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Construction on the Dental Sciences Building is under way. Please see page 12 for full information on the building and private giving campaign in support of this exciting project.

ON THE COVER: Dental students (left to right) Mike Magnotta, Kareem Redmond, Joc Jernigan, Shante Lestini, Jeff Finn, Magi Youssef and James Purvis after the 2010 White Coat Ceremony. This annual School of Dentistry event signifies the importance of professionalism and leadership as DDS students begin their patient care experiences.

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Dear friends,

This is a time of great promise within the UNC School of Dentistry. Much of that has to do with the Dental Sciences Building currently under construction. Already, you can see the “bones” of the 220-seat auditorium and other key features emerging. And much of it has to do with the dental education, patient care, service and research this school has performed so well for six decades.

As you probably know, the school has come through a rigorous accreditation process involving more than two dozen dental educators from across the nation visiting the school in April 2010. In its exit interview/verbal report to school officials, the team noted several school strengths: the fourth-year general dentistry group practice, advanced education programs, allied programs, student enthusiasm, community outreach in which students and faculty actively participate, quality of current facilities and the Dental Sciences Building, dental research and self-study documents’ quality.

With Dr. John Williams’ move to the deanship of the Indiana University School of Dentistry, I have been “recruited” to serve as interim dean while the University conducts an extensive search for a successor. Dean Barbara Rimer, who leads the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, is heading up this committee and has been dedicated to involving the faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends in the search process for the best candidate. The new dean will lead, and hopefully advance, a dental school whose faculty, staff and students are eager to advance oral health for the people of North Carolina.

I’m also happy to report that Paul Gardner has returned to the School of Dentistry, in the roles of associate dean of advancement and executive director of the Dental Foundation of North Carolina. Paul, as you likely know, served the dental school with distinction for seven years before stepping down, and we are truly glad he has returned.

Both Paul and I spend a good deal of time planning with faculty members and staff for the new Dental Sciences Building going up on the corner of Manning Drive and South Columbia Street. The N.C. General Assembly and University leadership have been very generous with the major investments to make this new resource possible—and during a challenging economic time. We equally depend on the critical support of the school’s generous alumni and friends to bring the building to its proper completion.

Dr. Jim Harrell Sr., who is chairman of the building campaign steering committee, has expressed the need for private support so eloquently, and I couldn’t improve upon these words: “We’ve got to come up with the last $6 million, and we’ll be glad we did: This building will help create a sense of community we’ve never had before.”

Thank you for your time, and I send my very best wishes to you and your families.

John W. Stamm, DDS
Dear Colleagues:

I’ve been honored to serve the School of Dentistry as dean for the past five years. During that time, we recognized the Dental Research Center’s 40th anniversary, then decommissioned and demolished the DRC to make room for a new building with state-of-the-art laboratories and educational space, and began what has become fast-moving construction of that very building.

During that time, we also created and implemented a fourth-year general dentistry group practice to expand patient treatment opportunities for students while they still have the “safety net” of faculty supervision. I appreciate what this school community has done to make this educational model such a success on behalf of these talented students and the patient care they will provide as practitioners. A little more than a month ago, we welcomed close to 30 national leaders in academic dentistry to the school for a comprehensive review of 12 academic programs. I saw during that accreditation site visit, as I had seen many times in the past, the ways in which this community pulls together to achieve its missions of excellence in teaching, research, patient care and service. The visiting team saw that spirit of teamwork, too.

I have delighted in meeting many alumni across the state and nation, who are always quick to tell me of their love for this school and what their education gave them so they could make their own significant contributions to oral health. Just one of many examples is the dental hygiene alumni breakfast held last fall. Graduates from the 1950s recounted their detailed memories of day-to-day life in the dental school. The students in attendance (and everyone else) took in every word. That’s one of the many strengths of this school—the strong connections between graduates and current students, which I’ve observed in action at N.C. MOM clinics.

