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Chair's Message: *The UNC Pediatric Dentistry Family*



As you read through this *Newsletter*, I hope you feel proud of the accomplishments of our alumni, friends, faculty and residents, whom we often refer to as our "family." Family is a very strong word for me having grown up with an extended family around me during my childhood with several generations living in the same household. When I moved to Chapel Hill over 20 years ago, I knew I was going to get a great education. What I

didn't know is that I would also gain another family. A community of people who I could count on, who would share my problems, who would support me and always be there. This feeling of the UNC Pediatric Dentistry Family was evident from the first day I walked into Brauer Hall.

Our new residents entered into the building following in the footsteps of the now nearly 150 alumni that preceded them. While much has changed, the proud Carolina tradition of an education entrenched in dentistry remains unchanged. We are a family with a mission. State universities are faced with having to balance their budgets while keeping tuition at a level

that will not limit higher education only to the wealthy.

Despite these trying monetary challenges, we remain committed to ensuring continued excellence in pediatric dental education. However, survival necessitates that that we embrace evolving financial models and, as such, we rely much more on our development activities. We are grateful for the support we receive from our department family. With mounting challenges, we must always stay true to our mission and faithful to our family. The faculty are proud of the many accomplishments of our alumni who have excelled in a variety of venues.

Please stay connected to your department family and let us know what is happening in your lives. We love to hear more from you and want to include this information in future *Newsletters*. We all feel fortunate to be a part of this very special place. I feel blessed every day for not only the education, but the extended family that UNC has given me. It is a gift to be able to connect regularly with many of you, *our family!* It was great seeing so many of you during the AAPD Annual Session in Honolulu, Hawaii. The UNC Alumni and Friends Reception held annually at the Academy always generates a tremendous turn out.

Please mark your calendars for 2019 reception in Chicago!

"Management of permanent tooth dental trauma in children: Revisiting the Fundamentals and Exploration of Emerging Concepts"

Drs. Asgeir Sigurdsson, Jessica Lee and John Christensen

October 12, 2018

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

Congratulations to the new ABPD Diplomates!

This past year a number of pediatric dentists became Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry who either practice in North Carolina or have other North Carolina connections. They were recognized as new Diplomates and received their Diplomate lapel pins at a recognition reception held during the 2018 Annual Session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry in Honolulu, HI. Those who became ABPD certified this past year include: **Jenna Alvey (2016)**, **Erica Brecher (2016)**, **Jacqueline Burgette (2016)**, Britt Causey, Lela Farmer (DDS 2014), Jeffrey Jackson (DDS 2014), Amanda Kearns (DDS 2014), Shraddha Kolappa (DDS 2013), Kisha Mitchell, Jeffrey Monaco, **Scott Schwartz (2016)**, Sonam Shah (DDS 2014), Lindsay Statile (DDS 2013) and Matthew Zimmer.

The Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series

Stephanie Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series

We had a fantastic spring lecture on Friday, May 4, 2018, at the UNC School of Dentistry, full of useful patient care information.

Our guest speaker was **LaRee Johnson (1999)** whose lecture title was "Clinical Pediatric Dentistry – Speed Dating." She presented practical information such as the incorporation of silver diamine fluoride into a busy private practice setting and occlusion management by early extraction of severely broken down first permanent molars. Her long term data collection and excellent documentation of numerous cases was both informative and impressive. She also provided tips on surgical management of primary and permanent teeth with an emphasis on instrumentation that facilitates tooth

removal. Do you have the best forceps? In summary, this was a super practical and extremely well presented seminar. Our fall Chen Excellence Lecture Series will feature another one of our own - **Bobby Elliott (1998)** so be sure to mark your calendar to join us on Friday, November 16, 2018, from 8-10 a.m.

Stick around for coffee and bagels after the seminar for an informal chat with Bobby and your fellow pediatric dentists. The line-up is already set for 2019 with some great speakers so we hope to see you at future Stephanie Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lectures.

Stay tuned for more details!

Residents' Visit to Congress!

Jessica Lee (2002) is joined by the UNC pediatric dentistry residents while visiting with US Representative David Price in Washington, DC. This was part of the AAPD annual effort to influence legislation that impacts the health of children.

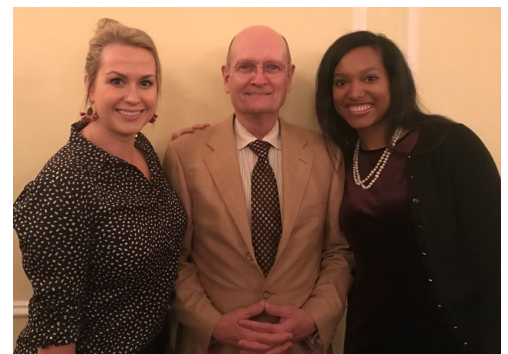


Front row: **Jessica Lee (2002)** and **Ivy Brisbin (2019)**.
Back row: **Amanda Allen (2020)**, **Jennifer Crisp (2020)**, **Morgan Hess (2020)**, US Representative David Price, **Erin Tilton (2019)**, **Anne Baker (2019)** and **Gentry Byrd (2018)**.

