



Dental Report

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2003 Dental Alumni Association Officers

President: Charles A. Matlach '76
 President-Elect: David R. Rice, '94
 Secretary: Richard J. Lynch '83
 Treasurer: Kevin J. Hanley '78

The lighter side of dentistry....



"My nurse has a green thumb."

James G. Brandetsas '45 is an accomplished cartoonist. For years he has contributed his work to numerous newspapers, magazines and books. He currently draws political cartoons for five different newspapers and lives in Naples, FL.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations to the Class of 2003 upon their graduation May 11. Your Alumni Association welcomes you into its ranks! Good luck in all your post-graduate endeavors. Please keep us informed of what is happening in your lives so that we may keep in touch with you and your classmates.

A belated congratulations to all new officers of the county dental societies and the Eighth District Dental Society from all of us here.



On pages 8-9 of this Dental Report, is a schedule of activities for this year's Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting (BNDM), Oct. 8-10. There is something of interest for everyone, including mandated courses that most of us need this year (Oral Cancer Detection, Risk Management, HIPAA, Infection Control). The meeting is still one of the best values around at less than \$10 per credit hour of continuing education.

Mark your calendar for the ADA Meeting in San Francisco. It will run from Thursday, Oct. 23, through Sunday, Oct. 26, with exhibits available Friday through Sunday. Your Alumni Association will again sponsor a Hospitality Reception during the meeting on Saturday, Oct. 25, from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the San Francisco Hilton.

I want to thank you all for the alumnotes that have arrived for the Dental Report -- we have three pages this issue -- keep up the good work! It is always interesting to read about the accomplishments of classmates and colleagues.

Have a great summer. See you at the BNDM !

Sincerely,
 Charles A. Matlach, DDS '76

Greetings From Dean Buchanan

In the fullness of a Buffalo Spring as trees bud, flowers bloom, and the snarl of snow blowers is replaced by the hum of lawnmowers, the SDM also enters its own annual cycle of renewal. Two important processes mark this cycle: Commencement for the Class of 2003 and the admission of the Class of 2007.

Commencement is one of the two most exciting moments in the academic life of our School. Through the Commencement ceremony, we celebrate the accomplishments of our students and welcome them to our profession as a new generation of alumni dedicated to meeting the future oral health care needs of the public we serve. The students and their families are rightfully proud of their achievements. The faculty shares this pride. Less than 4 years ago, the faculty greeted a new group of eager young people. Since then, the students have met the challenges associated with the best education the faculty could provide; and, in what is truly a relatively short period of time, they have been transformed by these experiences from novices to health-care professionals. Again, this year, these outstanding SDM students have enjoyed amazing success in seeking postdoctoral education experiences. Approximately 75 percent of the Class of 2003 has been accepted into either a specialty or advanced education program in general dentistry. Two will be pursuing orthodontic training; two periodontics; one prosthodontics; one endodontics; one oral medicine; and one oral and maxillofacial surgery. Thirty-nine students will be enrolling in General Practice Residencies and five in Advanced Education in General Dentistry Programs. Fifteen students have chosen private practice, and two are uncommitted. If this class follows previous patterns, approximately 75% will remain in New York—most in the Western region of the State. We know that our alumni will welcome these new dentists into their communities and assist them in the career transition from school to professional life. We also extend congratulations to the Class of 2003 with great confidence that they will sustain long UBSDM traditions by assuming future leadership roles in the dental profession.



As we bid farewell to one class, our season of renewal continues with the selection of the Class of 2007. This year, the school received 752 applications for 85 class positions. The size and quality of the applicant pool has made the admissions process extremely competitive. The average test scores for those who have been accepted to date follow: PAT -- 17.7; DAT -- 18.7; science GPA -- 3.3; total GPA -- 3.4. These outstanding academic qualifications afford us the opportunity to select from among the best and brightest applicants in the state and nation. The admissions process will culminate this spring with the final selection of the Class of 2007. Later in the summer at our Convocation ceremony, the second of the two most exciting moments in our academic life, we will formally welcome the new class to our School and our profession. In four short years, they too will be transformed into full-fledged health professionals. I look forward to future opportunities to share the achievements of this outstanding new UBSDM class with you.

Richard N. Buchanan, DMD
Dean

Alumnnotes

Seymour Hoffman '45 retired from the University of Alabama in Birmingham, where he was professor in the Dept of Oral Pathology. Dr. Hoffman is currently in charge of tours for blind people at Birmingham Museum of Art, a program he began in 1990.

Irving Plutzer '45 has a new great-grandchild, Marlie Roseman. Altogether, he has 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Dr. Plutzer also has a grand-nephew, **Lee Plutzer**, graduating from the UB School of Dental Medicine in 2003.



