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Chairs Message: *Balancing Tradition and Change*



New Year's Day! A fresh start. We often think this on the first day of the New Year. We think about things we want to change in our lives, things we want to make better. We may look at change with hope and optimism while also staying true to our core values and traditions. Here at the University of North Carolina Department of Pediatric Dentistry we very proud of our traditions, our core values

but also realize that we need to be able to change and innovate. Looking through the newsletter you will read about traditions continuing. We are very proud of our DDS and Graduate Education Programs (MS, MPH, PhD). Our dental students and residents continue to achieve at the highest levels bringing home national awards. Many of our residents stay in North Carolina seeking associateships or decide to stay in academics. Many

DDS students come back after completing a pediatric dentistry training program in another state. Almost all (DDS, MS, MPH, PhD) stay connected to the UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry. We are very fond of this tradition and want you all to feel at home at UNC. The faculty are so pleased of the many accomplishments of all our of alumni who set a high standard for department involvement, leadership and community service achievements.

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world” -Nelson Mandela

We try our best to reach out to include them in our alumni news. Please continue to send us your updates! We also continue to grow and change. Many of you have heard that the School of Dentistry has a new Dean as of January 15, 2017. Scott De Rossi has accepted this position. Dean De Rossi holds joint faculty appointments at Augusta University as professor of oral medicine in the department of diagnostic sciences at the Dental College of Georgia – the state’s only dental school – and professor of otolaryngology, head and neck surgery and dermatology at the Medical College of Georgia. He is an adjunct professor of oral medicine at the University of Pennsylvania’s School of Dental Medicine. **Mike Roberts** will continue as the Executive Associate Dean until June 30, 2017 at which time we will get him back in the Department. He continues to serve as the Director of the Pediatric Dentistry Hospital program. We previously announced that **Siggi Saemundsson (1996)** will be transitioning into the position as the Graduate Program Director. **Rocio Quinonez (2000)**

continues to serve as the DDS Program Director. **Kimon Divaris (2011)** serves as the Research Director

while managing his multi-million dollar NIH grant. **Mike Milano** continues to head the sedation and CFC programs. **Lorne Koroluk** serves as Chair of the Department of Orthodontics. **Tim Wright** serves as the SOD Director of Strategic Initiatives. We are grateful to our committed former full time faculty that continue to also contribute to our educational mission:

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“Caries Management in Children: From A (AAPD Recommendations) to Z (Zirconium Crowns)

Dr. Kevin J. Donly
Dr. J. Timothy Wright
Friday, April 7 2017

William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
Chapel Hill, NC
6 hours of CE credit

Development Activities:



We congratulate **Tim Wright** for being elected by the members of the American Association for Dental Research (AADR) to serve as the next AADR vice president. Tim's term will commence at the conclusion of the 46th AADR Annual Meeting in San Francisco, Calif., March 22-25, 2017.

After serving the one year term as vice president, Tim will remain on the AADR Board of Directors for three consecutive terms as president-elect, president and immediate past president. Tim has provided exemplary service to the AADR during his 36 years of continuous membership in the IADR/AADR. We all know Tim as immediate past chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, the James Bawden Distinguished Professor and Director of Strategic Initiatives at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. Tim's service to pediatric dentistry and to the AADR is extensive. Tim has served as the Chair of the Council for

Scientific Affairs for both the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the American Dental Association. Regarding the latter Tim has contributed to efforts to assist practitioners with decision-making about the use of topical-fluoride caries preventive agents to prevent caries. Did you know that Tim is an internationally recognized clinician/scientist in the areas of amylogenesis, enamel defects and children's' oral health? Tim has had research funding from the NIH and other organizations for his research program focusing on mineralized tissues and developmental defects of teeth and bone. He has received numerous awards and honors including an American Dental Association Teacher Training Fellowship, the William J Gies Award from the Journal of Dental Research, selected as the first Robert Gorlin Visiting Professor at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and in 2016 Tim was inducted into the inaugural class of AADR Fellows, which is a program designed to recognize leaders of AADR and individuals who have served AADR in various ways throughout their careers. *Again we congratulate Tim for his continued service to the AADR!*

The Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series

Our most recent lecturer, **Sonny Long (1978)**, is well known to us all as both a UNC faculty member and practitioner in Charlotte NC. Sonny presented an outstanding seminar where he shared his approaches for taking esthetic therapies to a new level. He showed how to apply elements of color and form of both the soft and hard tissues that was evidenced by the radiance of his patients. Sonny used combinations of orthodontics, restorative therapy, soft tissue re-contouring and bleaching to achieve truly outstanding smiles and esthetics that literally tickled the eyes.

Our next Stephanie Chen Lecture will be on **Friday April 21, 2017 from 8-10 am** at the School of Dentistry. **William F. Waggoner**, pediatric dentist from Las Vegas, NV, will be returning to update us on new restorative approaches. Bill is in private practice and lectures extensively on a variety of topics related to pediatric dentistry. You are invited and we hope to see you all there. There is no cost to participate in this opportunity as you all will be our guest.

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Diane Dilley covers the Durham County Health Department. **Tom McIver (1970)** teaches in the developmental disabilities clinic and **Bill Vann (1976)** continues to mentor and teach our residents. We are also grateful to the cadre of committed part time faculty. As the Department begins this New Year we are well positioned with outstanding alumni, faculty, staff and residents. We continue to look forward and work towards addressing the many health issues that face the children of North Carolina and the nation through our education, research and service missions. Your support and efforts to help us complete these undertakings is greatly appreciated and I look forward to working with you in this New Year.