Congleton Leadership Fellowship Supports Residents Advocacy Efforts

The Congleton Leadership Fund serves as a tribute to **Jim Congleton (1977)** who has spent years as a tireless advocate on behalf of North Carolina children. Jim, originally from the small town of Stokes, NC.

In 1979 he opened his practice in New Bern. This was one of the first pediatric dentistry practices in Eastern NC. He has been



recognized for his outstanding initiatives and service to the community. It's only fitting that this fund's endowment provides residents' support for their leadership training and advocacy. The first-year residents are named Congleton Fellows but all the residents benefit from support from the fund.

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Continuing Education

April 13, 2018, brought us another excellent CE course titled “New Approaches and Materials to Manage the Pulp of Immature Permanent Teeth”. Our featured speaker was Kenneth Hargreaves, DDS, PhD (Chair, Department of Endodontics, University of Texas Health Science Center-San Antonio). It was attended by 165 participants. Among other things, Dr. Hargreaves gave an excellent update on the role of stem cells in the regeneration of the human pulp and how to incorporate this new technology into practice.

Future Continuing Education Courses

Fall 2018

“Management of permanent tooth dental trauma in children: Revisiting the Fundamentals and Exploration of Emerging Concepts”

October 12, 2018

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

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

Featured Speakers: Dr. Asgeir Sigurdsson
Dr. Jessica Lee
Dr. John Christensen

Dr. Sigurdsson graduated with a DDS from the University of Iceland and completed his residency in endodontics and receiving an MS at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. He is currently the Chair of the Department of Endodontics, New York University College of Dentistry.

Dr. Lee is a dental and public health graduate of Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery School of Public Health. She completed her pediatric training in pediatric dentistry at the UNC-CH School of Dentistry and earned a PhD from the UNC-CH Gillings School of Global Public Health. She is currently the Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, UNC School of Dentistry.

Dr. Christensen received his DDS from the University of Iowa, earned a MS in pediatric dentistry and a MS degree in orthodontics from the UNC-CH School of Dentistry. He has a private practice of both specialties and also is an adjunct associate professor at UNC School of Dentistry.

A question and answer period at the end of the formal program will permit the course participants to have a dialogue with the speakers at the end of the day. This course provides six hours of CE credit.

Tuition: \$300 dentist* \$160 staff members*

*A generous continental breakfast including pastries, fresh fruit, juice, yogurt, coffee and tea will be available at registration, a fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are included, plus free parking.

FALL IS ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL IN CHAPEL HILL SO REGISTER EARLY FOR THE COURSE. THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ACADEMY OF PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY WILL BE HELD THE FOLLOWING MORNING AT THE COURTYARD MARRIOTT-CHAPEL HILL (SATURDAY). ALSO, THIS IS A FOOTBALL WEEKEND IN CHAPEL HILL. THE TARHEELS WILL BE PLAYING VIRGINIA TECH ON SATURDAY. SO, IF YOU NEED HOTEL RESERVATIONS MAKE THEM EARLY!

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-CH Continuing Dental Education
Campus Box #7450
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7450

Spring 2019

“A Review of Current Practices in Pediatric Dentistry: Practical Solutions from Practicing Pediatric Dentists”

Our spring of 2019 CE offering is bringing back a venue that received enthusiastic praise the previous two times we offered it. More than 230 participants registered for the last one in this series. The current course is focused on clinically relevant and challenging issues, and will feature five private practicing alumni of the UNC pediatric dentistry residency program.

Friday, April 5, 2019

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Registration and a continental breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m.

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

The course is featuring UNC pediatric dentistry alumni: **Dorothy Pang (San Francisco), Patty Medland (Australia), Antonio Braithwaite (Sanford, NC), Kimon Divaris (Chapel Hill, NC) and Kevin Ricker (Pittsboro, NC)**. These clinicians will be bringing their expertise to the debate about in-office sedation protocols and guidelines; effective early orthodontic treatment, optimizing private practice management by creating a harmonious practice environment, applied genomics and management of clinical challenges.

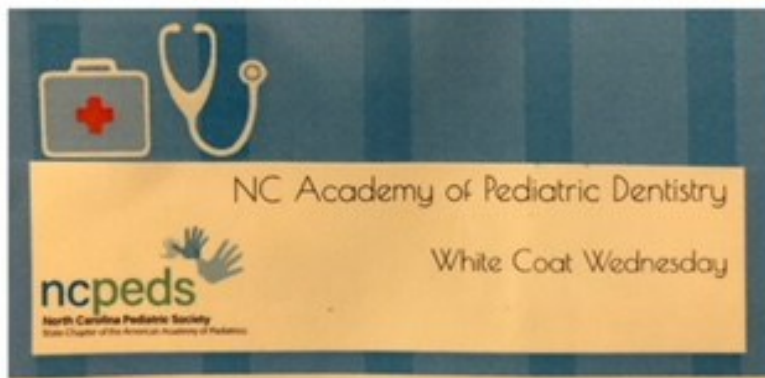
“Do not miss this excellent course - register early!”