On February 22, 1947, the UB Dental School graduated 8 dentists from Syracuse, NY. This photo was taken at their annual dinner commemorating the occasion of their 56th anniversary. They have

been meeting for their 'mini' reunion every year. The dinners are memorable as they reminisce about their years in dental school. Pictured above from left to right are: **Alfred E. Falcone, Stewart Thompson, John Laura, Verdi F. Carsten**. All are enjoying retirement in good health.

Norman D. Mohl '56 was recently honored by UB President William Greiner for 40 years of service to the University. Dr. Mohl is currently Chair, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.

Joseph J. Massaro '58 was re-elected as president of the Nassau Mid-Island Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. This Long Island, NY chorus of barbershoppers put on it's annual show at Mineola High School in April.

Lawrence Wolfgang '61 is a member of the radiation Safety Committee (RSC). The RSC is responsible for the oversight of the radiation safety program at UB. Dr. Wolfgang is currently Clinical Associate Professor, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.

Robert J. Genco '63 received an ADEA Presidential Citation at the 2003 Annual ADEA Meeting in San Antonio, TX.

Sebastian Ciano, '61 & P-G Perio '66, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor in the School of Dental Medicine, received the 2003 Pharmacology, Therapeutics & Toxicology Research Award from IADR. He will receive the award, which recognizes his "significant contribution to the field of dental research," at the 81st IADR General Session, being held in June in Göteborg, Sweden.



Chair of the UB Dept. of Periodontics & Endodontics for more than 30 years, Ciano has received numerous awards, among them the 2001 Gold Medal Award from the American Academy of Periodontology. The Gold Medal Award, the AAP's highest honor, is given annually in recognition of outstanding contributions to the field of periodontology and the diagnosis / treatment of periodontal diseases.

A member of the AAP for 35 years and past president of the association, Ciano also received the organization's Clinical Research Award in 1996, a Special Citation in 1994 and the William J Gies Award in 1988. He is a consultant for the Journal of Periodontology and is an editor for Biological Therapies in Dentistry and Periodontal Insights. A prolific researcher, he has authored more than 100 scholarly papers. Dr. Ciano is currently a resident of Eggertsville, NY.



John P. Asaro, '73 & P-G Perio '77, has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the NYS Dental Association (NYSDA), a constituent of the ADA representing more than 13,000 of the state's dentists.

Dr. Asaro has been an active participant in organized dentistry at the local, state & national levels. He has served on the association's Executive Committee and as chair of its Finance, Budget & Audit Committee. He is a former delegate to the ADA and is a past president of the 8th District Dental Society. Dr. Asaro recently resigned his part-time teaching position at the UB School of Dental Medicine. His private practice in Tonawanda, NY is limited to periodontics.

Mirdza Neiders PG- Perio '74 was recently honored by UB President William Greiner for 40 years of service to the University. Dr. Neiders is currently Professor, Dept. of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.

In Memoriam

Robert M. Long '52
Albert F. Lapetina '57

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Thomas R. Cowper, '75 & P-G Removable Prosth '78, Combined Prosth '78 & Maxillofacial Prosth '79, has been elected President of The American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics. He is currently the Head, Section of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, Department of Dentistry, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation and Chair, Section of Research, Department of Dentistry, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

Lawrence E. Volland, DDS '75 has been elected Vice President of the NYS Dental Association.

Dr. Volland has served on the NYSDA Executive Committee and as vice chair of the Empire Dental Political Action Committee. He has been active on the national level as a delegate to the ADA, as a member of the ADA Council on Dental Benefits and as chair of its Dental Benefit Information Service. He is a past president of the 8th District Dental Society. Dr. Volland currently practices general dentistry in Lockport, NY.



William R. Calnon, '78 of Rochester has been elected President of the NYS Dental Association.

Dr. Calnon has been an active participant in organized dentistry. He is former chair of the NYSDA Council on Public & Professional Relations and continues to serve as spokesperson for the organization. He is past president of the 7th District Dental Society and former member of the NYS Board for Dentistry. Dr. Calnon practices general dentistry in Rochester, NY.

Dean McSpadden '80 is shown here presenting a check to **Friar John Heffernan '77**, who represents St. Paul's School, Wilmington, DE, which serves underprivileged children. Dr. McSpadden is a member of Crown Council's Teammates for Kids Foundation, which raises money through dental offices throughout the country.



Mira Edgerton, P-G Removable Prosth '81, MS Oral Sciences '84, & PhD Oral Biology '94, was inducted as President of the Erie County Dental Society for 2003. She was

Watch for These Upcoming Receptions

ADA Meeting Reception

Saturday, October 25, 2003
San Francisco Hilton
Rm. Union Squire 25
5:30 - 7:30 pm

Yankee Dental Meeting Reception

Friday, January 30, 2004
6:30 - 8:30 pm

also appointed as a regular member of the Oral Biology & Medicine Study Section, NIH from 2002-05. Members are selected on the basis of their demonstrated competence and achievement in their scientific discipline as evidenced by the quality of research accomplishments, publications in scientific journals, and other scientific activities, achievements & honors.

