



Dental Report

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2004 Dental Alumni Association Officers

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Alumni,

The year 2004 has already brought tremendous excitement and opportunity to our Alumni Association as we have added eight new dentists to our Executive Council. And as our Council grows, we have an even greater ability to serve you, as well as, our dental school and our future, the students.

As such, your Executive Council needs your help. We need to develop our vision and travel the path that brings the most benefits to all those we serve. How do we accomplish this?



We will be holding a special meeting to determine where you, the alumni, would like your Executive Council to lead you. This meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 4, 2004 in 325 Squire Hall (Ruchlin Room) at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

If you have a great concept but will be unable to attend, please fax us at (716) 829-3609 or e-mail us at msulzbac@buffalo.edu by Monday, May 3, 2004. We look forward not only to a great year ahead, but also for great things to come.

Fraternally,
 David R. Rice '94

Watch for These Upcoming Receptions

American Association of Orthodontists Reception

Saturday, May 1, 2004; 5:30 - 7:30 pm
 Renaissance Orlando Hotel, Orlando, FL; Room: Eisenia

American Association of Endodontists Reception

Thursday, May 6, 2004; 5:00 - 7:00 pm
 Hilton Anaheim, 777 Convention Way, Anaheim, CA; Room: Lido C

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Reception

Saturday, May 29, 2004; 5:30 - 7:30 pm
 San Francisco Marriott Hotel; Room: Pacific Suite C

Greetings From Dean Buchanan

More than six years ago, the School of Dental Medicine committed to a major innovation in educational methodology and curriculum development by initiating the planning phase of the Electronic Curriculum Project. The initial goals of this ambitious project included facilitating: (a) student access to all required textbooks, manuals and the like, (b) access to a wider variety of supplemental curriculum materials, (c) timely updates of curriculum materials, (d) access to course content such as lecture slides and notes and course syllabi, (e) remote access to various clinical support systems, and (f) compliance with copyright requirements. Implementation began here and at one other school in 2000. In this, the fourth year of the implementation phase, the Class 2004, otherwise known affectionately as the Charter DVD Curriculum Class, will graduate. I thought you might be interested in learning of the outcomes of this intriguing project from both the faculty and student perspectives. Some of the most significant results are listed below.



- predoctoral students in all four classes now have laptop computers and all have the Curriculum DVD
- five dental schools have joined UB and the other charter school in implementing the Curriculum DVD
- 13 other schools have initiated the use of laptop computers
- our students enjoy wireless Internet access throughout dental school and university classrooms
- our students can access lecture slides, course outlines and their own class notes for review at any time from virtually anywhere
- excerpts from text books and other source materials can be imported directly into the class notes
- a large inventory of supplemental curriculum materials, including videotapes and other references, has been incorporated in the DVD
- the DVD has facilitated increased use of Blackboard by faculty to provide just-in-time curriculum content
- students enjoy remote access from home and elsewhere to clinical software systems for treatment planning, patient scheduling, instrument ordering, and clinical progress tracking
- use of microscopes in histology and oral histology laboratories has been replaced by computer laboratories
- dietary analysis software has been incorporated into the nutrition curriculum
- self-paced learning and testing has been incorporated into the dental anatomy curriculum
- the neuroanatomy course is now partly web based
- the clinical dentistry curriculum is supported by server based distribution of PowerPoint lecture notes
- the Class of 2004 ranked 7th among 56 schools in National Board Part I performance — the highest ranking in recent years
- the Class was well above the national average performance on the National Board Part II
- the Class also enjoyed a high placement rate in highly competitive postgraduate programs through the Match system

Some of the more revealing comments concerning the Electronic Curriculum made recently by our students are summarized below.

- “I saw major advances and improvements in the technology tools used in the dental curriculum.... that have greatly enhanced the ease of learning new material whether it be clinically or didactically.”
- “As senior dental students, we are able to use the DVD not just for reading assignments but for directed searches, for procedural help, and clinical information.”
- “The wireless Internet capabilities throughout the school and library are terrific and make our laptops indispensable”
- “Technology has had a positive effect on my dental school experience.”
- “I also like how professors can post the lectures online, as well as any supplemental information. I have enjoyed being able to check academic performance online as well.”
- “Having computers with the DVD software on them in the clinic has also been very helpful. Multiple times I have used the computers to look up techniques or materials, and I think that having them in the clinic is a great idea.”
- “Overall, I feel that technology has been an asset to our dental education. It is difficult to imagine how different our experience would be without it.”

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Alumnotes

Joseph J. Massaro '58 and his wife, Nancy, received the 2003 Floral Park (NY) Spirit Award at ceremonies in October. The mayor and village trustees made the presentation and cited contributions made by the duo to the community over 40 years of residency.

Brian L. Zeiner '61 retired after 35 years of practicing orthodontics in Avon, CT.



Stuart Fischman (P-G Oral Pathology '66) received the New York State Senate Liberty Award for his efforts in the aftermath of September 11, 2001. The award is given to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts and achievements on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers and their communities. He was also presented with a Certificate of Recognition from the City of NY, Office of Chief Medical Examiner, and a Certificate of Recognition from Congressman Vito J. Fossella for his efforts after 9/11.

Dr. Fischman has also been selected by a vote of his peers to be included in the 2004-05 edition of *The Best Dentists in America*.