I could name many other strengths, all of which will contribute to a bright future for this School of Dentistry. I look forward to hearing about all of the new developments in the life of this institution, and I will share in the joy at the completion of the Dental Sciences Building.

Dr. Stamm will assume his interim dean responsibilities officially on Tuesday (May 25), and I join all of you in wishing him well in this role.

I wish the very best for the UNC School of Dentistry and its faculty and staff members, students and graduates. This school makes a powerful contribution to sustaining and advancing the oral health of North Carolina’s citizens and beyond. I thank you very sincerely for all that you do to ensure this excellence.

Dr. John N. Williams has stepped down as dean of the UNC School of Dentistry after five years in that role. He became dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry in mid-June 2010.

Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Chancellor Charles R. Bantz and Dr. Uday Sukhatme, executive vice chancellor and dean of the IUPUI faculties, formally announced Williams’ selection in December 2009. Williams replaces retiring Dean Lawrence Goldblatt. The IU School of Dentistry, located on IUPUI campus, is one of the oldest dental schools in the nation.

Williams had announced earlier in 2009 that he would be stepping down from his UNC School of Dentistry leadership role. Williams had served as dean of the UNC School of Dentistry since May 2005. Previously, he had served as dean of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry since 1999.

Below is an e-mail Williams sent to UNC School of Dentistry faculty, staff and students after his last day in the office (May 24):

John and Lucy Williams
## Continuing Dental Education Calendar

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The UNC School of Dentistry was the subject of a feature in the January/February 2010 Carolina Alumni Review. Writer Darv Johnson’s (’93) article is reprinted with the permission of the Carolina Alumni Review:

Most people drive themselves into denial to avoid visiting a dentist, but Jan Mock, recently retired from the Guilford County school system, drives 54.7 miles from his Randleman home to Chapel Hill just to see one. Mock’s not there for a simple cleaning; he needs several teeth extracted and a plate put in. He still calls the visits “a pleasure.”

“T’s donating my body to science,” he says, cracking jokes from an examination chair at the UNC School of Dentistry clinic while fourth-year student Savannah Gelesko ’06 treats him.

Mock is among tens of thousands of North Carolinians who visit the UNC School of Dentistry’s clinic every year, spurred on by pain, lured in by the promise of dental services at less than half the going rate. And even while the school is taking on these patients at reduced cost, it is sending its students and faculty around the world to work for free:

Back in the U.S., Galloway is one of dozens of UNC students who volunteer with N.C. Missions of Mercy, a nonprofit started by 1981 School of Dentistry alumnus Dr. Steven Slott ’75 to provide free dental services to those who can’t afford them. Organized and staffed by volunteers, Missions of Mercy trucks in dental supplies, equipment and chairs and sets up for one- or two-day stands across the state. “Everywhere we go, we see people in need,” Slott said. “Patients start lining up at midnight, and we start up at 6 a.m. When we get there, they are lined up around the block.”

The dental school students are just as eager to take part. Galloway helped coordinate the student volunteers for the October Missions of Mercy clinic in Dare County; the volunteer list he posted on campus was full in 30 minutes.

“Some people were crying at the end, because they had been in pain and the pain was gone,” Galloway said, describing the Kill Devil Hills clinic. “There are really no words to describe the experience.”

But dental students don’t need to leave Chapel Hill to see this level of need. The 64-chair clinic in Tarrson Hall, which is managed and run by students under faculty supervision, handles about 80,000 patient visits a year, and there is a lengthy waiting list. “We’ve always had more people trying to get into the system than we can accommodate,” said Dr. Douglas Solow.

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The patients commit to sit for three-hour visits, but in return they get quality care at bargain prices. Gerald Boyle of Cary has been visiting the clinic since 2004, having lower and then upper dentures put in. "The way they treat patients is extraordinary," Boyle says. "The commute is the worst part."

And Jan Mock, who has dental insurance, says he can get a lot more work done at the clinic before he reaches his $1,000 annual benefits limit. "The $1,000 goes farther here," he said.

