

Pacific Dental Conference

Booth #1722, Vancouver Conference Centre
1055 Canada Place, Vancouver, BC

Visit our booth, let us know how you're doing and flip through your Hya Yaka yearbook. **Dean David Mock** will be available on Friday between 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., and is looking forward to greeting you in person.

MARCH 11

Alumni Cocktail Reception

5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Cypress Room
Pan Pacific Vancouver Hotel
300-999 Canada Place, Vancouver, BC

Dean David Mock invites you to join him for a cocktail reception. Free. To register or for more information, contact Sabrina Martinez at sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca, 416-979-4940 or 1-800-743-3788.

MARCH 17 – 18

Dentantics 2011

"Where the small screen comes to life"

7:00 p.m., Isabel Bader Theatre
Victoria University, 73 Queen's Park Crescent, Toronto, ON
Alumni are invited to join us for the 90th anniversary of



How can we help?

*This fall, the Faculty welcomed two new staff members to increase our services for alumni and friends. **Sabrina Martinez** (left) and **Miriam Stephan** (right), join **Susan Alksnis**, Director of Advancement.*

Sabrina is Manager of Alumni Relations, with responsibility for alumni programming. Contact Sabrina at 416-979-4940 regarding class reunions, magazine submissions, alumni events, mentoring students or volunteering with the Gala and Alumni Association. Before Dentistry, Sabrina organized the University's premier volunteer recognition event, the Arbor Awards, and the University-wide Spring Reunion, while also staffing several alumni organizations.

Miriam fills a newly created role to serve donors to the Faculty. As Advancement Coordinator, Miriam works primarily in the areas of donor relations, gift stewardship, student awards, and charitable tax receipts. Miriam is also the main contact for the Golf Tournament. She can be reached at 416-979-4775. She comes to Dentistry with a wealth of experience in development and alumni relations, most recently with the faculties of Pharmacy and Music.

Dentantics. Bring a few classmates and reminisce about your student days as you are entertained by our current students. Proceeds from the production will proudly support the Faculty's Access to Care Fund. Tickets \$20. Order tickets online at utoronto.ca/dentistry/alumni or call 416-979-4940.

APRIL 2

ODA President's Cup Hockey Tournament

7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Varsity Arena, 275 Bloor Street West
Toronto, ON

Alumni are encouraged to cheer on the U of T Dents hockey team as they take on UWO on home ice. After-game party to follow. Proceeds from the game will benefit the Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation (U of T's charity) and D.O.C.S. (UWO's charity). Tickets \$10. To order tickets, contact Sabrina Martinez at sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca or 416-979-4940.

APRIL 28 – 29

ODA Annual Spring Meeting 2011

**Booth #1020, Metro Toronto Convention Centre
South Building, 222 Bremner Blvd., Toronto, ON**

Visit our booth, let us know how you're doing, flip through your Hya Yaka yearbook and pick-up your Faculty of Dentistry lapel pin. **Dean David Mock** will be available on Friday April 29 between 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is looking forward to greeting you in person.

APRIL 30

2011 Awards of Distinction Gala

**6:00 p.m. – Cocktail Reception • 7:00 p.m. – Dinner
Allstream Centre, Exhibition Place, 105 Princess Boulevard
Toronto, ON**

Join **Dean David Mock** and our 2011 Awards of Distinction

honourees U of T alumni **Dr. Jack Cottrell** and **Dr. Chris McCulloch**, as well as *Oral Health Journal* which is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Proceeds from the Gala will proudly support the Faculty's Access to Care Fund for low income patients, and provide our students more clinical experience and life experience to further their development as leading oral health care professionals. Tickets \$250. Order tickets online utoronto.ca/dentistry/alumni. For more information, contact Sabrina Martinez at sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca or 416-979-4940.

SEPTEMBER 16

2011 Faculty of Dentistry Golf Tournament **Copper Creek Golf Club, 11191 Hwy 27, Kleinburg, ON**

Save the date for our annual golf tournament at this renowned course. Sponsorship opportunities are now available. For more information, contact Miriam Stephan at miriam.stephan@dentistry.utoronto.ca or 416-979-4775.

SciCan's Generosity Enhances Student Learning Experience

For several years the Faculty has been assessing the possibility of implementing a Faculty-wide lecture capture and delivery system. Thanks to a very generous gift from SciCan we will soon be able to add value to the student learning experience, providing immediate and easy access to lectures, seminars, instructional videos and other education material online at a time convenient to them. By the end of the spring semester, several lecture halls will be equipped with this new technology.

Typically the presentation output includes a visual playback area of the presenter's presentation, synchronized with the presenter's voice and image through a second playback window. Thumbnails of the

presenter's slides are also included, making it easy for students to navigate through a captured lecture, quickly finding the most relevant section for review.

With one of the most rigorous academic programs at the University, our dental students must complete their pre-clinical and clinical training in just four years. The new lecture capture system will provide them with the means to access classroom content for review, at a time convenient for them, in a variety of common formats suitable for the most popular portable devices.

