The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery has had another banner year with the support of the Administration of the Dental School, the Medical School, and the UNC Hospitals, and to each of you. It makes a tremendous difference in the Department’s performance when the environment is nurturing and supportive, and all join in the effort to enable the Department to fulfill its missions.

Highlighting the year was the naming of Dr. George Blakey as the Dr. Raymond P. White Endowed Associate Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. This campaign began several years ago and was funded by contributions exceeding $500,000 and matched by the University with another $250,000, bringing the total endowment to $750,000. To mark this inauguration, the Department hosted Professors Hugo Obwegeser and Joachin Obwegeser for a week-long celebration of enrichment and scholarship. (See article on page 8).

During the year the Department was able to offer several other enrichment seminars, including a visit by Dr. Cesar Guerrero who lectured on 3-dimensional treatment planning and distraction osteogenesis. Another offering was conducted by alumnus Dr. Mark Ochs, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh, who spoke on endosseous implants and the management of facial trauma. The Department also hosted a visit by Dr. Gwen Swennen, Associate Professor of Cranio-maxillofacial Surgery at the Catholic University in Bruges, Belgium, who spoke with his orthodontic colleague, Professor Hugo DeClerc on virtual computer treatment planning for dentofacial deformities and craniofacial malformations.

Other notable achievements were the five abstracts presented by residents at the annual AAOMS meeting in Toronto. Thanks to alumni support, the Department was able to send 7 residents and 2 students interested in surgery to the meeting. What is remarkable is that UNC residents accounted for 8% of all abstracts presented, exceeding any other residency program. Special recognition to Dr. Raymond P. White, Dr. George Blakey, and Dr. Ceib Phillips for monitoring these projects and assuring that they were polished and presented in a glowing form. It is often underestimated how much time and effort is invested in each of these projects. The Department is very grateful for faculty committing to these worthy undertakings.
CHAIRMAN’S MESSAGE CONT’D

This past year, 4 dental students were successful in being placed in oral and maxillofacial surgery residency programs, thanks to the effort of Dr. Glenn Reside, Director of Dental Student Surgery, and the other faculty.

The Department experienced record-breaking operating room experiences (600 cases) and outpatient encounters (10,000) this past year. Numbers aside, the diversity of the case mix was very impressive, assuring that the residents are exposed to a full and broad scope of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Thanks to Dr. Jan Faulk, who spearheads temporomandibular joint and facial esthetic surgery. The residents have had exceptional exposure to TM total joint replacements and other TMJ procedures because of her efforts.

Special recognition goes to Dr. Barry Kendell (1980) and Dr. Jay Anderson (anesthesiologist) for their enhancement of the residents’ ambulatory anesthesia experience. (The residents perform a variety of ambulatory and anesthetic techniques, including inhalational and parenteral drugs.) Drs. Kendell and Anderson’s efforts offer unique opportunities for the residents to learn from well-seasoned clinicians with experience in ambulatory anesthesia. Dr. Anderson is beginning clinical trials with dexmetomidine, a clonidine type drug. We look forward to the results of the impact on ambulatory surgery.

The Department is very grateful to Dr. Larry Parworth (1994), Residency Coordinator at Mission St. Joseph’s Hospital in Asheville, NC and to the remainder of the oral and maxillofacial surgery staff at that facility - Dr. Raymond Fonseca, Dr. John Matheson, and Dr. Bob Scully, for their valuable efforts in assuring a quality experience for the residents rotating to Asheville. Additional recognition to the Plastic Surgery and Otolaryngology staff members at Mission St. Joseph’s Hospital who have welcomed the residents and have created new horizons for them.

We must also recognize Drs. Thomas McGraw and Kenneth Pinkerton for their efforts on behalf of our residents rotating to the Durham Veterans Administration Hospital.

The overall quality of the residency program remains exceptional. Three more alumni were successful in completing American Board Certification, keeping the Department’s success rate at >95%. In an effort to increase the number of residency positions, the funding sources dictated a change. A decision was made this past year to a commitment to training all residents in the 6-year MD integrated program (See article on page 6).