Continuing Education

Wow! The enthusiastic response to our October 7, 2016, CE course “Review of Contemporary Issues Associated with Pediatric Conscious Sedation, Local Anesthetics and Management of Medical Emergencies in Pediatric Dentistry” featuring Dr. Stanley Malamed was outstanding! Course registration was 269 attendees. The on-site response was excellent and the course reviews were fantastic. The course was followed by a panel discussion regarding the current status and recent proposed changes to the sedation guidelines and privilege licenses by the North Carolina State Board.

Future Continuing Education Courses

Spring 2017

“Caries Management in Children: From A (AAPD Recommendations) to Z (Zirconium Crowns)”

Friday, April 7, 2017

9:00 AM-4:30 PM

Registration to begin at 8:30 AM

William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center-
Chapel Hill, NC

Continental breakfast items, fruit and juice, coffee and tea will be available at registration.

Featured Speakers: Kevin J. Donly, DDS, MS

Professor and Chair

Department of Developmental Dentistry
University of Texas Health Science Center,
San Antonio, TX

J. Timothy Wright, DDS, MS

Bawden Distinguished Professor
Department of Pediatric Dentistry
Director of Strategic Initiatives
UNC-CH School of Dentistry

Dr. Donly is a Diplomate, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and has received numerous state, national and international awards. He has published over 165 papers in referred journals and contributed to several textbooks. Dr. Donly will review the latest information and research on MI paste, sealants, resin infiltration, glass ionomers, resin modified glass ionomers, resin systems, bonding.

Dr. Wright, a Diplomate, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, is also past-Chair of the UNC-SOD Department of Pediatric Dentistry and recently elected Vice-President of the American Association for Dental Research. He has published over 200 research papers and is an active national CE speaker. Dr. Wright will bring to the course the most current information on non-surgical restorative tech-

niques such as ART and Hall crowns, in addition to state of the art on zirconium crowns for primary teeth.

Tuition: \$285 dentist*

\$150 staff members*

* A generous continental breakfast at registration, a fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are included, plus free parking.

SPRING IS ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL IN CHAPEL HILL SO REGISTER EARLY AS THE COURSE WILL BE LIMITED BY SPACE TO ABOUT 175 PARTICIPANTS!

This course provides 6 hours of CE credit.

For registration call (919)537-3400, or go to the UNC School of Dentistry’s CE website at www.dentistry.unc.edu/cde/courses.

Registration by mail:

Attention: Registration

UNC Continuing Dental Education

Campus Box #7450

Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7450

Fall 2017

Yes, he is coming back! John Rosemond, psychologist and syndicated columnist in over 225 newspapers and author of fourteen best-selling books on parenting, will be the featured speaker at our October 6, 2017, CE course. Mr. Rosemond will bring his entertaining and extremely pragmatic approach to managing behavior in children and their parents. Anyone who has read his newspaper columns will know that this will be a very engaging and entertaining course and provide practical solutions to some vexing problems in today’s society. He has appeared on numerous national television programs including 20/20, Good Morning America, The View, The Today Show, CNN, and CBS Later Today.

“Effective Child Management (and Parent Management, Too)”

October 6, 2017

William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Speakers: John Rosemond, MS

Director, The Center for Affirmative Parenting,
Gastonia, NC

Tuition: \$285 dentist*

\$150 staff members*

* A generous continental breakfast at registration, a fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are included, plus free parking.

The Diane Dilley Fellowship Fund

The Department's *Dilley Fellowship Fund* became a university-named endowed fund in 2011. The fund honors **Diane C. H. Dilley**, a long-time faculty member and beloved friend/mentor to residents since her arrival from Indiana in the early 70s. One of her passions was the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD), and its College of Diplomates, for whom she served as a leader for many years. To call attention to and honor this service, the department relies on the Dilley Fund to underwrite the expenses of the senior residents to attend the ABPD Comprehensive Review Course in preparation for

the ABPD's Qualifying Exam. The Board Review Course comes at a time in the life cycle of residents when their personal resources are not plentiful, so the Dilley Fund's sponsorship is a timely source of support. The 2016 Dilley Fellows were: **Jenna Alvey (DDS 2011, MS 2016)**, **Erica Brecher (2016)**, **Jackie Burgette (2016)**, and **Scott Swartz (2016)**. They attended the Comp-Review Course in Atlanta in 2016. We were thrilled to learn that all passed the ABPD Qualifying Examination—congrats! And, many thanks especially to Diane and the many generous supporters of her Fellowship Fund.



The Michael W. Roberts Fellowship Announced



During the Alumni reception on *October 7th, 2016*, we proudly announced our next University Fellowship Name. He needs no introduction. We all know and love him. **Mike Roberts** is a much beloved and highly respected full-time faculty member who taught for decades.

After serving for five years as Graduate Program Director, he served as Department Chair for 10 years. A Professor in both Pediatric Dentistry and Pediatrics, Mike's tenure at UNC is most notable for his role as Chief, Division of Pediatric Dentistry in the UNC Hospitals for the past 27 years. During this time-span, through his indefatigable energy, tireless advocacy for children, and winning personality, he has been almost single-handedly responsible for unimaginable growth experienced in the department's hospital dentistry training program. Currently providing care in the operating room for over 400 children annually, many with special health care needs, this program is one of the Department's precious gems. Under his leadership and mentorship, over 50 pediatric dentists have trained to provide care in a hospital environment. Many of us think of him every time we walk into an operating room to treat a child in need.

Currently, Mike serves as the Henson Distinguished

Professor of Pediatric Dentistry, and over the course of his career, it would be difficult to find a more unselfish and responsible institutional citizen. He has served on over 50 UNC committees, many of them high-level assignments, and most notably on the DDS Admissions Committee for the past 15 years. His service contributions to the institution have been recognized by the 2014 John C. Brauer Award, given by the UNC Dental Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Mike has also been a high-profile leader outside of the University. He served as a Director of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) from 1993-2000 and as ABPD President in 1999-2000. He was also active in the College of Diplomates of the ABPD, serving as President in 2006-07.