SciCan's commitment to the Faculty has been clearly demonstrated over the years. In addition to this most recent gift, SciCan provided the

Faculty with the Arthur Zwingenberger Decanal Chair currently held by Dean David Mock, and the SciCan Lecture Room. The company has been a supporter and sponsor of many of the Faculty's initiatives, events and programs, including our annual Gala. In addition to their sponsorship of this event, longtime employee and former CFO Donna McLean has been a lead volunteer. They also continue to host the Faculty's Continuing Dental Education Centre at their corporate headquarters on Don Mills Road.

The Faculty is grateful for the friendship and support of SciCan Ltd. Chairman Arthur Zwingenberger, and President Brian Douglas.

Remembering...

Marvin Klotz 6T0 pays tribute to three classmates who passed away this year: Frank McNiven, Roland Albert and David Strain.

The Bitter and the Sweet

2010 was a banner year for the graduating class of 1960. We were preparing to celebrate our 50th reunion when, just before the May event, the youngest member of our class, **Frank McNiven**, passed away unexpectedly. He was an accomplished, gentle man who, along with **Ross McElroy**, obtained an MD degree following graduation from dental school. Frank went on to become a specialist in thoracic surgery and then retired to Tavistock, Ontario. He missed our reunion by only a few weeks.

Shortly after the reunion, **Roland (Rolly) Albert** died suddenly. His good friend and classmate **Peter Morin** wrote: "How sad and sudden – a great guy and super orthodontist!"

But Rolly would not have scripted it any better: a game of golf with his wife, an "after-golf" meal at the club, followed with a glass of wine at home while watching "sports hi-lites". His wife found him in the den the next morning. The wake was overwhelming, people

were lined up in the street. **Doug Beaton** another 6T0 classmate and fellow orthodontist commented, "who could forget his enigmatic smile."

Shortly after, another classmate, **David Strain**, died in mid-October after a courageous battle with cancer. He was his usual gregarious self at the party as he painfully manoeuvred, using canes because of his bad knees. Aside from



David and Marvin at the 50th class reunion

years of private practice, family and friends, Dave left a great legacy in the Unite Here Dental Centre. This poly clinic, servicing the members and families of the hotel employees union, is still unique in Ontario and probably the

world. The battles to create, sustain and foster its growth are the stuff of legend. I was fortunate to follow his lead, as Director, after his retirement.

In many ways 2010 was a microcosm of our lives. Much joy and good memories, tinged with the tears and sadness of reality. We lost three this year as well as **Al Winnick** last year – a total of 22 since graduation. Those of us still here are bolstered by the friendships and camaraderie we have shared since 1955.

In the final analysis, the only lasting legacy we leave behind are good memories. Those we have loved and lost are still with us while thoughts of them still bring a smile.

WE MOURN THE LOSS

Roland Albert 6T0
Anthony Barzan 8T0
Howard Ferguson 4T9
Warren Hing 8T1
Thomas Grant Joyner 6T9
Frank McNiven 6T0
Irwin Rose 6T4
Leonard Shapira 4T5
David Strain 6T0
Doug Wagner
Sheila Woodside

Please send your personal tributes and memories of those alumni who are no longer with us, to:

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Sheila Margaret Woodside

The Faculty offers its deepest sympathies to Dr. Donald Woodside on the passing of his wife Sheila Margaret Woodside, November 11 at Toronto General Hospital. An avid artist, Sheila's watercolour "Irises" is displayed on the southeast corner of Clinic 2. A student of Carmen Cereceda whose mural overlooks the Faculty's Edward Street lobby, Sheila also painted the three cells in the upper right corner of this acclaimed work.

Calling All Hockey Lovers!

It's time to cheer for your team!



Give our team the encouragement they need to bring home the Cup! We have the home ice advantage, so let's out-skate the opposition!

We need U of T alumni, especially hockey players and younger alumni who might know the current Dents hockey team, to come cheer the team on and stay for the after-game party. Totally family friendly – bring your kids and grandkids! Along with alumni, Dean Mock, the president of the ODA and most of the DDS student body will be at the event.

The cost is only \$10 for the game and party, and it benefits charities!

- The Teams:** U of T and UWO dental schools
- The Event:** ODA President's Cup hockey game
- The Venue:** Varsity Arena, 299 Bloor Street, Toronto
- The Time:** Saturday, April 2, 2011. 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- The Payoff:** Charity hockey game for D.O.C.S. (UWO's charity) and Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation (U of T's charity)
- The Cost:** Tickets \$10. To order alumni tickets contact Sabrina Martinez at sabrina.martinez@dentistry.utoronto.ca or 416-979-4940



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ODA CUP CE LECTURE

Lecture & Reception at Hart House • Saturday, April 2, 2011 • 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Speaker: **Peter Judd, B.Sc., D.D.S., D. Paed., M.Sc., F.R.C.D.(C)**

“Traumatic Injuries to Children, Adolescent, and Young Adult Teeth”

Dr. Judd is Dentist-In-Chief, Hospital for Sick Children and Director Cleft Lip/Palate Craniofacial Dental Program. He is an Associate Professor at the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry, and a Dentistry Consultant at Bloorview Kids Rehab.

The Faculty of Dentistry is pleased to join the ODA in support of the dental students of both UWO and U of T by offering this CE Program.

Join us for Happy Hour following the lecture.

