Chair’s Message

The Dilley/Vann Legacy

It is impossible to summarize the contributions that Diane Dilley and Bill Vann (1976) have made during their many years of service. Their home base has always been the Department of Pediatric Dentistry yet their leadership and contributions to the specialty and health care for children have been far-reaching. I want to use this opportunity to give a brief review of some of their incredible contributions. Diane joined the UNC-CH School of Dentistry faculty in 1973 after graduating from Indiana University. She served in numerous roles during her tenure including Director of both the graduate and pre-doctoral programs. One of her star residents was, in fact, Bill Vann (1976).

Diane has served on too many committees within the School of Dentistry and organized dentistry to list but a few long term commitments must be mentioned. She was the Secretary/Treasurer of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry for over 15 years. Many of us interacted with Diane extensively while she worked to help advance pediatric dentistry as a specialty. Diane served as the Director of Pediatric Dentistry for the UNC-CH Craniofacial Team from 1978 to the present and was one of the key players in our department’s conscious sedation clinic. In these and other capacities she has participated in the education of innumerable UNC-CH pediatric dentistry residents. I am pleased to announce that Diane will continue to educate residents that work with her at the Durham County Health Department Dental Clinic.

Dental Care in Cité Soleil

Caldwell Goes to Haiti

Phil Caldwell (1974) had planned to celebrate Ground Hog Day in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, but the catastrophic earthquake on January 12 delayed the trip that would have been his third trip to provide dental care to the people of Haiti. He was later able to make it there at the beginning of May as a part of a twenty-six member team from the First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville, NC. Phil was the only dentist in the group that included three physicians, two physician assistants along with several nurses and pharmacists.

The medical mission was hosted by Leon and Jackie Dorleans who operate a school and nondenominational Christian church in Cité Soleil, a poverty stricken shantytown inside Port-au-Prince. Even before the earthquake, Cité Soleil had deplorable living conditions and was regarded as a dangerous crime area.

The conditions Phil faced were far from OSHA compliant and extremely difficult. There was no running water, no electricity, no air conditioning (temperature 98°), no

Emergency Medicine

Including Local Anesthetic and Sedation Emergencies

Stanley F. Malamed, DDS

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University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
6 hours of CE Credit

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sterilization, but plenty of flies and gnats. He described the situation as “absolutely the worst conditions imaginable to do extractions, yet I had to turn people away.” Phil extracted tooth after tooth until he exhausted himself and his supply of anesthetic.

In spite of drastic conditions, in six days of work, the medical mission treated more than 2200 patients and provided approximately 8000 prescriptions. The people of Cité Soleil are indebted to Phil and his colleagues for a humanitarian effort well beyond the call of duty. The Department of Pediatric Dentistry is proud to claim Phil Caldwell (1974) as alumnus in excellent standing!
Residents’ Appreciation Banquet 2010

This year, once again, our department gathered to say goodbye to our graduating residents. On the evening of June 25th, faculty, staff, residents, family and friends took part in celebrating with Ray Tseng, Stephanie Jackson, Elizabeth Miller and Jossein Shahangian, the completion of their program while also acknowledging the achievements of all our residents.

Ray Tseng will be joining the pediatric dental practice of Moray, Davis and Associates at their Raleigh location on Atrium Drive. In addition, Ray will also hold adjunct assistant professor appointments in the Departments of Nutrition and Pediatric Dentistry at UNC as well as an adjunct faculty appointment in the Department of Clinical research at Campbell University School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

Stephanie Jackson (DDS 2007) will be moving to Charlotte. She will be an associate with Scott Goodman, Margaret Lochary and Jason Sperati in their two office locations; Pediatric Dentistry of Matthews and Steele Creek Pediatric Dentistry.

Elizabeth Miller (DDS 2007) will be joining the practice of Frank Courts (1977) in Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

Jossein Shahangian is looking forward to returning to California where he will enter private practice.
Continuing Education

Spring Continuing Education Course Great Success

On March 26, 2010, over 125 dentists and staff from three states gathered at the Friday Continuing Education Center in Chapel Hill to hear Drs. Valerie Murrah and Tim Wright present “Monitor, Biopsy, Refer: What’s a Doctor to Do? Oral Pathology from Infant to Adolescent.” Outstanding presentations by both speakers kept the packed room of participants focused and engaged as oral soft and hard tissue lesions were reviewed. Questions from the audience were encouraged and Drs. Murrah and Wright eagerly responded to them. At the end of the day the course participants came away better prepared to diagnose and address intraoral lesions of children and adolescents.

The Department continues to seek identification of topics of interest to pediatric dentists, generalists and their staff who treat children. If you have a subject of special interest or a particular speaker, let us know and we will see what we can do to schedule the topic and/or speaker for a future CE course.

