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Teresa Paolini first received care at the dental clinic in 1943. Three clinic locations and many student dentists later, her visits continue. Story on Page 10.

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The dental profession mirrors trends in dental education. If dentistry intends to maintain its current professional standing and privilege of self-regulation, dental schools must remain vigilant and proactive in two key areas. First, dental schools must remain an integral part of a strong university system. However, high and increasing operating costs amid relentless budget cuts can threaten this relationship. We must guard against a shift of our schools into lower-tier institutions partially or completely divorced from the academic community. Deterioration of dental education's relationship with the university would invite a conflicted commercial influence into the educational process where supporting corporations, rather than dentists, control the content of our curriculum. Coupled with the increasing presence of midlevel providers, government regulators and the remaining health care community would begin to view and treat dentistry as more of a trade and less of a profession. Your financial support will fortify our already strong academic ties.

Second, dental schools must continue to develop valued science, technology and information, and produce competent graduates to remain worthy of

the public's trust. In exchange for our promise to act in the best interests of our country's oral health, society has granted dentistry the privilege of selfregulation. We must acquire the necessary financial resources to keep our PRESIDENT

training and research in tune with the demands of private practice, including treating patients with complex medical needs and providing access to the underserved. In the event we

fail to meet our duties under this social contract, we will lose our professional autonomy and become subject to increased third party and regulatory oversight.

Although the future of dentistry appears bright, many educators question whether our schools can continue to meet these goals in the face of mounting fiscal challenges. We at UB are facing continued unprecedented reductions in state support as we embark upon our \$11 million pre-clinical laboratory modernization.

Alumni support stands as our main hope of success. Importantly, we must remember that not only do our contributions directly fund initiatives, but they also indirectly reflect how much we, as graduates, value our institution. A strong statement on our part sets the stage for additional and vital private sector support. Please join Dean Glick, our faculty, administrators and fellow alumni in this mission.

Chester J. Gary, DDS '78, JD '91, President, UB Dental Alumni Association

# **NewsBriefs**

# Three faculty chosen to receive Gross Awards for teaching excellence

The annual Alan J. Gross Awards for Excellence in Teaching were presented in February to three faculty members selected by dental students based on their enthusiasm for the subject taught, their ability to convey information clearly, and a genuine concern for students.

Benita Sobieraj, '97, AEGD Cert.
'98, clinical assistant professor in
Restorative Dentistry, Robert Schifferle,
'81, PhD, '93, associate professor in
Periodontics and Endodontics, and
Patrick Hart, '73, clinical associate
professor in Restorative Dentistry



FROM LEFT, AWARDEES SCHIFFERLE, SOBIERAJ, JANE BREWER, '78, PROS CERT. '82, MS, '85, CHAIR OF RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY, AND AWARDEE HART

received the award for teaching first-, second- and third-year students, respectively. The awards honor Gross, a well-liked and highly respected faculty member who put great emphasis on the importance of teaching skills.

**ADAF Awards Scholarships** For the second vear in a row, the American Dental Association Foundation (ADAF) has selected two SDM 2nd-year students to receive scholarships. Samantha Kelly (left) and Stephanie Hoyos are among 51 students nationwide who will each receive \$2,500 to help defray a part of their professional education expenses. The goal of the scholarship program is to facilitate the education of academically gifted students who also demonstrate examples of leadership, research, service achievements and volunteer attributes. Congratulations, Samantha and Stephanie!



### **News**Briefs

For most of the 117 4th-year students, decisions on what the next step in their career would be were made by the time of the Match Day Celebration lunch. For now, 56 percent will be attending a general practice residency or advanced education in general dentistry program. Twenty-one percent will be directly entering a dental practice. Just over 15 percent will be starting specialty training with pediatric dentistry leading the selected programs, including oral surgery, prosthodontics, orthodontics, periodontics and anesthesiology. Only 8 percent of the students remain undecided. Half of the students will be staying in New York for their program with 15 residing in Buffalo for at least another year. Other popular destinations were California and Canada among 16 other states. Congratulations to all!

HAPPY STUDENTS HUSSEIN
KALIMUDDIN MATCHED TO STATEN
ISLAND UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL,
AND KARA TRESS IS REMAINING IN
BUFFALO AT THE AEGD PROGRAM
AT THE VA MEDICAL CENTER.

### **GETTING LUNCH**

CONSTANZA LOPEZ LEAL IS GOING TO AEGD AT UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA IN CHAPEL HILL; HASAN ZIA MATCHED TO THE ANESTHESIOLOGY PROGRAM AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER.



KERRY KELLY INDICATES HER
MATCH TO THE GPR PROGRAM AT
ROCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL.



### Eventful Outreach in February



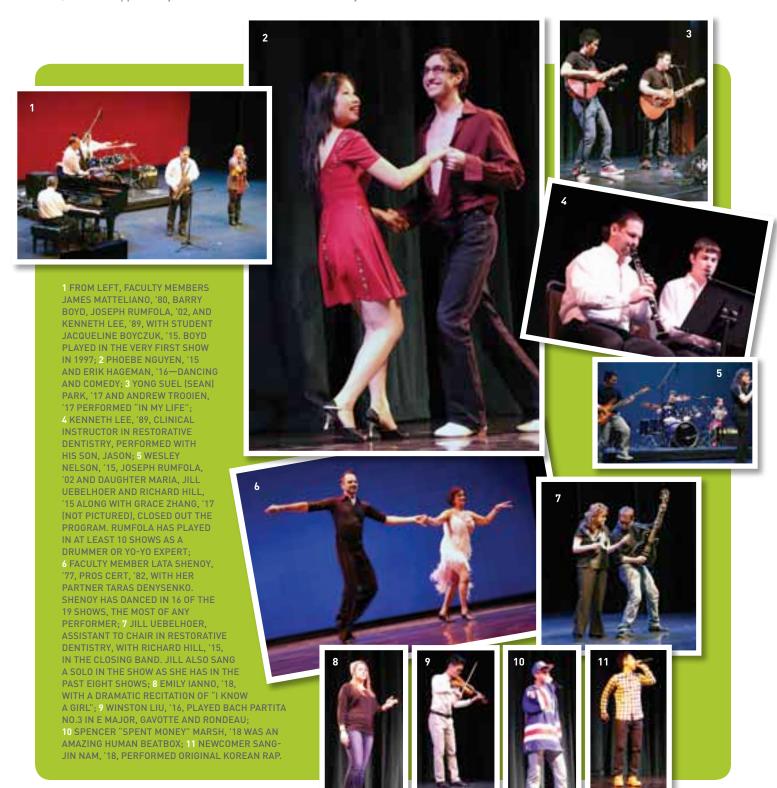
THIRD-YEAR DENTAL STUDENTS MADEHA SALAHUDDIN, VICTORIA MESOLELLA, AND WINSTON LIU VOLUNTEERING AT TRUE BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Besides Give Kids a Smile Day (see feature in this issue), students, staff and faculty conducted two more events in February that provided oral health education and care to over 4,500 individuals in the community. The first, at True Bethel Baptist Church in downtown Buffalo, was held with the support of Johnson & Johnson's Campaign for Healthy Smiles and included dental screening and oral hygiene education and kits. The second was Smile Education Day, during which all four classes of dental students delivered education on oral hygiene and distributed hygiene kits to students mainly in third and fifth grades at 49 schools throughout Buffalo.

### 2015 Talent Show at the Center

Friday, January 23 was a fun evening at the UB Center for the Arts when 14 dental students and seven faculty and staff and a few of their friends took to the stage for the 19th Annual UB School of Dental Medicine Talent Show. Ray Miller, '85, GPR, '86, served as the master of ceremonies (we now know what he'd do if dean) for the show originated by Alan Gross and Elaine Davis, and still supported by a fund established in Gross's memory.

