New Graduate Program Director

Michael Milano Joins Department

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is pleased to welcome Dr. Michael Milano as the new Graduate Program Director effective July 1, 2005. Mike was an Associate Professor and was the Graduate Program Director in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Texas Dental Branch at Houston. He served also as the Acting Chair of the Department at UTHSCH.

A native of Connecticut, Mike received his DMD degree at the University of Connecticut in 1988 and completed specialty at Eastman Dental Center. Mike spent six years in a private Pediatric Dentistry Practice before changing career direction to become a full time academician. Mike is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and serves on the editorial board member of Pediatric Dentistry. Mike served as abstract editor for Pediatric Dentistry 2002-03. Mike serves on the Advisor Council to the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry alongside John Christensen and Lorne Koroluk from the UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Mike has a strong record of mentorship for graduate student research projects at UTHSCH. He is truly a clinician expert and will help bring new diversity to the graduate program and the department.

Mike will assume directorship responsibilities from William F. Vann, Jr., who has served as Program Director since 1994. Bill will continue to serve as Director of UNC-CH’s federally-funded Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s Center for Leadership in Pediatric Dentistry. Many thanks to Bill for his years of valuable service as Graduate Program Director.

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Dr. Mom
Dr. Marianne Neifert

"Charting a New Course for Pediatric Dental Practice: Coping with Stress and Changing Families"

Pediatrician, author, columnist, TV personality and mother of five children!

This course is for everyone!

Friday, October 7, 2005
9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

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

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

6 hours of CE credit
Chair’s Message

Transitions and Triumphs

The 04-05 academic years proved to be a very good one for the department. We successfully recruited a clinician expert (Mike Milano) as our new Graduate Program Director. Mike brings new experiences and expertise to the program and we look forward to his leadership. Bill Vann completed his stellar 11 year run as Graduate Program Director leaving behind a program that is considered the benchmark for excellence. Bill will continue to run the Maternal and Child Health Training Grant portion of the Graduate Program and will be turning his energies and skills to new areas. Many thanks to Bill for his years of outstanding leadership in the graduate program.

You will note from our annual publications that we were prolific in our efforts to generate new knowledge and disseminate this information through publications. You will also note (See Research Section) that several of these manuscripts won national awards for excellence. In addition to these accomplishments we also had graduate and undergraduate students win national awards. The Graduate Program has brought home one or more of the Omni Awards presented at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry annual meeting since the awards inception.

We received excellent feedback from both our residents and their mentors on the new leadership shadowing program implemented at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry annual meeting. The program was made possible by the Jim Congleton Graduate Fellowship. Support from all our alumni and friends are critical to the department and our graduate program. We had an excellent year for fund development and we truly appreciate the generous and continuous giving from all of you.

Our three new residents (all are UNC School of Dentistry graduates) began their program on July 1st. They bring new interests and aspirations and we look forward to working with them for the next three years and during their careers as pediatric dentists in North Carolina. The recruitment season for next year’s class will soon be underway and we look forward to continuing our run of bringing the brightest and the best to pediatric dentistry.

We look forward to the 05-06 academic year and working with our new Dean, Dr. John Williams, the former Dean at Louisville, KY. Dr. Williams became Dean June 1st and is very supportive of our educational and research programs. One such program we are piloting this summer and fall is the Baby Oral Health Program which will allow residents and dental students to gain hands on experience with 0-3 year old patients. Look for an update on this program and other infant health initiatives in the winter Pediatric Dentistry Newsletter.

I have highlighted just a few of the more important triumphs and transitions the department has enjoyed during the 04-05 academic year. Our goal is to make 05-06 even better as we continue to extend our educational and research activities. Many of you have actively participated through a variety of mechanisms to help make us productive and successful and we thank you sincerely and look forward to working with you towards another great year.

Sarah Howard Joins Department

Sarah Howard joined our department as Administrative Secretary in May 2005. Sarah resides in Bear Creek, NC with husband Gary (School of Dentistry Support Services). Prior to joining the Pediatric Dentistry Department Sarah was with the Cashiers Office on campus. We are very pleased to have Sarah as part of our team.
Alumni and Friends on the Move

New Home Addresses:

Elizabeth Shick
7224 Summit Waters Lane
Raleigh, NC  27613

Martha Hardaway (2005) will spend the first part of her new-found freedom in Guatemala, where she is returning to complete more Spanish-language immersion activities. She is supported by a Chapel Hill-Carrboro Community Grant. After this immersion experience, Martha will spend her fall of 2005 coordinating community-based oral health resources for the community’s Hispanic population.


