



# ALUMNI NEWS

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## Chairs Message: With Gratitude

*“We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.” — Winston S. Churchill*



Happy 2020! With the new year and new decade, we think about things we still want to accomplish in our lives and things we want to make better. Often, we look at change with hope and optimism. And, it's also a time to reflect. As I look back on my nearly six years as Chair, one word always come to mind...

Gratitude! I am grateful for this place, the programs, but mainly the people. Our residents, students, staff, faculty and alumni are among the most committed, passionate and compassionate group I have ever had the honor of working with. Many of you have often heard me state that “I have the best job in the world.” I say this because in my 20 years at Carolina, I have met some incredible people. Even with our many challenges and changes, the people have stayed the same. I have felt your support each and every day and for that I am very grateful.

One of my favorite events of the year is our October friends and alumni reception following the sponsored continuing education course. I always look forward to catching up with everyone. Many of you were present on October 11, 2019 when we celebrated the Michael W. Roberts Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry! With your help we have raised nearly \$400,000 in that fund

to support pediatric dentistry residents. Thank you! We also celebrated the start of new fellowships including the Fetner Family Fellowship, Reginald and Angelica Braithwaite Family Fund and the Crisp Family Fellowship Fund. You will also soon hear more about other exciting initiatives including the Tim Wright Fellowship...stay tuned for more exciting details on that!!

I would be remiss not to thank the pediatric dentistry development committee. This very special group includes Antonio Braithwaite, Bryan Cobb (Co-Chair), Roslyn Crisp, LaRee Johnson, Kim Jones, Gail Rohlfing, Halley White, Mike Ignelzi, John Christensen, Jim Congleton (Co-Chair), Rob Moran, Richard Brooks, Stephanie Chen and ex-officio members Jessica Lee, Bill Vann, and Mike Roberts. The number one priority of this group has been to support the graduate program in pediatric dentistry. To that end, we have made great progress but still need your support! We have a lot exciting new things happening including our Legacy Giving Initiative, which has been successful in obtaining planned giving commitments from many of you. I am a proud member of this elite group and I would like to encourage others to join us. In summary, I cannot express how thankful I am to all of you for the many, many years of tireless and unselfish support. I could not do my job without you! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! All the best for a Happy and Healthy 2020!

**“A Review and Update of Contemporary Issues Associated with Pediatric Sedation, Local Anesthetics, Pain Control, and Management of Medical Emergencies in Pediatric Dentistry”**

**Stanley F. Malamed, DDS**

**April 3, 2020**

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

## Continuing Education

Friday, October 11, 2019, brought us another great CE course. One hundred and ninety-four participants gathered at the UNC Friday Continuing Education Center in Chapel Hill to hear an outstanding course presented by Harold L. Crossley, DDS, MS, PhD, professor emeritus at the University of Maryland Dental School in Baltimore, MD. The course title was "Pharmaceutical and Street Drug Abuse Among Adolescents and Teenagers." Dr. Crossley provided a comprehensive and dynamic update of the drug use and epidemic among our country's youth.

**PLAN ON COMING TO EXPERIENCE CHAPEL HILL IN THE SPRING. SPRING WILL BE IN THE AIR AND MANY FLOWERS AND TREES WILL BE IN FULL BLOOM.**

### Future Continuing Education Courses

#### Spring 2020

April 3, 2020 "A Review and Update of Contemporary Issues Associated with Pediatric Sedation, Local Anesthetics, Pain Control, and Management of Medical Emergencies in Pediatric Dentistry."

8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Registration is to begin at 8:00 a.m.**

William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center  
Chapel Hill, NC

Speaker: Stanley F. Malamed, DDS Los Angeles, CA

Dr. Malamed is returning again to Chapel Hill to provide a comprehensive review of pediatric sedation, local anesthesia, pain control and management of medical emergencies in dental practice. There are many new medications and research to be discussed. Dr. Malamed is an internationally recognized expert in these areas and is the author of many published articles and reference books.. He always provides current information with a stimulating and engaging style. You will not want to miss having the opportunity to see and hear Dr. Malamed.

Tuition: \$300 Dentist\* \$160 Team/Staff Member\*

\* A generous continental breakfast including pastries, fresh fruit and juice, yogurt, coffee and tea will be available at registration. A fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are also included, plus free parking. The course provides 6 hours of CE credit.