To honor his legacy to the University, DDS alumni, departmental alumni, and friends have established the **Michael W. Roberts Fellowship Fund**, which will be a University-named, permanent endowment fund in the Dental Foundation of North Carolina. Those wishing to make donations to the Michael W. Roberts Fellowship Fund may do so by sending their donations to the Dental Foundation of North Carolina, earmarked for the Michael W. Roberts Fellowship Fund - 202313. Questions? Contact Paul Gardner at the DNFC at (919) 537-3257 or paul_gardner@unc.edu.

Vann Endowment Fund Exceeds Fundraising Target Ahead of Schedule

At an October reception sponsored by the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (NCAPD) and the school's Department of Pediatric Dentistry, alumni and friends gathered to celebrate the culmination of the **Vann Endowment Fund (VEF)**. The fund honors **William F. (Bill) Vann, Jr., (1976)** a 42-year member of the department.

After a silent launch in 2011, the VEF campaign went public in May 2012 with a five-year goal to raise \$500,000. To date, the VEF has received more than \$677,000 in cash and commitments, meaning the fund has not only met but exceeded its goal a year early. The VEF initiative was led by **Michael Hasty, (DDS 1986, MS 1989)**, and **Michael Ignelzi, (DDS 1987, PhD 1992)**, who were assisted by a steering committee.

VEF proceeds have supported an annual departmental alumni/NCAPD reception and a Residents Appreciation Banquet, but will primarily support stipend enhancements for pediatric residents, especially those undertaking long-term training. He has been an advocate for recruiting residents for dual-specialty and doctoral training, and for fellowship experiences in research and teaching. VEF endowment proceeds already support two Vann Fellowships.

Vann arrived at UNC as a Morehead Fellow in 1974 and subsequently earned his MS and PhD. He has served as DDS program director (1978-85), Chair of Pediatric Dentistry (1985-1994), Pediatric Dentistry Graduate Program director (1995-2006), and principal investigator and Director of a Maternal and Child Health Center for Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry (1992-

2007). He also practiced in the Dental Faculty Practice for 32 years. Vann has published 113 peer-reviewed papers, in addition to 110 abstracts/book chapters, and continues to contribute to peer-reviewed literature.

Vann is no stranger to accolades. He was named Demeritt Distinguished Professor in 1998, a position he held until his retirement from in 2010. He also received a 1999 UNC Distinguished Teaching Award and was consequently named to the UNC Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars; the 1999 American Academy of Pediatric Dentists (AAPD) Dentist of the Year; the 2012 UNCDAA John Brauer Award, which recognizes a lifetime of service and achievement to the school; and the 2013 ADA Golden Apple Award for Inspiring Dental Careers in Education; among other honors.

He is a known leader in organized dentistry, serving the ADA for a decade in a variety of committee assignments relative to specialty accreditation process, and also as a member of the Commission on Dental Accreditation 1992-95. Similarly, with the AAPD he served seven years on the Board of Trustees, culminating in his appointment as president (1991-92), and also as the AAPD Foundation president 1993-96 and 1999-2001.

Since his retirement in 2010, Vann has remained active in departmental activities. Currently he serves as an attending faculty member once a week in the graduate clinic and

mentors residents on their research. During his free time, he enjoys hiking, running, and spending time and traveling with the loves of his life: his partner, Jessica, and his daughter, Rachel, a senior at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla.



‘TO TEACH IS TO TOUCH A LIFE FOREVER.’

News from the NCAPD

NCAPD 2016 Oral Health Service Award

Walter B. Jones, the U.S. Representative of North Carolina's Third Congressional District, was named the 2016 winner of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's Oral Health Service Award (OHSA). Initiated in 2011, "*the NC-OHSA was created to acknowledge an individual for outstanding achievements in Oral Health in NC, including those individuals who have a strong record of advocacy for children's oral health in the state*".

Congressman Jones was nominated by NCAPD member **Jasper Lewis, DDS 1971, MS 1973** of Greenville, and has served continuously in Congress since 1995. In his nomination Jasper noted that the congressman has worked with the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Liaison (Dr. Heber Simmons) on multiple occasions to help promote bills that support children's oral health and additionally, has made many introductions to other congressman and senators who could be beneficial in supporting legislation helpful to children and pediatric dental education. He maintains a high profile among grass root dentists in NC and has maintained regular attendance at Greenville's Give Kids a Smile Day.

Previous OHSA winners include R. Gary Rozier (2015), Professor of Public Health Policy and Management in the Gillings School of Global Public Health, Theodore Oldenburg (2014), Professor Emeritus and Former Chair of the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry, Rebecca King (2013), Former Chief of Oral Health Services at the NC Division of Public Health, Roy Lindahl (2012), Professor Emeritus and former Chair of the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry, and Sharon Nicolson Harrell (2011), Dental Director of First-Health of the Carolinas Dental Care Centers. Congressman Jones is the first non-dentist to receive the OHSA. We were honored that Congressman Jones, a native of Farmville, was able to join us at the Annual NCAPD Reception at the Friday Center on October 8th to receive the OHSA in person. Thank you again Congressman Jones for all your support for the children we serve.

North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Meeting (NCAPD)

The 2016 Annual Meeting of the NCAPD was held on Saturday, October 8th at the Hyatt Place at South Pointe in Durham. President Kim Jones of Hickory presided over a busy agenda of business items that had previously been distributed to the membership.