Dr. Edgerton is currently Research Associate Professor, Dept of Restorative Dentistry & Principal Investigator, Dept of Oral Biology, UB School of Dental Medicine and in private practice in Snyder, NY.

LTC David K. Fiaschetti '88 is on active duty with the U.S. Army. He is Chief, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Keller Army Community Hospital, West Point, NY. LTC. Fiaschetti is also a Diplomate, American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and a Fellow, American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.



Kenneth A. Lee '89 was elected to the Foundation Board of Directors, Buffalo Hearing & Speech, which is a non-profit organization celebrating their 50th year. They treat both adults and children with hearing / speech ailments and are the only organization in the region that rehabilitates cochlear implant recipients. Dr. Lee became involved because his son received treatment from ages 2-5 and is doing very well.

Dr. Lee is currently clinical instructor, UB School of Dental Medicine, Dept of Restorative Dentistry, and in private practice in Williamsville, NY.

Richard Ohrbach, MS Oral Sciences '89, has been reappointed to the Health Sciences Institutional Review Board of UB. Dr. Ohrbach is currently Associate Professor, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.

Patricia A. Simon '89 is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics. She is currently in private practice in Dallas, TX.

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Geeta (Wagle) Gulati '96 and her husband moved to the Southwest in 1997 and since that time, she has been in private practice in Dallas, TX. They now have two beautiful children and are enjoying the warm climate. Would love to hear from classmates! Please feel free to email - ggulati@earthlink.net.



Todd F. Sherwood '96 is set to be wed on Sept. 7, 2003 to Jane Brody. The couple met on a 2001 trip to Budapest, Prague and Vienna. Ms. Brody is Coordinator of Voluntary Initiatives at United Hospital Fund of NY and

Dr. Sherwood maintains the practice of orthodontics in Closter, NJ and Brooklyn, NY. The couple will be making their home in Edgewater, NJ.

Marci Mendola-Pitcher '97 recently purchased a large pediatric dental practice in Pittsford, NY - the Rosen-Pitcher Dental Group. She is married to Daniel, and their daughter, Melanie, was two-years old in April.

Kelly Tsimidis '97 attended a 2-year GPR in Rochester, NY after graduation. In 1998, she married Steven Vukas, an oral & maxillofacial surgeon, and moved to Beaver, PA in 1999. They have a 14-month old son named Andreas and are expecting a second child shortly. Kelly's husband has three oral & maxillofacial practices and she is in private practice in New Castle, PA.

Leonard J. Plaitano, P-G Endo '99, is with the 1st Dental Battalion, Camp Pendleton, CA, supporting the Marines. He was promoted to the rank of Commander (05). Recently Dr. Plaitano and his wife, Nadine, completed construction of their first home in Southern Orange County. He has obtained a California dental license and is going to make California his permanent residence.

To the faculty and staff: "I often think of my incredible experience while at UB and thank everyone for their help, guidance, and friendships while attending such a fantastic facility. I speak often and highly of my UB experience to all of my Navy and civilian colleagues and will forever be indebted to Dr. Ming Shih Levine for giving me the opportunity and believing in me when I didn't think I could make it."

Guiseppe Intini, MS Oral Sciences '00, was a 2002 Collegiate Inventors Competition Finalist for his invention, Bioactive Matrix, which is a safe and effective material used in tissue engineering and tissue therapy to replace or augment bone.

2003 Dental Society Officers

Eighth District Dental Society:

Robert A. Engl (P-G '87), President
Patricia A. Haberman '88, President-Elect
Richard A. Fink, Vice President
Mark K. Barone '85, Secretary
Harvey D. Sprowl '60, Treasurer

Erie County Dental Society:

Mira Edgerton (P-G '81, MS '84, PhD '94), President
Andrew L. MacDonald '89, Vice President
David M. Wright (Assoc. Member), Secretary
Charles A. Marchetta '79, Assistant Secretary
Howard L. Noonan '65, Treasurer

Monroe County Dental Society:

Robert E. Parker, III '80, President
Randy G. Raetz '94, President-Elect
Terry A. Giangreco '93, Vice-President
James A. Palmer (Associate Member), Secretary
Stephen Weinstein, Treasurer
Morton Guttenberg, Historian

Niagara County Dental Society:

David M. Wright (Assoc. Member), President
Frank D. Massaro '90, Vice President
Salvatore J. Manente '91, Secretary
Albert P. Cavallari '85, Treasurer

EXTRACTED TEETH NEEDED!