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

Registration by mail: Attention: Registration  
UNC Continuing Dental Education  
Campus Box #7450  
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7450

### An upcoming course this fall that you will want to put on your calendar!

Friday, October 2, 2020

"Getting Past 'No', 'Uh-oh', and Helicopters"

Featured Speaker: Greg Psaltis, DDS Olympia, WA

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

**Registration is to begin at 8:30 a.m.**

William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center  
Chapel Hill, NC

Dr. Psaltis received his DDS and completed a residency in pediatric dentistry from the University of California-San Francisco. He is an acknowledge expert in patient behavior management in a pediatric dental setting. Dr. Psaltis is a frequent speaker at such venues as the American Dental Association Annual Sessions, the California Dental Association, the Chicago MidWinter, the Thomas Hinman Dental Meeting, the Yankee Dental Conference and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Sessions. He is the recipient of the Gordon Christensen Speaker Recognition Award and has been the Featured Speaker at the Thomas Hinman Meeting, and the Keynote Speaker at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Session. Dr. Psaltis is in private practice of pediatric dentistry in Olympia, WA and is the administrator and participant in two volunteer projects in Mexico providing comprehensive dental care to children in Cabo San Lucas and Zihuatanejo. He is a dynamic and engaging speaker that anyone who has ever heard him speak can attest! You will not want to miss this presentation.

Tuition: \$300 dentist\* \$160 Team/Staff member\*

\* A generous continental breakfast including pastries, fresh fruit and 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. This course provides 6 hours of CE credit.

**FALL IS ALSO BEAUTIFUL IN CHAPEL HILL SO REGISTER EARLY AS THIS COURSE HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY MANY OF YOU. THIS IS NOT A UNC HOME FOOTBALL GAME WEEKEND SO OBTAINING HOTEL AND RESTAURANT RESERVATIONS SHOULD NOT BE A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE.**





*C E Scene*



## ***Congratulations to new ABPD Diplomates!***

There were 350 new Diplomates recognized by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in 2019. It was also another banner year for new Diplomates with North Carolina connections.

The following will be receiving their Diplomate's pin at the Recognition Reception of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in May, 2020, at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Session in Nashville, TN:

Meredith Byrd (Raleigh)  
Brandy Edmonds (Charlotte)  
Molly Frank (Charlotte)  
Lauren Green (Matthews)  
Laura Sutton Johnson (Winston-Salem)  
Kelly Krekel (Charlotte)  
Kelly Lipp (Charlotte)  
Cecilia Liu (Bolivia)  
Zev Orentlikher (Pinehurst)  
Arpita Patel (Charlotte)  
Lindsay Ramsbottom (Leland)

Hopefully we have not overlooked anyone but if we did, please accept our apology and let us know. Congratulations to all!



The UNC Adams School of Dentistry Dean's Art Series recently featured a wonderful performance by **Rocio Quinonez (2000)** and **Gentry Byrd (2018)**. Rocio and Gentry were featured on the violin and they were accompanied by Dr. Martin Brinkley, Dean, UNC-CH School of Law on the piano.



**Durham Travis Dove** made his debut October 30, 2019, at 7 lbs 4 oz and 19 3/4 inches. Congrats Travis and **Kerry Dove**!

**Welcome to the  
cutest new  
members of our  
Pediatric Dentistry  
family!**

***Congratulations!***



**Olivia Nicole Crisp** was born December 4, 2019, at 6 lbs 12 oz and 22 inches, to proud parents Alex and **Jennifer Crisp**.

## **State Employees Combined Campaign 2019**

The State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) is a powerful force for making a difference! Since the campaign began, state employee donors have contributed over \$110 million to charities across NC, the nation, and the world. We are proud to say that The Pediatric Dentistry Program has a history of over 30 years of having 100% of our full-time employees joining this campaign. It is even more exciting to share that now that we have expanded to become the Division of Pediatric and Public Health that the tradition has continued!

**100% again!** Great job folks! You have made a difference in so many individuals lives!



## *Welcome to the Pediatric Dentistry team!*

*Marisol Martinez-Duran*



Marisol joined our Pediatric Dentistry team in October. She serves as a member of our front desk staff and is an interpreter for Spanish-speaking parents. She graduated from Durham Technical Community College with a Diploma in Medical Spanish Interpretation. Marisol moved to Chapel Hill from Mexico with her parents when she was three years old. She enjoys spending time with her loved ones including her puppy, Nico.

*Meredith King*



Meredith joined the Pediatric Dentistry team in November 2019. She graduated from Alamance Community College in 2014 with a DA II Diploma. In her free time she loves spending time with her two-year-old daughter Lilly and the rest of her family. During the summer she spends her weekends at Kerr Lake with family and friends.