Coming Continuing Education Courses

The Department has planned two outstanding continuing education courses for the fall of 2010 and the spring of 2011. We believe you and your staff will not want to miss either offering. So, please put these on your office and personal calendars now!

Fall 2010

Yes, he is coming back! Dr. Stanley Malamed, the internationally recognized expert on the management of medical emergencies in the dental office, is returning to Chapel Hill this fall and you will not want to miss this CE which is often sold out early. Dr. Malamed is an enthusiastic and enlightening speaker who will keep you in your seats.

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“Emergency Medicine, Including Local Anesthetic and Sedation Emergencies”

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University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Speaker: Stanley F. Malamed, DDS
Professor of Anesthesia and Medicine
School of Dentistry
University of Southern California

The need for management of life-threatening emergencies for children can occur in the practice of dentistry. Emergencies may even occur with parents or grandparents accompanying the child. Such situations are more likely to occur in the dental office due to the increased level of stress, anesthetics and sedative agents used. In this course, Dr. Malamed will expand upon the areas of prevention, preparation, recognition and management vital to a proper understanding of emergency medicine and appropriate response with an emphasis on children and adolescents.

Tuition:
- $275 dentist*
- $135 staff accompanied by their dentist*
- $150 staff not accompanied by their dentist*

A generous continental breakfast, a fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are included.

This course provides 6 hours of CE credit.

Registration or additional information for our courses can be obtained by calling the UNC School of Dentistry’s Office of Continuing Education at (919)966-2729, or online 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.

This course is being held in conjunction with a Friday evening, October 8, special reception and event co-sponsored by the NC Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (NCAPD) and the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry. This special event to be held at the Kenan-Flagler School of Business will be celebrating the official funding of the F. Thomas McIver Fellowship Fund! The NCAPD’s Annual Session is scheduled for the following Saturday morning.

Spring 2011

Friday, April 1, 2011

“Advanced Radiological Imaging for Children and Adolescents Oral Pathology”

There have been tremendous strides in radiological imaging techniques in the past few years. These new and sophisticated innovations have provided the clinician exciting new ways to exam and diagnose issues of the head and oral cavity including pathology, trauma and growth.

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and development. The course is being co-sponsored by the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and General Dentistry and the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. This course will provide 6 hours of CE credit.

This course will be of interest to all members of the dental office team! As usual, a continental breakfast, two breaks with snacks and liquid refreshments, and a fabulous lunch are included in the tuition.

Tuition:
- $265 Dentist
- $135 Staff accompanied by the dentist
- $150 Staff not accompanied by the dentist

- A generous continental breakfast, a fabulous buffet lunch and two breaks with snacks and beverages are included.

**“My Child’s Smile Campaign”**

**Endowing the Graduate Program**

It is an honor to list the names of you that so selflessly support the Department with your generosity and energy. I am pleased to announce that we are adding ten new names to the My Child’s Smile Campaign donor recognition wall for having reached the $5,000-$25,000 level since the beginning of the campaign in October 2006. During the past three and one-half years we have endowed two new fellowships through your generosity (Caldwell-Christensen Fellowship Fund-2008 and Tom McIver Fellowship Fund-2010).

We will celebrate reaching the $100,000 endowment level for the Tom McIver Fellowship at this year’s North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry reception on Friday night, October 8, 2010. This will follow the CE course and will be held at the UNC Kenan-Flagler School of Business. I hope to see you there for this wonderful recognition of Tom’s many contributions to pediatric dentistry and our department’s programs.

We are now focused on the Diane Dilley Fellowship Fund with the goal of having it reach the $100,000 endowment level by October of 2011. Each new fellowship provides an additional funding source to support our residents. These dollars are increasingly important to building excellence in our program in light of shrinking state support for the School of Dentistry (SOD) and increasing competition for well-qualified applicants to our residency program.

Enclosed with this Newsletter is a pledge card for the “My Child’s Smile Campaign.” I hope you will continue the history of generosity so many have shown or decide to become committed to sustaining the excellence in UNC-CH pediatric dentistry graduate education. You can visit the campaign web site at: (http://www.dent.unc.edu/depts/academic/ped/my_childs_smile/) and please come by the SOD and see your name on the wall. Thanks again for all your support.
News of Alumni and Friends

After having spent 15 years as a high school/travel soccer referee, three years ago Bill Taylor (1983) of Hendersonville, TN moved up the ranks to become a college soccer referee. Bill’s two boys are in high school and both are active in soccer. His daughter Ellis is a second year architecture student at Clemson. Who would have guessed that?! Reach Bill at bill@just4kidsteeth.com

Jack Menius of Raleigh is enjoying stable health and the good life. Jack’s spouse, Kay, retired a while back, although Jack says she spends most of the week and Sundays working with musical groups at their church. Jack and Kay’s eldest daughter and her family have relocated from upstate New York to Wakefield, their middle daughter is the pastry chef at the Carolina Inn, and their son is Director of Biostatistics at GlaxoSmithKline. Jack and Kay spend a lot of time enjoying their seven grandchildren!