The typical patient has shifted over time with the state’s changing demographics, Solow said. In general, clinicians are seeing less decay in people’s teeth than they did a decade ago. And they are handling more geriatric patients — “they have a lot more teeth than they did 20 years ago,” Solow said — and more Spanish speakers. The clinic has adapted by hiring a full-time interpreter and developing techniques to deal with the mobility and memory issues that older patients might have.

UNC dentists also are seeing more young kids than ever. Dr. Jessica Lee ’02 (PhD), associate professor of pediatric dentistry, says the dental disease rate for young children in North Carolina is "incredibly high."

"The younger kids are definitely getting worse,” said Lee, who routinely places crowns and fillings in the teeth of children as young as 18 months. "A lot of people are on the well system. They don’t have fluoridated water. A lot of it is just habit and diet. We’ve got some work to do educating parents and the public.”

The dental issues that continue to plague North Carolinians — many of which are driven by access to care problems — is one reason why Dean John Williams has put renewed emphasis on clinical training. “I can show you dental disease right down the road in Durham that will rival what you see in some of these other areas,” he says.

Williams will step down after five years on the job to pursue other academic interests. The school is assembling a list of potential replacements; candidates on the short list are expected to come to campus for interviews in late February or early March.

As part of meeting the state’s growing need, the dental school plans to move into a 216,000-square-foot building by 2011. The new space will enable the school to increase class size from 80 to 100, as well as increase the amount of research it pursues on campus. It will be the school’s fifth major expansion since the 1950s.

For the first time, there is in-state competition on the horizon as well. A new dental school is expected to open at East Carolina University in 2011. UNC faculty and administrators say the new school could make recruiting faculty more challenging, particularly given how difficult it is to lure faculty from lucrative private practices into academia. But they don’t expect the competition to impact the quality of their student body. Having another program in the state “will help us out,” says pediatric dentist Jessica Lee. “We can’t train them all.”

Students like Patrick Galloway, meanwhile, say they’re ready to take on dental disease wherever it can be found. Galloway, a North Carolina native, hopes to be part of the school’s next volunteer trip to Moldova. After he graduates, he wants to practice in North Carolina and continue to work with Missions of Mercy. Treating low-income patients, Galloway says, “is going to be a huge aspect of what I do. There’s no way you could pry my hands off of that.”

Story by Darv Johnson ’93
Photo by Patrick Galloway
Brunson Gives School’s Commencement Address

Dr. W. David Brunson, associate director of the American Dental Education Association Center for Equity and Diversity, gave the keynote address at the UNC School of Dentistry’s commencement on May 9, 2010, at Carmichael Arena.

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) is the only national association that represents the academic dental community.

Brunson has extensive ties to UNC. He received his undergraduate degree as a Morehead Scholar and also received his DDS degree from the University. He was a member of the School of Dentistry faculty from 1982 to 2003 and served as the dental school’s assistant dean for predoctoral education and as clinical professor in the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and General Dentistry.

ADDRESS EXCERPTS

“I wonder how someone born in the small eastern North Carolina town of Ayden … who graduated from high school in Charlotte … who was very fortunate to receive a Morehead Scholarship to the University of North Carolina … who graduated from the UNC School of Dentistry … who practiced general dentistry in Fayetteville … who had an academic career at UNC School of Dentistry … and now works for the American Dental Education Association … I wonder how did this happen?

“In thinking about this, I have come to the realization that I am because of many great people believing in me, teaching me and mentoring me. I want you to reflect about how you got to this point in your life as I recount my experiences.

“You are here because of your parents and family … I had parents who encouraged me to try many things, to work hard and to achieve.

“You are here because of your high school teachers … I had high school teachers who encouraged me to study and apply for scholarships so that I could go to college.

“Someone encouraged you to consider dental assisting, dental hygiene or dentistry as a career … After college, while working in the Physiology Department at the UNC School of Medicine, then-UNC dental school Dean Jim Bawden convinced me that dentistry was a better profession for me than medicine, so I applied and was admitted to dental school.