To continue this level of success, the Department remains dependent on your support. The UNC Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Center for Excellence Endowment is taking on a new name: the UNC Dr. Bill C. Terry Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Center for Excellence Endowment. The campaign will be spearheaded by a committee led by Dr. Mark Ochs (1989). Other committee members include Dr. Ramon Peleaux (1994), Dr. Chris Davis (1979), and Dr. Shawn Conrad (1999). By contributing to this fund, you are committing to the future of this Department and the maintenance of a healthy environment for oral and maxillofacial surgery in North Carolina. (See article of page 3).
OMFS CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE ENDOWMENT NAMED FOR DR. BILL C. TERRY

At the suggestion of several alumni and because of his contributions to UNC Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, the Center for Excellence Endowment has been named to honor Dr. Bill C. Terry. Dr. Terry was the Residency Program Director from 1976 until his retirement in April 1995. The Center for Excellence Endowment was created several years ago to foster the scholarly activities of the Department and to help attract quality faculty and residents to the Department. The current fund will be redirected to the Dr. Bill C. Terry Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Center for Excellence Endowment at UNC.

The sole intention of the endowment is to create a $1,000,000 principal which will be invested by the University. The Department chairman with the Dean will then be able to use approximately 5% annually to support the scholarly activities of the Department.

The North Carolina Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery community will benefit from this undertaking, since this level of discretionary funding will help attract quality faculty and residents. The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at UNC defines the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery in North Carolina. Only by attracting quality faculty to UNC will a broad scope of practice be perpetuated. This will assure that the N.C. community remains healthy for the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

It has become increasingly obvious that the state is unable to sustain a healthy Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. We cannot afford to incur the loss of budget support as we experienced this past year without crippling patient care and research and other scholarly activities. Despite the economic circumstances, the Department postures itself as a world leading and training center for oral and maxillofacial surgery. We have an unparalleled commitment in this endeavor. During times like these, we need your support. Teaching, research, and patient care, have suffered the most from budget cuts. We are asking you to partner with us to expand the frontiers of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

I encourage you to make a pledge to the Dr. Bill C. Terry Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Center for Excellence Endowment at UNC today. The pledge form is on the last page of the newsletter.

FISHER WINS STRAUMANN AWARD

Dr. Elda Fisher (3rd year resident) was the recipient of the Straumann Award for the best resident paper delivered at the AAOMS meeting in Toronto. The award was given at a dinner on the opening night of the meeting, which was also attended by Dr. George and Lori Blakey. Dr. Fisher’s paper was “Third Molar Caries Experience in Middle-Aged and Older Americans, A Prevalence Study.” Her project was mentored by Dr. Raymond White and Dr. George Blakey. Dr. Fisher is a graduate of Brown University, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and the UNC School of Medicine. She will complete residency in 2013.
2009 HAIL AND FAREWELL
RESIDENT DEPARTURES & ARRIVALS

The annual Hail and Farewell celebration was held on June 19 at the George Watts Alumni Center. We said good-bye to Dr. Donald Hull, who completed our 4-year training program. He and his wife Mari, have moved to Colorado where Donny has joined a private practice. We also bade farewell to Dr. Michael Jaskolka, who completed the 6-year program. Mike and his wife Beth are currently in Orlando, FL where he is doing a fellowship in craniomaxillofacial surgery (1999) at the Arnold Palmer Children’s Hospital. We wish Donny and Michael much success in their careers.

Drs. Michael Jaskolka and Donny Hull

The Department welcomed four new residents: Dr. Justin Drab (4-year), Dr. Rachel Garaas (6-year), Dr. Ryan Milewski (4-year), and Dr. David Rasmussen (6-year). We look forward to working with this talented group of interns.

Justin Drab  Ryan Milewski  Rachel Garaas  David Rasmussen

Dr. Drab received a BS in Molecular Biology from Grove City College, PA and a DMD from the University of Pittsburgh, School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Drab comes to us from the US Air Force.

Dr. Garaas earned a BA in Chemistry from Dartmouth College where she graduated with honors for her thesis, “Synthesis of Proton-Sensing Ligand and Their Attachment to Gold Nanoclusters.” She completed a DMD from Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Milewski graduated summa cum laude from North Carolina State University. He received a DDS degree from the UNC School of Dentistry.