Congratulations to Kim Jones (DDS 1991) of Hickory for having recently been installed as Vice-President of the Southeastern Society of Pediatric Dentistry.

Bo Parish (1971) of Raleigh sent us a Website recently that should be of amusement and interest to many of you who were around Chapel Hill during Bo’s tenure (1961-71). Check it out!! www.chapelhillmemories.com

Tim Wright is serving on the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs. He was also a headline speaker on “Developmental Defects of Teeth” at the summer Congress of the European Academy of Pediatric Dentistry June 4-6 in Harrogate, UK.

Mark Meyer (DDS 1986) of Winston-Salem is enjoying retirement but has been busy consulting and teaching and is available for locum tenens duties. His son Carson (a high school junior) was an All Conference Swimmer this past year and his daughter Claire made it to the Southeastern Society of Pediatric Dentistry meeting June 15-18, 2011 to be held in Athens, Georgia. Dot was accompanied by spouse Peter Lee and children Ben and Jonathan. George has a solo practice in Athens while teaching half-time at the University of Athens School of Dentistry. He, along with Kimon Divaris (2011), invited everyone to attend the International Academy of Pediatric Dentistry meeting June 15-18, 2011 to be held in Athens. If there is enough interest, George offered to have a “North Carolina in Athens” dinner one night during the meeting!

The May Issue of Pediatric Dentistry Today featured a nice spread on Elizabeth Slick (2005) of Denver, and her leadership role in the “Cavity Free at Three Program” that she directs at Denver Children’s Hospital and the University of Colorado, where she serves as Assistant Professor of Pediatric Dentistry. CONGRATS Liz on your accomplishments!

We enjoyed a great visit in February from Siggi Sae-mundsson (1996) and his never-aging spouse, Anna Maria. Siggi is serving as Department Head of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Iceland School of Dentistry in Reykjavik, Iceland where he also maintains an active private practice. He is on track to complete his American Board of Pediatric Dentistry Certification this fall and has earned an MBA degree at the University of Reykjavik since returning to his native country. He recently celebrated a BIG birthday with a zero on the end. (see photo below) One of these days we hope to convince Siggi and Anna Maria to join our faculty family here in Chapel Hill!
In previous Newsletters we’ve offered in-depth features on the Alumni cohorts of ’81 and ’85; in this edition, we’re featuring the Class ‘89. The class of 1989 was Michael Hasty, who began his program with a co-resident from Iowa but she dropped out after several months when her spouse was unable to join her here. She later completed training in pediatric dentistry at the University of Iowa. This left Mike as our first resident to officially begin and complete our, then new, 36-month program and one of only a few to go through his program without a resident cohort-mate.

After he completed our program, Mike joined a group practice in Virginia Beach. Today his practice includes four offices with four pediatric dentists, one of whom is dual-trained in orthodontics. His group relies upon ultra-light sedations and a good collaboration with the Virginia Beach Ambulatory Center for GA cases. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.

Mike and wife Tasha have twin 10-year old sons, Patrick and Graham. The boys enjoy lacrosse and are on a team that travels regionally to Richmond, Baltimore, and Williamsburg. They also love basketball and are convinced they will be playing hoops for the Heels someday. And, if consultation and advice are needed, Mike grew up in the Fayetteville neighborhood and is buddies with our new Chancellor, Holden Thorp.

Mike says it’s not easy to be a 10-year old kid wearing Carolina blue in a sea of UVA orange/blue and VA Tech Chicago maroon/burnt orange, but his boys acquit themselves well in that challenge!

Outside of the office, Mike is serving on the UNC School of Dentistry Board of Directors of the Dental Alumni Association as the out-of-state representative. He’s been working towards increasing out-of-state membership. He’s enthusiastic about the dental school’s new facility now under construction and is trying to convey that to the out-of-state alumni.

When not coaching or ferrying kids to games, he enjoys fishing and golf. He and Tasha will take the boys to the British Open at St. Andrews later this summer. Mike conveys great memories of often being the only resident in a seminar with two faculty members and says he came to relish that experience.

He wanted to sound-out a big Thank You for all those residents who were his program book-end resident-mates supporters—you’re too many to name but he hopes you also have fond memories of those times.

By the way, Mike wanted to put in a plug for Isolite® for those of you who have not tried this new technology for isolation, especially for sealant placement. We here at UNC agree—it will change your day and your sealant success for the better!
We are pleased to report that our Baby Oral Health Program continues to grow. This past year we provided hands-on clinical experience in delivering preventive oral health care to infants and toddlers for 70% of our senior dental students. We also completed an evaluation of our educational program and reported the results in the Journal of Dental Education. Our findings found that bOHP participants reported increases in comfort, confidence, opinions and practice behaviors with infants following this experience in dental school. We look forward to assessing the longer term impact of this experience over the next several years.