Fee for Lecture/Reception: \$50. Earn 3 CDE credits.

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Gala Raises Funds for Patients in Greatest Need

Every year more than 15,000 adults and children come to the Faculty of Dentistry for treatment – everything from basic annual check-ups to complex dental procedures. More than 75% of our patients live on a family income of less than \$40,000 a year.

The Faculty's clinic fees are significantly reduced, but the sad reality is that many patients have to refuse treatment for financial reasons. We want to make sure this never happens again.

Our goal for this year's Gala is to raise \$125,000 for our Access to Care Fund which helps cover treatment costs for patients with insufficient insurance or income.

This fund not only benefits the most vulnerable in our society, it helps our students too. Students need hands-on practical training experience on a range of dental techniques before they can graduate. They also get to experience first-hand how our profession can transform and improve people's lives. And they learn a valuable lesson that we hope will stay with them throughout their lives and their career – the value of social responsibility.

As dental professionals, we have the power to change lives and do good work in our society. Please help us support thousands of children and adults who deserve the wellness and dignity that comes from excellent dental care.

Fourth year DDS students will be encouraged to utilize a portion of the Access to Care Fund to cover treatment costs for their patients who are in financial need. Funds will also be available to Graduate Clinics on a limited basis.

"A child came in with incredible malformation and the parents just didn't have the funds to have the orthodontic work done. It's devastating to see these kids."

RHEA GOLD
Acting Manager, Undergraduate Clinics

"It is with great excitement that we look forward to the upcoming year with the knowledge that we can tap into the Access to Care Fund and provide even more dental care for patients most in need."

DR. LUCH VALENZANO 8T3
Assistant Dean, Clinics



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Distinction Gala

Saturday, April 30, 2011
Allstream Centre



Giving more patients access to essential dental care

Funds raised will enable more patients
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Dr. Jack Cottrell 7T5

Through his volunteer efforts with Feed the Children, and his decades of leadership in organized dentistry at both a national and an international level, Jack Cottrell is an outstanding example of someone who is taking full advantage of the extraordinary opportunities to serve which the profession of dentistry offers.

In an article written by Dr. Cottrell for the JCDA he says that “each individual act of volunteerism is part of a grander movement to change the world for the better. Our clinical skills need not be end points in themselves – they can be framed within the broader picture of bringing oral health to the global village.”

His first experience with volunteering was over 30 years ago through a student rotation program at the University of Toronto working in clinics for the disadvantaged. After graduation he co-founded a practice in the town of Port Perry, but continued to commute to Toronto, working at an inner city clinic one night a week. He also

volunteered in his own community of Port Perry in a local nursing home. More recently he has been involved with an international charity called Feed the Children. Twice a year, working out of a mobile clinic a little like a MASH unit, he helps deliver high quality, top-tiered dentistry

“Dr. Jack Cottrell is a man of passion and action. Time and again he has demonstrated his love for the art and science of dentistry and his dedication to oral health in Canada and around the world. Having served organized dentistry in leadership roles at the local, provincial, national and international level, he has used the knowledge he has acquired over the years to champion the inescapable issue of access to care. Through his many contributions to his professional associations and his volunteer work, Dr. Cottrell has shown his remarkable commitment to achieving the goal of the FDI, the World Dental Federation, of leading the world to optimal oral health.”

CLAUDE PAUL BOIVIN, CAE
Executive Director, Canadian Dental Association

throughout countries in Central America. On his most recent trip to Guatemala, six dentists undertook 767 treatments in eight days, many of these being extreme makeovers, rebuilding one smile after another.

In 2010, Dr. Cottrell and his wife Michelle worked with Feed the Children and the Canadian dental industry to build a two-chair facility in Haiti, complete with full restorative set-up, dental chairs, a sterilizer and dental X-ray machine. Called the Mission of Hope, the facility is operated by dental teams from around the world, with the goal of providing a full range of care.

As well as developing a social conscience, there was something else he acquired during his time at the Faculty. "Even as a student I felt it was important that we developed a sense of community and camaraderie that would help us to be successful in our chosen careers." As class president he had a chance to hone his organizational skills, something that would serve him well in the years ahead.

In the early 80s Dr. Cottrell was the treasurer in his local component society. His subsequent role as president and Durham representative for the ODA was followed by his election to the ODA Board of Directors. One of the key issues at that time was the division of the membership in terms of special interest groups. Dr. Cottrell's emphasis was on the importance of bringing community back to the profession, and making sure that people recognized the synergy that can be created by working as a team. His work in this area eventually led to his heading the governance review of how dentists should conduct themselves within the ODA.

Dr. Cottrell feels strongly that there are certain values that underpin the profession – compassion, empathy, a commitment to lifelong learning, accountability to society, our patients and to one another. His presidency of the ODA in 1996-1997 and the CDA in 2005-2006 gave him the opportunity to ensure that those values were at the centre of their decision making – no matter what issues they were dealing with.

"In Guatemala, El Salvador and Nicaragua I have witnessed the personal concern Jack has for each patient he treats. In addition, his interest in improving the dental profession in these countries is seen in the time he spends mentoring local dentists who work with us in our mobile clinics. His recent installation of a dental clinic in Haiti has benefited hundreds of people, and has provided a facility for other North American dentists to offer their services in this devastated country."