Dr. Rasmussen earned a BS from Boise State University where he graduated magna cum laude. He received a DMD from the University of Louisville. Dr. Rasmussen is a member of the United States Navy.
MEMORIES WITH FRIENDS
OMFS THANKS THE PART-TIME FACULTY

The Department wishes to acknowledge the part-time faculty who contribute substantially to the clinical educational mission of the dental student clinics. The Department is very dependent on their efforts and is grateful for their commitment. The following have provided their time and expertise:

Jeff Almony  
Shawn Conrad  
David Frost  
Spencer Howard  
Gregg Lombardo  
Barry Kendell  
Kenneth Pinkerton  
John Won  
William Campbell  
William Foley  
James Hupp  
Scott Hum  
Gary Jones  
Kevin Neshat  
Richard Sherwood

If anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact Ms. Sally Efird at 919-966-1126.

DEAN JOHN WILLIAMS RESIGNS

The current dean of the School of Dentistry, Dr. John Williams, will step down from his position on June 30, 2010. Dr. Williams has not yet announced his plans. During the five years of his tenure, the School and the Department experienced substantial growth and benefited from his leadership and understanding of the role of oral and maxillofacial surgery in the School of Dentistry, in the UNC Hospitals and in the Medical School environment.

A search committee for his successor has been named and is chaired by Dr. Barbara K. Rimer, Dean of the UNC School of Public Health. Notably absent from this committee is an oral and maxillofacial surgery presence. Several distinguished alumni were nominated for committee membership, but none were chosen.

If you wish to nominate a candidate for dean or you wish to address this committee, please correspond directly with the consulting firm retained by the search committee at unc dental dean@spencerstuart.com

Additional information on the search is available http://dentistry.academickey.com/seeker_job_display.php?dothis=pdf&job%5BIDX%5D=22711

Search Committee roster can be found at: http://provost.unc.edu/announcements/open-positions/SOD%20Committee%20Roster.pdf
AAOMS and the OMFS Foundation have awarded Dr. Raymond White an additional year of funding for the 3rd molar project, an extension through 2010. This marks the 10th year of funding for this hallmark project, which has resulted in more than 100 abstracts/publications. UNC Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery has benefited tremendously from Dr. White’s enormous contributions and the generosity of our specialty.

DEPARTMENT COMMTS TO TRAINING ALL IN THE 6-YEAR MD INTEGRATED PROGRAM

Negotiations with UNC Hospitals, the UNC School of Medicine, and the UNC School of Dentistry have paved the way to converting the residency to a 6-year MD integrated program. Next year will be the last 4-year training position offered at UNC, and it has been assigned to an Air Force-supported candidate. Beginning in 2010, 3 residents will be selected annually, and they will spend 6 years in the MD integrated program. This will bring the total program enrollment to 18 residents. The decision was made because of the outstanding record of the almost 35-year old MD integrated residency program and in consideration of the achievements and success of the alumni. Another important factor is the consideration of the future health needs of the citizens of North Carolina. Countless hours were spent assembling the data, including alumni performances at the UNC School of Medicine and in practice, patient care at UNC Hospitals and the School of Dentistry, reviewing regulations to support oral and maxillofacial surgery training, and demonstration that the program is sustainable. Accolades to Dr. George Blakey, Residency Program Director and officials at the UNC Hospitals, Patti Boyette and Kimberly Flagler, and at the School of Medicine, Dr. Georgette Dent, and Mr. Forrest Page, who helped sort through the logistics of the proposal. This was not an easy undertaking, but once the material was reviewed and understood by all, the decisions were unanimous in support of the proposal.
OBWEGESERS VISIT THE DEPARTMENT

Professor Hugh Obwegeser and his nephew, Professor Joachin Obwegeser, visited the department in April, 2009. The two provided a week-long series of scholarly and enrichment activities, including an insightful discussion of distraction osteogenesis, the history of sagittal osteotomy, and other orthognathic and craniofacial surgical procedures. Professor Joachin Obwegeser is currently in the Department of Craniomaxillofacial Surgery at the University of Zurich, the same department that has his uncle founded more than fifty years ago.

Professor Hugo Obwegeser spoke at the celebration of Dr. Blakey’s named professorship. This event was attended by more than 100 departmental friends and University officials, including Dean John Williams. Professor Hugo Obwegeser presented his good friend, Dr. Bill Terry, with a special honorary medal which he has presented only to other surgeons who have made outstanding contributions to the development of craniomaxillofacial surgery.
DR. GEORGE BLAKEY III, NAMED THE RAYMOND P. WHITE ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
The W. Harry Archer Award was presented to Dr. Timothy A. Turvey by the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons at the annual meeting in Orlando, FL in May, 2009. The award was established by ACOMS to recognize both the achievements of individual oral and maxillofacial surgeons and the contributions to the specialty by W. Harry Archer. What made this a very special event for Dr. Turvey was that the meeting was dedicated to his former mentor, Dr. Robert V. Walker.