*Danielle Swing*



Danielle joined our team in December 2019. She graduated from UNC with a double major of Psychology and Education, and has spent the past several years teaching middle school math in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City School system. She is excited to switch things up a bit and join the Pediatric Dentistry team as the Educational Programs Coordinator. She is an avid reader and runner and is more than slightly obsessed with her two beagle pups, Ollie and Tom.

## **The Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series**

### *Stephenie Chen Excellence Lecture Series: Outstanding Master Clinicians*



The Stephenie Chen Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series continued the legacy of bringing outstanding pediatric dentists who discuss issues related to a variety of emerging and clinically important topics. **William “Bill” Chambers (1979)** provided an interactive seminar on November 15, 2019 and met with residents, faculty and members of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry to discuss the very topical topic of “Infant Frenectomies: The Ins and Outs for the Pediatric Dentist”. The seminar was simulcast to East Carolina University School of Dental Medicine so their pediatric dentistry residents and faculty could participate in the event. Bill has extensive clinical experience in this area and presented a provocative and informative seminar. He is a graduate of the UNC Pediatric Dentistry program and is the leader of a vibrant, multiple office, private practice in the Asheville, NC area. He has been involved in many aspects of clinical and organized dentistry for over 40 years.

Mark your calendar for the next seminar in our series that will feature **Antonio Braithwaite (2008)** on May 1, 2020. It will be held at the UNC Adams School of Dentistry from 8:00 - 10:00am. Antonio is also a graduate of the UNC Pediatric Dentistry program and is in private practice in Sanford, NC. Come catch the energy, enthusiasm and wisdom from this outstanding member of our North Carolina pediatric dentistry family!



## News from the NCAPD

The Annual Meeting of the NCAPD was held on Saturday, October 12th at the Marriott Courtyard in Chapel Hill. President **Frank Courts (1977)** of Rocky Mount presided over a busy meeting agenda from 7:30-10:00 AM, followed by an Opioid Continuing Education Course from 10:15-11:45 AM. The DRAFT of the meeting minutes have been mailed to all active members of the Academy and will be on the table for discussion at the 2020 meeting.

The Board of Directors of the NCAPD met on Friday, October 11th. One major action item discussed was the mission of the Ad Hoc Committee on Ethics. Consideration will continue after additional information is obtained from other state pediatric dentistry groups and the AAPD. Please mark your calendars for the annual DC-Based AAPD Public Policy and Advocacy/Lobby Day Activities scheduled for March 1-4, 2020. Private practitioners are urged to participate. The NCAPD

provides \$1500 each to ECU and UNC to support residents' participation. The SESPd likewise offers residents' support.

The Board was thrilled that the 2019 White Coat Day, in cooperation with the NC Pediatric Society, at the NC General Assembly was a big success. Thanks to **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** of Durham and **Kerry Dove (2012)** of Concord for their organization and orchestration. Thanks also to Kerry for procuring the swag items for the legislators. Our goal for 2020 NCGA White Coat Day is to increase participation by our state's private practitioner community. The spring 2020 date has not been finalized but stay-tuned!

The 2019 AAPD Nominating Committee (**Frank Courts (1977)**-Chair, **Julie Dimock (2001)** and Mike Roberts) proposed the following slate of officers for 2019-2020. This slate was approved!

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### ***2019 NCAPD Oral Health Service Award Presented to Bill Vann***



**William "Bill" F. Vann, Jr. (1976)** of Chapel Hill, NC, was recognized as the 2019 NCAPD Oral Health Service Award recipient at the NCAPD-UNC Division of Pediatric and Public Health reception on Friday, October 11, 2019, in the Rizzo Center. This award "recognizes individuals for outstanding achievements in pediatric oral health in North Carolina, including those who have demonstrated exceptionally strong records of advocacy for children's oral health in the state". A native of Alabama, Bill is a two-time alumnus of UNC-CH. He graduated from college at Auburn University and followed by his DMD from the University of Alabama. He matriculated to the UNC Adams School of Dentistry and earned his MS and PhD from UNC-CH. He has spent more than 40 years as a dental academician at the UNC Adams School of

Dentistry, and continues to teach there part-time. Among many leadership roles, Bill has served as President and Secretary-Treasurer for the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, President of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and President of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation. He continues to serve in a group called the "Gang of Eight" who meet regularly with the state Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid leadership to advocate for expanding dental Medicaid to cover more children, to increase fees to providers and to keep dentistry carved out of the Medicaid managed care program to encourage greater participation in the NC Medicaid dental program. Bill's thoughtful and creative approaches, along with his leadership experience, advocating for children has been very effective. His passionate advocacy efforts has shown tireless energy and his nomination and selection as the 2019 NCAPD Oral Health Service Award recipient is richly deserved.