PERMANENT & DECIDUOUS (with or without roots) for the DENTAL & ORAL ANATOMY COURSE (RDN 802 - George W. Ferry, DDS, course director). Our PRESENT TOOTH BANK is getting OLD & BRITTLE. Needed are Teeth in 'REASONABLE CONDITION' (small restorations and small carious lesions OK). Deciduous anteriors, Maxillary Second Premolars, and Second Molars (both arches) are in especially short supply (note: we already have too many third molars).

Please sterilize (dryclave) teeth (free of soft tissue and bone, please) and forward to: George W. Ferry, DDS, U.B. School of Dental Medicine, 235 Squire Hall, 3435 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14214-3008. THANK YOU

Congratulations to the Class of 2003!

On Sunday, May 11, 2003, the following dental students signed the dentist's pledge and became the newest members of our dental profession:

I, as a member of the dental profession, will keep this pledge and these stipulations.

I understand and accept that my primary responsibility is to the oral health of my patients and my community. I shall dedicate myself to render, to the best of my ability, the highest standard of oral health care and to maintain a relationship of respect and confidence. Therefore, let all patients who come to me, and let all members of the community I serve, be assured that they are safe in the knowledge that their total health and well-being are my first consideration.

I shall accept the responsibility that, as a professional, my competence rests on continuing the attainment of knowledge and skill in the arts and sciences of dentistry.

I acknowledge my obligation to support and sustain the honor and integrity of the profession, and to conduct myself in all endeavors such that I shall merit the respect of patients, colleagues and my community. I further commit myself to the betterment of my community for the benefit of all of society.

I shall faithfully observe the Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct set forth by the profession.

I do so swear...

Orson Y. Baek, Periodontics, Columbia U.

Daniel T. Barcomb, AEGD, U.S. Navy

Denise C. Brown, Orthodontics, U. of CA-San Francisco

Baokhoi Bui, Endodontics, U. of PA

Steven W. Carney, GPR, VA N. CA Health Care Sys.