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White Coat Wednesday

On May 30, residents and faculty from the department participated in the North Carolina Society of Pediatrics' White Coat Wednesday--a state-level advocacy effort where participants meet with state legislators to discuss child health issues. The event began with a morning briefing about the issues and talking points followed by a series of meetings with key legislators. This year, the group attended a Senate Health Committee hearing and was introduced on the Senate floor during the scheduled session in the afternoon. Numerous legislators were visited including Representatives Pricey Harrison, Verla Insko, Bert Jones, Mary Ann Black, Jon Hardister and Senators Mike Woodard, Valerie Foushee and Gladys Robinson. Two private practicing dentists, pediatric dentistry faculty and pediatric dentistry residents attended representing the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

They are (front row): **Gentry Byrd (2018)**, **Anne Baker (2019)**, **Lauren Green (2018)**, and **Martha Ann Keels (1990)**, (back row): **Kerry Dove (2012)**, **Mike Roberts**, **Bryan Cobb (1979)**, **Beau Meyer (2017)**, **David Olson (DDS 1999)** and **Molly Tesch (2018)**.



Molly Tesch announced as the 2017-2018 Bryan and Renea Cobb Fellow



Bryan (1979) and Renea Cobb of Greensboro have established a personal fund in the Dental Foundation of North Carolina to honor the Cobb name and legacy. The Cobbs stipulated that the fund's endowment proceeds be used to recognize excellence in academics, patient care, or research. Bryan noted *"Renea and I wanted to take this step for two reasons; first, is that having been involved with department fund development for many years and having seen great progress in this endeavor, it was obvious that we were missing our mark. We needed to be funding graduate students as our top priority. Second, we wanted to show leadership that would encourage others to follow by creating their own fellowship funds. Our goal would be that each graduate student be awarded a fellowship equal in amount to their tuition. We believe that this is entirely possible."*

The first to be chosen as a Cobb Fellow was **Beau Meyer (2017)**. The most recent recipient of the Cobb Fellowship was **Molly Tesch (2018)**. She performed at an exceptional level in all aspects of our residency program here at UNC. Molly just finished our program and has accepted a position in Pediatric Dentistry of Matthews joining Scott Goodman, Meg Lochary, Jason Sperati and Jeff Monaco.

News from the NCAPD

The Board of Directors of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry had a busy meeting in April and since have focused on two major initiatives: the first is the leadership's ongoing effort to advocate for increased Medicaid fees for the children of the state. Fruitful collaboration has been achieved with both the Directors of Dental Medicaid and the State Health rector both of whom support our ambitions but the final hurdle is the NCGA. The jury is still out, so stay-tuned!

A second pressing matter has been the drumbeat for revisions in the NC Statutes but as initially drafted have the potential to affect advertising in the dental profession. We presented a strong statement at the June 7, 2018, hearing of the NCSBDE on the subject (as did most of the other specialties) and there was a unanimity of opinion among all presenting parties that the pro-posed revisions will likely lead to a lack of truth in advertising. In our case we envision these changes as having ~~high potential to confuse and mislead the parents~~

of children we serve. As of this writing, we do not know what action the NCSBDE will take on this matter but we made a compelling argument against the proposed revisions.

The 2018 Annual meeting of the NCAPD will be held on Saturday, October 13 at the Courtyard Marriott on Raleigh Road (Highway 54), immediately adjacent to the Friday CE Center in Chapel Hill. Following the business meeting, under the leadership of President Julie Dimock of Wilmington, the NCAPD will again sponsor a CE Course in opioid training that meets the NCSBDE's requirement. This course will be free for all NCAPD members as a membership benefit.

When making your weekend plans, don't forget to include a full day of UNC sponsored continuing education at the Friday Center on Friday, October 12, with an evening reception to follow.

“North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Announces Improving Pediatric Oral Health Grant Program”

The North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry is pleased to announce the “NCAPD Improving Pediatric Oral Health Grant”. \$10,000 will be available annually to individuals or organizations, and grants may be renewed for additional years. Projects that have the potential for long-term improvements to pediatric oral health will be given the highest priority.

Submit inquiries and applications (double spaced) to NCAPDGrantsAwards@gmail.com by January 1, 2019.

Applications must include the following: **Summary** Using no more than 150 words, provide an overview of the project.

Contact Person - List the name, title and contact information for the person who will be responsible for the project. If an organization, provide the organization's Federal Tax Identification number. **Key Personnel** - List the names and titles of all key personnel

Budget - Itemize the budget.

Detailed Description - Using no more than 1000 words, provide a detailed description of the project making certain to answer each of the following questions:

1. Background

What issue or problem will the project address?