KEN DICK
President, Feed the Children

His recent election to the Governing Council of the FDI (World Dental Federation) will involve participating with the World Health Organization and the Health Alliances Group, working with governments worldwide to advocate for optimal oral health for all through investment in sustainable policies. The FDI represents over 200 national associations in 135 countries with a combined total of a million dentists worldwide. In the 105 years that this organization has existed there has only been one other Canadian on the Governing Council.

An articulate, passionate advocate for access to care for the less fortunate among us, and a tireless contributor to his profession, Dr. Cottrell's career choices clearly demonstrate why he has been chosen to receive this Award of Distinction.

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Dr. Christopher McCulloch 7T6

An internationally renowned scientist who is also a superior clinician, Dr. Chris McCulloch enriches the clinical and scientific aspects of dentistry as an exceptional mentor and an involved member of the Faculty of Dentistry and the Hamilton practice community. His research has primarily been in the field of remodelling of connective tissue matrices. His work has led to improvements of the understanding of guided tissue regeneration, the development of the first automated periodontal probe, and clinical studies linking metalloproteinases and progression of periodontitis. A much respected speaker on the international circuit, he has published over 200 papers.

Dr. McCulloch holds a prestigious Canada Research Chair at the University of Toronto. He also serves as Director of the Faculty of Dentistry's largest and most prolific research group – the Matrix Dynamics Group – which includes five faculty members, eight postdoctoral fellows and more than 20 graduate students. He has worked for several years as a lead mentor in the Cell Signals program. Based at the Faculty of Dentistry, the Cell Signals program provides financial support and interdisciplinary research training experience at several sites across Canada, as well as internationally, for doctoral students who want to become leaders in health research. With the retirement of Dr. Richard Ellen earlier this year, Dr. McCulloch has now taken over the role of Director.

In addition to these responsibilities, for the past 30 years he has run a part-time periodontology specialty practice in

“Chris has been and continues to be an exemplary leader in the scientific and university communities. He leads by example and inspires those around him. Whether participating as a judge at research day, hosting Matrix Dynamics seminars, leading a CIHR review committee or taking over the directorship of the Cell Signals program, his exceptional leadership, compassion and outstanding collegiality is an invaluable asset to the Faculty.”

DENNIS CVITKOVITCH
Associate Dean, Research

Hamilton where he also leads an active study group.

His list of honours and awards include his election to the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences and the 2009 Research in Oral Biology Award/Distinguished Scientist Award from the International Association for Dental Research (IADR). This is one of the IADR's highest honours. The Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation has named him a 2011 recipient of the Heart and Soul Award, given in recognition of volunteers who help advance the cause of the Foundation. A passionate supporter of the work done by this organization, Chris McCulloch pounds the pavement during Heart month in February, going door to door to help with fundraising and awareness.

Dr. McCulloch's path to research at the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry has been, in his words, an evolution. After graduating from the Faculty of Dentistry in 1976 he decided to pursue music professionally. An accomplished jazz saxophonist, it looked for a while as if dentistry's loss would be the music world's gain. But it wasn't long before he left the band and went to New York City to do a postgraduate program in periodontics at Columbia University. While there he became interested in the more scientific elements of dentistry and research. It was suggested to him that the best place to pursue this interest was at the U of T Faculty of Dentistry with a researcher named Dr. A. (Tony) H. Melcher.

With his return to the Faculty, Dr. McCulloch had come full circle and his career was about to kick into high gear. He worked under the supervision of Dr. Melcher from 1978 to 1982 in the PhD program in the Faculty's Medical Research Council (M.R.C.) Group in Periodontal Physiology and credits the mentorship he received as being pivotal in his career. Dr. Jaro Sodek also had a major impact as a close scientific collaborator for 20 years. After Dr. Sodek's sudden death in 2007, Dr. McCulloch organized a symposium, and led a fundraising effort to establish the Jaro Sodek Memorial Award to support talented students working in matrix biology, an area of research very important to Dr. Sodek.

"Most people know Chris as an internationally renowned scientist, a superior clinician, a phenomenal teacher and mentor (arguably the top research mentor in his area), a leading faculty member at the premier faculty of dentistry in Canada and an excellent musician. He excels at all these endeavours and truly makes a difference. But his most important quality, the one that really impacts on those around him, is that he really cares about his fellow man."