The evening began with a short video created by Tyler Maxwell, '17, and Cole Staines, '17, and ended with great refreshments organized by Rachel Ducey, '17. We will especially miss our class of 2015 performers—Jacqueline Boyczuk, Phuc Thi Hong (Phoebe) Nguyen, Wesley Nelson and Richard Hill. (Photos by Kelli Bocock-Natale)





# Looking back a century to the Class of 1915

—Compiled by Robin L. Comeau

The year was 1915. Woodrow Wilson was president of the United States; Babe Ruth hit his first-ever career home run and the Great War was in its first full year. The first stone was laid for the construction of the Lincoln Memorial, the United States flag had 48 stars and The University of Buffalo Dental College was set to confer doctor of dental surgery diplomas to 58 on June 4.

The curriculum in 1915 consisted of three years of didactic and 'infirmary' requirements at the school located at 25 Goodrich downtown; students not meeting requirements and passing grades were denied advancement or 'plucked' according to early records. The faculty consisted of 40 professors/instructors and demonstrators; Daniel H. Squire was serving his third year as dean.



DDS DIPLOMAS WERE CONFERRED TO 58 MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1915.

### Class notes

The class was all male—the youngest graduate 21 and the oldest 45. Some transferred from other dental schools and finished at U of B.

William E. Kay entered as "Doc" after having graduated in 1890 from the U of B Medical School and was the oldest graduate at age 45.

Francis U. Kohler gained the nickname "Rev" after transferring to U of B as a graduate from Rochester Theological Seminary, and still continued preaching a great deal of time following graduation.

Victor Valente entered with a civil engineering degree from University of Pennsylvania; the Valente family was featured in a 1940 Buffalo Courier-Express story on the struggles and success of Italian immigrants in the city.

Edward B. Williams entered with a DDS degree from Ohio College of Dental Surgery, and took one year with us "in order that he might become a real dentist." Leo A. Stafford is the father of now retired dental assistant,
June Ashton, who was employed at the SDM for 25 years. Stafford was a well-known sportsman and privately owned a portion of the Alabama, NY swampland before the land was secured by the NYS Conservation Department for a park.

Clor W. Merle, a practicing dentist in Batavia, sadly succumbed to influenza in 1918 during the Spanish Flu epidemic.

### Service

Francis S. Adams, graduating second in the class with a GPA of 91.73, went on to became a member of the faculty shortly after graduation as an instructor in operative dentistry; served in WWI commissioned as first lieutenant; was honored in 1965 at age 73, as the oldest practicing dentist in Niagara Falls; later that year, at the 63rd annual meeting, the UB Dental Alumni Association honored him for 50 years of dental practice.

Felix Cunningham served in 1940 on the military affairs committee of the 4th District New York Dental Society. His task was to determine whether or not men drafted for WWII should be exempted for oral conditions.

Glenn DeGelleke served in WWI as a member of the reserves and his wife served as a nurse. Also confirmed as serving in WWI were Liol Fitzpatrick, Herman G. Ebling, Henry M. Klein, Ernest Kutscher and Charles H. McKee.

Francis M. Tench, graduating 1st in the class with a GPA of 92.73, achieved the rank of captain in WWI and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

John C. Dickson, in 1952, qualified for appointment as a dentist for New York State at a top salary of \$5,774 a year. Arnott A. Moore, went on to become a prominent oral surgeon in Buffalo and was a frequent lecturer at national dental conventions; Marvin Levy also spoke often to local optometrists on the subject of focal eye infections in relation to the teeth; Victor Lay spoke with other orthodontia specialists on facial contours.

Edward Schwartz, Sr. practiced dentistry locally for over 40 years, during which time he was also a Scoutmaster for several different troops. He was awarded the Silver Beaver for leadership, and a cabin at Toad Hollow Boy Scout Camp is named after him.

Charles McKee served on the Buffalo Board of Health and was involved in various GOP committee activities as part of the city of Buffalo political delegation.

### **Sports**

Leo S. Dodge and Edward W. Woodbury were instrumental in organizing and forming the University of Buffalo Athletic Association in 1915. Woodbury served as faculty manager of the organization after its formation. Both played basketball for the "Dents" while at U of B. Dodge went on to organize and fund little league baseball teams in Wayland, NY where he retired.

Track and Field at U of B was first organized in 1912, and the "Dents" were well represented with 14 trying out for the team. Anthony Pawlowski was a track and field star here and, like many other class members, took up golf after graduation, winning many local tournaments—one while paired with Dean Richard Powell. Other notable golf awards went to Leo E. Gibbon for having the longest drive of 225 yards in May 1927 at the South Shore Country Club Tournament, and to **D. Paul** Gaugel for shooting the 1st holein-one for 1931 on the 118-yard 9th hole at the Lockport Town and County Course.

# **DevelopmentNews**

## PUT YOUR MARK ON OUR FUTURE

### We need your help.

The SDM is launching an effort to modernize our clinic spaces for the first time since moving into Squire Hall in 1986.

Currently, the SDM must generate the majority of our operating revenue, and there are few dollars available for facilities upgrades. This leaves us in need of philanthropic support from our alumni and friends.

Please consider helping us in one of these three ways:



The SDM will start this summer to replace all of the operatories in Squire Hall with new equipment which is better suited for teaching today's students. Please consider putting your mark on one of our new operatories with a gift to the school of \$25,000—the cost to replace and maintain a new operatory.

This can be done in several ways—from your gift of \$25,000 in cash or appreciated stock directly to the SDM, to a group effort from your class, practice, family, business, professional association or even your old study club. You can put your name or the name of your group or business on the operatory, or you may choose to honor or memorialize someone who meant a great deal to you while at the school with your gift. To be eligible for this naming opportunity, you need only to pledge to give the \$25,000 to our operatory fund within one to five years.

### 1892 CLUB

The 1892 Club is a way to support the school and celebrate how far we've come over the last 125 years. Your pledge of \$1,892 or more a year for three years makes you a member of this esteemed group. Already, we have 28 members committed to helping UB SDM continue our legacy of defining excellence in global health. Your gift can be made to any area of the school you wish, and your name will be engraved on a plaque displayed prominently at the school when we celebrate our legacy in 2017.

### **SQUIRE SOCIETY**

Our annual giving society recognizes those who give \$1,000 or more during the fiscal year (July 1 to June 30). You will receive our specially designed Squire Society pin and will be invited to our annual Squire Society Celebration. One thousand dollars amounts to only

\$83.34 per month, and we can even set up automatic payments on your credit card for your convenience, if you wish, or directly from your paycheck (from pre-taxed dollars) if you are employed by the university.

Please consider helping our students, our faculty, and our profession by supporting UB SDM this year with your tax-deductible contribution in one of these or other ways. To give or for more information, contact Bob Van Wicklin, assistant dean for philanthropy and alumni engagement (716-829-2945 or rvanwick@buffalo.edu), or Danielle Moser, annual giving officer (716-881-1403 or

dmoser@buffalo.edu).







TERESA PAOLINI HAS SPANNED EIGHT DECADES AND THREE UB CLINICS IN THE DENTAL CHAIR

By JIM BISCO

Photo by DOUGLAS LEVERE

It was 1943, the midst of wartime. Men had marched off to fight. Women went to work at manufacturing plants as "Rosey the Riveters" to do their part for the war effort.

Eighteen-year-old Teresa Massa was a "Rosey", working as an inspector of pistons at the Buffalo Chevy plant. She had just received her diploma from South Park High School where future Baseball Hall of Fame pitcher Warren Spahn had recently graduated.

Teresa was living at home with her family in South Buffalo, going about her normal chores and needs such as a trip to the dentist. A neighbor told her of the University of Buffalo dental school clinic in downtown Buffalo where students under guidance did good work at great savings.

Teresa made an appointment and was very pleased with the experience.

Seventy-two years later, Teresa (now Paolini) is still making appointments at the UB dental clinic and is pleased with the results. She may be the holder of a longevity mark for length of care at one clinic.