To date we have disseminated nearly 1,400 bOHP kits. We are most grateful for our alumni, the North Carolina Dental Society and the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry for their support. We would like to also acknowledge Ms. Karen LeClair, a Family Support Specialist from the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities, who provided financial assistance to help translate our educational caregiver flip-chart into Spanish. This project was inspired by requests from providers in clinical practice. We anticipate that this will help reach a larger population of underserved children and their families. Spanish-language versions of the flip-chart are now available by contacting Ms. Lisa Mauldin at 919-966-5723, our DDS program coordinator.

As we look into the future, we continue to move closer to having 100% of our dental students complete the bOHP rotation as an integral part of their dental school pediatric experience. We also look forward to expanding our educational tool kit to better serve the citizens of North Carolina and beyond.

Baby Charlotte Cherry may participate in bOHP before long.

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Bill came to UNC-CH in pursuit of specialty training in pediatric dentistry. Following completion of his residency, he joined the faculty in 1976 but continued his education by completing a PhD in Higher Education in 1980. Bill was our department Chair from 1985-94 and the Graduate Program Director from 1994-2005. In these roles he helped shape the department’s mission and set the course that helped define its role as a recognized leader in pediatric dentistry education. A critical part of this was his leadership as Director of our Maternal and Child Health Training Program from 1992-2006 that infused nearly $3 million into the graduate program.

Bill has been a national leader in our specialty serving as both President of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and President of the AAPD Foundation. Bill’s accomplishments have been recognized through numerous awards and honors including being named the Demeritt Distinguished Professor in 1998, Pediatric Dentist of the Year by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry in 1999, and UNC-CH Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars in 2000.

He has mentored countless students who have received many awards and honors for their work. His scholarly contributions include over 90 articles and book chapters published in the scientific literature. Although Bill is officially retiring he will continue his scholarly and research pursuits including teaching our pre-doctoral dental students at the Durham County Health Department.

It is impossible to do justice to the contributions Diane and Bill have made to the UNC-CH School of Dentistry, the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, and the specialty of pediatric dentistry. They have been role models as outstanding educators and leaders and through their tireless efforts the oral health of uncountable children has been improved. Words cannot express the gratitude we have for their loyalty and hard work. We wish them both the very best as they transition to this new stage of their lives and careers. We are truly thankful that their dedication drives them to continue to make contributions to the department and the children we serve. Thanks so much to both of you.
Eugene Sandler Receives Ned Brooks Award

Eugene Sandler, an emeritus clinical professor in the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Dentistry, recently received the University’s Ned Brooks Award for Public Service.

The award honors the achievements of Ned Brooks, clinical associate professor of health policy and management and UNC-Chapel Hill faculty member since 1972. Brooks helped develop the University’s Carolina Center for Public Service, among his other community-oriented achievements. The Ned Brooks Award recognizes a University faculty or staff member who has, over his or her entire career, encouraged others to participate in community service, directly provided community service and/or mentored individuals who demonstrated an interest in serving the community.

Sandler joined the UNC-Chapel Hill faculty in 1979, directing what was then a new ambulatory care dental program funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The program became the Orange County Health Department’s Dental Health Services Division, and Gene served as dental director for Carrboro and Hillsborough for 26 years. From 1993 until his retirement at the end of 2007, Gene directed the Dentistry in Service to Communities (DISC) program. With his encouragement, dental students formed ENNEAD, a student-led volunteer organization that sends the school’s students to communities throughout the state to provide patient treatment and oral health education.

Ronald Strauss, the University’s executive associate provost and longtime dental school faculty member, nominated Sandler for the honor. ‘Awesome’ will always be the way he is remembered by his students, for Gene set the highest standards for them and it was so obvious how he really cared about them,” Strauss wrote in his nomination. Gene continued to visit extramural sites and communicated the goals and objectives of the rotations to the adjunct faculty at those sites. Therefore, the experience the students received at the sites will ultimately result in opportunities for future students and for entire communities throughout North Carolina, and underserved communities will continue to receive care because of his efforts to implement community-based programs.”

The Carolina Center for Public Service’s awards ceremony was held April 16 at the Carolina Club. In concluding her presentation of the Ned Brooks Award, center director Lynn Blanchard announced that Gene’s son Frank and his family had made a contribution to the center in honor of Gene. The award comes with a plaque and monetary gift.