Please visit NCAPD  
website at  
[www.ncapd.net](http://www.ncapd.net)



***NCAPD-UNC Division of Pediatric and Public Health Reception***  
**October 11, 2019**







## *Celebration of the Michael W. Roberts Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry*

In 2016, a small committed and passionate group chaired by **LaRee Johnson (1999)** and **Jessica Lee (2002)** met to launch an initiative to honor long-time faculty member and friend, **Mike Roberts**, and to support the pediatric dentistry graduate program. LaRee and Jessica both have special ties to Mike. Laree is family and Mike gave Jessica her first real job. Both of these ladies were on a mission to honor Mike and thank him for his support. We know many of you feel the same way. Mike served five years as our Graduate Program Director followed by 10 years as Department Chair of Pediatric Dentistry. He is known for his indefatigable energy, tireless advocacy for children and support of our residents. He has been responsible for unimaginable growth experienced in the pediatric dentistry hospital dentistry training program. 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. Many of you were at the Pediatric Dentistry/NCAPD Reception at the Rizzo Center on October 11, 2019, when we celebrated the completion of the Michael W. Roberts Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry with nearly \$400,000 received or pledged in just three years. A remarkable achievement and recognition for a most deserving person!!! We encourage all who have outstanding pledges to the Roberts Fellowship to continue to send your contributions to the NC Dental Foundation.



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President	David Olson, Raleigh
Vice-President	Kerry Dove, Concord
Secretary/Treasurer	Mike Roberts, Chapel Hill
Parliamentarian	Mike Webb, Greenville
Board of Directors	Jenny Jackson, Asheville (1 Year) Mike Ignelzi, Greensboro (2 Year) Judy Laxer, Charlotte (3 Year)
SSPD Director	Angie Baechtold, Asheville
Medicaid Liaison	Bryan Cobb, Greensboro
NC-AAP Liaison	Martha Ann Keels, Durham
Public Policy Advocate	Beau Meyer, Chapel Hill

Also serving on the Board for 2020 will be Marjorie Attimy-Kalebela and Jennifer Crisp, resident representatives from ECU and UNC, respectively. Many thanks to the years of unselfish service to those who rotated off the Board—past president Frank Courts of Rocky Mount and ECU resident representative Sage Thames of Greenville.



**Martha Ann Keels (1990), Dylan Hamilton and Erica Brecher (2016)** from Duke Street Pediatric Dentistry dressed up to raise money for the Duke Children's Hospital.

(pictured right) **Dorothy Pang ('91), Peter Lee (Ortho '92), Gary and Diane Dilley, Jessica Lee ('02), and Bill Vann ('76)** caught up over dinner.



### **2019 Was a Banner Year for New Fellowships!**

The Division was blessed with our best year ever in the acquisition of new \$100,000 University-Named Fellowships commitments. Three new fellowships were established, all to be fully funded by 2025. All endowment proceeds from the three will support stipend supplements for residents in pediatric dentistry.

The **Reginald/Angelica Braithwaite Family Fund** will honor the parents of **Antonio Braithwaite ('01, '05, '08)** of Samford.

The **Fetner Family Fund** will honor the Fetner Family of Asheboro, including **Maggie ('11, '14), James (DDS '08), Gabe and Iris Ann.**

The **Crisp Family Fund** will honor a host of Crisp Heels' Legacies to include **Roslyn ('82, '86), Jennifer ('09, DDS '15, '16, '20), Alex ('10), McKinley ('14) and Ben ('17).**

Many, many thanks to these alums and their families for this generous support! We encourage other alumni to consider joining in the Fellowship Program—a key building block in our quest to privatize our graduate program operations. We are progressing nicely toward our 2025 goal to elevate our residents' stipends to those of peer program in the specialty but we have more work to do. Thanks for your help!

## Kayla Kopczynski receives the Amy Susan Brooks Travel Award in Pediatric Dentistry

Departmental faculty have a long history of mentoring and collaborating with dental student investigators. Examples of dental student research areas include basic/applied biomaterials, growth and development, dental trauma prevention/treatment, pediatric health services, mineralized tissues, dental education, prenatal/infant oral health, fluoride therapies, fluorosis, breast-feeding, genetics, oral epidemiology, eating disorders, conscious sedation and general anesthesia. In addition to generating scores of peer-reviewed publications, our student-faculty collaborations have supported the development of new clinical guidelines, treatment protocols, programmatic innovations, and oral health policy.