Brian J. Carr, GPR, Mountainside Hospital, Montclair, NJ

Flora M.H. Chan, AEGD, U. of CA-San Francisco

Yong-Suk Chang

Gene Crofut, GPR, Buffalo VA Medical Center

William J. Crossetta III, GPR, Baltimore VA Medical Center

Brian V. Crupi, GPR, E. Carolina U.-Greenville, NC

Danielle M. Cunningham, GPR, St. Joseph's Hosp., Syracuse, NY

Marah Dahman, Private Practice, Ft. Erie, Canada

Joshua L. DeMichele, GPR, Buffalo VA Medical Center

Eric Dickler, Private Practice, Long Island, NY

Rommel Y. Dinkha, Private Practice, San Diego, CA

Mark T. Donahue, GPR, Buffalo VA Medical Center

John P. Eberz, GPR, U. of Rochester-Strong Memorial

Timothy M. Entwistle, AEGD, UB

Seth T. Farren, AEGD, Sheppard Air Force Base, TX

Michael R. Feeney, GPR, Albert Einstein Med. Center, PA

Monica S. Giuliani, Private Practice, Massapequa, NY

Carrie A. Giuliano, GPR, Long Island College Hospital, NY

Sean Goetz, GPR, Houston VA Medical Center

Jeffrey I. Goldberg, GPR, Baltimore VA Hospital

Amy L. Guccione, GPR, Nassau U. Medical Center, NY

Mona A. Haleem, GPR, Albany VA Medical Center

Wan Hin Humphrey Ho, Periodontics, Eastman Dental Center

Atima Kamra, General Practice, Mason, OH

Daniel A. Kuncio, Orthodontics, Montefiore Med. Center, NY

Jason D. Lee, Oral Surgery, U. of FL-Jacksonville

Jason Lin, GPR, Long Island Jewish Medical Center, NY

Andrew Liu

Giuseppina Lombardi, Private Practice, Chappaqua, NY

Michael J. Luciani, Private Practice, Saratoga, NY

Bilu J. Mathew, GPR, North Shore U. Hospital, NY

Amie M. McCarthy, GPR, Buffalo VA Medical Center

Michael J. Medler, GPR, Mountainside Hosp., Montclair, NJ

Joshua A. Mondlick, GPR, IL Masonic Med. Center, Chicago

Paul S. Mozer, GPR, Westchester Medical Center, NY

Simon S. Nam, Private Practice, Atlanta, GA

Pallavi N. Narendranath, GPR, Buffalo Kaleida Health

Tariq Nawaz, Private Practice, Albany, NY

Luan D. Nguyen, Private Practice, Orange County CA

Aaron J. Nolan, GPR, IL Masonic Med. Center, Chicago

Lee Plutzer, GPR, North Shore U. Hospital, NY

Kathleen E. Poleon, GPR, Buffalo Kaleida Health

Amanika Punhani, Private Practice, Toronto, Ontario

Amy L. Rappold, GPR, St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, CT

Patrick L. Rowe, GPR, San Francisco VA Medical Center

Jill A. Rowland, GPR, New Orleans VA Medical Center

Stacey L. Russell, GPR, Albany VA Medical Center

Michele A. Scalzo, GPR, St. Joseph's Hosp., Syracuse, NY

Saureen S. Shah, GPR, St. Joseph's Hosp., Syracuse, NY

Stanley L. Shih, GPR, Long Island College Hospital, NY

Sean P. Smith, GPR, St. Joseph's Hospital, Syracuse, NY

Mailene J. Soyster, Private Practice, Rimini, Italy

Natalia Tarasevich, Private Practice, Florida

Thang N. Tong, Private Practice, Irvine, CA

Pavel Tsur-Tsar, GRP, NY

Valeriy Tsur-Tsar, Private Practice, Florida

Monira M. Uddin, GPR, NY Hospital Med. Center, Queens

Laura A. VanVarick, AEGD, U. of FL, Jacksonville

Danny Vo, Private Practice, Atlanta, GA

Chad D. Wallace, GPR, St. Francis Hosp., Hartford, CT

James P. Wasielewski, GPR, St. Luke's & Faxton Hosp., NY

Jeffrey L. Winnicki, GPR, U. of CO Medical Center, Denver

Kristin A. Woods, GPR, East Carolina U., Greenville, NC

David E. Wunder, Oral Medicine, U. of PA, Philadelphia

Judy Chia-Chun Yuan, Prosthodontics, UB

Steven R. Zdep, Private Practice, Syracuse, N.Y.



Smile Day

February 21, 2003



For the past eight years, the School of Dental Medicine along with over one hundred private dentists, hygienists, staff, Chautauqua Health Department, school nurses, and three hundred and sixty dental students have participated in making Smile Education day a success. For one day, these dedicated dental practitioners volunteer their time and talent to help the less fortunate in schools across the eight counties of Western New York.

The UB School of Dental Medicine had the opportunity to hold this event at their clinic. They received any and all dental products necessary from toothbrushes to hand pieces. With the help of forty-eight volunteers including dentists from the community, dental students, dental assistants, and hygienists more than one hundred and thirty underprivileged children were able to receive dental care and education, and went home with brighter smiles. Sponsors of the program included, the ADA, Crest Healthy Smiles 2010, Sullivan-Schein Dental, DEXIS Digital X-ray Systems, and Ivoclar-Vivadent Inc.

Out of the Past

The following Buffalo newspaper article (dated about 1953) was sent to us by Mr. George Richmond. Dr. Gracia A. Paxson Hackemer graduated with the Class of 1903.

The little lady behind the big drill - a long story.

With a little whimsy, Dr. Gracia A. Paxson Hackemer of 180 Main St., Hamburg, might thus sum up her 50-year dental career. The slim lady with the white bobbed hair is Hamburg's senior dentist and still drills with the best of them.

'When I was a girl, I felt destined for dentistry and now that I'm not so young, I'd be lost without it,' says Dr. Paxson, at 75. (Most people still refer to Mrs. Hackemer as Dr. Paxson.) Gracia was 16 when she was graduated from Hamburg High School. That was back in 1895, nine years after her dentist-father moved there. That was the same year that the University of Buffalo Dental School opened its doors. But the pretty Miss Paxson had to wait a few years before she could satisfy her destiny. 'My father took me to the three-story building on Goodrich St. and Dean Barrett told me that first day that I'd get along fine if I didn't ask for special favors,' Dr. Paxson remembered. 'I've followed that advice ever since.' 'The dental building didn't look like much then, but we didn't have to wait for operating chairs,' she went on, 'I was one of three girls in a class of 70.' Thus far, Dr. Paxson hasn't seen the new UB dental buildings. She was ill at the time of the open house, but is certain 'they must be wonderful.' Of the trio of girls in the 1903 class, Dr. Paxson is the only one who practiced dentistry for

any period but she doesn't claim female dental seniority. 'I think Dr. Josephine A. Spillman of Tonawanda took her degree about five years before me,' she concedes. Oddly enough, while there were 21 U.B. women dental graduates from 1895 to 1903, there have been only 26 more since. After receiving her degree, Dr. Paxson joined her father and the two practiced side by side until 1923, when the elder of the father-daughter dental team retired.

Dr. Paxson, whose average weight through the years has been about 100 pounds, built her practice on general work and prosthetics. 'My father would never let me pull teeth,' smiled Dr. Paxson. 'He was afraid I'd strain my hands.' A half-century has seen many changes in dentistry, but Dr. Paxson says there's no danger of a cavity shortage. 'In spite of wider knowledge, I don't find teeth getting any better,' the woman dentist commented.

Last year, Dr. Paxson became the wife of Edward J. Hackemer, a Hamburg concrete supplier. So now, after many years, Dr. Paxson has added household duties to her regular dental activities and her hobby of gardening.