Teresa, a becoming woman with a ready smile and forthright manner on the verge of turning 90, recently sat down to recall her life and its connection to her dental care at Squire Hall, the third UB clinic location in her patient history.

### **GROWING UP IN BUFFALO**

Teresa remembers music in her life as she grew up in South Buffalo. Her parents hailed from Naples, Italy, and they sang at home all the time. She also has a famous cousin from Naples, Peppino di Capri, known as the Buddy Holly of Italy, who opened with his band for The Beatles during their concert tour of Italy in 1965.

Teresa aspired to be an opera singer. "Any time a young man would ask me out I said no because I did not want to get married. I wanted a career on stage. I knew I had a voice. I went on my own to take singing lessons. Singing was the most important thing."

While that career path didn't quite work out, singing has always remained a part of her life. She's been a choir member of St. Lawrence Church for 67 years. At the interview, she launched into an impromptu duet with daughter Mary Pachla on the hymn "Panis Angelicus" with spot-on harmony wafting through Squire.

"It's a muscle, you have to keep it going," she says of her enduring vocal strength.

### THE FIRST DENTAL CLINIC

A number of alumni from the era refer to the downtown dental school as the High Street building when actually it was located at 25 Goodrich at High, in operation from 1896 to 1953. Recollections often aren't kind to the structure with its cold, hulking interior.

Teresa remembers it as a small building at Goodrich and High St. "I could tell these dentists were learning when they were working on me," she relates. "There was one dentist I thought was never going to make it—he was all fingers and I felt so bad for him."

Young Teresa was happy to continue her visits regularly. As the war ended, she went back to work waitressing at Lorenzo's (which later became Leonardo's), a restaurant on Pearl St. at Chippewa where she first worked as a pantry girl serving desserts at age 13 and met her future husband, Alfonso, who was a bar boy. She affectionately refers to him as Funzi. They married in a tumultuous ceremony Thanksgiving Day 1946 (after their vows, he fainted at the altar from exhaustion. Teresa panicked, "Am I a bride and a widow at the same time?" she gasped, remembering an Italian bride in the news who died at the altar a week earlier.)

Give always felt very comfortable coming here.

I respect all the students. They're all very polite
and they really do well."

**—TERESA PAOLINI** 

They raised a family of four girls and two boys on Harriet Street in the vicinity of UB's Main Street campus. She subsequently waitressed in their neighborhood at Eduardo's on Bailey Avenue, the original Salvatore's on Delevan Avenue, the Plaza Suite restaurant at the top of M&T Plaza downtown, and the Saturn Club until she retired at age 74.

Teresa continued at the dental clinic up until a short break in the early 1950s when a dentist she had met started a practice in their neighborhood. He convinced her unfortunately to replace all her upper teeth with a denture plate because two of those teeth had problems.

She soon returned to the UB dental clinic which had moved to Capen Hall (now Farber Hall) on the Main Street campus in 1953. She recalls having many student dentists over the years. "I would come and get work done for maybe a year and then when I came back I'd get a different dentist. I've always been very satisfied with the UB dental school," she emphasizes.

She praises the clinic care received over the years. Her lower teeth are her own and shiningly healthy. Among the work she recalls were deeply embedded wisdom teeth. "The doctors took them out, they didn't have the students do it. They chiseled them out. It was bang, bang, bang. I don't think they do it that way anymore," she says. "I've always been treated well at the dental school."

Just as she continues to care for her teeth, Teresa maintains her health-conscious lifestyle. "I was always aware of nutrition and raised on the Mediterranean diet so I don't eat any junk food. I won't eat anything that is processed," she says.

She continues to sing. Just last

summer she and her daughter Mary were urged to sing the Star Spangled Banner to launch the opening of the annual Italian Festival in North Buffalo. Teresa aced it, just as she did at her graduation from South Park High. Buffalo Mayor Byron Brown praised her ability. "It's just like everything else in your body, if you



TERESA AT THE TIME SHE BEGAN HER CLINIC VISITS.

don't use it, you lose it," she reasons.
"But I kept up singing so I can still hit
my high notes."

And, of course, she continues her visits to the dental clinic now in Squire since 1986. In the past 16 years, she has helped to educate several students including Sean Goetz, '03, Sunita Mathew, '06, Sukrita Bedi (Matta), '05, Nahid Amjadi, '07, James Marusich, '10, and Stephanie Cavallaro, '12. In fact, Teresa said she just had a couple of cavities filled recently. "I've always felt very comfortable coming here. I respect all the students. They're all very polite and they really do well," she says, singing the praises of her current student dentist, Naressa Singh, '15. "She's a very, very good student. I told her she's going to make a good dentist."



TERESA'S LONG
TENURE AS PATIENT
WAS RECENTLY
CELEBRATED AT
THE CLINIC WITH
HER CURRENT
STUDENT DENTIST,
NARESSA SINGH,
AND ASSISTANT
DEAN OF CLINICAL
AFFAIRS JOSEPH
GAMBACORTA.

# GIVE KIDS A SINILE DAY

# SIMPLY—HEALTHY SMILES

H, THE WEATHER OUTSIDE HAS
BEEN FRIGHTFUL, but the smiles
inside were delightful at Give Kids
a Smile Day. February 6th saw 525
Western New York children visiting the UB
dental clinic, including those from area families,
high school students, and Head Start enrollees.
The event is one of the largest in the country.
This year's theme centered on the power of a
smile. Here are some photos capturing the flow
of the day.

Photos by DOUGLAS LEVERE











# GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY





















1 CHILDREN ARRIVED BY BUS AND CAR;
2 TINY VISITORS STARTED OFF WITH A
SONG TO GET THEM IN A HAPPY PLACE;
3-4 THEY MEET FURRY FRIENDS WHILE
WAITING FOR THEIR TURN IN THE
DENTAL CHAIR—VICTOR E. BULL AND
SABRETOOTH; 5-7 DENTAL CARE
INCLUDED CLEANINGS, FLUORIDE,
ORTHO CONSULTS, AND OPERATIVE
PROCEDURES, WITH COOL SUNGLASSES;
8 TREATMENT OVER—LOOK AT THAT
SMILE; 9-15 TEDDY BEAR CLINIC
EDUCATION AND FUN.



UB PRESIDENT SATISH TRIPATHI BEING GREETED BY EVENT DIRECTOR, DR. CHINKIT-WELLS.



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**66**Healthy Smiles—the message is simple, but powerful."

—M. DIAN CHINKIT-WELLS, CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, PEDIATRIC AND COMMUNITY DENTISTRY



















# AFTER OFFICE HOURS

ALUMNI INTERESTS AND PURSUITS BEYOND THE PRACTICE

OME CALL IT A HOBBY, OTHERS CALL IT COLLECTING. Whatever the pleasure, it's all life after office hours, or after a career. From music to photography, sports memorabilia to furniture making, dental school alumni pursue a wide range of interests. Some even call dentistry their hobby. We recently asked alumni what tickles their fancy or floats their boat away from the office. The replies were as varied as a big box of Crayola.





Norman Roswick, '59, played baseball into his late 70s. He just retired from hardball (because of surgery) in a league for over 50-year-olds. After nearly 40 years away from the game, and bored with customary retirement hobbies, he made the move to become the oldest active player in league history. Most league players were former semi-pro and minor leaguers. "In my mid-to-later 70s I held my own against 50-year-olds," he says. "Thus, a year-long hobby for over 10 years."

Yiching Wu, '14, handcrafts stuffed animals and plushies. "I couldn't forget the warmth and joy I felt when I received one as a gift when I was a kid. I started the first plushy bear the summer before moving to Buffalo for dental school," she recalls. "I believe those who receive the plushies can feel the warmth and joy from these handmade, fluffy little guys." She also plays the pipa, a traditional Chinese plucked-string instrument.