Sheldon Winkler (P-G Removable Prosthodontics '71), Professor of Restorative Dentistry and former Professor and Chair of the Dept of Prosthodontics at Temple University School of Dentistry, was unanimously reelected president of the American Academy of Implant Prosthodontics at the Academy's 22nd annual meeting in Las Vegas in Nov. 2003.



Dr. Winkler founded and served as editor of *Implant Dentistry* for six years, and is author of more than 160 articles and chapters in professional journals and textbooks. His textbook, *Essentials of Complete Denture Prosthodontics*, has been translated into six languages.

An authority on the music of World War II, Winkler has contributed articles to *World War II History* magazine and is currently preparing a book on this topic.

John P. Asaro '73 has been elected to a second term as secretary/treasurer of the NYS Dental Association. Dr. Asaro has been active in organized dentistry at the local, state, and national levels. He is currently Clinical Assistant Professor, Dept of Periodontics and Endodontics, UB School of Dental Medicine and in private practice of periodontics in Tonawanda, NY.

Lawrence E. Volland '75 has been elected as President-Elect of the NYS Dental Association. Dr. Volland has been active in organized dentistry at the local, state, and national levels. He is currently in private practice in Lockport, NY.

Chester J. Gary '78, 8th District Dental Bulletin Editor, was second place recipient in the 2003 William J. Geis Editorial Award competition. His editorial, "Feeling Good vs. Getting Well," was published initially in the Bulletin's Winter 2002 issue and reprinted in medical, dental, and pharmacy journals in NY and PA, and the editorial page of the Buffalo News. The certificate and stipend were presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Dental Editors in San Francisco, CA, on Oct. 22, 2003.



Dr. Gary is currently part-time faculty, Restorative Dentistry, UB School of Dental Medicine and in private practice in Depew, NY.

Kevin J. Hanley '78 has been appointed Associate Editor of the *Journal of the New York State Dental Association*. Dr. Hanley currently serves as treasurer of the UB Dental Alumni Association and is in the private practice of Orthodontics in Buffalo, NY.

Paul R. DiBenedetto '79, Kevin M. Flanigan '96, and Charles A. Marchetta '79 have joined forces and designed a brand new state-of-the-art dental facility in Lancaster, NY. Lancaster Dental Associates opened its doors in March 2004.

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In Memoriam

Dr. Morris Goldberg '35
Dr. Edward Gurland '35
Dr. Michael R. Cavotta '39
Dr. Bernard S. Rosenblat '40
Dr. Raymond C. Clark '46
Arthur C. Sgalia '46
Dr. Donald S. Ashley '49
Dr. Jerrold M. Belitz '64
Dr. Alan Drinnan '64

Alan Drinnan, DDS, MD

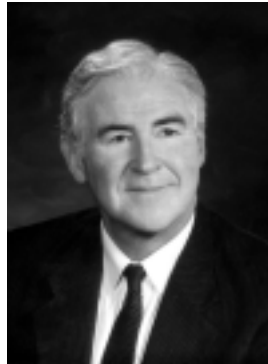
Obituary

Dr. Alan Drinnan, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus in the Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences of the UB School of Dental Medicine died unexpectedly on January 8, 2004 at home. He was 71. Dr. Drinnan had been one of the key members of the UB faculty for over 40 years.

Alan Drinnan grew up in Bristol, England and received both his dental and medical degrees from the University of Bristol. While still in England, he served as a Dental Officer in the British Army, ran a private dental practice, taught oral surgery on the faculty of the University of Bristol, and became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Upon coming to Buffalo in 1962, he studied oral & maxillofacial pathology and was quickly recruited for the UB faculty on a full-time basis. He subsequently received his DDS degree from UB, completed a medical internship at the Buffalo General Hospital, became a Diplomate of the American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology, Chairman of the Dept of Oral Medicine, Director of the Dental Dept of Buffalo General Hospital, and a U.S. citizen.

In between these activities, Dr. Drinnan also found time to host regularly scheduled public affairs programs on WKBW-TV and WNED-TV, moderate several public policy debates and discussions on local television, serve on the Erie County Sheriff's Scientific Staff, serve as President of the American and the International Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathologists and as a consultant to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, World Health Organization,



Federation Dentaire Internationale, American Dental Association, American Association of Dental Schools, Erie County Medical Examiner's Office, and UB's Public Radio Station WBFO.

He was also a recognized authority in forensic dentistry, had sabbatical leaves in both Melbourne, Australia and Papua New Guinea, and lectured in many countries on every continent in the world.

Dr. Drinnan also began the Internet Bulletin Board for Oral Pathology (BBOP), which currently has 700 subscribers all over the

world and serves as a clearinghouse for issues related to service, teaching and research.

As a result of his contributions, the State University of New York Board of Trustees promoted Dr. Drinnan to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Service Professor in 1994. In addition to these many achievements, Alan Drinnan was a musician, and was very well known for his outstanding ability as a speaker and teacher, as well as for his well honed 'British' sense of 'humour.'

He is survived by his wife Rita, son Dr. Michael Drinnan, daughter-in-law Dr. Caroline Drinnan, daughter Julia Drinnan-Doran, son-in-law Tom Doran, sister Pamela Drinnan, and grandsons Andrew, Jonathan, Alex and Jake Drinnan.

The Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences has formed a committee to raise funds for the purpose of establishing a memorial tribute to our late colleague, Alan Drinnan. The type of tribute to be created will depend upon the amount of funds that becomes available. To date, the following possibilities have been suggested: 1) an endowed professorship in oral pathology or oral medicine; 2) a scholarship for one or more oral medicine or oral pathology residents or fellows; or 3) dedication of a physical facility in the dental school, e.g. a conference room, a clinical area, etc. Anyone with a suggestion or opinion regarding an appropriate tribute for Alan Drinnan should contact Dr. Terrence Thines (telephone: 716-829-2051; fax: 716-829-3554; e-mail: tjt@buffalo.edu)

There is no question that Alan was 'one of a kind' and everyone who knew him was enriched by his friendship. In addition to his academic expertise and teaching abilities, all of us have fond memories of his humorous anecdotes and interesting stories as well as personal experiences and lessons learned. We are asking you to share these anecdotes, stories, experiences and lessons by sending us short narratives about Alan. These narratives will be assembled into a book that will be presented to everyone who contributes to this memorial tribute.

Contributions can be made to: "The University at Buffalo Foundation," noting "Alan Drinnan Memorial Account" on the check. Please send contributions to the attention of Maggie Penque, Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, 355 Squire Hall, UB School of Dental Medicine, 3435 Main Street, Buffalo, New York 14214-3008. If you should have questions about ways to make a gift to the fund, please contact Carol Vanini in the Development Office at (800) 756-0328 ext. 2.

If you have any questions or need additional information do not hesitate to contact Dr. Terry Thines.

Editorial

Dr. Alan Drinnan

Rarely in life are we honored to know a person who has touched so many with his wit, charm and intellect. Rarely do we meet someone with the energy of ten people who is able to touch our lives in such a personal way.

On January 8, 2004, unexpectedly, that person was taken from us, his life's journey abruptly ended. Dr. Alan Drinnan, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus in the Department of Oral Diagnostic Science of the UB School of Dental Medicine was gone after 40 years of distinguished service to the University at Buffalo family.

Throughout Dr. Drinnan's life he was bestowed many honors and blessed by many achievements. Starting in Bristol, England his hometown where he received both his medical and dental degrees from the University of Bristol. He also served as a Dental Officer in the British Army, ran a private dental practice, taught oral surgery and became a fellow at the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

In 1962 he came to Buffalo where we quickly realized we better not let him go back over the pond and made him a full-time faculty member at UB. He received his DDS from UB and completed a medical internship at Buffalo General Hospital, became a Diplomate of the American Academy of Oral Maxillofacial Pathology, Chairman of the Department of Oral Medicine, Director of the Dental Department of the Buffalo General Hospital, and a US citizen.

Even though Dr. Drinnan achieved so many honors and accomplished so much, personally his greatest attribute was his zest for life and how he conveyed that to everyone he met. He was a wonderful orator and a great conversationalist, coupled with his fantastic sense of humor and personal charm, he was someone you wanted to learn from.

Thank you to his wife Rita and his wonderful family for sharing him with us. The world was definitely a better place with Dr. Drinnan in it. Students to come will never know just how much they missed.

Michael D. Ehlers, DDS '85, Editor

University News

Robert J. Genco, DDS '63 is Interim U.B. Provost

In a key appointment, UB President John B. Simpson named Robert J. Genco as UB's interim No. 2 official. Dr. Genco, a vice provost who oversees UB's efforts to commercialize faculty research, became interim provost effective Feb. 1. He'll be an active participant and a critical participant in the management of the university," Simpson said.

Genco succeeds Provost Elizabeth D. Capaldi, who left for a position as State University of New York vice chancellor and New York vice chancellor and chief of staff.

Simpson said Genco will likely serve as interim provost for about six months while UB conducts a national search for a permanent replacement for Capaldi. Genco will be expected to provide a sense of stability after the departure of Capaldi and former President William R. Greiner. Genco must continue ongoing initiatives while tackling new issues such as the creation of next year's budget.

Genco is well-regarded as a SUNY distinguished professor in UB's School of Dental Medicine. He has worked at UB for 36 years. "He's an excellent academic, a superb researcher and all that. But he also has a good sense of academic priorities. He's a good administrator," said Stephen C. Dunnett, vice provost for international education.

Since 2001, Genco has been director of UB's Office for Science, Technology Transfer and Economic Outreach, leading the school's effort to translate faculty research into commercial products and new jobs.

Genco said he doesn't intend to seek the permanent job of provost.



10th Annual Lower Lakes

Dental Meeting Friday, May 14, 2004

Buffalo Niagara Marriott Hotel

Review the Art of Contemporary Removable Prosthodontics

An overview and update of materials and techniques for removable prosthodontic procedures will be presented. Special emphasis will be placed on impressions, denture esthetics and implant diagnosis for the edentulous patient.



Guest Faculty: Dr. Frank Lauciello graduated from the UB School of Dental Medicine in 1969 and completed his Prosthodontic training at the Buffalo VA Medical Center. He is an Associate Professor in the Restorative Department at SUNY at Buffalo and was director of the Veterans Administration Advanced Prosthodontic Program from 1973-98. He is presently Director of Removable Prosthodontics for Ivoclar Vivadent. Dr.

Lauciello is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and has authored 25+ articles including several chapters of textbooks. He is actively involved in dental research and has served as Cochair of the Dental Implant Clinical Research Group.