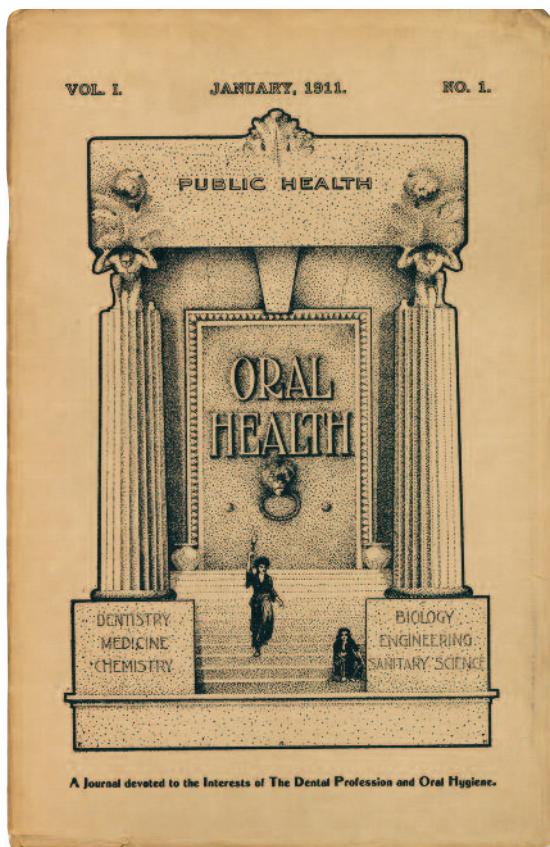
MICHAEL GLOGAUER 9T3

*Associate Professor
Faculty of Dentistry/Faculty of Medicine*

Those positive mentorship experiences are reflected in Dr. McCulloch's own approach to mentoring. Rather than tell students what to do he prefers to discover what interests them and encourage them to fulfil their own goals and dreams. And many of them have, serving not only in senior positions at universities across Canada and abroad, but also in significant roles in industry. Two graduates have gone on to become faculty members at U of T. Recent PhD students have received the CIHR Clinician Scientist Award and the American Academy of Periodontology Orban Award.

Dr. McCulloch's exceptional mentorship, leadership, compassion and outstanding collegiality make him a worthy recipient of this Award of Distinction.

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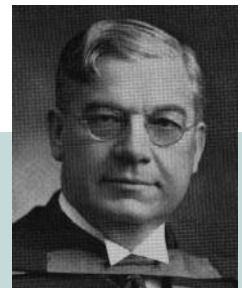


Oral Health Journal

Started as a passionate voice for public health, preventive dentistry and access to care for all, *Oral Health* has remained a source of current clinical content, an avenue for communication within the dental profession across Canada, and a forum for robust debate of the issues of the day.

For informing the dental profession for almost 100 years, we recognize *Oral Health* on the 100th anniversary of its founding.

The first issue of *Oral Health* was published in 1911 by Dr. Wallace Seccombe. A recent graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons (R.C.D.S.), Dr. Seccombe was passionate about the need for dentists to provide care to all of Canada's citizens, and to educate the



In 1911, Dr. Wallace Seccombe launched the first issue of Oral Health and continued to publish it until his sudden death in January 1936.

Oral Health was the outcome of Dr. Seccombe's belief in the importance of oral hygiene and preventive dentistry, and his desire to further this cause among the profession in Canada.

Forward looking in his outlook, he pioneered the establishment of dental services in school clinics administered by the Department of Health. He established the world's first Chair of Preventive Dentistry.

Dr. Seccombe joined the staff of the R.C.D.S as Superintendent in 1912 and was appointed Dean in 1923. His first task in his new position was to establish the College as a Faculty of the University of Toronto and guide its steps during the early days of change.

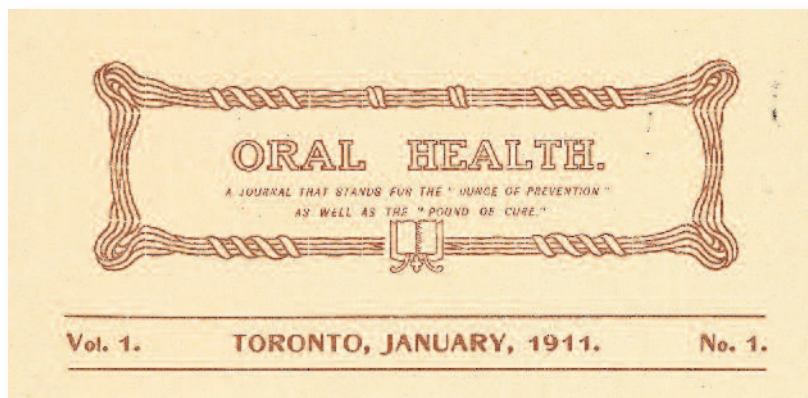
public about the importance of oral hygiene to prevent oral disease. He would go on to be a key figure in dental public health and preventive care.

Dr. Seccombe later served as Dean of the University of

Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry. He established the world's first academic chair in Preventive Dentistry (1916) and was largely responsible for the introduction of graduate degrees at the Faculty. He was also a key player, along with Dr. J.D. Adams, in increasing care for all children through the establishment of dental services in school clinics administered by the Department of Health.

Until Dr. Seccombe's death in 1936, *Oral Health* was the vehicle for his passion for preventive dentistry and access to care – causes which at the time were quite revolutionary. The first issue of *Oral Health* was earnest and straightforward about its goals... "published in the hope that it may reach those with an open mind, a willing heart, and a ready hand to serve."

Throughout its history, *Oral Health* has been devoted to bringing the very best editorial content from around the world to the attention of Canadian dentists, largely through abstracts and reprints from dental journals. Editorial policies have changed in recent years, and today the magazine averages 70% original content, overseen by editorial board editor and chairman Dr. James Kerr and an 18 member editorial advisory board, along with contributing consultants. The editorial board includes many University of Toronto alumni, clinical instructors and faculty members.