If the project is successful, what improvement will be?

Who will be helped by the project?

2. Personnel

Who are the key personnel and why are they important to the project?

3. Outcomes

What will the project accomplish?

Why will the project be successful?

How will the project improve pediatric oral health 1 year, 3 years and 5 years **after** the funded project is Completed?

How will North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry dollars be leveraged by other support?



Please visit NCAPD
website at
www.ncapd.net

Practice Management Seminar and Private Practice Visit

Ivy Brisbin (2019), Anne Baker (2019) and Erin Tilton (2019) join Mike Ignelzi (1992) during a site visit to a private pediatric dental office. Michael is the program director for the Contemporary Practice (PED DENT 805) course. This course provides excellent didactic and real-time exposure for our residents to outstanding pediatric dental practices.



Fund Raising Event for The Children's Dental Treatment Fund



Mike Roberts and **Jessica Lee (2002)** are joined by Robert Warren, Kristen Allison, Meagan Inlan and Dare Hicks. The dental students were presenting a \$1,500 check to the department's Children's Dental Treatment Fund. The students had organized a fund-raising event, Trots-4-Tots, that featured pony rides, food, and other events for children.



The Four Corners Study Club Faculty Mentoring Award



Jessica Lee (2002) was the 2018 recipient of the Four Corners Study Club Faculty Mentoring Award. The Four Corners Study Club recognizes outstanding mentoring provided to UNC School of Dentistry full-time

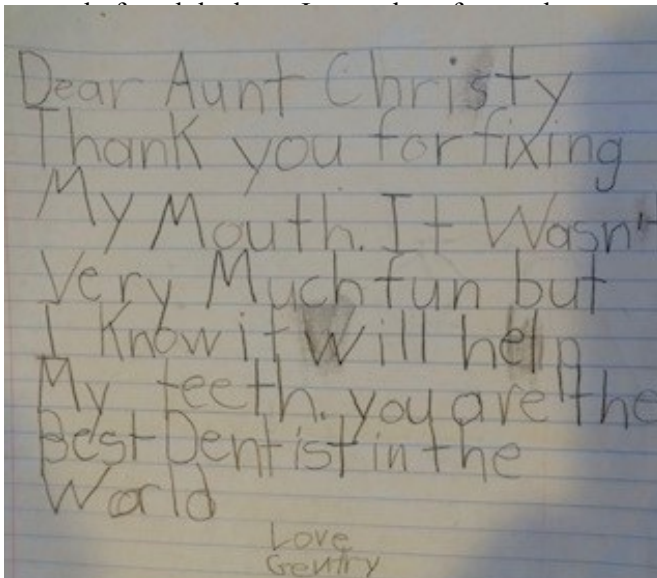
faculty members. Jessica has been a member of the UNC SOD Faculty Development Committee since 2008 and was actively involved in the planning and implementation of the SOD Mentoring Program as well as other endeavors to support faculty. She received the 2008 American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Jerome Miller "For the Kids" Award. In 2010, she received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientist and Engineers from President Barack Obama. In 2011, Jessica was named the "Pediatric Dentist of the Year" by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Currently, Jessica serves as the chair, Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

Residents' Corner

July is a bittersweet time. Our third years have embarked on their pediatric dental careers, while the program is welcoming four new residents. Residents in each stage of their training agree that we have a unique opportunity to shape the dental experiences of pediatric patients. Despite having such diverse dental memories, we have all chosen the same career path. Below our residents share some of their earliest memories.

Third Years

Gentry Byrd: I loved going to see my pediatric dentist, Dr. Christy Hamlin, who also happened to be my aunt! Unfortunately, I vividly remember the post-op pain from my maxillary frenectomy. She



Lauren Green: I remember a dental assistant cleaning my teeth when I was little telling me "if you don't keep your tongue still, I'm going to have to just chop it off!"

Molly Tesch: My earliest dental memory is sitting at Dr. Martha Ann Keels' office playing with giant colorful stuffed animals, drool dripping down my chin, waiting for the timer to finish on my fluoride trays.

Second Years

Ivy Brishin: My earliest dental memory happened after a visit to have a tooth extracted. I loved and trusted my dentist, so the appointment wasn't all that memorable. I went back to class afterward, where we were reading Farmer Boy out loud together. The teacher called on me, and I tried reading with my mouth full of gauze. Not surprisingly, she quickly called on another student whose reading was actually intelligible. I followed my post-op instructions to a "T"!

Anne Baker: My earliest dental memory is of Dr. Bill Vann teaching me to brush around my gum line like my older sister! I am thankful he set me on this career trajectory from such a young age!

Erin Tilton: I remember that I couldn't wait to go get my teeth cleaned because I always went home with stickers!

First Years

Amanda Allen: My first dental memory has nothing to do with dentistry - I remember sitting on the floor in the waiting room waiting for my turn to go to the back playing with a barrel of monkeys.