All member are reminded that any changes in office associates, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses as well as any office satellite demographic changes should be updated by sending new information to Sarah Howard (ncapdmembers@gmail.com), our Administrative Assistant. She maintains our List-Serve and e-Membership Directory on our Web Site (NCAPD.net).

Newly elected NCAPD Officers include:

President	Mike Roberts of Chapel Hill,
Vice-President	Julie Dimock of Wilmington
Secretary/Treasurer	Bill Vann of Chapel Hill,
Parliamentarian	Michael Ignelzi of Greensboro

Board of Directors
 1 Year) Frank Courts of Rocky Mount
 (2 Years) David Olson of Raleigh
 (3 Years) Kerry Dove of Concord

SSPD Director/Liaison	Angie Baechtold of Asheville
Medicaid Liaison	Bryan Cobb of Greensboro
NC and AAP Liaison	Martha Ann Keels of Durham
Immediate Past President	Kim Jones of Hickory

The 2017 Annual Meeting will be held on *Saturday, October 7th, 2017* at the **Courtyard Marriott in Chapel Hill** on Highway 54 adjacent to the Friday Continuing Education Center. Logistical details for the meeting will follow in the late spring of 2017.

IN MEMORIAM

We grieve the loss of two members of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry who passed away in 2016: **John Archer** of Charlotte in July and **Sharon Holley** of Huntersville in December. Condolences to the family and friends of these colleagues.



Please visit NCAPD
 site at
www.ncapd.net

Special Olympics Organization awards “The 2016 Golisano Health Leadership Award”

For over 20 years, **Michael Milano** has lead the Special Smiles program as part of the Special Olympics Organization. This fall, Mike was honored with the 2016 Golisano Health Leadership Award. This prestigious honor recognizes an individual with ongoing commitment to advancing inclusive health for people with intellectual disabilities with the goal to increase access to services. Mike is one of 32 individuals or organizations who received this award. His dedication has forged a partnership with the UNC School of Dentistry and has led to over 50 dental providers throughout the state who have enabled Special Olympic athletes to receive appropriate dental care. Congratulations to Mike for this great honor and achievement!



*Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day-in and day-out”
-Robert Collier*

Elliott and Robinson/Molina Residents Recruitment Weekend 2016

The Department hosted 12 candidates for the graduate program on November 11-12, 2016. This weekend is sponsored by Alumni **Bobby Elliott (1998)** of Cary and his professional partner, **Julie Molina (2008)** of Chapel Hill. Many of you know that this weekend has become one of the highlights of our departmental life.

Candidates arrived Thursday and enjoyed an evening out with our current residents at Kipos Restaurant. Interviews commenced on Friday, with interviewees meeting with all faculty members on an individual basis, complimented by resident-led tours of our clinics, School of

Dentistry and the Children’s Hospital, with an opportunity to meet many staff. Lunch was catered in school by Mediterranean Deli, with interviewees spending more time with the residents.

The weekend’s activities ended with a Friday evening reception that included faculty, residents, and interviewees. This recruitment strategy receives high marks by our interviewees for the richness of the interview experience.

Our thanks to Bobby and Julie for their help in assisting us recruit the very best to our program!

Recognition of New ABPD Diplomates

Congratulations to the new Diplomates recognized by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. These individuals either practice in NC or have NC-connections.

Those recognized in May at the ABPD Breakfast in San Antonio included: Rebecca Andrews (DDS 2008), Surabhi Chhibber, Sindura Citineni (DDS 2004), **Maggie Fetner (DDS 2010, MS 2014)**, Crystal Hayes, **Travis Hicks (DDS 2009, MS 2012)**, Laszlo Ledenyi, **Marshall Long (DDS 2009, MS 2012)**, Chad Shobe, **Felicia Swinney (MS 2014)**, Yvette Thompson and **Logan Webb (DDS 2012)**.

Those who completed the certification process in August were **Clark Morris (DDS 2007)**, **Alexandra Boudreau (DDS 2011, MS 2015)**, Allen Porter, and **Kevin Ricker (DDS 2012, MS 2015)**. Great job folks!

Update on Residents and Fellows

Our current residents are:

3rd Year Residents:

Jami Ballantine—California

DDS- University of Michigan, 2014

Beau Meyer-Ohio

DDS-The Ohio State University, 2014

Bhavna Pahel—North Carolina

DDS- University of North Carolina, 2014

2nd Year Residents

Meredith Gentry Byrd—North Carolina

DDS- University of North Carolina, 2015

Lauren Green—North Carolina

DMD-Medical College of South Carolina, 2015

Molly Tesch—North Carolina

DDS- University of North Carolina, 2014

1st Year Residents

Suzanne Baker—North Carolina

DDS- University of North Carolina, 2015

Ivy Brisbin—North Carolina

DDS- University of North Carolina, 2016

Erin Tilton—Ohio

DMD-Case Western, 2016

Once again it seems that time has flown by and we are already nearing the end of the fall semester.

Our first year residents, Anne, Erin and Ivy (A,E,I) are off to a great start wrapping up coursework and spending more time providing care in our graduate clinic. Many of you will see some of them at the SSPD meeting and AAPD Public Policy Conference so please say hello.

Our second year residents are now fully immersed in all aspects of our clinical, didactic and research programs. They are excelling. Molly, Gentry and Lauren have begun their Chief Resident responsibilities and are treating patients in the operating room, the Hospital Dental Clinic and our graduate clinic. Gentry and Lauren are also immersed in MPH coursework and had a stellar semester.