Dental student investigators have presented their research findings at local, national and international fora, culminating in numerous and highly competitive awards. They have been invited to present at ADA Annual Meetings in the ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Research Program, the Hinman Student Research Symposium, and the AADR/IADR Caulk Dentsply Competition. Many of these collaborations have assisted student researchers in earning *Graduation with Distinction Awards* honors.

In the past, dental students have supported their faculty-mentored research with fellowship awards from the now defunct UNC Pfeiffer Research Program, as well as with Adams School of Dentistry and DDS Short-term Research Fellowships. Increasingly, student research interest in children's oral health has outpaced available funding options. For this reason, the Department developed and launched a fund in the Dental Foundation of North Carolina (DFNC) to support future DDS research in children's oral health. Many of our previous dental student investigators are supporting this fund. Thank you! Thank you!

The award, first given in 2018 (received by Abby Becherer and named to honor former DDS researcher and fund benefactor Jon J. Wendell), is aimed to support a grant to underwrite travel expenses for a department-mentored dental student investigator to present their research at a national meeting. Last year, Megan Inclan won the Trevor Jensen Award. To honor a former DDS researcher and fund benefactor, the 2020 recipient will be the **Amy Susan Brooks Travel Award Recipient in Pediatric Dentistry**.

A native of Kentucky, Amy Susan Brooks (DDS, PhD, MD) came to dental school at UNC after completing her college studies at LSU and a master's degree from the University of Colorado. After graduating from dental school at UNC in 1990, she completed medical school, a PhD program, and a residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery (OMFS) at LSU Medical Center in New Orleans. Today she is a Board Certified in OMFS practicing in Morganton, NC, where she resides with her teenage daughter, Emma.

Amy was a two-time Adams School of Dentistry Research Fellow who presented her research findings at two AADR/AADR Meetings. She was mentored by **Bill Vann (1976)** in 1987-88 and Bill and **Henry Fields** in 1988-90.

The 2020 Travel Award Recipient in Pediatric Dentistry is **Kayla Kopczynski** (DDS Class of 2021). Kayla's mentor is **Beau Meyer (2017)** and her research topic is "Oral health-related quality of life in children treated with silver diamine fluoride". She will present the results of her research at the upcoming UNC Adams School of Dentistry Research Day and the IADR/AADR/CADR meeting in Washington, DC in March. Kayla has been collecting primary data on children's oral health-related quality of life from a private pediatric dentistry practice in Charlotte, comparing three groups: 1) conventional, in-office treatment, 2) hospital OR treatment, and 3) SDF treatment.. Ultimately, her research will provide quantitative information on

children's and families experience with the use of various restorative and non-surgical caries management techniques that are most relevant in the practice of pediatric dentistry. Congratulations to Kayla and Dr. Meyer!





## *Resident's Corner*

### *The funniest thing a patient has said to you...*

**Jennifer:** One time, a 4 year old girl who did a great job after her dental appointment, said boldly to me, "When I grow up, I wanna be brown! Just like you!" (Important Note- she was not naturally "brown").

**Amanda:** "You weren't very good at this in the beginning but you have gotten much better." –in reference to me and my ortho skills

**Morgan:** "I'm not sleepy! I'm not sleepy!" –my 120 pound sedation patient, grabbing the door frame and walking into the room

**Poojan:** When I asked one kid if he wanted to recommend ice cream from Mom since he'd been a great patient he replied, "Can I get a lego set?"

**Lara:** Patient: "I love when we use the cozy nose!" (nitrous). Me: "Yes, I know, it's so good!" Patient: "Yes, and then you all sound like aliens!"

**Meredith:** "The tooth fairy is lazy. And she takes so many vacations!"

**Ana:** "I don't think Santa Claus will fit through the chimney because our chimney is too skinny. So in my Christmas wish letter, I'm going to ask Santa to just use the front door instead." 6yo female

**Miguel:** As I was a dragon for Halloween, a patient looked at me and said, "Hey! Dragons have wings but they are not pink, they are all green!"

**Deepti:** "When I grow up I want to be cheese. Or a policeman."

**Josh:** "I'm hungry, I want lobster." (post complicated fracture of tooth #8)

### *Resident Recruitment- Interview Weekend 2019*

Our program once again had a very successful recruitment cycle. In the spirit of past decades our annual recruitment weekend was the only formal interview process. The interviewees arrive on Thursday afternoon and spend an evening on Franklin Street, dining with our current residents. The following day is interview day with all interviewees meeting with each faculty one-on-one. In between interviews the guests receive a tour of the facilities at the Adams School of Dentistry and the UNC Hospitals, as well as spending some time at lunch with our residents. The day comes to a close late in the evening after a social event that includes faculty, residents, and interviewees at the home of the Program Director.