Jennifer Crisp: I vividly remember sitting for what seemed like hours with the fluoride trays and suction wondering how anyone could ever think this was strawberry flavor and hoping the assistant didn't forget about me. These kids nowadays don't know how easy they have it!

Morgan Hess: My mom's best friend was my hygienist, so my first memories are going back to get my teeth cleaned with my mom and my hygienist talking and laughing the entire time. If I didn't have a cavity I would get my picture taken and put up on the 'No Cavity Club Board,' which is something I always strived for. My sisters and I would always get very competitive about who had the cleanest teeth!



Saying goodbye
to our 2018
graduates,
Lauren, Molly
and Gentry!

Update on Residents and Fellows

Our current residents are:

Third Year Residents:

Suzanne Baker—North Carolina
DDS University of North Carolina
Ivy Brisbin—North Carolina
DDS University of North Carolina
Erin Tilton—Ohio
DMD-Case Western Reserve University

Second Year Residents:

Amanda Allen – North Carolina
DDS University of North Carolina
Jennifer Crisp - North Carolina
DDS University of North Carolina
Morgan Hess – Iowa
DDS University of Iowa

First year residents:

Meredith Davis – North Carolina
DDS University of North Carolina
Anastassia Dokova – Michigan
DDS University of Michigan
Lara Holm Heimisdottir – Iceland
DDS University of Iceland
Poojan Shrestha – Nepal
DDS B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences

Again, we say goodbye and good luck to our outgoing residents and welcome to our new ones. Our residents who graduated in 2018 and have completed the program are **Gentry Byrd**, **Lauren Green** and **Molly Tesch**.

New Residents Fun Things To Do

Our incoming residents for the Class of 2021 are **Meredith Davis (DDS 2018)**, **Anastassia Dokova (DDS 2018)**, **Lara Holm Heimisdottir (DDS 2015)** and **Poojan Shrestha (DDS 2012)**. This time around, we have four incoming residents because Poojan has been accepted into the oral epidemiology PhD program and will be spending some years with us beyond the three years of residency. We are very excited about having each of them join us in our graduate program.



Poojan Shrestha

Besides pediatric dentistry, Poojan is quite fond of traveling. He is also very interested in exploring and experiencing new places and getting to know new people. Although he does not play much nowadays, he likes following soccer and cricket.



Anastassia Dokova.

Apart from pediatric dentistry, Ana's favorite way to spend free time is divided halfway between reminiscing over old photographs and planning trips to new destinations. She wants to publish a cookbook of Bulgarian recipes passed down from her family, and become a yoga instructor.



Lara Holm Heimisdottir

Lara's biggest passion, besides pediatric dentistry, is to travel the world, experiencing new cultures and learning new things. She loves spending time with friends, family and her beloved dog Timon.



Meredith Davis

In addition to pediatric dentistry, Meredith enjoys traveling and exploring the beautiful outdoors. In her free time at home, she loves to garden and spend time with her husband (also a newly graduated dentist) and their two dogs.

Alumni and Friends Lead the Way in Hawaii at the 2018 AAPD Annual Session

Alumni and friends played key roles in the success of the 2018 annual session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry held in Honolulu, HI over the Memorial Day weekend. The program was filled with old friends and many familiar faces. UNC alumni and friends were front and center. Among the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry directors were **LaRee Johnson (1999)** and **Dorothy Pang (1991)**. While **Jessica Lee (2002)** and **Tegwyn Brickhouse (2002)** served on the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Board of Trustees. **Tom Bouwens (2007)** and **Tegwyn Brickhouse (2002)** served as Trustees on the College of Diplomates (COD) Foundation and **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** served as the COD District III trustee. We also recognize that there were many friends and alumni working hard behind the scenes to support the business and policy development of the annual session. UNC alumni and friends also filled the scientific programs! Kudos to **Bobby Elliott (1998)** who was on the Scientific Program Committee. Bobby was also highlighted at the sold-out preconference course entitled “*Full Steam ahead or off the tracks. Which way is your engine headed in both your life and dental practice*”. **Patty Medland (1982)** made the trip from Australia to present “*Current principles and management of anterior supernumerary, impacted, ectopic and missing teeth*”. **Tim Wright** and **Lorne Koroluk** presented mini-clinics on the topics of “*New guidelines on silver diamine fluoride (SDF) and Incisor trauma and early orthodontic treatment,*” respectively. **Ray Tseng (2010)** presented during the breakfast rounds on “*How to handle and respond to bad online reviews*”. He was joined by **Ron Hsu (2006)** who presented the “*Transition from a dental service organization (DSO) to a private practice*”. Other breakfast round presenters included **Bobby Elliott (1998)** who spoke about “*Hanging your Shingle*” and **Elizabeth Prada (2009)** presented on “*Cleft care and the role of the pediatric dentist.*” **LaRee Johnson (1999)** also highlighted the New Dentist Program by providing some practical tidbits for the millennial dentist.