Learn An Expedited, Comprehensive Approach to Edentulism

This presentation is of interest to any clinician or technician involved in the treatment of the edentulous patient. Comprehensive treatment of the edentulous patient requires consideration of endosseous dental implants for every edentulous mandible. Strategies for assimilating dental implant therapy into treatment of all edentulous subjects will be reviewed. The maxilla offers other challenges that will be considered in detail.

Guest Faculty: Dr. Lyndon Cooper

DDS, PhD is Stallings Distinguished Professor of Dentistry, Dept of Prosthodontics at the University of NC at Chapel Hill. He is the Director of Graduate Prosthodontics and the Bone Biology and Implant Therapy Laboratory. Dr. Cooper is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and serves on the American College of Prosthodontics Board of Directors. Dr. Cooper's laboratory focuses on bone biology, adult stem cell bone regeneration, and clinical evaluation of dental implant therapies. Their research findings have been presented in over 50 publications and in more than 100 national and international presentations. These efforts integrate basic and clinical research to improve patient care.



For more information, or to register, call the Office of Continuing Dental Education, 716-829-2320 or 800-756-0328 ext. 1.

Buffalo **O**utreach to **C**entral **A**merica

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Saturday April 3, 2004 7-10:00PM

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Authentic Caribbean Cuisine

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Tickets: \$35 Individual
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\$25 Student

Contact info: Aaron McCann (716) 472-4684
Dental_Outreach@hotmail.com

All proceeds benefit students participating in the UB School of Dental Medicine's Outreach Program to Central America.



School News

Improving Patient C.A.R.E.

The Counseling, Advocacy, Referral, Education and Service (CARES) Program was established in 2001 by the Schools of Dental Medicine and Social Work. Since the program's inception, about 400 patients have received social work intervention.

The CARES Program has five sub-programs: (1) free social work services for school patients (2) free cognitive behavioral social work for patients suffering with temporomandibular joint disorder (3) biobehavioral dental student education with focus on assisting marginalized patients (4) masters of social work student field education (5) community outreach services to older adults attending senior centers in Erie County.

By offering these services in the SDM, we aim to improve patient retention rates in the clinic. Patients referred to CARES are assessed by a social worker for any biopsychosocial barriers to receiving dental care. The majority of patients referred for social work assistance were females (66%) or retired/disabled (62%). The biopsychosocial barriers that SDM patients commonly seek a CARES social workers assistance for include: finances (49%), health-related concerns (33%) such as physical disabilities, caregiving responsibilities and limited access to general health care, transportation (20%), mental health and family concerns (20%), and housing issues (12%).

Since the inception of the CARES Program, there has been a 26% decrease in the dental clinic's discharge rate, with 80% of CARES patients being retained by the SDM. Further, there has been a 9.3% increase in new patients. Prior to receiving social work assistance, patients enrolled in the CARES Program spent an average of \$325 for dental treatment at the SDM. Following the initiation of social work assistance, patients enrolled in the CARES Program spent an average of \$540 for dental treatment at the SDM. Subsequently, the SDM has seen an increase of approximately \$215 in revenue from each patient seen by the social worker. When the sum of these patient's dental treatments is calculated from their CARES Program start date, the Program has assisted in \$154,500 of SDM revenue over the past two and a half years.

Despite these promising results, there are some patients that we are unable to reach, primarily those that are not eligible for Medicaid, but whose income is insufficient to afford additional dental treatment costs. In order to address this, the CARES Program is creating a fund to provide dental services to those living in financial disparity. All funds received through fundraising efforts will be utilized by patients living up to double the poverty rate (e.g.: \$642 - \$1284 in monthly income for one person living alone). To ensure the legitimacy of this process, social workers will request proof of income in order to determine if a patient is eligible to receive financial assistance for their dental care. If you are interested in assisting the CARES program, please contact Carol Vanini, Director of Development, at 1-800-756-0328, extension 2.

The Dental Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the following 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, and 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



The 27th Annual

Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting

Sponsored by the UB Dental Alumni Association

www.sdm.buffalo.edu/alumni/

Wednesday, November 3, 2004

5:30-8:00 pm Preview Night (Complimentary admission)

Thursday, November 4, 2004

- 8:30 am-4:30 pm Pearls for your practice® UPDATE of new products and techniques; Joseph A. Blaes, DDS (6 CE credits) Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Kerr Corp.
- 8:30 am-noon CPR; MP Emergency Response Training (3 CE credits)
Limited to 30 participants. \$45 additional registration fee required.
- 8:30 am-noon Building your wealth: Investing throughout your lifetime; Stephen M. Nosek, CFM, WMA (3 CE credits *) Supported by an educational grant from The McNamara / Nosek Group of Merrill Lynch Wealth Management.
- 8:45 am-4:30 pm Foundation and aesthetic restorations for decimated teeth; David R. Federick, DMD, MscD, FACD, FICD (6 CE credits) Supported by an educational grant from Coltene Whaledent.
- 8:45 am-noon Digital dental imaging: The future is now! Scott Benjamin '78 *Alumni Speaker Series* (3 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-noon What does it take for patient adherence; Joyce Ann Turcotte, RDH, M.Ed. (3 CE credits)
Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Oral-B Laboratories.
- 9:00 am-noon Infection control update: Understanding the 2003 CDC recommendations; Terrence J. Thines, DDS '75, MS (3 CE credits) \$35 additional registration fee for official certificate.
- 9:00 am-noon Piecing together successful endodontics; Ronald H. Lebby, DDS (3 CE credits)
Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Tulsa Dental.
- 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 Beauty and the beast: A program for the entire dental team; Lynn W. Solomon, DDS '95, P-G Oral Path '00, MS '04 and Joseph R. Natiella, AB, DDS, P-G Oral Path '68 *Alumni Speaker Series* (3 CE credits)
- 1:30-4:30 pm Piecing together successful endodontics; Ronald H. Lebby, DDS (3 CE credits)
Supported, in part, by an educational grant from Tulsa Dental.
- 1:30-4:30 pm Advanced diagnostic technology utilization in every day dentistry; Scott Benjamin '78 *Alumni Speaker Series* (3 CE credits)
- 1:30 - 4:30 Achieving your wellness goals; Rose Czyrny (3 CE credits *)
- 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

Watch your mail for details on a fantastic Preview Night giveaway!