The 26th Annual

Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting

Sponsored by the UB Dental Alumni Association

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Wednesday, October 8, 2003

- 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Practical applications for precision attachments; Norris E. Pritchard, CDT (1.5 CE credit)
- 4:00 pm-6:00 pm NYS mandated Oral cancer detection & prevention; Alan Drinnan, DDS '64, MD (2 CE credits)
(NYSDA registration fee: ADA member \$60; Non-member \$120; Auxiliary \$30)
- 4:00 pm-6:00 pm HIPAA & NYS Privacy Law; Margaret Rossi, JD (2 CE credits)
(NYSDA registration fee: ADA member \$60; Non-member \$120; Auxiliary \$30)
- 5:30 pm-8:00 pm Preview Night (Complimentary admission)

Thursday, October 9, 2003

- 8:30 am-4:30 pm Positioning your practice for profit; W. Charles Blair, DDS (*6 CE credits)
- 8:30 am-noon CPR; MP Emergency Response Training (3 CE credits) Limited to 30 participants.
\$45 additional registration fee required.
- 8:45 am-noon One visit crowns; John A Vellequette, DDS '80, *MAGD Alumni Speaker Series*. Sponsored, in part,
by an educational grant from Patterson Dental Co.
- 8:45 am-4:30 pm Bruised, broken and bedeviled teeth: Management of traumatic dental injuries; Anthony J. DiAngelis,
DMD, MPH (6 CE credits)
- 8:45 am-4:30 pm Successful team building and communication dynamics; Jeannie Skiffington (*6 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-4:30 pm Possibilities in dentistry: Cosmetic, restorative, & implant dentistry; David A. Little, DDS Supported
by an educational grant from Dentsply Caulk. (6 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-noon Infection control and safety: What's new?; Terrence J. Thines, DDS '75, MS (3 CE credits)
\$35 additional registration fee for official certificate.
- 9:00 am-noon Changing concepts of ultrasonics; Renee A. Marks, RDH, MS (3 CE credits)
Supported by an educational grant from Dentsply Professional.
- 1:00-5:00 pm Risk Management VI; John Asaro, DDS '73 & Kevin Ricotta, JD (4 CE credits)
\$60 additional registration fee required.
- 1:30-4:30 pm One visit crowns; John A Vellequette, DDS '80, *MAGD Alumni Speaker Series*. Sponsored, in part,
by an educational grant from Patterson Dental Co.
- 1:30-4:30 pm The art and science of whitening; Renee A. Marks, RDH, MS (3 CE credits)
Supported by an educational grant from Dentsply Professional.
- 1:30-5:00 pm CPR; MP Emergency Response Training (3 CE credits) Limited to 30 participants.
\$45 additional registration fee required.
- 5:00-7:00 pm School of Dental Medicine Reception for Reunion Classes; UB Anderson Gallery, 1 Martha Jackson
Pl, Buffalo, NY 14214. Presenting **Open Wide! 500 Years of Dentistry in Art**. Prints from the
collection of Morton G. Rivo, DDS '57.



Upstate New York's Premier Dental Event

October 8-10, 2003

Buffalo Convention Center

Friday, October 10, 2003

- 8:30 am-4:30 pm What you don't know can come back to haunt you. A guide to selecting products, materials, and equipment that will benefit your practice;
Michael B. Miller, DDS (6 CE credits)
- 8:30 am-noon CPR; MP Emergency Response Training (3 CE credits) Limited to 30 participants.
\$45 additional registration fee required.
- 8:30-10:00 am Key issues in implant prosthodontics: What have we learned? Implants vs. teeth;
Michael D. Litvak, DDS '88 *Alumni Speaker Series* (1 CE credit)
- 8:45 am-4:30 pm It's not optional! The 10 commandments of excellent practice management;
Julie H. Weir (*6 CE credits)
- 8:45 am-4:30 am Team hygiene - Discovering it's true value; Deborah Dopson-Hartley, RDH (6 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-noon Pilates; Rachel Priebe and Yoga; Sifu Mason (*3 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-4:30 pm Retain a patient, not an attorney: Case studies for the dentist, hygienist, assistant, and management team; Chester J. Gary, DDS '78, JD *Alumni Speaker Series* (6 CE credits)
- 10:30 am-noon Current concepts in pediatric dentistry; Steven Chussid, DDS '88
Alumni Speaker Series (1 CE credit)
- 1:30-4:30 pm Infection control and safety: What's new?; Terrence J. Thines, DDS '75, MS (3 CE credits)
\$35 additional registration fee for official certificate.
- 1:30-4:30 pm Early orthodontic treatment. What? When? Why? Dominic A. Colarusso, DDS (Certif. in Orthodontics '84) & Steven J. Hietanen, DDS '88 *Alumni Speaker Series* (3 CE credits)

Mark
Your
Calendar!