Our third year residents continue to serve as role models for their fellow residents and outstanding ambassadors for our program. Beau, Jami and Bhavna are serving as graduate teaching assistants in our predoctoral clinics while spending the majority of their clinic time providing patient care through their rotations at the Durham County Health Department. They are also very busy preparing for the ABPD qualifying exam and are set to take the AAPD comprehensive review course.

Residents' Corner

The residents have had an eventful semester. The first years have settled in nicely and are excited to be half way through their ortho coursework; the second years have become intimately familiar with care provided in the hospital—both in the operating room and the hospital dental clinic; and the third years are facing the reality of preparing for the AAPD qualifying exam while simultaneously beginning the search for their first jobs as pediatric dentists. While we've been busy with the clinical and academic parts of the program, we've also found time to hang out, relax, and enjoy each other's company.

Something new I've tried or learned this year:

Anne Baker: This year I learned that I was braver than I thought! Through traveling with my husband, completing UNC's General Practice Residency in June, and starting my pediatric residency here in July, I have faced challenges and have grown personally and professionally. 2016 was a wonderful year!

Jami Ballantine: Dental trauma has been a special interest of mine having avulsed a tooth myself. Although I have diligently read my PPD trauma articles, this is still an elusive area for me. I've completed my 2 year of taking call. At times when I thought I have a relatively good handle on trauma, something else has come along that has thrown me in a bit of a loop. Dr. Lee's saying is true: "every trauma is different."

Ivy Brisbin: The sport of curling! I've curled four times now, so at this rate, I'm expecting to make a debut in the 2018 Winter Olympics. SWEEP!

Gentry Byrd: This year, I tried spicing up popcorn. My favorite was maple bacon bourbon popcorn (which the resident popcorn lover, Lauren, strongly approved).

Lauren Green: This year, I tried kombucha for the first and last time. I also tried the Whole30 diet—made it a full 3 and a half days.

Beau Meyer: Traveling to Europe. In October, I went to Ireland. I was hoping to return with a red beard and new accent, but my Irish luck must have been running low. I'll have to go back and try again.

Bhavna Pahal: Something new I tried this year ...pork barbecue. And I still don't like it!!

Erin Tilton: Shrimp and Grits (I had never had the meal before and I love it...my favorite)!

Molly Tesch: Becoming a puppy mom. Technically it was 13 months ago, but it's still new, fun, and exciting to me.

"The secret in education lies in respecting the student."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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I always look forward to teaching at the dental school and draw a lot of inspiration from my contemporaries, peers and friends like Richard Brooks, **Bobby Elliott (1998)**, **Scott Cashion (1994)** and **Ron Venezie (1994)** who have remained very involved in the AAPD, NCAPD and NCDS. I look forward to see you all soon and trust everyone is doing well. Now get out there and have fun in 2017!

Department Research Activities

Our first year residents, **Anne Baker**, **Ivy Brisbin** and **Erin Tilton**, have been busy investigating potential research project ideas. **Anne** will be working with **Jessica Lee (2002)** and **Ray White** (Distinguished Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial surgery) to conduct a randomized clinical trial investigating the efficacy of buffered local anesthetics. **Ivy** will be working with **Tim Wright** to investigate families' perspectives regarding treatment with SDF. **Erin** will be working with **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** on an investigation of the interface between nutrition and ECC.

Our second year residents, **Gentry Byrd**, **Lauren Green** and **Molly Tesch** have been making significant progress in their projects and presented their research update in the department research seminar series in August. **Gentry's** work "Predictors of primary care physicians addressing prenatal oral health" was present at the AADR meeting last March and has been submitted for publication; **Gentry's** mentor is **Rocio Quinonez (2000)**. **Lauren** has been making progress in her "cost analysis of conscious sedation versus general anesthesia in the OR versus general anesthesia in the dental office for pediatric dental patients." **Lauren's** mentor is **Jessica Lee (2002)**. **Molly** is investigating "Oral disease experience among children with special healthcare needs" and her mentor is **Martha Ann Keels (1990)**.

Our senior residents, **Jami Ballantine**, **Beau Meyer** and **Bhavna Pahel** have all made great progress in their research projects. **Beau** presented his MPH thesis project in November and received his degree in December. Of note, **Beau** was also awarded one of the three Sunstar/AAPD Post-graduate Research Fellowships, last May at the AAPD Annual session! **Jami** and **Bhavna** are both in the final stretch and have submitted their manuscripts for external peer review. **Bhavna** will be presenting her research findings at the upcoming IADR/AADR meeting in San Francisco, California, in March.

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry has a long history of conducting impactful research in a wide range of fields aimed to improve children's oral health. The department is currently involved in research in the areas of genetics, behavioral and health services research, education, and clinical studies and contributes significantly to the School of Dentistry's top national ranking in research funding by the NIDCR in FY 2015.

Rank	Institution	FY 2015 Amount
1	UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM*	11,228,934
2	UNIV OF NORTH CAROLINA CHAPEL HILL	9,186,671
3	FORSYTH INSTITUTE	9,096,632
4	UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN	8,680,329
5	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO	8,615,990
6	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES	7,247,490
7	UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH AT PITTSBURGH	5,143,805
8	UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	5,029,645
9	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	5,010,730
10	UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA	4,923,765

*the University of Alabama at Birmingham has been ranked first for the past 3 y largely due to funding of the National Dental Practice-Based Research Network, which in turn supports a number of other dental institutions not captured in this report.

News from Alumni and Friends

J Shahangian (2011) and Rayhanna welcomed their 3rd daughter "*Sama Zaynab Shahangian*" who arrived on June 7th to join the Shahangian's June Birthday club (Mom, Dad, Roya and Noor are all born in June). On the pediatric dental side, J welcomed an orthodontist and pediatric associate to help in his growing practices in San Diego.