Maria Wang (2005) will spend a postdoctoral year in the laboratory of her doctoral mentor in the School of Medicine’s Department of Pharmacology pursuing studies of platelets in pulp therapy applications. She will serve as a clinical instructor in our department and continue patient care activities with us as a postdoctoral fellow.

Three new Alumni
Class of 2005 Embarks on the “Real World”

2005 Residents’ Appreciation Banquet

“Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome the Class of 2005”. These words echoed though the newly renovated Graham Memorial Building, located on the quadrangle of the Carolina Campus on June 4th as parents, spouses, faculty, and staff toasted a year of achievements in honoring the department’s nine residents-in-training at the Annual Gala Resident’s Appreciation Banquet. Extra-special guests included seniors Martha Hardaway (2005), Elizabeth Shick (2005), and Maria Wang (2005).

Emeritus Faculty were on hand, as was Jim Congleton (1975), who joined us to hear the announcement of the inaugural J.B. Congleton Leadership Fellows Program, which is described in more detail in a related article in this Newsletter. The department’s 2005-06 Fellowships were announced and the 2004-05 Residents’ Awards and Honors were featured.

The David Moore Fund
Graduate Pediatric Dentistry Learning Resource Center

In 1999 David Moore (DDS 1986) of Charlotte made a generous commitment to provide an endowment of $30,000 for the Department to maintain the graduate student library/office complex. Since its inception, David has continued to support the Moore Fund and this past spring took the fund over the top. In recognition of his generous support, we have established the David H. Moore Graduate Pediatric Dentistry Learning Resource Center. The Center includes the latest in computer technology and digital imaging equipment to support our residents’ patient care and research activities.

After his pre-doctoral years at UNC, David completed his pediatric dentistry training at the Columbus Children’s Hospital and Ohio State University and has an active private practice in Charlotte, NC. Many thanks to David for his invaluable support to the Department’s graduate teaching and research programs.

Tim Wright along with David Moore
Research Targets Dental Health Literacy

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry in collaboration with the UNC School of Public Health’s has been examining how to measure and address the dental health literacy of parents/caregivers of pediatric patients. This effort is being led by Jessica Y. Lee (2002) along with co-investigators Bill Vann (1976) and Gary Rozier. This investigation is the first to quantify the measurement of dental health literacy.

An estimated 40 to 44 million Americans lack functional literacy and another 50 million have limited literacy skills. According to the Surgeon General, “the majority of people who need information most, those in low-income groups and those with lower levels of education, are also the ones who lack skills (dental health literacy) to ask for and obtain specific preventive services or treatment options”. Although literacy has the most direct effects on reading ability, low literacy also may predispose patients to misunderstand verbal instructions from a health care provider, especially instructions that include medical or dental terminology. Although evidence from research in medical settings highlights consistently the importance of literacy for patient compliance and positive health outcomes, dental health literacy assessment currently exist. Jessica and colleagues have developed and tested the first of such instruments.

Dental health literacy instruments have several practical uses. They can be used to screen for individual dental literacy level in public health, research and clinic settings. The identification of patients with low health literacy can alert dental health care providers to the possibility that these patients may have difficulty with printed educational materials. It has been shown that those who score very poorly on a health literacy test may also have trouble with oral provider-patient communication. We hypothesize that increased dental health literacy among patients is likely to enhance the provider-patient communication, prevent serious medical errors due to misunderstandings, improve the quality of care and reduce health care costs. Dental literacy instruments can also be used to assess the level of dental literacy in the community. Such an aggregate testing of dental literacy provides local governments, community groups, hospitals, or other health provider groups a profile of populations’ reading levels. The information can be used to design appropriate oral health educational materials for clinics or to devise community interventional programs comparable with the literacy level of the population.

Faculty, Resident and Student Win Research Awards

It has been an incredible year for research awards. We would like to recognize and congratulate the following faculty, residents and dental students:

Jason Gladwell and Sung Hong placed first and second, respectively in the AADR Caulk/Dentply research competition. They are both doing research with Tim Wright.