“Your educational experience here at UNC has involved excellent teachers, faculty and staff … When I was in dental school, Dr. Clifford Sturdevant taught me how to be precise and see things in tenths of millimeters. Dr. Lee Sockwell convinced me that anything was possible … And Dr. Jack Shankle said ‘Endodontics was for me.’

“Am I correct? Did you not already have a host of teachers and mentors that have helped you to get to this point?

“Now, what do I predict you will find now that you have completed your educational programs? When you go into private practice or continue your education in other advanced programs, you will find new mentors … After graduation from dental school, now 39 years ago, I went into private practice in Fayetteville, North Carolina, with my classmate Stan Griffin, and we learned the importance of collaboration and sharing. In private practice, I was mentored by Dr. Larry Williams of Benson, Drs. Jim Harrell Sr. and Jim Harrell Jr. from Elkin; they all helped me become involved in organized dentistry … in the Academy of General Dentistry and the North Carolina Dental Society. During those years, I was fortunate to be in positions of leadership that allowed me to be involved in the issues that were facing the profession and allowed me to be a part of efforts to address the delivery of better oral health care. In both my private practice and in my leadership roles in organized dentistry, I was guided by the commitment that private practitioners play a critical role in assuring that oral health care is available to children and adults, regardless of socioeconomic background.

“You will find that you will have the opportunity to contribute to the educational experiences of those who follow you … Throughout my 11 years of private practice, I was also fortunate to be involved in part-time teaching at the UNC School of Dentistry. This led to a developing interest in academic dentistry. I was encouraged to join the UNC School of Dentistry as a full-time faculty member by Dean Ben Barker and Dr. Ted Roberson. Throughout my career at the School of Dentistry, I was mentored by Dean John Stamm, Drs. Ron Hunt, Dan Shugars, Ken May, Bill Maixner, Carolyn Booker and also very significantly by Rebecca Wilder, Larry Keith and Chancellor Chris Fordham. I soon came to
recognize the value of the educational experience when students from diverse backgrounds come together. When I became assistant dean for predoctoral education, my commitment to diversity was enriched by these mentors who helped me develop and implement the steps necessary to turn my commitment for diversity into action.

"In 2003, I retired from the School of Dentistry. I entered a new phase of my career. I became a member of the American Dental Education Association's [ADEA] Center for Equity and Diversity. With direction from Dr. Rick Valachovic, executive director of the American Dental Education Association, and Dr. Jeanne Sinkford, ADEA's associate executive director and director of ADEA's Center for Equity and Diversity, this position allowed me to help develop and implement dental education's role in the Summer Medical and Dental Education Program [SMDEP]. I am the co-deputy director of SMDEP and have the opportunity to meet and influence young people from disadvantaged and low-income backgrounds to become interested in dentistry and medicine, to help them develop academic skills, to successfully apply and be admitted to dental schools (as well as medical schools) and to become the practitioners we need in our professions.

"Another passion of mine is helping to encourage dental and allied dental students to consider careers in academic dentistry. With funding originally from the American Dental Association and currently with funding from ADEA, the American Association for Dental Research and the ADEA Gies Foundation, the Academic Dental Careers Fellowship Program creates opportunities for allied dental and dental students to participate in a one-year fellowship that includes mentoring, teaching and participating in all aspects of academic dentistry. Since 2006, 33 students from 21 dental schools have completed the fellowship, including two recent UNC graduates. Seven students are currently participating in this year's program.

"The school emphasizes the value of diversity in providing the most outstanding educational experience … incorporates research into the curriculum … commits to a diverse student body … provides community-based educational experiences … and promotes the value of giving back to the community. I am proud to be a graduate of this institution because of these important values.

"What I have discussed up until now is the important roles that teachers and mentors have played in my career and have hopefully encouraged you to reflect on yours. But of course we all know that none of our professional life is possible without strong support from our families and significant others. And I have certainly received that kind of support and I am sure that you have also. At this moment, when you are about to graduate, please don't forget to thank those who have supported you along the way.