Saturday, October 11, 2003

Vintage & Vinyards; CE Daytrip & Winery Tour; Biomaterials Crossover...What dentistry can learn from red wine 'Bottle Shock.' Dr. Robert Baier. Call (800) 756-0328 ext. 1, (716) 829-2320 for details.

* May not meet requirements for mandatory New York State continuing education credits.

Register Early: Preregistration closes Thursday, Sept 25.

Cancellation Policy:

- Refunds will be issued through Thursday, Sept 25.
- Written requests must be received by that date.
- No refunds issued after Sept. 25.

For more information call:
(800) 756-0328 ext 2 or (716) 829-2061

Reunion Dinner Dance

Hyatt Regency Ballroom
Friday, October 10, 2003
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7:30

\$65 per person
Black Tie Optional

Non-reunion and non-alumni guests are welcome.

School News

Oral Cancer Screening

The UB School of Dental Medicine will offer its annual free oral cancer screening on June 14 in Squire Hall. The program is targeted at smokers and those over 50, but screening will be available to all. The screening process will involve a 15-minute examination of the soft tissue in the mouth to look for suspicious lesions, and an additional 15 minutes to complete paperwork.

The program is being organized by dental students in conjunction with Lance Ortman, DDS, associate dean of clinical affairs; Lida Radfar, DDS, assistant professor of oral diagnostic sciences, and the faculty of the Dept. of Oral Diagnostic Sciences.

Poor Oral Health Adds to the Disease Burden of Alcoholics

Alcohol abuse, alone a detriment to health, appears to lead to periodontal disease, tooth decay and mouth sores that are potentially precancerous. In a pilot study of the oral health of patients in alcohol rehabilitation, UB researchers found that more than 80% of the group had moderate-to-severe gum inflammation, more than 2/3 had heavy accumulations of dental plaque and nearly 80% had decayed teeth. More than 1/3 had mouth lesions that were potentially precancerous.

"Persons who abuse alcohol are at high risk of having seriously deteriorated teeth, gums and compromised oral health in general," said co-author Sebastian Ciano, DDS, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor and chair, Dept. of Periodontics and Endodontics.

Based on these findings, researchers are planning to conduct a larger study of oral health among alcoholics and to develop rational measures for preventing oral disease in this population.

Results of the study were presented at the American Association of Dental Research meeting in San Antonio by Marcelo W.B. Araujo, DDS, research associate in the Dept. of Periodontics and Endodontics and the study's lead author. Additional authors were Kurt Dermen, PhD, senior research scientist in UB's Research Institute on Addictions (RIA); Gerard Connors, PhD, RIA director, and Dennis Lalonde, an RIA research associate.

The study was funded by the UB Center for Dental Studies, RIA, and Pfizer, Inc.

UB Study Links Gum Disease with Oral Cancer Risk

Dental researchers from UB have found a significant association between one measure of periodontal disease and oral pre-cancerous lesions and tumors. Analyzing data from the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, researchers found that persons with serious periodontal disease were at double the risk of having a pre-cancerous lesion and at four times the risk of having an oral tumor of any kind than persons without serious gum disease.

This is the first finding of a potential link between oral cancer and oral infection," said Sara Grossi, DDS, a co-author on the study, "but there is evidence of an infection link in other cancers." She noted research showing an association between *H. pylori* and stomach cancer, human papillomavirus and cervical cancer, and cytomegalovirus and Kaposi's sarcoma.

"The potential implications of this association of gum disease and oral cancer is enormous," said Grossi, clinical assistant professor of oral biology in the School of Dental Medicine. "Survival from oral cancer, as with most cancers, depends on the stage of the disease at diagnosis. If further studies demonstrate that periodontal disease is a significant risk and a warning sign, screening and examinations for oral cancer can be targeted in order to improve prevention and early detection of oral cancer."

The first author on the study, Mine Tezal, is a doctoral student in dental epidemiology affiliated with Dr. Grossi's lab. Additional researchers were Alex Ho, oral biology statistician, and Robert J. Genco, DDS, PhD, SUNY Distinguished Professor, former chair of the Dept. of Oral Biology, now director of UB's Office of Science, Technology Transfer and Economic Outreach.

Results of the study were presented at the American Association of Dental Research meeting in San Antonio.

The Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics is looking for back issues of *The Journal of Prosthodontics* and *The International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants*.

If you have issues you would like to donate, please send them to:

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Dental Alumni Association Awards

Honor Award

This award is given to those whose enthusiastic and untiring endeavors have helped to promote the continued growth, development and success of the UB School of Dental Medicine

Humanitarian Award

This award is given to the alumnus who best exhibits the following characteristics:

- Unselfishness
- Concern for others
- Commitment to dentistry
- Commitment to, & involvement in, their community
- Is of high moral character
- Someone who through their actions has distinguished themselves as a leader in their community

If you know of an alumnus who is deserving of either honor, please contact the Alumni Office at (800) 756-0328 ext. 2 or (716) 829-2061; FAX (716) 829-3609; EMAIL msulzbac@buffalo.edu.