Julia Richman (2008) who is doing research with Bill Vann (1976) and Jessica Y. Lee (2002) was an AADR Hatton Finalist and IADR Behavioral Sciences Best Student Abstract award.

Tom Bouwens (2007) and Ron Hsu (2006) won the Academy of General Dentistry and Advanced Education Awards during the recent UNC School of dentistry poster competition.

Martha Hardaway (2005) and Elizabeth Shick (2005) both won Derek Turner Awards at the annual Research in Review Day. They are doing research with Tim Wright and Jessica Lee (2002).

Elizabeth Shick (2005) was an AAPD/Omni research fellow and also won second place in the AAPHD Leverett student research competition for her thesis work mentored by Jessica Lee (2002).

Mike Rossitch (2004) was a GSRA finalist and presented research based on his thesis that was mentored by Rocio Quinonez (2000) and Bill Vann (1976).

Matt Savage (2004) received the UNC Graduate School Impact award for his thesis that was mentored by Jessica Lee (2002) and Bill Vann (1976).


Congratulations Everyone!!
Jim Congleton (1977) needs no introduction. He is a three-time UNC-CH alumnus who has been in private practice in New Bern since 1979. He is a past president of the NCAPD and the Dental Foundation on NC. He is also a past president of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation. The James B. Congleton Fellowship is one of the department’s four University-Named Fellowships dedicated solely to graduate student support. In existence since 1999, the faculty recently re-framed the fellowship to honor the legacy of Jim’s tireless advocacy efforts on behalf of the underserved children in NC and his leadership for the specialty in our state and beyond. To that end, the department has re-directed the annual endowment of the Congleton Fund to support our first-year residents’ participation in advocacy and leadership development opportunities under the mentorship of the AAPD’s Child Advocate each year at the Annual Session of the Academy. The first-year residents will be supported annually to attend the pre-session Board of Trustees meeting to learn about the Academy’s governance and scope of function. The 2004-05 Fellows are Tom Bouwens (DDS from Michigan), Matt Goslee (DMD from Connecticut) and Jenny Jackson (DMD from Harvard). These three were recently christened as the first Congleton Leadership Fellows and spent a week in Orlando immersed in this new initiative. While in Orlando, they shadowed Jim Crall of UCLA, the current Child Advocate for the Academy. They also shadowed Committee and Council Chairs to learn more about the Academy’s endeavors. We offer special thanks to Jim Crall and our alumni who took the residents under their wings for the Committee and Council meetings. Thanks to Carrie Arquitt (1999), Scott Cashion (1997), Tegwyn Hughes Brickhouse (2002), Martha Ann Keels (1990), Jessica Lee (2002), Mike Ignelzi (1992) and Rocio Quinonez (2000).
October 7, 2005

Sandy Marks Gala Set

Mark your calendars to join us on the evening of October 7th to celebrate the establishment of the Sandy Marks Fund, a university-named fellowship ($100,000) to honor the much beloved teacher and mentor. Sandy will join us for the celebration, which will also serve as an early birthday party for him. He will turn 95 on November 20th, 2005. This Marks’ Gala Reception will be in the Kenan Flagler’s School of Business’s Kenan Conference Center adjacent to the Smith Center complex on the Carolina campus. The Department’s annual fall CE course will be held on the same date from 8:30 am-4:30 pm at the William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center. It will be followed by the Marks’ Reception, which is sponsored by the Department and the NC Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Sandy’s children and their families are expected to join us for the evening.

The Marks Fund is the Department’s seventh endowment dedicated solely for the support of graduate student stipend supplements and enrichment activities. The Fellowship Program was initiated in 1985 and culminated first in the Ted Oldenburg Fund, then the Jack Menius Fund, the Jim Congleton Fund, and more recently the Mary Breeland Fund. The Roy Lindahl Fund has been established in a testamentary gift and funding for the Robert Elliott Fund is underway.

Under the leadership of Phil Caldwell (1974) of Fayetteville and Gary Hill (1974) of Chapel Hill, and with the support of a Steering Committee of alumni and friends of the department, the Marks Fund was launched in May of 2004. It is expected to go over the $100,000 mark in gifts and pledges by late summer of 2005, representing the department’s most meteoric march to the $100,000 mark. Please come pay your respects to Sandy and help us honor him and his family on this special occasion.