Bruce Seidberg, '63, has 60 years of photography, changing techniques and equipment as the field has changed. He says that the film-to-digital movement is no different than going from small x-rays to digital radiography. He's won many awards and has had several photographic exhibitions. The walls of his office provide a gallery for his work. "They are a focal point giving patients something to look at and enjoy while in the dental chair," he relates.

Jack Gish, '77, collects Porsches. He bought his first, a 1970 Porsche 914, while an SDM student which eventually became the victim of a Buffalo winter. However, the experience drove him and wife Alice to grow a Porsche collection now numbering 35 and worth \$3.5 million, showing the evolution of the brand from the '50s to today, including a Porsche owned by Nicholas Cage and one driven by Bruce Willis in a film. The first collected was a 1983 Porsche 911 SC Cabriolet, given to son Josh, also an SDM alumnus and oral surgeon on Long Island, to drive in college.









1 NORMAN ROSWICK DEFIES HIS AGE AND SWINGS FOR THE FENCES; 2 PLUSHIE BEAR MADE BY YICHING WU; 3 A REFLECTIVE EXAMPLE OF BRUCE SEIDBERG'S PHOTOGRAPHY 4-5 JACK AND ALICE GISH HOST CAR ENTHUSIASTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD AT THEIR PORSCHE GALLERY; 6 VINTAGE BREW FROM BURTON SPILLER'S ADVERTISING COLLECTION; 7 JOSEPH RUMFOLA WITH DAUGHTERS MARIA AND NATALIE IN A SEA OF COLLECTIBLE YO-YOS; 8 A SCENE IN CABO SAN LUCAS, MEXICO INSPIRED A FRANK BARNASHUK PHOTO.

Burton Spiller, '56, collects advertising items from the era of the American country store, 1880 to 1940, when graphics used lithography for more brilliant images. Among his collectibles are early tobacco, Coca Cola and other soft drinks, beer, whiskey, coffee tins, and tooth powder tins. A large sign from 1895 shows a Victorian woman, a horse and a bottle of Buffalo Star Whiskey from Buffalo, NY under the title, "The Three Pleasures of Life."

Joseph Rumfola, '02, started collecting yo-yos in 7th grade when his aunt dated the owner of Hummingbird, the 2nd largest yo-yo manufacturer in the world. During his college years and part way through dental school, he worked as a professional yo-yo demonstrator and company sales representative who was given hundreds of yo-yos to test. The clinical assistant professor's collection numbers over 700 at last count, including rare wooden ones from the 1930s, and one of six prototypes for the SB3 with a \$1,000 value.

Frank Barnashuk, '80, began photographing in the late '70s when he was a yearbook photographer in his senior year. The clinical assistant professor and AEGD program director has taken many different pictures and subjects. While visiting Paris, he took an "accidental photo" of a budding branch with the Eiffel Tower in the background. "That got me taking similar shots against other landmarks like the Golden Gate bridge and the World Trade Center's twin towers not long before they were hit," he remarks.

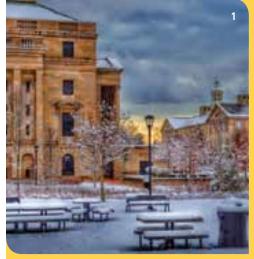
Gerald Benjamin, '77, says his hobby is dentistry. He has been practicing for nearly 38 years and still works five days a week. His last vacation was 1986, and he counts 5,000 hours of CE. "I am either treating patients, mentoring, teaching, taking courses or studying," he relates. "Despite my age, 67, my work improves year after year."





Joseph Breloff, '75, skis to work. It began when he was stationed in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan with the US Air Force after graduation. The extreme cold limited the use of his car. "A more predictable way to reach the dental clinic for two years was to cross-country ski to work," he explains. "This daily adventure inspired me to continue this winter activity even into my retirement."

Gerald Carlo, '81, is a very serious music fan, having attended around 300 concerts over more than 40 years. His list includes Led Zeppelin, Rolling Stones, The Who, Pink Floyd, Kinks, Paul McCartney, Grateful Dead, Elton John, The Clash, Dire Straits, U2, David Bowie, The Police, Metallica, Simon and Garfunkel, The Band, Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen, Pearl Jam, AC/DC, Steely Dan, Talking Heads and The Moody Blues at concerts from New York to London.









1 HARSH PATEL'S ARTISTIC HDR PHOTO IMAGE OF A SOUTH CAMPUS SCENE; 2 JOSEPH MASSARO, SHOWN WITH HIS WIFE, RENDERS FINAL MILITARY HONORS FOR VETERANS; 3 ERIC SCOTT'S HOMEMADE HIGHBOY LANDED HIM ON SISTER MARTHA STEWART'S SHOW; 4 MUSIC IS A BIG PART OF JON K. MAGENDANZ'S LIFE; 5 SEBASTIAN CIANCIO'S 1890 MUSIC BOX PLAYS LARGE METALLIC DISCS; 6 JOSEPH CWIKLA'S ANTIQUE WAITING ROOM; 7 JUSTIN "JAKE" MARTIN TENDS TO HIS CATTLE.



Eric Scott, '64, creates fine furniture—sculpted walnut chairs, cabinets, chests and small tables. The highboy that he made landed him an appearance on his sister Martha Stewart's former Hallmark Channel series in a show on woodworking. "When motivated, I counterfeit Tiffany lamp shades from stained glass, as well as window panels," he says. "Outside interests are hunting with bow and arrow, fishing and maintaining 100 acres of woodland."

Harsh Patel, '14, has a photographic interest, mostly taking nature pictures in an HDR (High Dynamic Range) image.

Jon Magendanz, '65, is assistant conductor and concertmaster of Florida's Anna Maria Island Chamber Orchestra. He retired from his practice of dentistry and dental anesthesiology in Barneveld, NY in 1986. He is presently a free-lance violinist and violist, having appeared as soloist with the UB Concert Band and in national and international venues. He served 12 years in the Navy Dental Corps, resigning as a lieutenant commander following his tour in Vietnam.

Joseph Massaro, '58, renders final military honors at the burials of honorably discharged veterans as a member of the United States Volunteers. Over the past eight years, he has been involved in 378 honor guard missions in the Long Island area. He is also a 17-year member and former president of the local chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, singing in a quartet. "This is how I satisfy my love for music," he notes.

Sebastian Ciancio, '61, collects novel music boxes. The Distinguished Service Professor and chair of the Department of Periodontics and Endodontics was inspired by a visit to a music box museum in Maine 30 years ago. The oldest dates back to 1890 and plays large, 15-inch metallic discs, of which he has 100. He also has two cylinder-type music boxes from the early 1900s. Speaking of cylinders, those are what play on the phonograph he owns that was designed by Thomas Edison.

Ralph Davis, Jr., '51, has a model collection of things that have been part of his life, like the 1939 Ford Tudor which was his transportation when he was commuting to the dental school. His other models represent emergency vehicles that have been part of the Alden Hook and Ladder Fire Company, plus ambulances and a Mercy Flight helicopter. His service in the Army Air Force is represented by models of the planes in which he flew.



Joseph Cwikla, Endo. Cert., '71,

has an antique waiting room filled with furniture from the 1800s and 1900s. Among his vast collection is a spittoon from the 1800s, an Edison cylinder player, signs dating back to the 1930s and many brass microscopes. The Chief Forensic Odontologist for District 18 in Florida is also an avid bicyclist.

Kurtz Dietzer, '54, has given blood since 1967 when he found a Red Cross Donation Center within walking distance from his office in Hamburg, NY. He proceeded to donate every eight weeks until his retirement. His total donations amount to 33 gallons—a figure that a national Red Cross representative said he had never seen before. "In retrospect, I guess it was my hobby," says Dietzer.

Joseph Gambacorta, '93, developed the ultimate hockey collection. The assistant dean for clinical affairs has built it into a nonprofit organization called The Buffalo Hockey Experience and Museum, dedicated to preserving the history of professional hockey in Buffalo and Southern Ontario. The extensive holdings range from championship jerseys to the gameticket collection that first captivated a young Gambacorta. Exhibits of the unique items are set up at places like the First Niagara Center while a permanent museum facility is sought.