100 Years of UNC Basketball
Bill Chambers Joins Celebration

Bill Chambers (1979) and his family helped the University of North Carolina celebrate 100 years basketball excellence. Bill joined many of his teammates from back in the day as they discussed playing under Coach Dean Smith. While he played nearly forty years ago (early 1970’s), the photograph shows Bill still has good form.
Generosity of Alumni and Friends

Your gifts to the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry’s development funds are acknowledged below and include only those received and credited by the Dental Foundation of North Carolina in the calendar year of 2009. We express our most sincere “thank you” for your continued generosity. 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. State and university support continues to dwindle 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 improve 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.

$10,000 plus
Antonio Braithwaite
Jim Congleton III
Sonny Long
Mike and Sandra Roberts

$3,000 plus
Bill Chambers
Lenise Clifton
Bryan Cobb
Roslyn Crisp

$2,000 plus
Carrie Kiefer Arquitt
Richard Brooks
Phil Caldwell
Stephanie Chen
John Christensen
Dan Howell
Perry Jeffries
E. LaRee Johnson
Martha Ann Keels
Mike Mayhew
Ed Miller
Robert Moran
Phil Parker
Gail Rohlfing
Jim Stone
Bill Vann
Penn Waldron

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Charles Brown
Scott Cashion
Jason Clark
Bobbie Elliott
Nick DeJean
Diane Dilley
Gary Dilley
Julie Dimock
Eric Everett
Martha Hardaway
Mike Hasty
Gene Howden
Jenny Jackson
Kim Jones
Bob Kelly
Mike Ignelzi
Kavita Mathu-Muju
Ken May
Chuck Mauney
Tom McIver
Walter “Bo” Parrish
Kate Pierce
Mike Rossitch
Marianne Sheroan
Gina Spangler
Vic Spangler
Jean Spratt
Frank Stout
Ron Venezie
Halley White
Tim Wright

$500 plus
Frank Courts
Tao Gao
Stephanie F. Heaney
Leslee Huggins
Rebecca King
Karen LeClair
Jessica Lee
Evan Long
Shelly Olson
Tom McIver
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Robert Darwin
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Ted and Weezie Oldenburg
Steve Pretzer
Angie McIver Rardin
Irv Sherman
Elliot Shulman
Michael Walker

$100 plus
Matthew Applebaum
Alan Babigan
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Lilbet Elling
Mary Hillmer
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Alumni and Friends at AAPD in Chicago

Alumni and Friends again played key roles in the success of the recent 63rd Annual Session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry held in Chicago over the Memorial Day weekend. The program was filled with many familiar faces.


The New Dentist Program featured a panel of master pediatric dentists including Jessica Lee (2002) of Chapel Hill. Bobby Elliott (1998) and Julie Molina (2008) of Cary were feature speakers during the Mini Clinics on the subject of “Toddler Time.”


Our residents were well represented in the scientific program. Jossein Shahangian (2010) gave a presentation “Dentinogenesis Imperfecta: relationship of genotype with radiographic and clinical features.” He was one of only three 2009-10 recipients of the AAPD 3M ESPE Research Fellows. His primary mentor was Tim Wright.

Stephanie Blumenshine Jackson (2010) was one of eight national Graduate Student Research Awards Winners. Her presentation was “The Impact of Poor Oral Health on Children’s School Performance.” Her mentors included Bill Vann (1976) and Jessica Lee (2002). Special congrats to Stephanie for winning the 2010 Ralph McDonald Award, the top research prize in the graduate student research competition. At age 90, Dr. McDonald was in there in person to present Stephanie the Award.

Congratulations to first year residents Kerry Dove, Allison Cavenaugh, Travis Hicks and Marshall Long, the 2009-10 James B. Congleton Fellows. The Congleton Fellowship supported their participation as Advocacy/Leadership Trainees at the recent Chicago Academy Meeting (see related photos in this Newsletter). Mentors for the trainees were Scott Cashion (1997) of Greensboro and Jessica Lee (2002) of Chapel Hill. Scott provided leadership for the trainees’ attendance at the Board of Trustees meeting while Jessica did the same for the Council and Committee Meetings.

The 2010-11 AAPD 3M/ESPE Research Fellows were announced at the close of the meeting and two of the three national awards were garnered by our residents. Congrats to Bob Cherry (2011) and primary mentor Jessica Lee (2002) and Shannitta Bridgers (2011) and primary mentor Mike Milano. Bob’s project is “Antibiotic Use for Treating Dental Infections in Children: A Survey of Dentists’ Practices” and Shannitta’s is “Caregivers’ Parenting Styles: Impact on Pediatric Dental Behavior.” CONGRATS to Bob and Shannitta on this achievement, making our departmental cumulative record to 14 Fellowships in 12 years!

In addition to the Scientific Program, many friends and alumni were working hard behind the scenes to support the business and policy development of the Annual Session—too many names to mention them all. However, special kudos go to Scott Cashion (1997) of Greensboro who continues to serve on the Academy’s Board of Trustees.