Update and Great News

James Bawden Professorship Fund

The James Bawden Professorship Fund was established a few years ago as part of the current university Carolina First campaign. The professorship in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry recognizes Jim for his many years of service to our department, the UNC-CH School of Dentistry, our profession and specialty, and citizens of our state. Our goal for the Bawden Professorship was $500,000. All gifts to this fund are counted toward the School of Dentistry’s goal in the Carolina First campaign.

The state agreed to provide $167,000 matching funds once we deposited $333,000 with the university development office. Just a few days ago we were informed by the Dental Foundation of NC that the university’s development office acknowledged our meeting the donor goal and the professorship has been approved for the state match! There is still about $75,000 in outstanding pledges to the Bawden Fund and we encourage all who have made pledges to continue sending your gifts to the "Dental Foundation of North Carolina-Bawden Professorship Fund" so we can bring this fund to its full potential. You can mail your gifts (or pay by credit card) to Paul Gardner, Dental Foundation of NC, UNC School of Dentistry, CB# 7450, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7450. His phone number is (919)966-2731 if you need to speak to him.

Thanks to all who have contributed to this fund's successful development. The members of the Steering Committee for the Bawden Professorship are Angie Baechtold (1998), Bryan Cobb (1979), Jim Congleton (1977), Jim Elliott (DDS 1968), William Friday, Mike Ignelzi (1992), Johnny Johnson (1985), LaRee Johnson (1999), Rob Moran (1997), Phil Parker (1985), Dorothy Pang (1991), Gail Rohlfing (1996) and Ron Venezie (1994). With their help and supported by our loyal alumni and friends the fund will be over the fund will be over the top in 2005!

“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”
— John Dewey

“‘Silent’ and ‘listen’ are spelled with the same letters.”
— Unknown
GENEROSITY OF ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Your gifts to the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry’s development funds which are acknowledged below include only those received and credited by the Dental Foundation of NC in the calendar year 2004. We want to express our most sincere thank you for your continued generosity. Your gifts support our residents' training, improve our graduate library, and acquire new technology to enrich the residents' educational experience. Contributions to one of our "Distinguished Professor" funds help support future recruitment and retention of present and future faculty. In a time of continued state and university fiscal crises the value of these gifts cannot be overstated.

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 help cement the bonds among our past, present and future alumni and friends.

$10,000 plus
Jim Congleton III
Gary Hill

$5,000 plus
Sonny Long
David Moore
Phil Caldwell
Richard Brooks and Rob Moran

$3,000 plus
Bryan Cobb
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Gene Sandler
Byron Moore
Roy Taylor
Martha Hardaway
Nancy St. Onge
Elizabeth Shick (2005) was awarded one of three 2004-05 national OMNI Research Fellowship Awards that support graduate student research activity. This award helped underwrite her research entitled, “The Determinants of Dental Referral Practices among WIC Nutritionists in North Carolina”. Her research presentation also garnered recognition as a winner in the 2005 Turner Award Competition at the School of Dentistry’s Research in Review Day. Elizabeth was the second place winner in the 2005 American Dental Public Health, Leverett Graduate Student Merit Award for Outstanding Achievement in Dental Public Health for her research project on this same topic.

Martha Hardaway (2005) was a winner in the 2005 Turner Award Competition at the School of Dentistry’s Research Review Day for her presentation entitled “The Role of TACE in Tooth Formation”.

Ron Hsu (2006) was the winner of the Advanced Dental Education Award at the School of Dentistry’s 2005 Table Clinic Competition for his presentation entitled: “EduConsent - Customized Interactive Learning and Computer-Trackd Informed Consent”.

Tom Bouwens (2007) was the winner of the North Carolina Academy of General Dentistry Award for the most outstanding table clinic oriented to general dentistry at the School of Dentistry’s 2005 Table Clinic Competition Program for his presentation entitled: “The childhood obesity epidemic: What can dentists do to help?”.