Gerald Greitzer, '59, collects Yankees memorabilia since he attended a Yankee Fan Fest with a patient in 1996. Autographed baseballs are his primary collection, with particular favorites being those signed by perfect-game batteries: Don Larsen-Yogi Berra, David Wells-Jorge Posada, and David Cone-Joe Girardi. Autographed photos are also in the mix, with a Joe DiMaggio/ Mickey Mantle serigraph and numerous Derek Jeter items standing out.

Frederick Halik, '46, is an amateur radio enthusiast. It's his favorite hobby over a long number of years, an involvement of many dentists and medical professionals, he notes. "There's even an organization named MARCO (Medical Amateur Radio Council) involving enthusiasts the world over." The many phases of it include operating worldwide in Morse code, or by radiotelephone through single side band, AM, FM, TV, and more. His own FCC call letters: K2EU.

Richard Lodico, '56, restores old wooden boats, a labor of love that he conducts between captaining nautical excursions at the Antique Boat Museum in Clayton, NY. He and others spend two or more days a week cutting, sanding, varnishing, and painting boats to add to the museum's collection. "Bringing them back to like-new condition became our obsession," he says. "Often knowing that I was a retired dentist, they would leave intricate and tedious jobs for me to do!"

### Justin "Jake" Martin, '61,

does cattle farming, not a hobby or collection, but a rather interesting second life, he calls it, since he began in 1975. "It has been a serious business and I have taken a serious role in the New York beef business," he points out. He runs from 150 to 200 head of beef cattle on 525 acres of land above Canandaigua Lake. In 1991 he was selected NY Cattleman of the Year and just recently he and his family were chosen NY Beef Promoters of 2014, the state's two top honors.

Norman Mohl, '56, serves as a community organizer in his retirement to a Sarasota, FL community. He has developed a well-attended weekly lecture series spotlighting the careers, hobbies or experiences of the residents. In addition he has been writing articles regularly for the community's monthly newsletter, and is an active participant in a discussion program on world affairs. He is also able to devote more time to his long interest in being a reader of history.

Richard Rasmussen, '80, is an instrument-rated commercial pilot, single- and multi-engine land, seaplane and glider. He owns a Cirrus SR22 and flies frequently. He's also a master skydiver with over 2,000 jumps; an off-road racer who won a national title in the HUMMER Challenge; road racing in his fully race-prepped ZR1 at Sebring; water and snow skiing; and he's also a member of a county sheriff's office SWAT team.

"I don't particularly care for golf," he adds with a smile.

H. Sonny Spera, '89, has coached youth basketball since he finished his graduate assistant coaching with the UB men's basketball program in 1989. Including nine years of varsity ball at Maine Endwell High School, his teams won six sectional titles and went to back-to-back New York State Final Fours.

Roger Triftshauser, '61, coordinates fundraising efforts. His hobbies and collections are all focused on silent auctions and fundraisers of all kinds, including American College Cruise coordination (13 Cruises) and Iroquois Trail Council of Boy Scout Boypower dinners for the counties of Eastern Niagara, Genesee, Livingston, Orleans and Wyoming. "I chaired the first Boypower dinner in 1975, and am still doing it for the 40th," he declares.





# MORE THAN A STATIONARY REPOSITORY, THE HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY PROVIDES PATIENT CARE INFORMATION AT THE TREATMENT STAGE

# LIBRARY IN THE CLINIC

By JIM BISCO



he hallowed halls of libraries evoke inspiration and enrichment for many. But the library that plays a crucial role in the care and well-being of people is a uniquely life-giving force.

Such is the significant character of the Health Sciences Library (HSL) in venerable Abbott Hall, a short walk from Squire, a research treasure that goes beyond the traditional volumes of materials to provide ready reference to those in the midst of treating patients.

"I think we're the most service-oriented place on campus," says Pamela Rose, Web services and library promotions coordinator. Nearing a half-century with the library come September, she remembers volunteering to be on call after-hours when the library was closed because of her proximity to the South Campus. "One of our faculty working in the labs might call needing an article to finish a grant. I would get in my car, open the library, pull the journal off the shelf, photocopy the article and then fax it to them, close the library, drive home, and be ready to do it again."

She also recalls occasions when a physician might have a patient on the table and need the latest treatment protocol immediately. "This is the special nature of health sciences librarianship, where timely delivery of an article might just save a life.

"The fact that Liz has now become much more embedded in the clinics has made a huge difference because she's taking the library to them."

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### **SDM LIAISON**

Liz is Elizabeth Stellrecht, '09, HSL liaison to the dental school for the past two years. A UB alum with a masters in library science, and a bachelor's in art history and linguistics, she started working at the library as a student getting her graduate degree, assisting the former dental liaison and helping catalog the endodontic library.

As a liaison, Stellrecht is the subject specialist for the dental school, working with the dental school faculty, staff and students to help them with their information and research needs. This includes guest appearances in classes to teach library or research skills, facilitating sections of case studies classes.

"I'm a clinical librarian as well, available in the dental clinic to assist in evidence-based dentistry," she points out. "If a student or faculty member is treating a patient and they want to see what the current literature says about a particular treatment, I'm there to look up the information on the spot. I'm actually the first person in the United States to do so. This was a newly-designed position when I started."

Joseph Gambacorta, '93, assistant dean of clinical affairs, considers Stellrecht's clinical presence a significant asset. "Liz understands that research and an evidence-based approach is critical to making treatment decisions. She contributes in both didactic and clinical courses, assisting faculty and students with evidence to make treatment decisions."

Stellrecht, an effervescent young woman with a beaming smile, assists faculty in certain areas of subject literature and postgraduate students with search strategies for their systematic reviews. She is also part of the dental school curriculum committee, collaborating with faculty members on their classes. "As for undergrad or predoctoral students,

I meet with them and help them facilitate their classes. If they're doing research, they know where to find me. When the students get their orientation, I usually get a session with them to show them what the library is about. With the Introduction to the Profession class, I meet with them for an hour to show them the library data bases and how they work."

### VIRTUAL RESOURCE FOCUS

The HSL's resources have gone virtual increasingly over the years, according to Pamela Rose, so that now only a small number of print journals are available. Rose's Web expertise in narrowing the particular research scope is valuable. "People have the sense that you can just go on Google and search periodontitis and you'll get what you need. It's not quite so simple. We have the tools and expertise for a really focused search that will get you 26 articles without having to wade through Google's 326,000 hits," she explains.

Anything beyond the library's journal subscriptions or collections can be obtained through a free service available to faculty, staff and students called Delivery Plus. Stellrecht notes that electronic copies of journal articles or book chapters can be sent quickly. A rare journal may take a little longer. Most of the HSL's journals are stored offsite at the library's annex near the North Campus. Personnel there will scan the information and make it available electronically. "Faculty can actually have books delivered directly to their office," she says. "It's a great service, especially for something that's older."

Rose makes sure that web content is current. She also coordinates exhibits, and does a weekly newsblog to promote workshops, training, and the kind of peripheral tools that a

PICTURED (L-R) HSL MAIN FLOOR STUDY ACTIVITY; BOOKS, INSTRUMENTS AND PATIENT FROM ANOTHER ERA; PAMELA ROSE STANDS AT THE HEARTH OF THE AUSTIN FLINT MAIN READING ROOM; 19TH-CENTURY FOOT-OPERATED DENTAL DRILL ON DISPLAY; LIZ STELLRECHT, HSL'S SDM LIAISON; THE MEDICAL CABINET OF HOMER T. JACKSON.



dental student might use.

Rose notes that they try to present a friendly face to the 4,000 who visit weekly. "I just try to make sure that they know that we are here and that we welcome them to come in, not that we're librarians with hair buns which is still a pervasive image," she says.

### HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Below the main floor activity of the HSL is another world—a quiet, stately return to medicine's past. Here on display are resources and instruments from a bygone era.

The Robert L. Brown History of Medicine Collection within HSL is a compendium of fascinating artifacts and detailed volumes. The medical library began with 500 volumes when UB first opened its doors in 1846. Today the collection totals some 17,000 books filling shelves in the stacks, divided by post- and pre-19th-century. Dentistry is among the subject strengths of the voluminous 19th-century collection.

The collection also houses a variety of archival materials including newspaper clippings, yearbooks, catalogs, newsletters and reports documenting the establishment and evolution of the university's health sciences schools.

The Edgar R. McGuire Historical Medical Instrument Collection includes more than 200 items that illustrate health care tools and practices from the early Roman period to the 20th century. Among these are dental pelicans and tooth keys used for yanking from Europe's Middle Ages to America's Civil War. Standing near the showcases is a tall 19th-century portable foot-operated dental drill which could be taken along on

DENTAL PELICAN USED TO PULL TEETH IN EUROPE'S MIDDLE AGES. house calls, although at 25 pounds not easily mobile. Much easier to wield was the Baxter thumb-operated drill of the same era showcased on the main floor.

Stellrecht also likes to point out the quackery collection included in the exhibits, such as the electrical impulse device that supposedly will take away all your aches and pains.

She also references the recently acquired medical cabinet of Homer T. Jackson, an 1881 graduate of the medical school, who she says was a country doctor who also did some dentistry. His .22 caliber pistol to ward off highwaymen on his rounds is part of the display.

Stellrecht, along with Rose and Linda Lohr, manager of the history collection, and Keith Mages, assistant librarian, highlight some of the artifacts and volumes in the HSL's booth at the annual Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting. "The students at the dental meeting were shocked at the tooth key we brought along," chuckles Stellrecht.

The HSL moved to Abbott Hall—where the Lockwood Memorial Library originated 80 years ago—in 1985. HSL retains the classic library appearance in its beautifully preserved main reading room replete with carved wood paneling and chandeliers.

Whether ushering visitors through the past or taking the library to the clinic with the latest information needed on the spot, the passion of the librarian in assisting people locate knowledge sought is at the forefront.

"I really enjoy helping people learn how to do their own research as well as showing them how to find the information they need," observes Stellrecht. "When they do find the information, you can see how excited they get."

From deep in the recesses of history to the most current medical knowledge, the HSL illuminates the path to care and treatment, sometimes at crucial stages.

# School of Dental Medicine Office of Continuing Dental Education COURSE Calendar

### **APRIL 22** (6 TO 9 P.M.)

### Oral Implications in Older Adults: A Growing Need for Care

Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Diane Peterson, RDH, MEd

TUITION: \$65 (BUF)

Distance learning surcharge applies

3 CE HRS

# APRIL 24 (8:30 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.) 3RD ANNUAL UB/8TH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

### Tech Check – An Overview of New Technology and Materials Changing Dentistry

Millennium Hotel Buffalo

Parag Kachalia, DDS

UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$175 8TH DISTRICT MEMBER: \$175 DENTIST NONMEMBER: \$225 TEAM MEMBER: \$75

6 CE HRS

Call 716-995-6300 to register.

### APRIL 24 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.) ANNUAL JOHN J. CUNAT EDUCATIONAL FUND PROGRAM

### Role of Orthodontics in Interdisciplinary Diagnosis and Therapy

Salvatore's Italian Gardens, Transit Road, Buffalo

Richard Roblee, DDS, MS

ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195 NONMEMBER DENTIST: \$225 TEAM MEMBER: \$95 6 CE HRS

### **APRIL 29** (6 TO 9 P.M.)

### Practice Transitions from Debt Management, Practice Purchase and Financing to Retirement

Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Chester Gary, DDS, JD

TUITION: \$65 (BUF)

Distance learning surcharge applies

3 CE HRS

### MAY I (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.) UB DENTAL HYGIENE SYMPOSIUM

### **Beyond 32 Teeth**

Salvatore's Italian Gardens, Transit Road, Buffalo

Lisa Knowles, DDS

TUITION: \$145; \$125 BEFORE APRIL 15 6 CE HRS

### MAY 6 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

### Common Bone and Soft Tissue Lesions of the Head and Neck

Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Jill Kramer, DDS, PhD

TUITION: \$65 (BUF)

Distance learning surcharge applies
3 CE HRS

### MAY 14 (6 TO 9 P.M.) UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB

### Collagen Dental Membrane for Guided Bone & Tissue Regeneration – Hands-on workshop

UB School of Dental Medicine

Sebastiano Andreana, DDS, MS Dawn Cole, RDH

SINGLE MEETING TUITION: \$225 3 CE HRS

### MAY 15 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.) ANNUAL SANFORD B. SUGARMAN, ALPHA OMEGA LECTURE

### A Practical Approach to Oral Surgery for the General Dentist

Salvatore's Italian Gardens, Transit Road, Buffalo

Larry Gaum, DDS

ALUMNI/AO MEMBER: \$175 NONMEMBER DENTIST: \$195 TEAM MEMBER: \$95 6 CE HRS

### MAY 20 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

# Dental Professionals Role in Managing the Patient with Diabetes

Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Diane Peterson, RDH, MEd

TUITION: \$65 (BUF)

Distance learning surcharge applies
3 CE HRS



### **Annamarie Phalen**

Associate Director, Continuing Dental Education

### MAY 22 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)

### Esthetic Considerations for Implant Restoration & Mechanical and Restorative Complications in Implant Dentistry

UB School of Dental Medicine

Ahmad Kutkut, DDS, MS

ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195 NONMEMBER DENTIST: \$225 TEAM MEMBER: \$95

6 CE HRS

### MAY 28-29 (REPEATS JUNE II-I2) (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)

### Individualized Endodontics, Lectures and Workshop '...mano a mano'

UB School of Dental Medicine

DENTIST: \$995

Limited to 8 participants

14 CE HRS

### JUNE 3 (6 TO 9 P.M.)

### Infection Control for the Dental Team/OSHA Update

Baldy Hall, Room 200G, North Campus

Frank Barnashuk, DDS

TUITION: \$65 (BUF)

Distance learning surcharge applies
3 CE HRS

# OCTOBER 14-16 BUFFALO NIAGARA DENTAL MEETING

Buffalo Convention Center
SPONSORED BY THE UB
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DETAILS AND REGISTRATION AT UBDENTALALUMNI.COM

JULY 1-3 (8:30 A.M. DAILY)

### 36TH ANNUAL CHAUTAUQUA DENTAL CONGRESS

NEW VENUE! Chautaugua Suites Hotel & Expo Center. Rte. 394, across from the lake in Mayville, NY

Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Lectures at 9 a.m.

No Gate fee, ample free parking. Complimentary daily shuttle to Chautauqua Institute



### WEDNESDAY

The Tales that Cheeks, Gums and Tongue Can Tell...Identification and Management of Common and Uncommon Oral Lesions

Metal-Free Indirect Restorations: Clinical and Technical Tips for Ultimate Success

Periodontal Disease and the Medically **Vulnerable Patient** 

Featuring UB Faculty Alfredo Aguirre, DDS, MS, Sibel Antonson, DDS, PhD, and Frank Scannapieco, DMD, PhD

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### **COURSE REGISTRATION**

Confirmation notice will be emailed upon receipt of your tuition payment.

TO REGISTER

PHONE: Call 716-829-2320 | Toll-free 800-756-0328

ONLINE: Complete course details and online registration available on the UB dental events course calendar at www.ubdentalalumni.com

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### **GERMANY & SWITZERLAND**

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Experience rich culture, impressive architecture and culinary delights against a backdrop of soaring alpine peaks. These countries share a language and a



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# **AlumniNews**



### Hanau Cup Hockey hits the ice April 17

ttention all puck-chasing alumni, students, staff and faculty. The annual Hanau Cup Hockey Tournament gets underway Friday, April 17, 8:00-9:30 PM, at Northtown Center at Amherst, across from the Coventry Road entrance to the North Campus. Students play for free, others pay \$15. After the ice contest, chill at a post-game party at The Steer on Main Street near the South Campus for pizza, wings and beverages.