Two other key individuals included Jessica Lee (2002) of Chapel Hill, who chairs the Academy’s Scientific Council and a big hats-off to Mike Ignelzi (1992) of Greensboro, who serves as Chair of the Council on Continuing Education.

The AAPD Annual Session in Chicago closed out a busy year for LaRee Johnson (1999) of Wakefield, who was this past year’s President of the Foundation of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. At the annual membership meeting of the College in Chicago, LaRee handed over the presidential reins to Stephen Brandt of Texas. She will serve as Immediate Past-President for 2010-11, while Mike Roberts of Chapel Hill will continue to serve on the Foundations’ Board of Directors for 2010-11.

Last but not least—a big THANK YOU to Diane Dilley for her efforts in planning a delightful social hour and dinner party for alumni and members of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Harry Carey’s Restaurant was a perfect venue for an evening of friendship renewal and fun.
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The demographics of the populations we treat continue to change with regards to disease patterns, socioeconomic status, and ethnicity. The large influx and growth in the Spanish speaking population in North Carolina and the United States has changed the demographics of early childhood caries and presents new challenges in delivering health care to this burgeoning health care consumer group.

One of the most immediate barriers to providing this population with optimal oral health care is the ability to effectively communicate. While translators are a valuable method of communicating with individuals that do not speak English, they are not always available and it is certainly more time consuming than direct communication. Recognizing the need for cultural and language competent oral health care providers in North Carolina the Department established a goal that a minimum of 30% of the graduating residents would be competent in communicating to the Hispanic population. This program was initiated a number of years ago and involves sending students to Mexico or Guatemala for intense language immersion training. The cost of these programs is usually around $2,500 per resident.

Our most resent language immersion attendee was Jina Kang (2011), who spent 5 weeks in Guatemala living with a local family, taking daily language classes, and volunteering for an organization that provided oral health care to children in the local community. She is now able to converse effectively with her Hispanic patients and their parents.

Having adequate resources to provide immersion language studies has always been a challenge. We are pleased to announce that Liz Prada (2009), who participated in this program as a resident, has committed to funding the program through the Prada Da Costa Language Immersion Award so that the opportunity can continue for future residents.

Visiting Guatemala was a transforming experience as a resident at UNC. During that five week rotation, I lived with a Spanish-speaking host family, took daily language classes, and volunteered for an organization that provided medical and dental care for indigent children called "Nuestros Ahijados." "Probigua," the language school, is a non-profit organization in Antigua, Guatemala that uses its proceeds from teaching Spanish to fund a mobile literacy program to improve access to books to local primary schools.

Many of my Spanish language classmates and I, had the chance to hold mini-classes in Spanish for elementary-aged school children. On weekends, I had the opportunity to visit surrounding towns where many indigenous Mayan communities still thrive. It really gave me the opportunity to learn about Central American customs and health care from multiple perspectives.

When I returned to North Carolina from this immersion, I was able to communicate more effectively with my Hispanic patients and felt that I could appreciate the culture and environment that played such a huge part in their lives. Ultimately, I hope that this makes me a better practitioner. I believe that future residents will learn to love Guatemala as I do and bring home improved proficiency in a beautiful language.

—Liz Prada
Stephanie Jackson Wins Top National Research Award

Stephanie Blumenshine Jackson (2010), a third year graduate student and resident in pediatric dentistry from Charlotte, recently won the 2009-10 Ralph McDonald Award, the top national research award for graduate students in pediatric dentistry. The honor, which comes with a cash award, is a judged competition that recognizes the Graduate Student Research Award (GSRA) recipient who has produced the most outstanding research project. Stephanie was one of eight finalists in the GSRA competition, which was held in Chicago at the Annual Session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. In 1989, Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children (AAPD Foundation) began financially supporting the GSRA for current and recent pediatric dentistry students/residents.

Her research examined missed school days related to routine dental care and missed days related to dental pain and infection. Analysis of telephone surveys involving a group of 2,183 schoolchildren statewide indicated that children with poor oral health were three times more likely to miss school due to dental pain. Preliminary findings indicated that school absence for routine dental care was not significantly associated with poor academic performance; however, absence related to dental pain was associated with poor performance.

Stephanie’s advisor was Bill Vann (1976) from the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Collaborators included Jessica Lee (2002) from Health Policy and Management and Pediatric Dentistry, Jonathon Kotch from Maternal and Child Health, and Bhavna Pahel from the Sheps Center for Health Services Research.

The UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry has a long record of AAPD GRSA finalists. Since 2001, the Department has had 14 GSRA finalists. These include Rocio Quinonez (2000); mentored by Martha Ann Keels (1990); Jessica Lee (2002); mentored by Bill Vann (1976); Julie Dimock (2001); mentored by Diane Dilley; Kate Pierce (2002); mentored by Bill Vann (1976); Lina Cardenas (2002); mentored by Tim Wright; Matt Savage (2004); mentored by Jessica Lee (2002); Krissy Coffield (2003); mentored by Tim Wright; Michael Rossitch (2004); mentored by Rocio Quinonez (2000); Elizabeth Shick (2005); mentored by Jessica Lee (2002); Halley White (2006); mentored by Jessica Lee (2002); Julie Molina (2008); mentored by Bill Vann (1976); Antonio Braithwaite (2008); mentored by Bill Vann (1976); and Ray Tseng (2010); mentored by Tim Wright.

Donna Spears Retires

Donna Spears (DDS 1981) is retiring from an outstanding career as dental director at Murdoch Center, one of North Carolina’s facilities to care for people with a severe disability. Donna’s exemplary program has been considered a model for the high quality of oral care provided through her clinic.

In addition to her accomplishments locally, Donna has contributed on the national level through presentations and her leadership role in the Southern Association of Institutional Dentists (SAID). She has been an important resource to many programs across the nation on how to operate an effective program that delivers high quality oral health care for people with disabilities.

Since 1981 Donna has taught in our Monday morning disabilities clinic and predoctoral clinic. We will sorely miss her contributions to our clinical teaching, but hope she will return to help us in these areas in the not too distant future.
Welcome to the Class of 2013

Our program welcomed four incoming residents, although not all will be following the traditional three year program. Our new residents are Jacqueline Hom, Jordan Olsen (DDS 2010), Lauren Sanzone (DDS 2010) and Chien Sim.

Jacqueline was born in Westwood, New Jersey and attended Williams College in Massachusetts where she received her BA. Jackie completed her dental training at Harvard School of Dental Medicine in 2010. In addition to our program, Jackie will also be enrolled in the Health Policy and Management PhD Program, completing her PhD in 2012 and then beginning our three year pediatric dentistry program.

Jordan was born in Ridgecrest, California and received his BS from Brigham Young University in Utah. Jordan earned his DDS from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2010. Jordan, who was on the Dean’s List for Academic Achievement, has been an active participant in many community based activities and a consistent volunteer in his community.

Lauren was born in Rome, New York. She received her BA from Smith College in Massachusetts and her DDS from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2010. Lauren, was on the Dean’s List every year while at the School of Dentistry, has also received numerous awards including being recognized as the Top Student Volunteer for 2008-2009 by ENNEAD Volunteer Society.

Chien was born in Malaysia and earned her BDS from the National University of Singapore in 2008. While a dental student, she was an active volunteer in her community. Since graduating Chien has been employed by the National Dental Center in Singapore.

Residents’ Corner

The residents enjoyed their Spring semester, especially our trip in May to Chicago for the AAPD meeting. We were thrilled and proud of the professional achievements of our fellow residents during this meeting.

Stephanie Jackson (2010) was honored with the prestigious Ralph E. McDonald award for her research on the Impact of Poor Oral health on School Performance. Bob Cherry (2011) and Shannitta Bridgers (2011) were recognized for receiving two of the three national 2010/2011 3M ESPE awards for their research on antibiotics use and behavior respectively. Congratulations!

We also congratulate the Cherry family for the arrival of new baby girl, Charlotte Cherry, born 5/19/2010. She weighed 8lbs 3ozs and joins her big brother, Will.

Jina Kang (2011) gave her dad quite a 60th birthday gift. She took him to Alaska for his dream fishing trip where they caught a 35 pound Alaskan king salmon. Jina caught the fish on her 30th birthday to give herself quite a gift as well.

We look forward to welcoming our incoming first year residents this July and we wish our graduating residents all the best! Ray Tseng (2010) will be joining the practice of Moray, Davis and Associates in Raleigh, NC. He will also continue to research and teach at the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health and the Campbell University School of Pharmacy & Health Sciences. Stephanie Jackson (2010) will be associating with Scott Goodman, Meg Lochary and Jason Sperati in Charlotte NC. Liz Miller (2010) will be working with Frank Courts (1977) in Rocky Mount, NC. Jossein Shahnagian (2010) will be opening a practice where he grew up in San Diego, CA.
Alumni & Friends at the Races

Congratulations to Mark Meyer (DDS 1986) of Winston-Salem for finishing third in his age group in the National Triathlon Competition. He was named honorable mention All-American for the year.

LaRee Johnson (1999) and spouse James Gerdts did lots of training in preparation for an Ironman event this summer in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. LaRee served as a “group pacer” in the recent Tobacco Road Marathon in Cary, NC, in March, where James had a PR at the marathon distance. Good luck in Idaho!