Krissy Coffield (2003) was named as a 2004 Graduate Student Research Award Winner by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry for her research entitled “The Psychosocial Impact of the Developmental Dental Defects found in Amelogenesis Imperfecta”. This research won the prestigious Ralph McDonald Award for 2004 given by the AAPD for the most outstanding graduate student research project.

Mike Rossitch (2004) was named as a 2005 Graduate Student Research Award Winner by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry for his research entitled: “Pediatric Medical Residents’ Oral Health Education: Effects on Caregiver Knowledge and Behavior.”

Matt Savage (2004) was named as a 2004 Graduate Student Research Award Winner by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry for his research “Early Preventive Dental Visits: Effects on Subsequent Use and Cost” which also gained special recognition following its publication in Pediatrics. Matt was the only School of Dentistry Graduate Student named as a 2005 Graduate Education Advancement Board IMPACT Winner, recognizing student research that has a direct impact on North Carolina citizens.
The NCAPD annual meeting will be held Saturday October 8, 2005 at the Courtyard by Marriott, Chapel Hill. Breakfast meeting will begin at 7:15 a.m. and the entire morning will be dedicated to NCAPD business with adjournment by noon. The hotel is located at the intersection of Highway 54 and Friday Drive at the entrance to the Friday Center. A block of rooms have been reserved and reservations may be made by calling (919) 883-0700 and asking for the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry room block.

Our reception will be held Friday October 7, 2005 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Kenan Conference Center adjacent to the Dean Smith Center Complex off Manning Drive. This reception will be held to celebrate with Dr. Sandy Marks and family the establishment of the Sandy Marks Fund. We hope everyone will be able to attend this celebration.

We welcome to the NCAPD the following new members for 2004 - 2005:

**New Active Members**
Stephanie Freccia
Rita Kalra
Avni Rampersaud
Matt Savage
Jason Sperati
Betsy VanBenthuyzen
Joye Warr

**New Affiliate Members:**
Letitia Ballance
Richard Rankin

**New Officers and Directors 2004 - 2005:**
President Ron Venezie
Vice President Gail Rohlfing
Secretary/Treasurer Diane Dilley
Board of Directors Scott Cashion (1 year)
SSPD Director Lenise Clifton (2 years)
Medicaid Liaison Rob Moran (3 years)
Editor Scott Goodman
NC-AAP Liaison Bryan Cobb
Editor Martha Ann Keels

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**Saturday October 8 – Chapel Hill Country Club**

**The 15th Annual Golf Outing**

The 15th Annual Golf Outing will be held on Saturday October 8th following the annual NCAPD meeting at the Courtyard Marriott in Chapel Hill. The outing will be held at the Chapel Hill Country Club, which is just across the street from the hotel. Tee times will start shortly after conclusion of the meeting at 12:30PM. As usual the format will be captain’s choice to allow players of all calibers to come out and join the fun. A box lunch will be provided to all participants. As in the past, a donation of $100 or more the Ted Oldenburg fund is suggested in lieu of green fees for participants. If you attend the annual meeting, plan on spending the afternoon with friends on the golf course. Players of all calibers are welcome to participate.

**2004 Champions**
Tom Bouwens, Bryan Cobb, Tom McIver and Ron Venezie

**2004 Runner-ups**
Steve Baumgartner, Richard Brooks, Lorne Koroluk and Adam Weinberg

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Please visit the new NCAPD website at www.ncapd.net
Class of 2008 Arrives!

MATCH DAY 2005 brought us happiness, satisfaction and three of our own DDS students. Not since 1994 (Scott Cashion and Rob Moran—the class of 1997) has the sometimes unpredictable MATCH-process landed an all-UNC Class of residents for us.

Our three new residents are Antonio Braithwaite, Rhonda Kearney and Julie Robinson. This group has more than their DDS legacy in common. Each is a member of the UNC-CH Class of 2005. Their bio-sketches reveal that each was on the Dean’s List for most of their dental school career and all were scholarship recipients of one variety or another. All have won a long list of honors and awards, too many to enumerate here. As importantly, these three have shown an extensive list of community and service achievements that is truly remarkable. The sum of their state, national and international extramural rotations reveals a rich range of experiences across the specialty.