Congratulations to first year residents **Amanda Allen (2020)**, **Jennifer Crisp (2020)** and **Morgan Hess (2020)** who served as the 2017-18 **James B. Congleton Fellows**. The Congleton Fellowship supported their advocacy/leadership participation. Mentors for the trainees were **Kimon Divaris (2011)**, **Scott Cashion (1997)** and **Jessica Lee (2002)**. They provided leadership for the trainees’ attendance at the AAPD Board of Trustees meeting and the Council/Committee meetings.



2018 Residents' Appreciation Banquet Dinner!



More 2018 Residents' Appreciation Banquet Dinner!



Department Research Activities

Our 2017 first-year residents, **Amanda Allen**, **Jennifer Crisp** and **Morgan Hess**, are off to a great start. They have identified their research projects and committees, and have made substantial progress while balancing their busy second-semester residency schedules. They provided excellent updates during the school-wide first-year residents' research protocol presentations on April 6.

Amanda will be working on the "Development and evaluation of an educational prototype to promote early childhood oral health in clinical practice". Her research advisor is **Rocio Quinonez (2000)** and committee members are Kelly Ryoo (School of Education), **Siggi Saemundsson (1996)** and **Tim Wright**.

Jennifer will be researching the "Use of Select Non-Surgical Caries Management Techniques in Pediatric Patients Among North Carolina Dentists". Her research advisor is **Tim Wright**, and committee members are **Kimon Divaris (2011)** and Anne Sanders (Department of Dental Ecology).

Morgan will be working on "Building a business model to implement infant oral health in a general dental office: demonstrating a lost income potential." Her research advisor is **Siggi Saemundsson (1996)** and committee members are **Rocio Quinonez (2000)** and Brad Staats (Kenan-Flagler School of Business).

Our second year residents, **Anne Baker (2019)**, **Ivy Brisbin (2019)** and **Erin Tilton (2019)** have been busy making progress in their research projects, preparing and fine-tuning IRB applications and research Protocols. They presented their research updates in the department research seminar series last August.

Anne is 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. Of note, Anne received the prestigious Sunstar/AAPD Post-graduate Research Fellowship to conduct her research. This fellowship supports Innovative research by residents in pediatric dentistry and is sponsored by Sunstar Americas--**Congrats, Anne!**

Ivy is working with **Tim Wright**, **Jessica Lee (2002)** and Lew Lampiris (Department of Dental Ecology) to investigate families' perspectives regarding treatment with SDF.

Erin is working with **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** on an investigation of the interface between nutrition and ECC.

All three senior residents successfully completed the research component of the program early in the Spring semester. **Gentry Byrd (2018)**, **Lauren Green (2018)** and **Molly Tesch (2018)** defended their research thesis and presented their research project papers.

Gentry's work "Predictors of primary care physicians addressing prenatal oral health" was presented at the 2017 AADR meeting and has now been published in the *Maternal and Child Health Journal*; Gentry's mentor was **Rocio Quinonez (2000)**.

Molly presented her M.S. thesis titled "Oral disease experience among children with special healthcare needs" on March 26; her mentor was **Martha Ann Keels (1990)**.

Lauren presented her Masters' research project titled "Cost analysis of conscious sedation versus general anesthesia in the OR versus general anesthesia in the dental office for pediatric dental patients" on April 2. Lauren's mentor was **Jessica Lee (2002)**.



OUR 2017-2018 RESIDENTS

Ronald A. Bell Awarded to Michael W. Roberts!

Mike Roberts received the 2018 Ronald A. Bell Mentor of the Year Award at the Annual Meeting and Symposium of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in Honolulu, HI. The award is given annually by the Foundation of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.

This award was created to honor and remember Dr. Ronald A. Bell. The recipient must be, or have been, a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, possess attributes critical to being a mentor, have a history of supporting pediatric dentists in their careers in professional and personal levels, and have led other pediatric dentists by example to be a leader in our profession. Mike has served in the past as the director/president of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, president of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, chair of the Foundation of the College of Diplomates of the ABPD, and most recently as president of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.



***TAR HEELS
having fun in
Honolulu!***

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The 2017-18 Fellows were **Morgan Hess, Jennifer Crisp** and **Amanda Allen** (not pictured with Jim). These fellows spent time during the Policy Center Advisory committee, and the Council on Scientific Affairs meetings. Additionally, the Congleton Fund supported seven residents to attend the AAPD Public Policy Conference in Washington, DC, where residents learned about issues facing pediatric dentistry and met with Congressmen and Senators.