This time we interviewed ten applicants for two positions, all possessing outstanding qualifications and all had records of significant achievements. These unique individuals were enrolled in some very prestigious dental schools throughout the country including the University of Texas at San Antonio, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburg, New York University, University of Nebraska Medical Center, University of Colorado Denver, University of California San Francisco, East Carolina University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

## Resident Research Updates

Our first-year residents, **Deepti Karhade**, **Josh Raisin** and **Miguel Simancas Pallares** are off to a great start and have been exploring different research avenues and specific projects, as well as delving into their first research methods courses and balancing their first-semester residency schedules. In terms of specific research project plans: **Deepti** will be working on “Applications of Machine Learning in Studies of Early Childhood Caries” with Kimon Divaris (chair), Tim Wright and Di Wu (Assistant Professor, Oral and Craniofacial Health Sciences). **Josh** will be investigating “The Dental Experience for Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Adolescents in North Carolina.” with Martha Ann Keels (chair), Mike Roberts, Nina Jain (UNC Pediatric Endocrinology) and Deanna Adkins (Duke Pediatric Endocrinology). **Miguel** will be working on the “Derivation and Description of Clinical Subtypes of Early Childhood Caries” with Jeannie Ginnis (chair), Kimon Divaris, Bill Vann, and Ferreira Zandona (Professor and Chair, Comprehensive Care, Tufts School of Dental Medicine).

Our second-year residents, **Meredith Davis**, **Ana Dokova**, **Lara Heimisdottir** have been busy collecting and analyzing data, preparing drafts and presentations, and making good progress in their research projects. **Meredith** is working on “Investigating Common Risk Factors in Caries and Overweight/Obesity in a Preschool-age Population in North Carolina” with Kimon Divaris (chair), Jeannie Ginnis and Di Wu (Assistant Professor, Oral and Craniofacial Health Sciences). **Lara** is researching “Metabolomics Insights in Early Childhood Caries” with Kimon Divaris (chair), Tim Wright and Di Wu. **Ana** is working on “North Carolina Providers’ Perspectives on Autotransplantation for Replacement of Missing Teeth” with Jessica Lee (chair), Kimon Divaris, John Christensen and Glenn Reside (Associate Professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery). **Poojan Shrestha** is enrolled in the dual Pediatric Dentistry/ Epidemiology PhD track and he has survived the first three course-intensive semesters across the street in the School of Global Public Health.

Our third-year residents, **Amanda Allen**, **Jennifer Crisp** and **Morgan Hess** are now on the final stretch for completing their research projects and defending their Master’s degrees. They presented their research updates in the departmental research seminar series in August. **Amanda** is working on the “Development and Evaluation of an Educational Prototype to Promote Early Childhood Oral Health in Clinical Practice” with Rocio Quinonez (chair), Kelly Ryoo (Associate Professor, School of Education), Siggi Saemundsson and Tim Wright. **Jennifer** is investigating the “Use of Select Non-Surgical Caries Management Techniques in Pediatric Patients among North Carolina Dentists” with Tim Wright (chair), Kimon Divaris and Ann Sanders. **Morgan** is working with Siggi Saemundsson (chair), Rocio Quinonez and Bradley Staats (Professor of Operations, Kenan-Flagler School of Business) on “Building a Business Model to Implement Infant Oral Health in a General Dental Office”.





## UPDATES FROM OUR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

**Leslee Huggins (2003)** forwarded this to share. "Who would have ever imagined the laidback Pacific Northwest would be so exciting? Yet 2017-2019 have been exactly that for the Huggins family. But then again, we've never been known for being laidback!

Emma, 20, a junior at Portland State University, is studying Art History and working at Apple. She is thoroughly enjoying her collegiate career! Yet even in the midst of school and work, she made time to celebrate Leslee's 50th birthday with a mom-daughter excursion to Crater Lake here in Oregon for hiking and exploring!

Samuel, 14 and a high school freshman, has found his true passion in Shaolin Kempo (also known as Kung-fu) martial arts. Enrolled in the black belt track, he has rapidly progressed and will test for his brown belt in December! David, 15 and a sophomore, continues to grow and is far taller than his mom and sister now and has just a single inch until taller than his dad! Cross-country and track and field are his sports and he is working diligently towards his Eagle Scout—he finished his Eagle Project this summer, restoring a stone pathway at a local historic landmark.