Antonio is a native of Brooklyn who came south for college here at Carolina. A graduate of the School of Public Health with a Bachelor of Science in Nutrition, he will be our first resident to train dually in pediatric dentistry and nutrition. Antonio’s research with Jessica Lee (2002) won him a summer research fellowship, a Turner Research Award and a trip to the IADR meeting in Hawaii to present his findings on “Dental Utilization by Low Income Preschool Children”. He is also the dental school’s first winner of an Albert Schweitzer Community Service Award for his program to help underserved children.

Rhonda is a native of Warrington, NC who graduated magna cum laud with Phi Beta Kappa honors from UNC-Greensboro with a BS in biology and Teacher Certification. A NC Teaching Fellow, she taught high school biology for three years in the Guilford/Forsyth School System before entering dental school in 2001. She served as a teaching assistant and tutor during her dental school career. Rhonda was active in the Student National Dental Association group here at UNC, serving as the chair of several committees and as a community coordinator for four major SNDA Community initiatives and as SNDA President 2003-04.

Julie is a native of the small eastern-NC town of Aurora. She’s one of those individuals who list her pediatric dentist as one of the most influential people in her life. Jim Congleton (1979) of New Bern was her pediatric dentist and mentor and she knew from an early age that she wanted to follow in his footsteps. Julie received her BS in biology here at Carolina after which she worked for 14 months as a dental assistant for Bobby Elliott (1998) of Cary. Julie was active in Delta Sigma Delta, serving as President in 2003-04. She was a school leader for NC Give Kids a Smile from 2003-05.

Fellowship Program Distribution 2005-06

Jack Menius Fellows

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*AAPD Travel Grant
COMING CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

Grab your palm pilots, pocket calendars and get your appointment clerk on the phone! The Department is offering two great continuing education courses this fall and the spring of 2006.

**Fall 2005**
"Charting a New Course for Pediatric Dental Practice: Coping with Stress and Changing Families"
Friday, October 7, 2005
9:00 a.m.—4:30 a.m.
Registration and continental breakfast to begin at 8:30 a.m.
William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

You have heard her on television and radio, and read her articles in magazines. Now you can hear her in person! Dr. Marianne Neifert, often known as "Doctor Mom", is the featured CE speaker at our fall course. She is a renowned pediatrician, author of popular parenting books, magazine columnist, and mother of five grown children. She offers sage counsel about the universal quest to balance one's personal and professional life with that of your pediatric dental patients and their families. Dr. Neifert is the author of four child-rearing books and is a contributing editor for *Parenting Magazine*. She makes frequent media appearances to educate the public about parenting and children's health, including dental health. She has been a guest on "Good Morning America", "Today Show", "CBS This Morning", "20/20" and CNN. The course will focus on integrating family dynamics and child behavior in the dental office and the supporting roles played by the child's family. Bring your questions for Dr. Neifert! Register early and bring your staff. This course is for everyone!

The course includes continental breakfast, two breaks with snacks and liquid refreshments, and a fabulous lunch!

Tuition:  
$270 dentist  
$135 team members accompanied by their dentist  
$150 team members not accompanied by their dentist

The course provides 6 hours of CE credit. It is being held in conjunction with the annual Friday evening, October 7, NC Academy of Pediatric Dentistry reception and Annual Session the following Saturday morning. This year's reception will be a special occasion announcing the Sandy Marks Fellowship. The plan is for Sandy to be with us that evening! The 15th Annual "Grip-It and Rip-It Golf Event" will follow the Saturday morning meeting.

**Spring 2006**

**Restorative Dentistry for the Pediatric Patient - Emphasis on Esthetics**

You asked for it and here it is! On March 31, 2006, Dr. J. Timothy Wright from our department's faculty will lead a CE program focused on the esthetic restoration of both primary and permanent teeth of children. The world-renowned Dr. Karl Leinfelder is also on the program and will focus on recent dental materials that provide the dentist with the restorative tools to care for their pediatric patients. Karl is the author of more than 200 papers on restorative materials and is active lecturer on the subject. The dynamic style of these two individuals will keep you engaged and on the edge of your seats!

Registration or additional information for both of these excellent courses can be obtained by calling the UNC School of Dentistry's Office of Continuing Education at (919)966-2729, or on-line at www.dent.unc.edu/ce.ced. If you have questions you can also get additional information by emailing the CE office at: CDE@dentistry.unc.edu.