LaRee Johnson (1999) was selected to be part of the AAPD's Kellogg Leadership Institute.

Angie Baechtold (1998) is spending time in Chapel Hill as her son, Ethan is now a freshman here at UNC.

Kavita Mathu-Muju (2006) and her daughter Sunaya are settled in Vancouver where Kavita is on the faculty at the University of British Columbia. She continues her teaching as well as her research and writing on issues affecting access to oral health care for children from marginalized populations. Kavita continues to serve on the editorial board of *Pediatric Dentistry* in the UNC tradition of participating in organized pediatric dentistry.



Rhonda Kearney (2008) and Henderson Pediatric Dentistry are doing great as the practice celebrated its 5 year birthday this summer. In July 2011, Rhonda opened the practice in Henderson, NC. Outside of pediatric dentistry, Rhonda is enjoying life by traveling and spending time with loved ones.

This summer, she visited the riads and souks in Marrakesh & Casablanca of Morocco. Her passport contains recent stamps from Cabo to Singapore along with cities in between. When cold weather blankets the great Tar Heel State, she looks forward to changing the forecast by heading south to the Caribbean islands. Sound like Rhonda is enjoying life as it should be experienced!

Rob Christensen is joining his father **John Christensen (1984)** Durham PDO in July 2017. John is currently working as editor on 6th Edition of Pinkham's text, *Pediatric Dentistry: Infancy through Adolescence*. Other UNC people involved are Henry Fields, **Rocio Quinonez (2002)**, **Scott Schwartz (2015)**, **Erica Brecher (2015)** and Rose Sheats.

F. William Taylor (1984) was elected County Commissioner in Sumner County, TN. Bill has 3 children: Ellis is a Clemson graduate and is an architect in Nashville. Franklin played soccer at Carson Newman University and now works for Gannet and is the sports

info/layout for USA Today. Richmond plays soccer for East Tennessee Soccer and is majoring in Finance.

Dorothy Pang (1991) of San Francisco, spouse Peter Lee, dad John Pang of Hong Kong, and sons



Johnathan and Ben visited Chapel Hill in August, when Ben (a high school senior) toured Duke University. Eldest son Jonathan recently graduated from Colby College in Maine. Dot

and Pete are very much enjoying their combined OPSF practice: "Orthodontics Pediatric Dentistry of San Francisco." Dot continues to teach part-time at UCSF School of Dentistry and is enjoying her service for the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.

John Pfefferle (1980) practiced in Raleigh until



2004 when he was forced to retire from a "compression-type" injury. Thankfully he did not lose all of his fine motor skills, and could still perform most extractions. John

started volunteering on medical mission trips in 1998, and currently preparing for my 85th international team, and 7th team to the Middle East (September 2-11) where we treat Iraqi and Syrian refugees. He has volunteered in 28 countries all over the globe, with trips to Honduras and Nepal scheduled for November. Unfortunately, arthritis in his fingers is doing its best to force him once again to quit doing what he love. But until then, he is "optimistically" signed for Ukraine and another Middle East teams in 2017!

Ken and **Liz Miller (2010)** welcome their 3rd child *William "Web" Easley Braswell*, Web joins his big brother and sister.

Travis and **Kerry Dove (2012)** announce the birth of their daughter *Maya Rose*.

Felicia Swinney (2014) and Charles Shavers welcome baby girl *Harper Penelope*.

Lane and **Jackie Burgette (2016)** are proud parents of *Ansel Vesper*.

(See photos in this edition)

Alumni and Friends continued



Bien Lai (2011) and Shijia Hu (2015) tied the knot on December 3rd, 2016. The celebration took place at the Westin Singapore. Although both received their DDS degrees from the National University of Singapore and completed the UNC Pediatric Dentistry Graduate

Program, they did not get together until 2014.

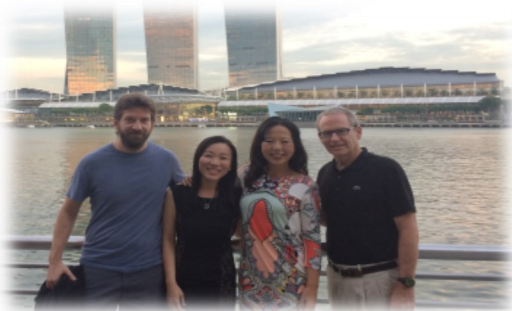
Kimon Divaris (2011), Bill Vann (1976) and Jessica Lee (2002) travelled to Singapore to attend the beautiful ceremony.



Also in attendance was **Chien Sim (2013)**. Bien, Shijia and Chien are serving as faculty and affiliated faculty at the National University of Singapore which has just started a graduate program in pediatric dentistry.



Bill, Jessica, Kimon, Bien, Shijia, Chien and Varian (Chien's husband)



Rob Moran(1997) said it!



It has been a while since I've seen many of you and I was more than happy to provide a short personal piece for the Department's Newsletter. Funny how **Mike Roberts** said to mention any "adventures" because that's all I seem to want to do but as Jennifer says, I can't do it all. But I sure want to try! Along with everything else I was able to click off a bucket list trip last year to

play Pebble Beach and the other Monterey peninsula courses. After "retiring" from racing bikes I began doing more of my first love, skiing, even dabbling in ski mountaineering and racing for a few years. Lately, I've found a new passion for paddle boarding, both surfing and racing. My latest goal will be to race in one of the largest paddle board events in the world, the Carolina Cup which is a 12 mile race around Wrightsville Beach, NC. Personally Jennifer, Lola and I are all doing well. It's interesting times as

we have friends with elementary school age kids like us and also children in college. Apart from missing the fun of working with my old classmate Richard Brooks, the personal change I did four years ago to work with Wake Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry has been



great. Professionally this change provided me renewed energy. I still can't believe it has been 23 years since I finished dental school and 20 years since completing pediatric dentistry. I enjoy working with the various Steering Committees within the Department and seeing how we have progressed since beginning to establish named funds. I'd also like to encourage my colleagues and friends, whether you went to UNC for dental school or the residency, to please contribute to the Department through the Dental Foundation of North Carolina. I would not be this fortunate without the School of Dentistry and the faculty that taught me. I imagine all of you could say the same. Moving forward another professional goal is to become more involved, either locally or regionally, with in our specialty. There has definitely been a hiatus since my term as NCAPD President.