Oral Health is focused on publishing clinical content that dentists can apply in their daily practice. Clinical articles are written by dentists for dentists and encourage

continuous education and improvement of skills. All articles are vetted and approved by the editorial advisory board. The letters section provides an open forum on important and sometimes controversial topics such as the role of cosmetic procedures and insurance reform, to name just a few.

"Our mandate is to provide dentists right across the country with the very latest and best quality clinical content," explains Melissa Summerfield, Senior Publisher. "We want to make sure that we are covering the latest techniques, technologies, trends and developments in all fields and specialties."

A much appreciated supporter of the Faculty of Dentistry, *Oral Health* has contributed to the success of many of the Faculty's continuing education programs, alumni events and fundraising endeavours. We congratulate them on a century of furthering the cause of the best clinical care and preventive dentistry for Canadians.

The 100th anniversary issue of Oral Health will be published in the fall of 2011.

Research Awards



Orban Competition First Prize

Congratulations to American Academy of Periodontology Orban Winner, **Matthew Chan** (III Year, Graduate Periodontology, University of Toronto.) Matthew won the First Prize in the Orban competition on October 31 based on his research at the Matrix Dynamics Group under the supervision of **Dr. Christopher McCulloch**.

The Interface of Brain and Orthodontics

The Joseph E. Johnson Clinical Award was presented to **Dr. Mandeep Sood** at the Excellence in Orthodontics Awards Ceremony held during the American Association of Orthodontists 110th Annual Session in Washington, D.C.

“This is a very special and significant honour and I want to send along my best wishes for a job well done.”

**BOB BRAY, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
110TH AAO ANNUAL SESSION**

Mandeep is a graduate student in the Department of Orthodontics and is currently pursuing a PhD under the supervision of **Dr. Barry Sessle** (shown in photo with Dr. Sood). The title of his research project is “Neuroplastic changes in the face motor cortex associated with orthodontic tooth movement.” This research opens up new perspectives on the mechanisms in the brain that regulate jaw and tongue muscle functions, and how orthodontic approaches may be associated with Central Nervous System (CNS) mechanisms underlying adaptation to the altered oral condition. With his background in the field of orthodontics for the last twenty years, and now in neuroscience and pain, Dr. Sood is exploring the mechanisms of the nervous system and their implications in orthodontics.



SRG 2nd Annual Research Orientation Night

The Student Research Group (SRG) hosted its 2nd Annual Research Orientation Night in October. Over 100 students, staff, and faculty members attended.


The Summer Student Research Program was introduced, along with an overview of research scholarships and funding opportunities for both undergraduate and graduate students. This was followed by short presentations from 15 faculty members on their areas of research. The night ended on a high note with the meet-and-greet reception, which gave students an opportunity to interact with the invited speakers and inquire about research prospects.

The Summer Student Research Program provides opportunities for U of T dental students to gain experience in laboratory and clinical research. It is open to first, second, and third year students in dentistry and associated institutes and provides them with:

- Hands-on laboratory and/or clinical research experience.
- Participation in first-class science and/or clinical research.
- Chance to win travel award to a research conference.
- Financial support of \$1,200/month.

The SRG/Alumni Association Travel Award Winners for 2011 will be the Graduate and Undergraduate Student Speakers at Research Day on February 15, 2011. (See page 12 for complete information.)





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Dr. Manolson steps up as Associate Dean for Graduate and Postgraduate Studies

Dr. Morris Manolson, associate professor at the Faculty of Dentistry with a cross appointment in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Toronto, is taking on the role of Associate Dean for Graduate and Postgraduate Studies.

Dr. Manolson joined the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry in 2004 and began to focus on the acid pumps responsible for pumping acid out of osteoclasts, the bone cells responsible for dissolving bone. His work has shown that inhibiting this acid pump in osteoclast can prevent pathological bone loss. He is currently working on developing pump inhibitors and potential anti-resorptive agents. In the past year, work from his lab has produced two patent applications and six peer reviewed papers. His latest 2010 publication was selected and ranked by the Faculty of 1000 (F1000), to be in the top 2% of published articles in biology and medicine.

Dr. Manolson's work has been recognized by the Canadian Institute of Health Research – Institute for Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis, who awarded him the Quality of Life award in 2007, and the Canadian Institute of Health Research – Institute for Gender Health/Ontario Women's Health



Council, who honoured him with the Senior Investigator Award in 2008.

Dr. Manolson has served on numerous grant reviewing committees for the Canadian Institute of Health Research. He was a member of the

board of the Canadian Arthritis Network from 2007 to 2009 and is currently serving on the Scientific Advisory Committee for The Arthritis Society of Canada. His research has been funded by the Canadian Institute of Health Research, The Arthritis Society of Canada, and the Canadian Arthritis Network.

ONTARIO'S PRESCRIPTION NARCOTICS CRISIS

Canadian doctors are woefully undertrained in pain management and addiction, a shortfall that is contributing to Ontario's prescription narcotics crisis, says the CPSO (College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario), the body that regulates the province's doctors. The dental profession is equally concerned. In 1999, the University of Toronto Centre for the Study of Pain was established. This has blossomed into a focal point for developing integrated multidisciplinary approaches to education and pain research. It provides a forum for interdisciplinary and interprofessional collaboration within the community of pain researchers and practitioners in the faculties of

Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy at the University of Toronto.