Dr. David Frost (1980), President of OMFS Foundation

Dr. Michael Buckley (1988) President of the American Cleft Palate Association

Dr. George Blakey (1992), Consultant/Examiner, American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Debra Schardt-Sacco (1997), Consultant/Examiner, American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Mark Ochs (1989), Professor and Chairman of the OMFS Department at the University of Pittsburgh

Dr. Ramon Ruiz (1999), Director, Craniomaxillofacial Surgery at the Arnold Palmer Children’s Hospital, Orlando, FL and the University Of Central Florida - School Of Medicine

Dr. Ramon Peleaux (1994), Vice-President, NC Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

Dr. Bryan Bell (2000), Chairman of “Advanced Technologies in Craniofacial Surgery”

Please keep us informed of your appointments/elections.
MEET JAY A. ANDERSON, DDS, MD

Originally from Minneapolis, Minnesota, Dr. Anderson attended Concordia College and the University of Minnesota where he obtained his B.S. and D.D.S. degrees (1973). After practicing general dentistry for four years he completed a residency in Dental Anesthesiology at UCLA IN 1980. Upon completion of that residency he joined the faculty of the University of North Carolina with a joint appointment in the departments of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and Anesthesiology.

Dr. Anderson subsequently attended medical school at UNC (1984), followed by an internship in Pediatrics and a residency in Anesthesiology. He continued to serve as a faculty member in the schools of medicine and dentistry until 1990, at which time he left for the private practice of anesthesiology in South Carolina. For eighteen years Dr. Anderson served as the Medical Director of Anesthesia at Tuomey Healthcare Systems in Sumter, South Carolina, as well as the senior partner of Carolina Anesthesia, a private anesthesiology group.

In March of 2008 Dr. Anderson returned to the University of North Carolina to rejoin the Departments of Anesthesiology and Oral & maxillofacial Surgery. Dr. Anderson is participating clinically in the sedation clinic, supervising general anesthetics in the OMFS dental school operating room, lecturing in and coordinating courses on pain and anxiety control and conducting clinical research.

Dr. Anderson and his wife Holly worked for many years with Medical Ministries International, serving on medical/dental short term mission projects, primarily in the Dominican Republic. Previously dental students from UNC have traveled with the Anderson’s on these trips. Currently, the Anderson’s serve as adjunct faculty with International Christian Ministries, where they have spent approximately one month per year teaching primarily in Kenya and Uganda. They returned to Kenya this fall to continue their work.

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI GEORGE W. SANDERS, DDS

George’s wife and former UNC Oral Radiology faculty, Sally, informed us of George’s passing on May 20, 2009. George completed OMFS training at UNC in 1979, DDS degree from the University of Tennessee and a baccalaureate degree from Wheaton College in Illinois. George also spent two years serving the Peace Corps in Malaysia and the US Air Force in Syracuse, NY.

Upon completion of residency in Chapel Hill, George and Sally moved to the Gunderson Clinic in La Crosse, Wisconsin, where George joined the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He became the residency program director in 1991 and remained there until 2002. George and Sally decided to relocate to the western U.S. and moved to Fruitland, Idaho where George established a private practice in January, 2002. During his career, George served as an OMFS accreditation site visitor for the ADA and was also an examiner for the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He was on the Board of Directors of the Denver Seminary for ten years. George loved oral and maxillofacial surgery and looked forward to working every day. He served the communities of La Crosse and Fruitland well and provided his patients with full scope care.

George and Sally were able to return to Chapel Hill in March, 2008 to attend the UNC-Duke basketball game. During that visit, multiple other alumni and faculty who crossed paths with George were able to enjoy an evening reunion dinner at Hotel Siena.

Sally’s address is 563 Sunset Road, Fruitland, ID 83619.

ALUMNI JESSE THOMAS (TOM) MURPHY, DDS

Tom died on September 20, 2009. Tom was born in Eden, NC. He completed a DDS degree at UNC in 1971 and residency training from UNC in 1975. Tom began his practice in oral surgery in Asheboro, NC in 1975, where he practiced until 2002. He was active in many civic organizations and was a member of the NC Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

Tom is survived by his wife Linda and two daughters.
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