Upstate New York's Premier Dental Event

November 3-5, 2004

Buffalo Convention Center



Friday, November 5, 2004

- 8:30 am-4:30 pm Periodontics; Louis Rose (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 Dentistry today -- Dentistry tomorrow!; Bo Braze, CDT (3 CE credits)
- 8:45 am-noon Oral care for the disabled patient: Tricks of the trade and the mistakes I have made; Cindy Kleiman, CDA, RDH, BS (3 CE credits)
- 8:45 am-noon Pediatric dentistry: Tots to teens; Corine Barone, DMD (3 CE credits)
- 9:00 am-4:30 pm Total esthetics for the everyday practice; Mitch A. Conditt (6 CE credits)
Supported by an educational grant from Dentsply Caulk.
- 9:00 am-4:30 pm Endodontics; Gene Pantera *Alumni Speaker Series* (6 CE credits)
- 1:30-4:30 pm Infection control update: Understanding the 2003 CDC recommendations; Terrence J. Thines, DDS '75, MS (3 CE credits) \$35 additional registration fee for official certificate.
- 1:30-4:30 pm Step up the quality of patient care through new products and technology!; Kathleen Russell (3 CE credits) Supported by an educational grant from Ivoclar Vivadent Inc.
- 1:30-4:30 pm Medical histories and medical emergencies for the dental auxiliary; Cindy Kleiman, CDA, RDH, BS (3 CE credits)
- 1:30-4:30 pm Dentistry and the realm of illusion; Bo Braze CDT (3 CE credits)

*Mark
Your
Calendar!*

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

Register Early: Preregistration closes Thursday, Oct 21 and prices go up!

Cancellation Policy:

- Refunds will be issued through Thursday, Oct 21.
- Written requests must be received by that date.
- No refunds issued after Oct 21.

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

Reunion Dinner Dance

Hyatt Regency Ballroom
Friday, November 5, 2004
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7:30

\$65 per person
Black Tie Optional

Non-reunion and non-alumni guests are welcome.

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Mattie E. Alleyne '81 retired in September 2003 from the NYS Department of Correctional Services after 20 years of service. The last 10 years was served as Facility Dental Director at the Groveland Correctional Facility.



Laurie C. Carter '83 & P-G Oral Pathology '86 has been appointed Director of Graduate Studies, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry.

Robert W. Failing '84 lives in Cape Cod, MA, where he practices dentistry and enjoys his wife and 9 year old son. They have visited Chautauqua, NY for the past 7 years and look forward to it each summer. Dr. Failing has various hobbies that occupy his free time. He is wondering how his other classmates are doing. His wife, Barbara, recently published her first children's book which was illustrated by Tedd Arnold of Elmira, NY (her website is: www.barbaralarmonfailing.com).



Mark K. Barone '85 has been elected Vice-President of the 8th District Dental Society for 2004. He currently practices general dentistry with two partners in Warsaw, NY.

Mark J. Szarejko '85 will give a presentation entitled, "Diagnosis and Treatment of Oral and Maxillofacial Infections," on May 24, 2004. This will be at the Updates in Correctional Care, sponsored by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, in Chicago, IL.



Patricia Haberman '88 & P-G GPR '89 was elected as President of the Eighth District Dental Society for 2004.

Dr. Haberman is a member of the Board of Directors of the Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart and the Steering Committee of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. She is a Graduate of the Board of Governance Project of the United Way of Buffalo & Erie County. Dr. Haberman is an active member of the UB Dental Alumni Association Executive Council and has professional affiliations with the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists, and the Guild of St. Apollonia (President, 1997). Dr. Haberman is currently Clinical Instructor in Restorative Dentistry, UB School of Dental Medicine and in private practice in Eggertsville, NY.

Richard K. Ohrbach MS Oral Sciences '89 & P-G TMD '89 has been reconfirmed to his appointment to the Health Sciences Institutional Review Board (IRB) Committee A for the term effective November 1, 2003 to October 31, 2006. Dr. Ohrbach is currently Associate Professor, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.



Patricia A. Simon '89, was selected by her colleagues as one of Dallas' Best Dentists. The survey was conducted by D-Magazine, a local Dallas publication. Dr. Simon practices orthodontics in the Lakewood area of Dallas, and focuses on combined orthodontic / orthognathic cases. She maintains a position at UT

Southwestern Medical Center, Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery as Associate Professor, and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics. She continues to lecture regionally on the recognition and reporting of child abuse, an area of interest developed while at UB studying with Dr. Joe Bernat in the Dept of Pediatric Dentistry.