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If you are, the Dental Alumni Association would like to assist you. Notices can be posted directly by going to our website (www.sdm.buffalo.edu/DDSCConnect/) and following the directions. Postings remain on the website for 60 days.

If you are not connected to the internet, fill out and return the form below, and we will post it for you. Mail completed form to: UB Dental Alumni Association, 332 Squire Hall, 3435 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14214-3008; or fax (716) 829-3609.

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Development News

We would like to thank our new and renewed Dean's Associates who joined from February 1, 2003 through April 30, 2003. Dean's Associates are individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the UB School of Dental Medicine.

Renewed

Dr. Sebastiano Andreana, P-G, '95
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 Dr. John C. Canney, '52
 Dr. Richard N. Buchanan
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In memory of Dr. Richard A. Powell

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Carol R. Vanini
 Director of Development



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Alumni Association Junior & Senior Award Recipients....

The Dental Alumni Association is making arrangements to hang plaques in Squire Hall listing all student recipients of the Association's Junior Award and Senior Award.

We need your help confirming recipients for the following years:

Junior Award: 1965, 1967 through 1976, 1978, 1980

Senior Award: 1965, 1968, 1970 through 1973, 1975, 1976, 1979.

If you received a Dental Alumni Association Award for one of these years, or if you know who did, please call (800) 756-0328 ext. 2 or (716) 829-2061.

Thank you for your assistance!

Club Dent 2003

February 11-18
RUI Merengue, Dominican Republic

Invited Guest Faculty was Dr. Stuart L. Fischman, Professor Emeritus of Oral Diagnostic Sciences at the UB School of Dental Medicine. He has retired as Director of Dentistry at the Erie County Medical Center in Buffalo, but continues to coordinate the oral health care program for the AIDS Designated Center.

The Continuing Education Program lectures included: Toothpaste, Mouthrinse and Chewing Gum; Cankers, Chancres, and Cancer; AIDS in the 21st Century and Forensic Dentistry. Participants earned 20 CE credit hours...leaving approximately 150 hours for R & R! This annual travel / CE trip has a limited number of spaces and usually sells-out. Anyone interested in receiving preliminary notification, usually late August or early September, can call the CDE Office 800-756-0328 ext. 1 to have their name added to the 'Club Dent' mailing list.



Jane & Stuart Fischman



Dan Rosinski '59, Ming Shih Levine '71, Mary Ann Rosinski, Al & Helaine Gamziukas, Sharon Constantini, & Doug Quick '72



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Priscilla Adams '84 & Ming Shih Levine '71

Hanau Cup

Saturday, March 29, 2003



On Saturday March 29, 2003 over 30 alumni and students gathered at the Pepsi Center in Amherst, NY for the legendary Hanau Cup Hockey competition. Alumni, Dan Farr '84 and A. Mathew Thompson '87 came from as far away as Ithaca, NY for the event. Classes represented ranged from 1973 to 2006. This year's format involved a highly competitive pick-up game. The historic game between faculty and students has been replaced by a spirited competition with

students and alumni intermixed on the two teams. This year's game featured a Hanau Cup "first" with father and son, Ted Jenkins '75 and Rob '06, playing in the game together. A Dental Alumni sponsored party at Rootie's in Getzville followed the game.

This year's players were: John Metzen '73, Ted Jenkins '75, Fred Rodems '80, Bob Warner '81, Doug Hamill '83, Dale Klipfel '83, Dan Farr '84, Ray Miller '85, A. Mathew Thompson '87, Ken Lee '89, Jay Mostowy '89, Bob Vavaroutsos '91, Jim Vlahos '92, Joe Gambacorta '93, Ed Dwyer '93, Kurt O'Donnell '94, Chris Kacalski '95, Jay Kacalski 'Goalie, Andy Privitera '96, Rick Redmin '02, Jason Lee '03, Will Crossetta '03, Jason Nudelman '04, Mike Feeney '03, Brian Kritzman '04, Mike Mansell '05, Justin Reaves '05, Joshua Gish '06, Rob Jenkins '06, Drew Templeman '06, Torin Barr GPR, Brian Willison ORTHO.

Absent while in the service of the United States military in Germany, Darren Forcier '01.



Ken Lee '89 & Jay Mostowy '89



Ted Jenkins '75 & Rob Jenkins '06

Photos courtesy of Frank Barnahuk '80

2003 Reunion Classes

Make plans to celebrate in Buffalo during the Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting!

Thursday, Oct. 9 UB School of Dental Medicine Reception honoring Reunion Classes
UB Anderson Gallery (see below for details)

Friday, Oct. 10 Reunion Dinner Dance, Hyatt Regency Hotel

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