**Restorative Dentistry for the Pediatric Patient with an Emphasis on Esthetics**
Friday, March 31, 2006
9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
Registration and continental breakfast to begin at 8:30 a.m.
William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The 58th Annual Session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry was staged recently at Disney World in Orlando. As has come to be the tradition, alumni and friends of the department played major roles in the scientific and policy-related dimensions of the program.

During the Opening Day’s program, Bobbie Elliott (1998) of Cary presented “Hanging your Single Shingle: Starting your Own Practice” during the morning breakfast rounds. During the mini-clinics session, Mike Ignelzi (1992) of Ann Arbor presented “Clinical Update: Diagnosis and Treatment of Developmental Anomalies”, a session that also featured Kim Smiley (1990) of Nashville presenting “One Appointment Space Maintainers and Interceptive Orthodontics.”

The Saturday Morning College of Diplomates’ Breakfast Session gave way to a huge outpouring of Tar Heels Pride because of the number of those with Tar Heel connections who were “pinned” as new Diplomates. Receiving their American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) certification in 2004-05 were Angie Baechtold (1998) of Ashe-ville, Richard Brooks (DDS-1994) of Cary, Lenise Clifton (1997) of Chapel Hill, Tom Maurice (1995) of Plainfield, Il, Tina Merhoff of Winston-Salem, Rob Moran(1997) of Cary, Gina Spangler (1996) of Winston-Salem, and Gail Rolfing (1996) of Greensboro. Matt Savage (2004) of Charlotte was acknowledged at the Diplomates’ breakfast as a recipient of the James Roche Award from the ABPD for achieving a score in the top 3% of those taking the Board's Comprehensive Written Examination in 2005-06.

The College of Diplomates business meeting proceeded under the planning of Diane C. Dilley, Secretary of the College, and Mike Roberts, Vice President and 2005 Program Chair. Diane was re-elected for 2005-06 and Mike was elected President-Elect. The College’s Scientific Program featured our own Gary Rozier, Professor of Health Policy Analysis and Pediatric Dentistry here at UNC-CH. He was the keynote speaker on the topic of “Reducing Health Disparities Using the Medical Model: North Carolina’s Into the Mouth of Babes Program”. During the Graduate Student Research Award (GSRA) program on Saturday morning, two of the eight finalists presentation had a distinctly UNC flavor. Mike Rossitch (2004) of Atlanta was one GSRA winner, presenting his MS research entitled “Pediatric Medical Residents’ Oral Health Education: Effects on Caregivers’ Knowledge and Behavior” under the mentorship of Rocio Quinonez (2000), Gary Rozier, Paul Sagerman (Wake Forest) and Bill Vann (1976). A second GSRA finalist, A.D. Dalia, an alumnus of Indiana University, presented “Effects of Chronic Fluoride Exposure on Bone Density of Mice”. She was

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The Children of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry

Gavin, son of Krissy and Neil Coffield

Cason and Howell Pierce

Grant and Pierce Rohlfing

Layne, Rob and Kate Christensen

The Haldemans with children Tyler and Grant

The Arquitts with daughter Katherine and new baby Ansley

Preston and Parker Croswell
The Children of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry

The Huggins with David and Mollee, and Cadie and Simba

Hudson, Sophie and Avery Spangler

Alan Dimock

LaRee and James’ children Jamie and Mia

The Mauney Family with children Anna Claire, Benjamin and Mary Kate.

Ethan and Anna Kate Baechtolds

Ron Hsu’s new daughter Mei-Ling
The Children and Grandchildren of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry

Some of the Howard grandchildren: Zachary, Josey, Tyson, Cody, Hannah and Christian

Tyson, grandson of Sarah Howard

Bogie and Indy Dilley at Smith Mountain Lake, VA.

Jenny Jackson’s Travis and Sybil

Mike, Nancy, Caroline and James Walker
College of Diplomates Corner

The initiative to promote board certification and significantly increase the number of board certified pediatric dentists in the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry was met with great success this year for eight UNC graduates and NCAPD members. UNC alumni Angela Baechtold (1998), Lenise Clifton (1997), Thomas Maurice (1995), Robert Moran (1997), Gail Rohlfing (1996), and Gina Spangler (1996) became board certified this year. NCAPD members Richard Brooks (DDS-1994) from Cary and Tina Merhoff (Tennessee-1997) from Winston Salem also became board certified and was present to receive their Diplomate pins along with Angie, Lenise, Rob, Gail, and Gina at the College’s 2005 breakfast meeting in Orlando.