Team PEDO had three finishers (Kimon Divaris, 2011, Jessica Lee, 2002 and Bill Vann, 1976) at the Black Mountain Marathon in February, with Jessica finishing as the fifth female overall. Jessica and Bill also finished the Richmond (Virginia) Marathon in November, where Bill’s time qualified him for the Boston Marathon. Bien Lai (2011) of Singapore/Chapel Hill made her racing debut at the Richmond Half-Marathon in November—CONGRATS!

More recently, Bien, Bill and Kimon won their age groups in Hillsborough, NC, at the “Got Grit?” 5K, while Jessica was the overall winner of the Female Master’s Division.

FACTOIDs DDS Class of ’86

Our records suggest that the UNC-CH dental school class of ’86 holds the Carolina record for the most pediatric dentists in one graduating class. Among the group are: Michael Hasty (1989) of Virginia Beach, who completed his residency training here at UNC-CH (see related article in this Newsletter); Sharon Hill of Dallas, who completed her residency training at Baylor; Phillip Jiamachello of Shelby, who completed his residency training at the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston; Mark Meyer of Winston-Salem, who completed a GPR Program in Richmond, followed by pediatric dentistry residency training at the Medical College of Virginia; David Moore of Charlotte who completed his residency training at Ohio State; and Bart Swarr of Raleigh, who completed his residency training at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital.
North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

The NCAPD annual meeting will be held Saturday, October 9, 2010 at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center, Research Triangle Park. Our business breakfast meeting will begin at 8:00AM and the entire morning will be reserved for NCAPD business with adjournment by noon. The hotel is located off I-40, Exit 282 (Page Road).

A block of rooms have been reserved and reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at (919) 941-5050 or Sheraton Central Reservations at (800) 325-3535 and ask for the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry room block. The room block cut-off date is September 16, 2010. Availability of hotel rooms this weekend will be very limited due to the football game and UNC parent’s weekend.

NCAPD Officers & Directors 2009-2010

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Diplomate Certification

The NCAPD congratulates member Christina Powers (DDS 2006) from Southern Pines for her certification this year as a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. The NCAPD encourages all NCAPD members to promote the pursuit of excellence in pediatric dentistry and achieve Diplomate status from the ABPD.

Carlota Reyes

Carlota Reyes is our newest addition to the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. She works with our Hispanic patients and families. She is originally from San Juan, Puerto Rico and moved to Chapel Hill in 1985. Carlota is a professional Harpist and Licensed Massage and Bodywork Therapist. She completed the Massage Diploma Program from The Body Therapy Institute in Siler City, NC and earned her Bachelor’s of Science degree in Alternative Medicine from Everglades University in Boca Raton, FL. We welcome Carlota to the Department.

Jennifer Tart

Jennifer Tart joined the Department of Pediatric Dentistry as our newest dental assistant. She trained at UNC and participates with our outstanding dental assisting team. Jennifer comes to us from Timberlake, NC in Person County and has six years of experience as a dental assistant. We welcome Jennifer as a member of the Department.

Spurgeon Award Goes to Lisa Mauldin

Congratulations once again to Lisa Mauldin, Pediatric Predoctoral Program Coordinator for being selected as the favorite staff member by the Class of 2011 and 2012. Lisa was presented with the Spurgeon Dental Society Staff Appreciation Awards this Spring at the annual banquet. Thank you to Lisa for all she does for our faculty and students!

Also, Lisa congratulates her son, Bobby, on his graduations from Southern Alamance High School.
Gifts Support Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry

You can support the future of pediatric dentistry in North Carolina and the nation by supporting the different professorships and resident fellowships in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of North Carolina. Donations can be directed to your favorite fund listed on the Pledge Card below.

If you are interested in establishing a new fellowship fund and naming it in honor or memory of an individual, your donations can be directed to this named fund through the Dental Foundation of North Carolina, Inc., the UNC School of Dentistry’s nonprofit foundation.

Many individuals would like to make major gifts to UNC but cannot commit current assets for this purpose. Through a will you can make a more significant gift than you might have ever thought possible by designating a specific sum, a percentage or the residue of your estate to the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. There are many options for providing a bequest that will leave a legacy of support for excellence in pediatric dentistry. To learn more about starting a new fellowship or making a bequest, please contact Paul Gardner or Tammy Hansbrough at the Dental Foundation at (919) 966-4563 or by email at paul_gardner@dentistry.unc.edu or thansbro@dentistry.unc.edu.

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Gift and Pledge Card

- Yes! I want to make a gift of $______ to the Dental Foundation of North Carolina to support graduate education in pediatric dentistry at UNC.
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For more information on the Dental Foundation of North Carolina or giving to the UNC School of Dentistry, please call 919-966-4563.
WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH YOU?

This Newsletter goes to more than 350 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.

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