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Ed Miller

Sailing, sailing over the bounding main



What do you do after a long and challenging week performing pediatric dentistry? Well, if you are Captain **Ed Miller (1973)** you go sailing! Since Ed was a youngster growing up on the shores of Lake Michigan he has had a love of sailing. He moved his home port to Greensboro, NC for a career in pediatric dentistry, but has a favorite pier at Morehead City.

Ed purchased his first sailboat more than twenty years ago and now is the proud owner and Captain of a 21 footer and a larger vessel measuring out at 28 feet. Both sailboats are of the trimaran design and are aptly named "Second Tri" and "Nice Tri." There was a



First Tri, but sadly, she met with an untimely demise.

He has worked as crew on vessels as large as 54 feet (the Niña, used by Christopher Columbus was only 50 feet). He sailed up and down the U.S.A. east coast, including the Chesapeake Bay. He has sailed from the British Virgin Islands to as far north as Newport, RI. Now a days, Ed primarily operates his sailboats around the North Carolina Outer Banks and sounds.

To achieve the status of "Captain", Ed has had to train extensively. He learned to maintain a marine engine, navigate by the stars, engage in dead reckoning, and interestingly, is sextant qualified (not nearly as interesting as it may sound). Also, Ed talks of knots,

fathoms, starboard, aft, lee and can tell you all kinds of information about weather. He has a federal license rated at fifty tons with sailing and towing endorsements upon inland waters.

The sailing avocation has been an important chapter in Ed's and his wife's, Marty, adventure through a career in pediatric dentistry. He has retired from his practice, but continues to participate in pediatric dentistry through his adjunct position in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. He remains a sailor and is active in working with the North Carolina Maritime Museum where he is a member of the sailing staff. Go down to the Beaufort, NC museum and hook up with Captain Ed. He just may make you a bo's'n mate on a sailing vessel!



*We wish Ed safe anchorage in an island's lee
And always there would be
Fair winds and a following sea.
(Borrowed in part from works
by Charles D. Williams)*



NEWEST ADDITIONS TO OUR PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY FAMILY!



*Ansel Vesper Burgette
July 31, 2016
Daughter of Jackie & Lane*



*William "Web" Miller
September 23, 2016
Son of Ken & Liz Miller*



*Maya Rose Dove
January 12, 2017
Daughter of Travis & Kerry Dove*

*Precious
Little
Miracle*



*Niam Galbraith Sekaran
August 08, 2016
Son of Jami Ballantine & Nishant Sekaran*



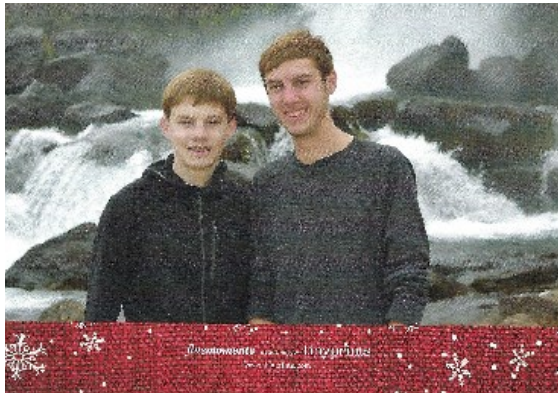
*Harper Penelope Swinney
January 20, 2016
Daughter of Felicia Swinney & Charles Shavers*



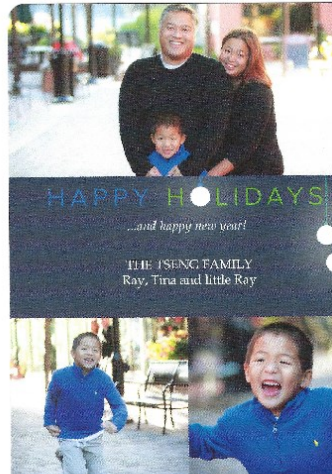
"Christmas Card Winner" from Skip Tyson and Stephanie Heaney's Patient



Christmas Card drawing by Jasper and Lee Lewis' patient at Eastern Orthopedic and Pediatric Dentistry