Marian C. (Ryndak) Pilecki '90 gave birth to a baby boy, David Robert, on November 11, 2003. He weighed in at 3 lbs 4 oz and was 16-1/2" long. David was 8 weeks early but is doing great. Marian and her husband, Andrew, were able to bring him home before Christmas.

Edward H. Segal '90 was recently installed as a Trustee for the Illinois State Dental Society and appointed Secretary for General Arrangements Committee, Chicago Dental Society, 130th Midwinter Meeting. Dr. Segal also recently purchased a practice in Northbrook, IL.



Randy G. Raetz '94 has been elected President of the Monroe County Dental Society, where he is also a member of the board of directors. He is very active in organized dentistry and is a member of the ADA, The NY State Dental Association, the 7th

District Dental Society, the Monroe County Dental Society and the Academy of General Dentistry. Dr. Raetz is currently in private practice with **Daniel J. Livingston '82** in Rochester, NY. In addition, he provides dental services to the residents at St. John's Nursing Home and to the Industry School in Rush, NY. Dr. Raetz and his family reside in Victor, NY.

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Lynn W. Solomon '95 & P-G Oral Pathology '00 has been selected to receive the Junior Faculty Award, which is presented by the ADEA / Council of Students / Vital Source Technology, Inc. It recognizes junior faculty who demonstrate excellence in teaching, research, and service, and a commitment to dental education. Currently, Dr. Solomon is Assistant Professor, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, UB School of Dental Medicine.



Vincent Fiscella '96 and his wife, Marie, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Nicolas Vincent, on June 26, 2003.

Jennifer (Long) Redmore '97, her husband, Keith, and their son, Luke, welcomed a baby boy named James Anthony on October 2, 2003. Jennifer practices with **Sonny Spera '89** and **Athena (Michaelides) Graves '96** at Progressive Dental in Conklin, NY.

Heather A. Fagin '99 moved to Austin, TX where she took a position as a Supervising Dentist and Course Director at Austin Community College School of Dental Hygiene and welcomed the birth of her second child, a daughter, Sofia. Dr. Fagin resides in Northwest Austin with her husband, Randy S. Fagin MD (UB '97), and 3-year old son, Trevor.



Sompid Kintarak, P-G Oral Pathology '99 & MS Oral Sciences '00 and **Jose Tapia, P-G Oral Pathology '03** have passed Board Examinations in Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology.



Thomas M. Scibor '99 and his wife, Donna, would like to announce the birth of their son, Travis Michael Scibor. Travis was born on July 8, 2003 and weighed 8 lbs 7 ozs.



Let us know what YOU are doing. Send Alumnotes via postcard included with this issue; U.S. Mail to Marilyn Sulzbach, 332 Squire Hall, 3435 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14214-3008; FAX (716) 829-3609; or email msulzbac@buffalo.edu.

(Continued from pg 2) **Dean Buchanan**

The University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine enjoys widespread national recognition for strong traditions of quality and productivity in research as well as leadership in educational innovation. Major institution-wide innovations like the Electronic Curriculum require creativity and courage from the faculty, a significant commitment of resources from the School, the support of alumni and friends, and a substantial contribution from the students. In this case, the Charter DVD Class of 2004 endured the pilot phase of a project that has, with their help, evolved into an outstanding improvement in dental education — an improvement that will not only benefit future generations of students at UB and other dental schools but will also provide a foundation for further advancements in educational methodology, student learning and curriculum development. These outstanding outcomes were achieved through a true partnership between our School; our faculty; our alumni, whose support was critically important; and our students — all of whom joined together to make another contribution to the proud traditions of excellence and innovation at University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine. Thanks very much to all who made this exciting project possible.

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 St, Buffalo, NY 14214-3008.

THANK YOU!

Dental Themes

*H*umanity has suffered from dental and facial pain for many hundreds of years, and artists have represented this suffering in a variety of ways. These pictures depict a range of art works that show various degrees of dental and facial pain, ranging from a walrus ivory chess figure dating from the twelfth century to twentieth century grotesques carved into the stone walls lining the Grand Courtyard of the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia. We hope that you find these pictures and details about them of interest.

Alan J. Drinnan, DDS, MD, Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus, Dept of Oral Diagnostic Sciences



A misericord is a narrow ledge on the underside of a hinged seat in the choir in the choir of a monastic chapel. When the seat was turned up, the ledge permitted one to relax while standing up! The name is derived from *miseri*, to pity, and *cors* (*cordis*), the heart; it relaxed the rules and took pity on the heart! This ecclesiastic art form lent itself very well to the imaginations of artists, and it was very common for the woodworkers of the day to embellish the misericord ledges with many different carvings. The one shown here is from Ely Cathedral in Eastern England. The cathedral dates from the 11th century and is considered one of the finest and most beautiful cathedrals in the British Isles. This misericord under one of the

choir seats shows a fanciful figure practicing dentistry. Reproduced by kind permission of the dean and chapter of Ely Cathedral.

One of the most attractive examples of a stone carving of 'toothache' may be seen in the beautiful 12th century Wells Cathedral in the southwest of England. This carving of a man apparently in pain, pulling his mouth open and pointing to the offending tooth, is in the south transept of the church. It is a 'capital,' that is, the ornamental top part of a column or pilaster. Other capitals in the cathedral depict birds, beasts, dragons, caricatures and rural scenes. Reproduced with the kind permission of the chapter of Wells Cathedral.