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News from Alumni and Friends

Patty Hagan Medland (1983) taught pediatric dentistry at West Virginia University after graduating from the UNC pediatric dentistry residency program but returned to UNC three years later to obtain her degree in orthodontic. In 1989 she joined the Department of Orthodontics at the University of Sydney and has lived in Australia ever since. Over the past 25 years, Patty has held teaching positions in orthodontics at the University of Sydney, Griffith University (Gold Coast, Australia) and currently teaches at the University of Queensland in Brisbane. She was the inaugural Head of Orthodontic Discipline at Griffith University School of Dentistry where she developed the orthodontic curriculum and set up the clinical program as well. In the last few years Patty has enjoyed traveling to Charleston, South Carolina to give a series of Growth and Development seminars to orthodontic and pediatric dentistry residents at Medical University of South Carolina. In addition, Patty has been in private orthodontic practice with her husband, Bill, since 1990 where she has a particular interest in “age appropriate orthodontics” and developed a growth guidance program focusing on efficient orthodontic care in developing dentitions. She enjoys incorporating new technologies into her practice such as TADs, and recently gave a presentation at the AAPD in Honolulu on their use in the treatment of missing teeth.

In her spare time, Patty enjoys hiking and was awestruck with the beauty of Switzerland while hiking in the shadow of the Matterhorn. She has also enjoyed scuba diving for the past 20 years with frequent trips to the Great Barrier Reef and, more recently, off the shores of Hawaii where she experienced diving with turtles. She has volunteered for several years with Wildcare Australia caring for injured and orphaned native wildlife. Her favourite personal time would certainly be spending time with her family. Her daughter Julia is a chemistry graduate of UNC and has completed her third year at NC State’s Veterinary School (Patty has nearly forgiven Julia for switching colors from Carolina Blue to Wolfpack Red!). Her son Rob is pursuing a master’s degree in math at the University of Melbourne in Australia. Patty especially enjoys visiting her 100 year old father in their home state of West Virginia. Patty has been actively supporting the international airlines, and gathering frequent flyer miles for the past 25 years as she travels to catch up with her family and friends who are spread across two continents on either side of the Pacific.

Congratulations to **Rebecca Glover Andrews (DDS 2012)** of Greensboro, NC (Lake Jeanette Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry) who was recently named *Triad*

Mom's on Main Favorite Pediatric Dentist in the Greensboro/Burlington area.

Ron Hsu (2006) has been recently inducted into the Pierre Fauchard Academy in recognition of his outreach and service to the community. Ron was also featured by the Washington State Dental Association. We are proud of you, Ron!

In their free time, **Shijia Hu (2016)** and **Bien Lai (2011)** like to teach their 7 month old daughter, Madison, the difference between an onion and a garlic. However, Madison seems to be more interested in her feet most of the time. Shijia is currently an assistant professor at the National University of Singapore. He is involved in the teaching of dental students and pediatric dentistry residents. Additionally, he is putting his PhD to good use, conducting research into the oral and gut microbiome of Crohn’s disease. Bien is the head of pediatric dentistry at the National Dental Centre Singapore. She spends her days taking care of the children and has a special interest in medically compromised children. In addition, she is also a deputy director of the post graduate residency program in pediatric dentistry at the National University of Singapore.



The Board of Trustees of the North Carolina Dental Society included NCAPD members **Roslyn Crisp (1986)** of Burlington, NC and President **Lee Lewis** of Greenville, NC. **Scott Cashion (1997)** of Greensboro, NC is president of the NCDS Foundation Board. Thank you for all you do!



Sunnaya is the daughter of **Kavita Mathu-Muju (2006)**. Kavita is on faculty at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC.

More News from Alumni and Friends

Elizabeth Prada Da Costa (2009) of Lancaster, PA is the director of Lime Street Pediatric Dentistry, a non-profit collaboration with the widely-renown Lancaster Cleft Palate Clinic. She was recently named executive director of the clinic, now in its 80th year of existence as a center of patient care and research for children with cleft and craniofacial conditions. Liz assumed the directorship from UNC Alumnus Rusty Long, 1977 graduate in Orthodontics (MS) and Anatomy (PhD, 1985). Rusty is currently the Director Emeritus and maintains an active research presence at the clinic. Liz's spouse is a Lancaster-based otolaryngologist. You can reach Liz at dr.lizprada@gmail.com.

Pamela (Pam) DenBesten (1983) has been at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) School of Dentistry since 1995, when she was recruited as chair of the Division of Pediatric Dentistry. She is currently director of the UCSF School of Dentistry Center for Children's Oral Health Research (COR). Pam also co-directs the PhD and DDS/PhD programs in the UCSF PhD program in oral and craniofacial sciences, and is PI of the T32 training grant that supports these programs. Pam's focus in COR is on expanding clinical and translational research that improves children's oral health. She is enjoying building interesting collaborative studies in new areas, including understanding how the oral microbiome changes in children undergoing cancer treatment, and how these changes affect overall health. Another interest is in using primary teeth as biomarkers for prenatal risk factors that can affect children's behavioral health and development. Pam has also continued to work on understanding the cellular effects of fluoride, and her long term interest in enamel fluorosis, which she began to pursue during her training at UNC. She is looking forward to beginning her term as vice president of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR), which begins at the conclusion of the upcoming IADR meeting in London this summer. Outside of her professional activities, Pam enjoys various personal activities including riding her two horses and hanging out with her fox hound, crewing (bow position) on a J24 sailboat race team in the San Francisco Bay, and most recently tango dancing. Her son Nathan lives in San Francisco in the same Bernal Heights neighborhood, and so she enjoys time with him and his girl-friend, Sasha. Pam's son, Matt (born in North Carolina), lives in Jacksonville, FL. with his family, including her two grandchildren, Sidney and Harrison. Pam loves being a grandmother, though it would be nice if the flights between San Francisco and Jacksonville

were a bit shorter.