In recognition of the research being done by the U of T, **Dean Mock** was invited to be part of an education working group set up by the CPSO – the only dentist on the committee. The goal, in the words of CPSO college registrar Dr. Rocco Gerace, was "to bring experts together from a variety of disciplines to bring recommendations to balance the appropriate management of pain while at the same time avoiding the diversion of opioids."

Dean Mock has also been working with the RCDSO to put together a program on Opioids in dentistry.



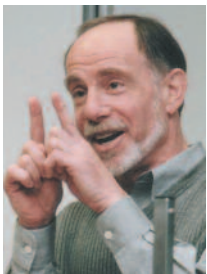
New Exchange in China

On a recent visit to Sichuan University in China, a new exchange of graduate students and faculty was developed. **Dean Mock** was joined by Associate Deans **Dennis Cvitkovitch** and **Morris Manolson**. The Dean also took the opportunity to have dinner with several alumni who are based in Hong Kong.



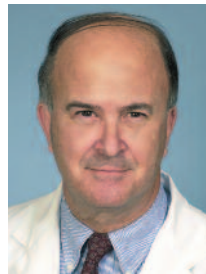
Distinguished Service Award for Dr. Ellen

The Canadian Dental Association (CDA) has recognized **Dr. Richard Ellen** with its Distinguished Service Award, conferred on those individuals who have rendered outstanding service to the Association and the dental profession. A special ceremony and luncheon honouring award recipients will be held in conjunction with the CDA Annual General meeting at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier Hotel in Ottawa on Friday, April 15, 2011.



Continuing Recognition for Dr. George Zarb

The Periodontics and Implant Dentistry Department at New York University recognized **Dr. George Zarb**, Emeritus Professor, University of Toronto and Editor-in-Chief, International Journal of Prosthodontics, for his achievements in the field with the Robert Enlow Award. Dr. Zarb has the distinction of being only the third person to receive this award, having been preceded by PI Branemark and Jan Lindhe. In addition, the Board of Directors of the Academy of Osseointegration and the Osseointegration Foundation Board of Directors presented Dr. Zarb with the Nobel Biocare Branemark Osseointegration Award. Once again, Dr. Zarb was only the third recipient of this very prestigious award which had previously been given to PI Branemark and William Laney. (William Laney was the founding Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants.)



Discipline Report – Dental Anaesthesia

Dr. Daniel Haas

DISCIPLINE HEAD, DENTAL ANAESTHESIA
ASSOCIATE DEAN, CLINICAL SCIENCES



The Discipline of Dental Anaesthesia continues to be active in its clinical care of dental patients requiring deep sedation or general anaesthesia. This includes adults with dental fear or phobia, and children in need of general anaesthesia for their dentistry.

We have also been successful in the area of research, with PhD candidate **Dr. Carilynne Yarascavitch** (DDS University of Toronto 2004; MSc Dental Anaesthesia University of Toronto 2008) winning the Olav Alvares Award for Outstanding Articles Published in the Journal of Dental Education for her article based on her MSc findings titled “Changes in Dental Student Empathy During Training”. Co-authors included **G. Regehr, B. Hodges, and D.A. Haas**. This Award was presented in February at the American Dental Education Association Annual Meeting in Washington, DC.

Interdisciplinary research was also conducted resulting in cover recognition on the November 2009 issue of the Journal of the Canadian Dental Association, for studies published by **Dr. Daniel Haas**, head of the Discipline of Dental Anaesthesia, along with **A.S. Gaffen** from the Discipline of Endodontics.



Dr. Daniel Haas was awarded The Leonard Monheim Distinguished Service Award by the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists at their annual meeting in Seattle Washington on April 17. This award is given to recognize a dentist who has made outstanding contributions to the discipline of anesthesiology, benefiting the dental profession. It was the first time that a Canadian has been the recipient.



Dr. Gabriella Garisto (DDS University of Toronto 2007; MSc Dental Anaesthesia University of Toronto 2010) won the Faculty of Dentistry's Investigator of the Month in August 2010 for her findings from her MSc research project which were published in the July issue of the Journal of the American Dental Association. The article is entitled "Occurrence of Paresthesia After Dental Local Anesthetic Administration in the United States". Co-authors are: A.S. Gaffen, H.P. Lawrence, H.C. Tenenbaum, and D.A. Haas. The importance of her work is denoted by the fact that this journal made it the cover story.

Two New Faces at the Faculty...

Dr. Vanessa Mendes

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DISCIPLINE OF BIOMATERIALS



Dr. Mendes completed her Doctorate at the Faculty of Dentistry, Universidade Estadual Paulista, São Paulo, Brazil.

Improving the success of dental implant therapy

During her PhD program, she was awarded a one-year

scholarship from CAPES (Ministry of Education, Brazil) to visit the University of Toronto in order to complete the experimental work of her thesis in collaboration with, and under the supervision of, **Professor J. E. (Jed) Davies** (Faculty of Dentistry & IBBME). Calling this a “life changing experience” Dr. Mendes had no hesitation about returning for a post-doctorate fellowship in 2004, which ultimately led to her current appointment at the Faculty.