The main campus of the University of Queensland is located in the Brisbane suburb of St Lucia. It has a beautiful campus with a central 'heart' - the Great Court. This area is contained within a semicircle of cloistered buildings faced in sandstone. One of the attractions of the court is in the way that sculpture has been used to "convey something of the origins of the major academic disciplines and to emphasize links with the world-wide academic community." The buildings around the court have sculptures of historical scenes, academic crests, flora and fauna motifs and sculptures of heads in portrait or caricature styles. There are several of interest to dentists. The most obvious is the 'toothache sufferer,' but, with some imagination, one can readily see that John Dalton, the famous English chemist, is suffering from a temporomandibular joint problem and is pointing out the area of discomfort!



This chess figure, a queen from the Isle of Lewis chess set currently in the British Museum in London, looks anxious and in some distress and appears to be massaging her face - perhaps to assuage some facial pain. The precise origin of these chess pieces is unknown. They were discovered in 1831 on the deserted Atlantic coastline of the Island of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland. They are generally assumed to be Scandinavian, perhaps of Icelandic origin, dating from about 1150.



School News

Alan J. Gross Fund

Submitted by Elaine Davis

The Alan J. Gross Fund was created in 1998 to honor Dr. Alan J. Gross, a well-liked and highly respected faculty member who was also a passionate student advocate. The general purpose of the Fund is to enhance the environment of students at the UB School of Dental Medicine. The committee that oversees spending initiatives for the fund is comprised of Student Affairs representatives, students, and members of Alan Gross's family.

White Coat Ceremony: Since 2000, the school has welcomed new dental students into the profession by means of a White Coat Ceremony. This ceremony takes place during convocation, at the beginning of the school year. The ceremony is a highlight for new students as well as for their families. The Fund sponsors a continental breakfast and the coats distributed during the ceremony.

Family Day: The Fund covers the cost of a lunch held on the day of Phase II of the dental match, when most students find out where they will be doing a residency in the coming year. This luncheon is a time of celebration for the students and is always well attended.

The Alan Gross Award for Excellence in Teaching: This teaching award was created in 2002 and is awarded to faculty in the first, second, and third years of the dental curriculum. The award was developed to honor Alan's memory and the commitment he made to teaching excellence. The award is made on the basis of enthusiasm for the subject matter, the ability to convey information clearly, and a genuine concern for students.

Talent Show: The annual Talent Show is an event that has become a tradition and which would not have become a reality without Alan's enthusiasm and support. This family event is well attended, with the eighth annual show just having been completed. The Fund supports videotaping of the event and the making of copies distributed to performers. Additional tapes are made available to the dental school community at cost.

Fund Raising Activities: In the summer of 2000, Alan's brother Gordy Gross biked cross-country (over 3,000 miles) to raise money for the fund. Dubbed the 'Tour de Gordon,' the event raised over \$50,000 for the fund. In September 2000, a Dental Dash one-miler foot race was held on the university's south campus in Alan's honor. A second race was held in April 2002.

On Sunday May 23, 2004, the 1st annual Dr. Alan Gross Memorial UB Classic bicycle race will take place. Starting at 9 am and racing around the approximately 1.25 mile Putnam Way, both professional and amateur racers will compete in their appropriate age and riding categories. If you would like to become a sponsor of the race, a volunteer, or compete in the race, contact Jim Costello @ (716) 835-0334 or JECostello@aol.com.

These events all share a common thread - they represent areas of great passion for Alan. He was devoted to students and student issues, and would have been proud to know that the fund has supported so many activities to enhance the quality of student life. The Fund also continues to support the Alan Gross Student Resource Room in Squire Hall. This room is open 24 hours a day, with study areas and a copy machine available for student use.

If you would like to support the Alan Gross Fund, you may do so in one of two ways:

- write a check directly to the UB Foundation, specifying that it go to the Alan Gross Fund.
Mailing address: Carol Vanini, Office of Development, 332A Squire Hall, Buffalo NY 14214
- write a check to the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo.
Mailing address: 712 Main Street, Buffalo NY 14202-1720

Development News

We would like to thank our new and renewed Dean's Associates who joined from November 12, 2003 through February 5, 2004. Dean's Associates are individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the UB School of Dental Medicine.

New Dean's Associates:

Dr. Steven H. Dweck, '93
Dr. Harry Z. Hoffer, '81
Dr. Marshall Hoffer, P-G '78
Dr. Jack Lipkin, P-G '79
Dr. David R. Rice, '94

Dr. Jeffrey H. Stein, '86
Mrs. Bernice Stern
Dr. Michael Stern
Dr. Steven Stern, '87
Dr. Hyman Weiss, '52

Renewed Dean's Associates:

Dr. J. Brian Baker, P-G '99
Dr. & Mrs. Gerald C. Benjamin, '77
Dr. Joseph E. Bernat, '73
Dr. Robert Calcagno, '78
Dr. Margaret A. Certo, '89
Dr. Mark S. DeNunzio, '80
Dr. Scott E. Dillingham, '82
Dr. and Mrs. Alan J. Drinnan, '64
Dr. Stuart L. Fischman, P-G '66 &
Dr. Jane Vogel Fischman
Dr. Susanne T. Grennell, '75
Mr. & Mrs. James M. Harris

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Dr. Sheldon R. Mann, '80
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Dr. James R. Predmore, '82
Dr. William W. Rathke, '51
Dr. Richard L. Rubin, '84
Dr. Leonard Yee, '85
Dr. Stanley A. Youdelman, '64



Carol R. Vanini
Director of Development

I recently helped host our alumni reception at the Yankee Dental Congress in Boston, and was delighted at our great turnout. Thanks to Dr. Mitzi Neiders for her assistance. Over the past several years, we have made a commitment to our alumni through events at national, regional and specialty dental meetings. Your alumni dues help to underwrite the cost of these receptions, which allow our graduates to reconnect with each other, as well as hear from the Dean, faculty and Development Office on what's happening at the School of Dental Medicine. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Dental Alumni Association for their annual financial support of our alumni functions, and to encourage all of you to attend these events and reconnect with your friends and our school.