The event is sponsored by the UB Dental Alumni Association and Dental Dynamics. For more information or to participate, contact Sherry Szarowski at 829-6419 or ss287@buffalo.edu.

### William R. Calnon, '78

received the Paragon Award at the annual session of the American Student Dental Association in Boston. The Paragon is the highest honor the association hestows



### SAVE THE DATE

# "THIRD THURSDAYS"— UB NETWORKING AND HAPPY HOUR

Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Rochester Tap Room Rochester, NY

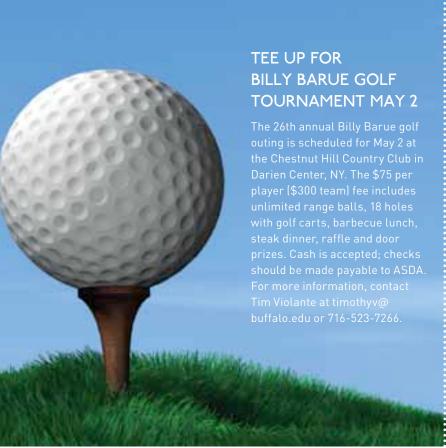
Join fellow alumni for drinks, great food and interesting conversation at August's *Third Thursday* networking event

The event is sponsored by the University at Buffalo Dental Alumni Association and the Office of Alumni Engagement.

For more information, contact Sherry Szarowski at 716-829-2061 or sdmalum@buffalo.edu.

### UBDAA GREATER NYC CHAPTER NEWS

The UB Dental Alumni Chapter of Greater New York City held an alumni and friends reception on December 3, 2015 in conjunction with the Greater New York Dental Meeting. At the reception held at the New York Marriott Marquis Hotel, Dean Michael Glick thanked Ivan Lee, '84, for his service as chair. Murray Rosenthal, '63, stepped forward to serve as chair for the next two years. For those in the New York City area who would like to become involved in the UBDAA Chapter, please contact Murray Rosenthal at murrose39@aol.com.





### CALL FOR YEARBOOKS

The Dental Alumni Association is attempting to complete a yearbook library stretching from the turn of the 20th century to the present. The association hopes to obtain at least two copies for each year. Volumes still needed include:

1892-1897

1908-1914

1916

1919-1920

1922

1925-1929

1931-1937

If you have any of these volumes and would be willing to donate them, call Sherry Szarowski at 829-2061 or 800-756-0328, ext. 2.

The Dental Alumni Association is a not-for-profit organization; your donation may be tax deductible.

### **ALUMNI AWARD NOMINATIONS**

The Alumni Office is accepting nominations for the Honor and Humanitarian awards.

The Honor 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.

The Humanitarian award is given to the alumnus who best exhibits the following characteristics: unselfishness, concern for others, commitment to dentistry, commitment to and involvement in the community, high moral character; and someone who through his or her actions has become a leader in the 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. Nominations may also be faxed to 716-829-3609, or emailed to Sherry Szarowski at ss287@buffalo.edu.

### WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?

Your classmates and colleagues want to read about you as much as you want to read about them. Let us know what's new in your life.



SHERRY SZAROWSKI

Our pages on alumni news and class notes are eager to spread the news. Photos are always welcome. Send your announcements to Sherry Szarowski ss287@buffalo.edu.

# ClassNotes

# Edward H. Segal, '90, named dental society president



Edward H.
Segal, DDS,
Northbrook,
was recently
named president
of the Illinois
State Dental

Society (ISDS), a professional association of over 7,000 members. He was installed into office at the society's 150th annual session.

As president, Segal's responsibilities include serving as an official representative of ISDS in its contacts with government, civic, business and professional organizations. Segal has a periodontics and implant practice in Northbrook. An active member of organized dentistry, he has served in leadership roles for a number of organizations and committees. He has lectured internationally and taught for six years at the University of Illinois, College of Dentistry.

Segal and his wife Michelle live in Buffalo Grove with their two sons, Joshua and Noah. In his spare time, he enjoys coaching baseball, golf, sailing, and building computers.

Alan M. Guy, '71, has authored Jake a Murder in Brooklyn, published on Amazon.com, Kindle, and Kindle Prime. A world traveler and oil painter, Guy and wife Anita have been married for 48 years.

Aaron T. McCann, '05, recently opened Precision Endodontics in West Seneca, NY. It is a 100 percent microscopic endodontic office with intra-operative photography and videography and a CBCT for 3D imaging. McCann completed his endodontic training at the VA Medical Center in Long Beach, CA in 2011. Previously, he was on staff at ECMC in the GPR program, worked for the Navajo Indians in Arizona with the

Indian Health Service, practiced as a general dentist in Buffalo, and worked at Buffalo Niagara Endodontics before launching his new office.

Ibtisam Al-Hashimi, MS Oral Sci, '85, PhD, '89, gave the keynote address in salivary research at the 2015 IADR/ AADR/CADR General Session and Exhibition in Boston entitled, "Salivary Gland Dysfunction and Sjögrens Syndrome." She is professor and director of the Salivary Dysfunction Clinic and the Stomatology Research Laboratory in the Department of Periodontics at Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas, Texas.



Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting committee members Paul R. DiBenedetto '79 (left) and Stanley L. Zak '76 with Phyllis Zak pose with a prehistoric inhabitant of The Field Museum during their recent visit to the Chicago Dental Society's 150th Midwinter Meeting.

Pictured (L-R) Matthew Valerio, '14, Barbora Valerio-Hnizda, '13, Richard Andolina, '13 attended the DOCS Enteral Sedation Course at NYU in February. This course meets the didactic training requirement for the NY dental enteral sedation permit.



### **InMemoriam**

Raymond R. Brown, '51, of Lyons, NY, died January 19, 2011. He was 94. After originally earning an engineering degree, serving in the Army and working as an engineer for Curtiss-Wright, he earned his DDS at UB and began his dental practice in Barker, NY, in 1951. In 1962, Brown became a staff dentist at the Newark Developmental Center until his retirement in 1990. A member of the Masonic Somerset Lodge in Barker where he was installed as Master, he enjoyed traveling, fishing, and playing bridge. He will always be remembered for his kind smile, gentle and caring heart, and generous and encouraging spirit.

### Francis J. "Frank" Cain, '54,

of Amherst, NY, died February 23, 2015 at his home. He was 90. Born in Brooklyn, he served in the U.S. Army 78th Infantry Division during World War II, including campaigns through Belgium and Germany and participation in the battles of Hurtgen Forest and Remagen. He established his dental office in Eggertsville in 1955 where he practiced for the next 45 years. A member of the 8th District Dental Association and the American Dental Association, Cain realized his lifelong avocation of working with his hands and was always willing to share his knowledge, skills, tools and talent with family and friends.

Marc D. Doctors, '71, of Washington, DC, died February 27, 2015. He was 68. His practice was in general dentistry with

an emphasis on cosmetic procedures. He was also an instructor of clinical dentistry at Georgetown University Dental School. Doctors was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service, working at the National Institutes of Health.

Victor M. Feld, '74, of Newport Beach, CA, died December 3, 2014 at his home. He was 66. A native of Bronx, NY, he resided in California for the past 37 years. Feld launched his dental career as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. He had a successful family dental practice with a focus on cosmetic dentistry in Irvine, CA, for 30 years. He was well respected by his colleagues for his dedication, passion and innovations in his field. He was a distinguished member of the American Dental Society and ADPA and also served as team dentist for the Los Angeles Angels baseball club. An eternal optimist, Feld had an unparalleled zest for life and was an inspiration for those fortunate to know him.