Jim has finished the latest project for New Shepherd Films, a documentary "Forgotten Heroes" <https://www.forgotten-heroes-movie.com/> and of course, is already working on the next project, "Black Suitcase Mystery". The creativity never stops!! Jim is also helping train the next generation of filmmakers. As part of the film studies curriculum at Corban University here in Salem, he teaches Foundation of Media Arts, the foundation to making movies—which he's perfectly suited for! He has dinner on campus every week and thoroughly enjoys visiting with the students. Leslee was appointed by the Governor of Oregon as the Oral Health Representative to the Medicaid Advisory Committee and is enjoying her second year of serving in this role. She's also serving on the Quality Initiative Board for Capitol Dental Care as well as the Board for the Willamette Health Council, a governance Board to Pacific Source CCO. In an education collaboration with Oregon Health Sciences University's School of Dentistry, Leslee was appointed Clinical Assistant Professor and once again enjoys teaching dental students one-on-one in the office environment.

We'd love to have visitors so please come visit if you find yourself in our neck of the woods in Salem, Oregon. Many blessings to everyone—Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!"



**Elizabeth "Liz" Shick (2005)** is the coordinator of the new American Dental Education Association's (ADEA) Global Health Workgroup. Anyone who is a member of ADEA, and would like to be a member and contribute to this new Workgroup, should contact Liz directly at: [elizabeth.shick@cuanschutz.edu](mailto:elizabeth.shick@cuanschutz.edu). This group will have their first meeting at the ADEA Annual Session in March 2020 in Washington, DC.

Congrats to **Maggie (DDS '11 '14)** and **James Fetner (DDS '08)** of Asheboro who have purchased a



larger building immediately next door to their current downtown Asheboro location. After renovations are completed, they will move but not far!

*(More Alumni news on the next page)*

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Winning the grand prize for having traveled the greatest distance to celebrate the achievement and naming of the Michael Roberts Fellowship Fund in October were **Dorothy Pang ('91)** and **Peter Lee** (Ortho '92) of San Francisco. They are pictured elsewhere in this Newsletter having dinner with former faculty members **Gary** and **Diane Dilley**, **Jessica Lee ('02)**, and **Bill Vann ('76)**. Dot and Bill are also pictured outside the Pang/ Lee dental office "Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry of San Francisco" (OPDSF).



Congratulations to **Roslyn Crisp (1986)** of Burlington and **Scott Cashion (1997)** of Greensboro who have been elected for three-year terms to serve as Delegates to the American Dental Association representing North Carolina. A graduate of Spelman College and the UNC Adams School of

Dentistry, Roslyn has a long record of professional service to the North Carolina Dental Society (NCDS), most recently as

President of the NCDS Services for Dentistry. A graduate of Wofford College and the UNC Adams School of Dentistry, Scott also has long record of involvement in the NCDS, having serving on the Board of Trustees and as President in 2015. He serves currently as President of the NCDS Foundation.

**Gina Spangler** ( DDS '92 '96), **Gail Roling** ('96), and **Kate Lambert** (DDS '11) of Winston Salem recently had a big Double-Barreled Celebration to honor 30 years of their practice's longevity in Winston-Salem. The practice opened in 1989 under the leadership of **Mark Meyer** (DDS '86) of Winston-Salem. Now retired, **Mark** was on hand for the celebration. The celebration served as a welcoming party honoring a new practice associate—**Kelly Lipp** (DDS '16), formerly of Charlotte.



**Rebecca Glover Andrews** (DDS '12) of Greensboro and spouse Drew were excited to welcome home new twins **Clara** and **Eliza** in August after a long NICU and related stay. The twins arrived very early (27 weeks) in March. Happily, home now, they are thriving. Rebecca/Drew are thrilled and grateful for the current state of neonatal medicine.

Speaking of twins, Tripp and Mae Eggleston are growing up fast! David and **Allison Eggleston (2012)** sent us this great photo (right).



**Robert D. Elliott** ULSD DMD '95, UNC Pedo '98 was the recipient of the The 2019 University of Louisville School of Dentistry's Pediatric Dentistry Alumni of the Year Award. He was both grateful and honored to receive this prestigious distinction! One of his favorite parts of his career is teaching the dental students and pediatric dental residents as an Adjunct Clinical Professor and giving back by paying it forward!