The Rohlifing Family



The Tseng Family



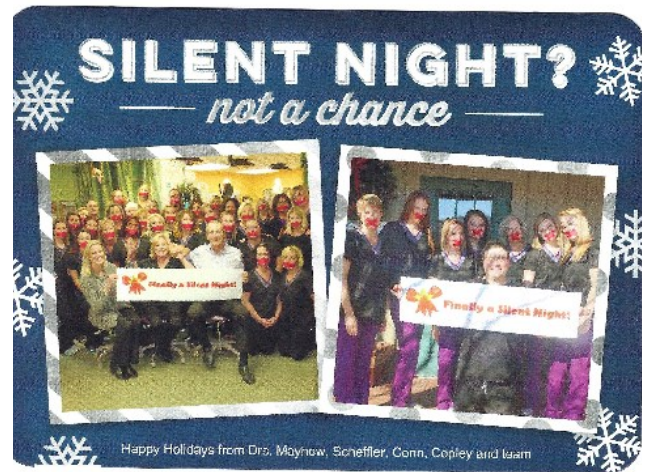
Love,
Rick, Jenny, Kate, & Pierce



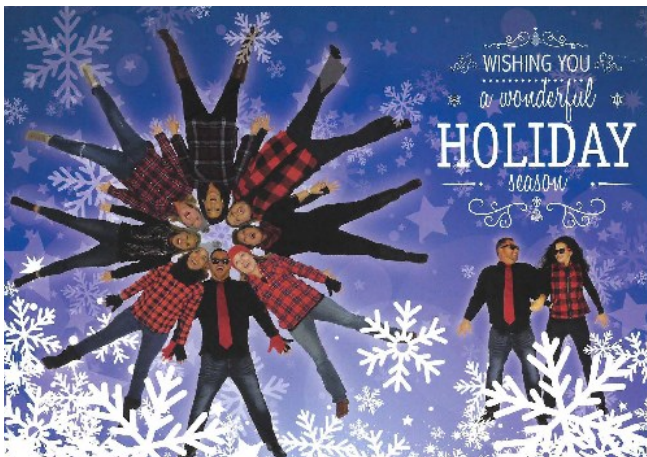
The Jackson Family



The Goslee Family



Happy Holidays from Drs. Mayhew, Scheffler, Conn, Copley and Team
Mike Mayhew and Team



Cary Pediatric Dentistry



Skip Tyson and Stephanie Heaney and the Crew



Southern Village Pediatric Dentistry



The Coffield Family



The Mauney-Clifton Family



The Bouwens Family



The Schaaf Family



The Dimock Family



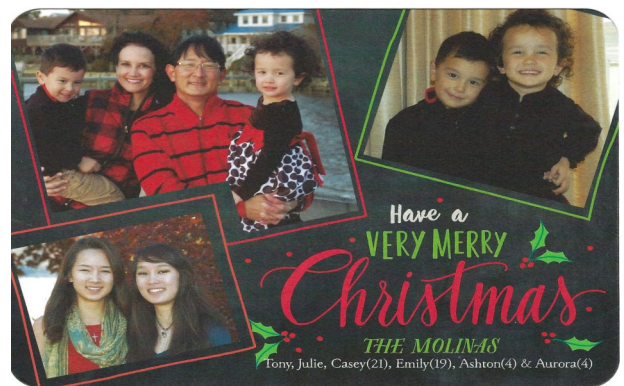
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The Brickhouse Family



The Rossitch Family



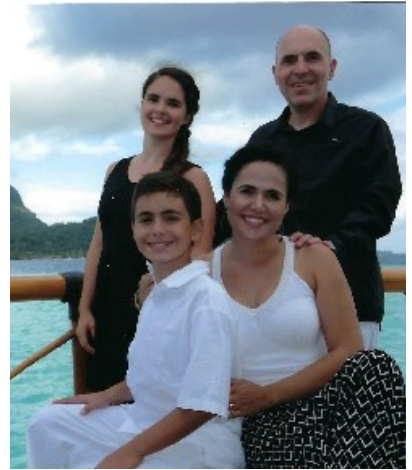
The Molina Family



Concord Pediatric Dentistry



The Christensen Family



The Cardenas-Dentchev Family



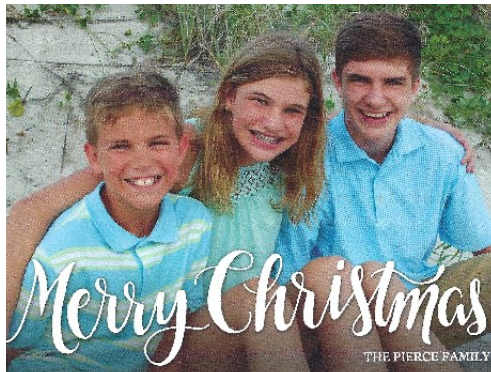
The Fetner Family



The Cherry Family



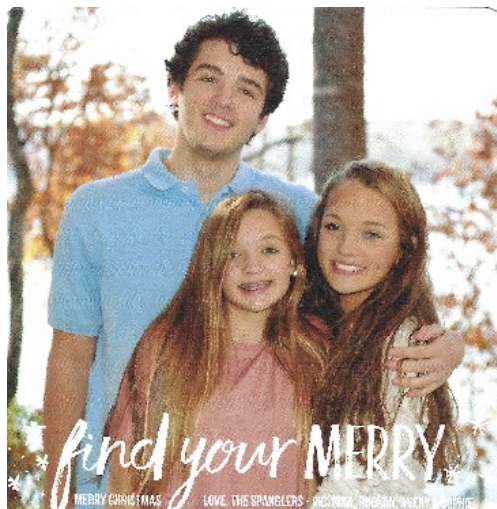
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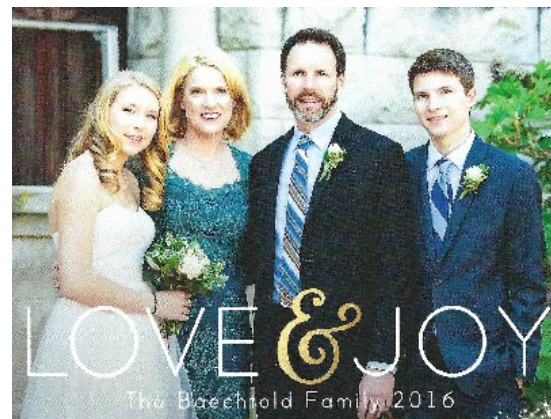
The Pierce Family



The Olsen Family



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The Baechtold Family



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