Sidney D. Gault, '61, of Ellison Bay, WI, died November 5, 2014 at his home. He was 87. A native of Chicago, IL, Gault practiced dentistry for 35 years in Mount Prospect, IL. He held a staff position at the University of Illinois, Department of Oral Surgery, where he conducted research in TMJ implantology. He held the first patent for dental implants in the United States. He was instrumental in the development of dental insurance programs and was a consultant for several insurance companies. He also authored articles in several scientific publications, particularly on tumor research. Gault was a firm believer in human rights and supported numerous social causes. In addition, he had a passion for science and was an accomplished violin player. He loved classical music and enjoyed it until his last day.

Henry W. Jann, '46, of Mesa, Arizona, died October 13, 2014. He was 92.

Charles A. Maggio, '44, of Greece, NY, died January 20, 2015 at his home. He was 94. Maggio had his dental practice in the area for over 40 years. He was a founding member of the Appollonia Dental Society and past lieutenant governor of the Finger Lakes Kiwanis. His greatest joy was spending time with his family.

**Edward J. McLaughlin, '56,** of Libertyville, IL, died December 30, 2014. He was 83. McLaughlin was a retired U.S. Navy captain.

**Lawrence I. Niad, '57,** died September 27, 2014.

Constantine F. Philips, '54, of Akron, NY, died January 28, 2015 at his home. He was 85. A dentist and active member of the Akron community, Philips, who was known as "Stan," was born in Philadelphia. After earning his DDS degree, he served in the U.S. Navy. In 1957, he and his family moved to Akron where he began his dental practice which he operated for more than 55 years, retiring in 2013. He had a passion for playing bridge and qolf. Philips

served as reunion chair at last year's Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting.

Harvey Phillips, '55, of Rochester, NY and Boca Raton, FL, died February 11, 2014. He was 83. He was a long-time member of Temple Beth El and Irondequoit Country Club.

Franklin D. Roth, '65, of Kennebunk, ME, died October 29, 2014 at his home. He was 77. He served as a dentist for two years in the U.S. Army in Germany and returned to set up a dental practice in Acton, Massachusetts. He was well known in the community for his kind heart, compassion for others and for his generous nature. Roth was active in the community and served on the Boxboro Board of Health for many years. He was known for his endless curiosity about the natural world and his desire to protect it. He was an avid birdwatcher, fisherman, conservationist, and gardener who enjoyed skiing, skating and tennis.

**Gary Solomon, '63,** of Eggertsville, NY, died February 23, 2015. He practiced dentistry for about 25 years, first in Eggertsville before moving his office to East Amherst four years ago.

Clarence J. Wild, '55, of Williamsburg, VA, died March 25, 2013 at his home. He was 86. After his residency in New York City, the Rochester, NY native went to Newport News, VA where he resided for 25 years and established an oral surgery practice.







STUDENT RESEARCH DAY, held on February 26, had 45 undergraduate, dental, graduate and postdoctoral presenters discussing their research from the past year. There was a huge increase in dental student presentations over last year with 28 students from all classes. In addition to those awardees named in the accompanying photos, the following students presented:

CLASS OF 2018 - Elizabeth Hatton (mentor-Robert Baier)

CLASS OF 2017 – Adam Gregor\* (Joseph Gambacorta), Jacqueline Hetterich (Mira Edgerton), Vivien Ku\* (Donald Antonson), Adam Morrell\* (Rosemary Dziak), Nicholas Pappas (Olga Baker), Bishoy Saleeb (Etern Park), Andrew Trooien\* (Anne Meyer)

CLASS OF 2016 – Kevin Kurtzner\* (Dziak), Marta Michalik\* (Shuying Yang), Joseph Park (Barry Boyd), Kristin Raineri (Sawsan Tabbaa), Kirty Pathak\* (Antonson), Jared Reardon\* (Frank Scannapieco), Zachary Rifkin\* (Sebastiano Andreana), Canaan Tyner (Baier).

CLASS OF 2015 - Ksheera Appachu\* (Andreana), Laura Barres (Andreana), Silpa Nekkalapudi\* (Andreana), Vladimir Orentlikher\* (Latifa Bairam)

**GRADUATE STUDENTS** – Hanan Ali (Baier), Aaron Huber (Baier), John Palmer (Tabbaa), Malvika (Baier), Cassandra Pogal-Sussman (Tabbaa), Angela Ruscitto\* (Ashu Sharma).

**POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS** – Ivana Lettrichova\* (Stefan Ruhl), Jiachuan Pan (Scannapieco), Mrudula Varanat (Scannapieco).

Twenty-two students (the names asterisked) are also presenting their work at the 2015 IADR/AADR Annual Session in Boston and at other scientific meetings, such as the American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery conference and the Euro-Perio 2015 meeting.

As we soon say goodbye to the student researchers from the Class of 2015, here are a few of their thoughts about their research experience:

"I am passionate about research and it has led me to develop critical thinking skills that will make me a better clinician... research experience has prepared me to use evidence-based dentistry in my practice and has inspired me to continue involvement in scholarly activity."

-MICHELLE ZOCCOLILLO

"I have stayed interested in and engaged in research over the last three years because of numerous reasons. First, I have had a great experience and support from my mentor, Dr. Ohrbach... Second, I really enjoy meeting like-minded, driven, interested, and interesting students from across the U.S. and world at different research meetings...Lastly, I love the involvement research requires...even failure is a success, pointing down a new, possibly correct path."

-SARAH KAPLAN

Not presenting at Research Day, but presenting at research meetings this year are Andrew McCall (Oral Biology-Olga Baker), Sonia Sharma (Epidemiology-Ohrbach), Reham Al-Jasser (Periodontology) and recent graduate Hassan Al-Khalidy (Biomaterials-Baier) at the IADR, and Erica Lavere, '15, who received the second-place ALD Student Scholar award at the Academy of Laser Dentistry meeting.

1 DENTAL STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDEES WITH STUDENT RESEARCH AND HONORS CO-CHAIRS STEFAN RUHL (FAR LEFT) AND MIRA EDGERTON (FAR RIGHT): DAVID DIPALMA\*, '17, (MENTOR-ROSEMARY DZIAK), STEPHANIE WU, '16, DRSG PRESIDENT (STEFAN RUHL), DAN CARUSO, '17, (THOMAS MANG), MICHELLE ZOCCOLILLO\*, '15, (THOMAS MANG), SARAH KAPLAN, '15, (RICHARD OHRBACH), SAMEER JAIN, (MS BIOMATERIALS-ANNE MEYER), JAMISON BRADY\*, '16 (RAMTIN SADID-ZADEH);

2 UB UNDERGRADUATE PRESENTERS SUMMAR
AMIN\* (CENTER) AND MARC SALME\* (RIGHT)
WITH THEIR MENTOR FRANK SCANNAPIECO,
WILL ALSO BE PRESENTING THEIR RESEARCH
AT THE 2015 IADR/AADR ANNUAL SESSION IN
BOSTON; 3 FOURTH-YEAR DENTAL STUDENT
PRESENTERS, FROM LEFT, LAURA BARRES,
MICHELLE ZOCCOLILLO\* AND SARAH KAPLAN,
ALL OF WHOM PARTICIPATED IN THE STUDENT
RESEARCH PROGRAM FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS;

4 GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDEES WITH DRS. RUHL AND EDGERTON - NICOLA VALENTE\* (PERIODONTOLOGY/ORAL SCIENCES-SEBASTIANO ANDREANA), SUPAPORN THAMADIOK\* (ORAL BIOLOGY-STEFAN RUHL), BRALAVAN KRISHNANKUMAR\* (ORAL BIOLOGY-JILL KRAMER), XUE YANG\* (ORAL BIOLOGY-SHUYING YANG), ANDREW NG (ORAL BIOLOGY-YANG), SWETHA TATI (ORAL BIOLOGY-MIRA EDGERTON), WAEL IBRAHEEM (ORAL SCIENCES-MICHELLE VISSER).





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