Please check the first page of the Dental Report for information on upcoming School of Dental Medicine alumni receptions, or call us at 800-756-0328, extension 2.

NIH Launches Virtual Career Center Website

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has launched a new Virtual Career Center (<http://www.training.nih.gov/careers/careercenter/index.html>), developed by the Intramural Office of Education to meet the needs of the NIH community as well as students and professionals in science and medicine. The Virtual Career Center is arranged into four major areas of interest for individuals seeking information on careers and employment: exploring career options, continuing education, employment options and opportunities, and the job search process. The site is highly selective, guiding users to a range of resources on the web. It provides the most up-to-date information available on one web site.

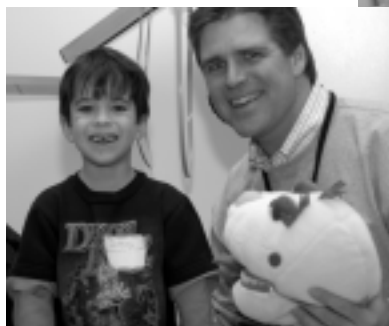
The site also allows for a quick focus on areas that meet the user's particular needs. So whether a visitor to the site is contemplating a career in health sciences or already engaged in the field and looking for additional opportunities for funding and training, he will quickly and easily find useful information. The site was developed with the NIH community in mind, but the plethora of information found in the Virtual Career Center is available to all who wish to visit the site.



Wayne Scheff '86



Sophia Shapiro RDH

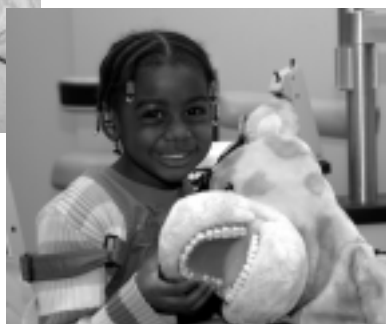


Scott Westermeier '86

Give Kids a Smile Day
 Squire Hall
 February 6, 2004

Suketu Patel, Pedro Resident, and
Breckglyn Miller '07 as 'Scoobie'

Dian Wells '94



2004 Reunion Classes

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

Thursday, Nov. 4

UB School of Dental Medicine Reception honoring Reunion Classes

Friday, Nov. 5

Reunion Dinner Dance, Hyatt Regency Hotel

Your reunion chair should be contacting you shortly!

Junior & Senior Award Recipients

The Dental Alumni Association installed plaques in Squire Hall listing all student recipients of the Association Junior Award or Senior Award.

We need your help confirming recipients for the following years:

Junior Award:

1965, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1980

Senior Award:

1965, 1970, 1976.

If you received the 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.

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| March 31 | Insights/Paradoxes in Restorative Dentistry, Now & for the Future |
| April 21 | Forensics in Dentistry |
| May 5 | Systemic Disease & Tooth Loss. Benign & Malignant Neoplasms from Mineralized Tissues |
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Tuition: \$55*/lecture (Buffalo-live only)

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Looking ahead...



presents...

April 23 **Implants Are Not Teeth...Esthetics, Occlusion & New Technologies** *Buffalo/Niagara Marriott*
 \$195 UB Alum Member \$225 Nonmember
Presented in cooperation with the Buffalo Gilead Chapter of Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity

April 23 **Clinical Uses of Lasers & Soft Tissue Surgery**
*Hands-on 're-certification' ...no discounts \$695**

April 30 **Managing the Hard to Numb Patient and Oral Sedation**
 \$180 UB Dental Alum \$225 Nonmember

May 6 **Teeth and Other Things Which Are Hard ...What's Up?**
 \$180 UB Dental Alum \$225 Nonmember

8th District & UB Dental Alumni with CDE present

May 14 **Annual Lower Lakes Dental Meeting**
Buffalo/Niagara Marriott
 \$165 UB Alum Member \$225 Nonmember

May 14 **Annual Dental Hygiene Symposium**
*Four Points Sheraton \$145 RDH**

May 20 **Recent Developments in Bone Biology...**
6-8pm A CE Dinner Meeting \$65 (no discounts)

May 21 **Orthodontics for the General Practitioner**
Guest Faculty/UB Alum Dr. Calogero Dolce DDS, PhD
 \$165 UB Alum Member \$225 Nonmember

May 21-22 **Molar Endodontics for General Practitioners**
Hands-on workshop/no discounts \$695

June 3 **The Importance of Patient Advocacy**
 \$165 UB Alum Member \$225 Nonmember

June 4 ***Dentist-*Technician Communication Related to Esthetic & Function of Anterior Teeth**
*Hands-on/no discount \$395/team**

June 11 **Blueprint For Treatment Success...**
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