## Update on Residents and Fellows

### Current residents:

#### Third 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

#### Second Year Residents:

Meredith Davis-North Carolina  
DDS-University of North Carolina

Anastassia Dokova-Canada  
DDS-University of Michigan

Lara Holm Heimisdottir-Iceland  
DDS-University of Iceland

Poojan Shrestha-Nepal  
DDS-B.P. Koirala Institute

#### First year Residents:

Deepti Karhade-India  
DMD-Harvard School of Dental Medicine

Joshua Raisin-Canada  
DDS-University of Toronto

Miguel Pallares-Simancas – Columbia.  
DDS-University of Cartagena



Once again, we say goodbye and good luck to our outgoing residents and welcome to our new residents. Our graduating residents are **Amanda Allen, Jennifer Crisp, and Morgan Hess**.



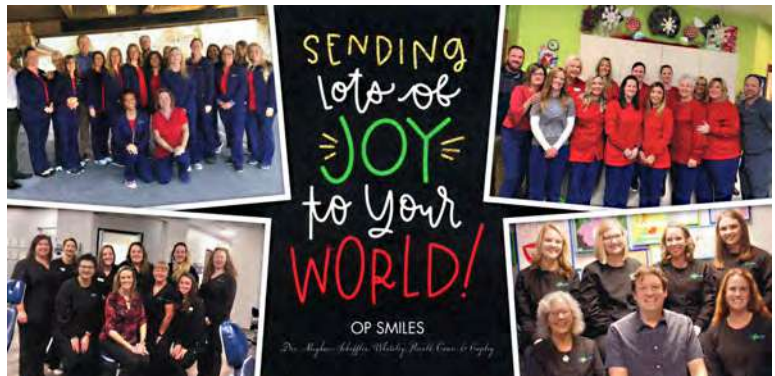
Once again we are beginning a new year. Time sure flies. As the fall semester came to a close our first year residents completed their introductory courses in both orthodontics and pediatric dentistry. **Deepti** and **Joshua** have also quickly become accustomed to their clinical activities and are providing care in our school based clinic. **Miguel**, a much valued late addition to our program, has also completed his required coursework and is on his way towards participating in patient care.

Our second year residents are fully immersed in all aspects of our clinical program and are excelling in all aspects of it. They are now providing care in our UNC Hospitals based dental clinic and in the operating room. **Ana, Meredith** and **Lara** have all made significant progress with their research. In addition, **Poojan**, who is dually enrolled in our program and the PhD program in Oral Epidemiology, has successfully completed the first three semesters of his PhD course work. He will wrap up his fourth semester of coursework and then start the more clinical part of his dual training.

Our third year residents have done a terrific job of taking on the role of educators. **Amanda, Jennifer** and **Morgan** have all begun serving as Graduate Teaching Assistants in our predoctoral clinic while continuing to provide care to children at our school based clinic and at Durham County Health Department. At the same time they are preparing for their final sprint towards finishing their Masters.



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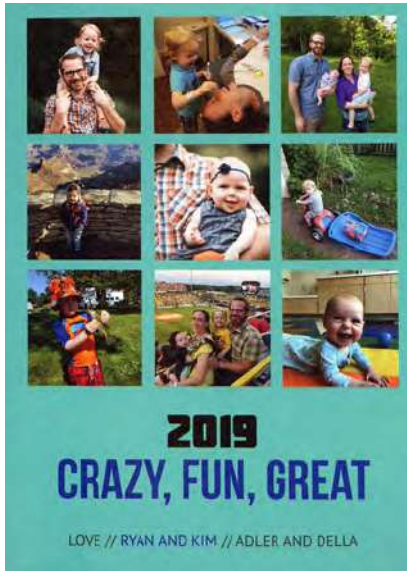


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Not one, but *two* sweet babies in the Concord Pediatric Dentistry team-congratulations to Dr. Dove and Dr. Parikh!

*So Many Blessings Came to Us in 2019!*

Concord Pediatric Dentistry

What a wonderful year! Dr. Dove's family welcomed Baby Duchan to the world on October 30, 2019 and Dr. Parikh's family welcomed Baby Kooze to the world on November 22, 2019! So much to be thankful for and we will be excited to welcome you all to our new building down the street in June of 2020! We can't wait to move in and get settled! Thank you for being a part of our CPD family! [www.concordpediatricdentistry.com](http://www.concordpediatricdentistry.com)



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### WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH YOU?

This *Newsletter* goes to more than 350 of our program alumni and friends. We get many comments on how much everyone enjoys keeping up with friends and events through the *Newsletter* grapevine. But we need you to let us know what is going on in your lives so we can share. Please use this page to pass on news to us that we can include in our next publication! Also, pictures are greatly appreciated.

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