This past year has been a busy one for **Martha Ann Keels (1990)**. She received five more years of funding from the NIH/NIDCR as the PI for the Duke site in the Prospective Caries Risk Assessment Study with Dr. Margherita Fontana, cariologist at University of Michigan. She presented interim results from this grant at the AADR in Ft Lauderdale last spring. Martha Ann is currently serving on the AAPD Editorial Board and the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs and heading their Evidenced-Based Subcommittee and the Acid Erosion Workgroup. She helped develop a new ADA brochure on Dental Erosion. One of her most rewarding activities is mentoring Masters' thesis projects with the UNC pediatric dentistry residents. Most recently, she mentored **Erica Brecher (2016)**, who has had her third article accepted for publication from her research on how dentists manage after hours dental emergencies. In addition to being a Fellow in the AAPD, the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists, Martha Ann was recently inducted into the Pierre Fauchard Academy. When she is not living her dream as a pediatric dentist, she and her husband, Dennis Clements, are playing with seven grandchildren, gardening or scuba diving. Their yard was one of ten featured in the Chapel Hill Garden Tour this spring. Recently, dive sites in the Marine Park off the coast of the island of Roatan were named for her and her husband ~ MAK's Wall and Dennis' Drop Off.

Congratulations to **Elizabeth Shick (2005)**, who has recently been promoted to Associate Professor at the University of Colorado School of Dentistry. Previously the School's Director of Admissions, she currently serves the School's Director of Global Health Initiatives.

Jim Brittain (1973) and wife Jan are happily retired outside Denver, NC on the shores of Lake Norman; however, they are spending more and more time at a second home in Chapel Hill where granddaughter Olivia lives with Jim and Jan's daughter (Lauren) and her spouse. Jim and Jan have two grandchildren in Charlotte, where their son (Justin) and his spouse reside.

Maggie Wright Fetner (2014) and spouse **James (DDS '08)** have relocated to the town of Asheboro from their Randolph County farm location, leaving the tractor and chickens behind. If you're in the vicinity, check out Randolph Pediatric Dentistry, located a block behind the historic Randolph County Court House in the heart of town. If you're there around lunchtime, be sure to visit Magnolia 23, a great diner only a few blocks from RPD.

Generosity of Alumni and Friends

Below is the list of gifts received by the department as reported from the Dental Foundation of North Carolina for the **calendar year 2017**. Your generous and thoughtful gifts to the department's development funds are gratefully acknowledged below. We express our most sincere **"thank you"** for your continued support. Your gifts support our residents' training, improve our graduate student learning center, acquire new technology and provide additional opportunities to enrich the residents' educational experience. Unfortunately, state and university support continues to decline and has made your support ever more critical.

Gifts received are invested and the interest from the funds is used to meet our graduate program needs described throughout this *Newsletter*. Your commitment to improving the graduate program is not lost on our residents, and it continues to cement the bonds among our past, present and future alumni and friends.

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Welcome the New Additions to our Department!

Gladys Torres



Born in Puerto Rico and raised in Amsterdam, NY. Gladys has lived in North Carolina for the last 21 years. She is the patient interpreter/BOHP coordinator for the department

of pediatric dentistry. Gladys has four wonderful children and five grandchildren. In her free time, she enjoys making jewelry, spending time at the beach with her family, cooking, baking and going to the gym for a good workout. She is very excited about being a part of such an amazing group of people here at UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

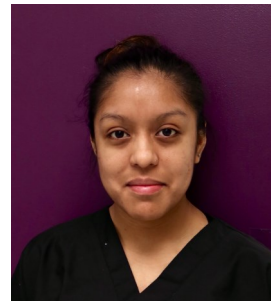
Joselin Melchor Caamano



Born in Mexico, Joselin has since lived in North Carolina. She received her dental assistant certificate from Alamance Community College and

currently works as a dental assistant in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Joselin enjoys the outdoors and her favorites include going to the mountains, playing soccer, as well as watching make-up tutorials in her spare time.

Jhoana Canuto Tzintzun



Jhoana was born in Michoacán, Mexico and came to the USA when she was 7 years old. She attended Graham middle

and high school after which she went to Alamance Community College for dental assisting training. Jhoana is a dental assistant in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. She has four siblings and her parents are currently living here in North Carolina. Jhoana is married and has one daughter, Valerie Divine. In her spare time, she likes spending time with her family,

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WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH YOU?

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