“I am primarily interested in improving the success of dental implant therapy. My research work is aimed at understanding the basic biological mechanisms of bone healing and how this is modulated by the presence of a dental implant, or a bone substitute material in both healthy individuals and those compromised by systemic diseases. This knowledge will help us to develop better biomaterials that could be employed more successfully in both routine and challenging clinical situations, thus increasing the quality of life of patients both in Canada and worldwide.”

DR. VANESSA MENDES

Dr. Tara Moriarty

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, ORAL MICROBIOLOGY

Originally trained as a biochemist and molecular biologist, Dr. Moriarty obtained her PhD at McGill University. Her lab is situated in the Matrix Dynamics Group of the Faculty of Dentistry, and is also part of the Oral Microbiology Faculty research cluster.

The Faculty of Dentistry is one of the few sites in Canada where spirochete research is performed (in the lab of **Emeritus Professor Richard Ellen**).

Investigating bacteria which may be associated with periodontal disease

“Spirochetes are a fascinating and poorly understood group of bacteria which cause diseases such as Lyme disease, syphilis, relapsing fever, leptospirosis, and may also be associated with periodontal disease. They are highly motile and frequently invasive organisms, and many of them can cause persistent infection at multiple sites in the body. My major research focus is investigation of the mechanisms which permit dissemination of these important pathogens. In the long run I hope that we will be able to apply our approaches to investigating the behaviour of spirochetes in the oral cavity, their contributions to periodontal disease, and their potential influence on systemic inflammatory conditions such as atherosclerosis.” DR. TARA MORIARTY



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Students enthusiastically support Run for the Cure and Movember

Back in October, a group of 2nd year students joined forces with medical students to form a team for the **CIBC Run for the Cure** and raised over \$2,000 for breast cancer research.

In November, students participated in a fundraiser known as **Movember**. A foosball tournament, bake sale, and the growth of month-long moustaches generated over \$1,000 toward prostate cancer research. The Faculty hadn't seen that many moustaches in over 20 years!

MIKE NGUYEN
DSS Community Rep



Students at the Faculty are giving back – and having fun doing it!



Congratulations!

The following Graduate students convocated in November:

Jonathan Albilis; Constantine Batsos; Andrew Gaffen; Gabriella Garisto; Siavash Hassanpour; Craig Humber; James Chih Hsien Ko; Bennet Lee; Ngoc Luong; Marla Macaulay; Milan Madhavji; Elena Mahno; Sean Marcy; Ibrahim Mohammad; Kyle Stevens; Herman Thang; Ravi Vasudeva; Deepak Veeraiyan.

Fire at Zip House... Ten Students Displaced

Xi Psi Phi has been a part of the dental student experience at U of T for over 50 years. But on September 10, a fire broke out in a top floor bedroom. Although no one was hurt the insurance coverage is not sufficient to cover the loss in revenue. Ten students have found alternate housing, but there are still property taxes and other bills to be paid.

If you have warm memories of Zip House from your student years **Dr. Don Ducasse** 8T3 is collecting financial help to keep Zip House alive and functioning for current and future students. You can contact him by mail at: Dr. Don Ducasse, 91 Fifeshire Rd., Toronto, ON M2L 2H2, or by emailing: ducasse@rogers.com.

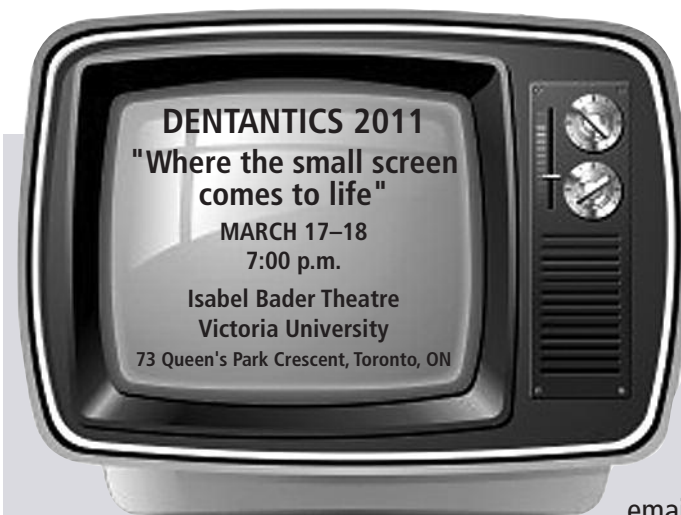
Bump, Set, Spike! Dentistry Wins Volleyball Championship!

After two years of making it to the finals only to lose in the third and deciding set by close margins, the Dentistry co-ed volleyball team finally captured the U of T Intramural Division II Co-ed Volleyball championship! The team went undefeated throughout the season, determined to bring the trophy home! Congratulations!



Back row: *Alessandro Virgulti (1T2), Huy Nguyen (1T1), Dan Vockeroth (1T2), Michael Quang Nguyen (1T2)*

Front row: *Lily Cully (1T1), Nicole Maciel (1T1), Erika Schroeder (1T2), Caley Nadon (1T2), Allison Clark (1T2)*



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