We congratulate these new Diplomates on their achievement and encourage all UNC graduates and NCAPD members to promote the pursuit in excellence in pediatric dentistry and achieve Diplomate status.
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mentored by our newest faculty member Eric Everett prior to his joining our department faculty last summer. Saturday morning’s OMNII Award Presentations featured Elizabeth Shick (2005), who was one of three national OMNI Fellows in 2004-05. She presented her MPH research project entitled “Determinants of Dental Referrals among WIC Nutritionists in NC with mentors Jessica Lee (2002) and Gary Rozier.


Not surprisingly, many alumni and friends were working behind the scenes to turn the cogs of the Academy’s governance and policy-generating activities. As noted in another section of this Newsletter, several folks served as mentors for our first James B. Congleton (1997) Fellows. Thanks to these individuals for their mentorship: Constitution and By-Laws Committee: Mike Ignelzi (1992) of Ann Arbor; Council of Scientific Affairs: Tegwyn Brickhouse (2002) of Richmond, Jessica Lee (2002) of Chapel Hill and Rocio Quinonez (2000) of Durham; Council on Clinical Affairs: Martha Ann Keels (1991).

RESIDENTS’ RHAPSODY

“What’s new with the residents?” asked Chairman Timmy
The responses from us were mixed and were many.

Once the moans and the groans subsided from PPD
Some news began to emerge from the wreckage and debris.

Ron is a dad again with the arrival of Mei-ling
He still walks around proud and smiling.

Tom is working hard, true to his credo
And when he is not, he’s at the pool in his Speedo.

And what’s Matt been up to this spring?
He’s out on the golf course, practicing his swing.

There is never a shortage of work for Jenny
She is kept occupied with translating a-plenty.

When Halley is not a CRH paperwork typer
She is at home, changing a diaper.

And what of Kavita, the current CRA?
Writing bad poetry is how she spends her day.

Tom Bouwens, Pocahontas, and Matt Goslee enjoy the delights of Disney World.
News of Alumni and Friends

Congratulations to Marshall Long, daughter of Cathy and Sonny Long (1978) of Charlotte. Marshall will be a member of the DDS Class of 2009 and in pursuit of her second degree from UNC-CH.

We’ve heard word that Captain Larry Dempsey (1975) and the Lickety Split II hit it big in a Marlin Tournament out east but we need details! How many? How big? Send some photos for the next Newsletter!

It was great to see Bo Parish (1971) of Raleigh and Jasper Lewis (1973) of Greenville looking so healthy and happy in Orlando following medical bumps and bruises during this past six months.


Leslee Huggins (2003) of Raleigh recently completed her first half-marathon in Washington State and reports that it was uplifting and the scenery was spectacular. Daughter Mollee has just finished kindergarten and son David has started crawling (backwards of course!) and Leslee is expecting again. Congrats.

Five of the Pearls took their spouses and their dozen children on a Disney Cruise following the Academy Meeting in Orlando and report that a good time was had by all. Angie Baechtold (1998) and Dan of Asheville, Laree Johnson (1999) and James of Raleigh, Lenise Clifton (1997) and Chuck Mauney (2000) of Chapel Hill, Gina Spangler (1996) and Vic of Winston-Salem (1996) and Gail Rohlfing (1996) and Paul of Greensboro.

Jack Menius has won a prestigious award given by the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Nominated by former Dean Ben Barker, Jack joined former Governor Jim Holtshosier, Lieutenant Governor Beverly Purdue and other luminaries who were honored recently at UNCW. Jack’s award will be featured in the next edition of the School of Dentistry’s Alumni Review, so we won’t steal any more of the thunder.

Ted Oldenburg (1962) and Weezie of Chapel Hill gave daughter Caroline Louise in marriage to Durham Attorney Bryon Holmes Beasley on May 21st.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH YOU?

This Newsletter goes to more than 200 of our Department 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.

Please send us personal or professional news that may be of interest to alumni and friends of the Department.

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News of interest:

Thanks!