"So all of you have now completed this phase of your education, and where you go and what you do now is your choice. I encourage you all to become involved in your profession and find those mentors who will help you grow and develop. I am sure that you realize that your education is just beginning.

"In closing … I offer you the following challenges:

"I challenge [those] of you completing your dental assisting program to be involved in the team approach to delivering outstanding oral health care. You are a critical member of the team.

"For [those] of you finishing your dental hygiene programs, I challenge you to value the special
relationships you will develop with patients and your important role in providing high quality oral health care.

“For our … DDS graduates, I challenge you to not isolate yourself, but become involved in organized dentistry and in your community, be committed to providing care to those who have difficulty accessing care, and support dental education by mentoring, by teaching and by giving.

“For all of the advanced dental education students, my challenge to you is to continue the search for knowledge with your research and to use your knowledge and skills to allow others to follow in your footsteps.

“And to all graduates, I challenge you to remember where you came from, to use your talents to their fullest, to follow your passions and encourage others to enter this fulfilling profession of dentistry.

“I thank Dean Williams for this opportunity and once again, congratulations to all of you. You are the future of our profession, and seeing you here makes me feel great! Thank you.”

Stamm Named Interim Dean

Dr. John W. Stamm, who led the UNC School of Dentistry for 15 years, became the School of Dentistry’s interim dean on May 25, 2010.

Dean John N. Williams left his UNC position to become dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry in June. Dr. Barbara Rimer, dean of UNC’s Gillings School of Global Public Health, has been leading a recruitment effort involving a search committee and a national search firm since September 2009.

Provost Bruce Carney updated the school’s faculty, staff and members of the search committee on the search process in April. He then announced Stamm’s new role.

“As you all know, he has been a distinguished leader in the profession and in the University, and Chancellor Thorp and I are extremely grateful that he is ready to step in and once again lead the School. He has our complete confidence.”

During Stamm’s tenure as dean, from 1989 to 2004, the School of Dentistry planned and constructed a 92,500-square-foot clinical teaching facility (Tarrson Hall) and a patient simulation laboratory. Both of these facilities incorporated state-of-the-art instructional technology; under Stamm’s leadership, the school invested heavily in an IT infrastructure that enabled a full-service electronic curriculum, an electronic patient record system and a centrally supported digital imaging system.

Stamm also established the school’s first Ph.D. programs and led the school through two accreditation processes and two capital campaigns.

Accreditation preparation and self-study processes began close to two years before more than two dozen national academic dentistry leaders arrived at the UNC School of Dentistry for a Commission on Dental Accreditation site visit. The comprehensive review of 12 educational programs took place April 13–15, 2010. Dr. Janet Guthmiller (pictured here), associate dean for academic affairs, led the detailed preparation, with ongoing guidance from then-Dean John N. Williams. Williams hosted a post-accreditation get-together to thank Guthmiller, faculty, staff and students for their hard work and warm welcome to the accreditation site team. Guthmiller said later in an e-mail to the school community, “Your time and efforts in this process were greatly appreciated and the enthusiasm, commitment and dedication to the UNC School of Dentistry were readily apparent and complimented by our site visit team! This has been a tremendous dental school community effort!”
Rossouw Is New Orthodontics Chairman

Dr. Paul Emile Rossouw, formerly chair of the Department of Orthodontics at Texas A&M Health Science Center Baylor College of Dentistry, has joined the UNC School of Dentistry as chair of the Department of Orthodontics.

Rossouw’s first day at the school was Feb. 1, 2010. Dr. Ceib Phillips, professor of orthodontics, had served as interim chair of the department since October 2008, when Dr. Camilla Tulloch retired; Tulloch had served as department chair since July 2001 and had been a member of the orthodontics faculty for more than two decades.

Rossouw, who has more than two decades of experience within academic and clinical orthodontics, is a five-time graduate of the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, with a B.Sc. in chemistry and physiology, a B.Ch.D. in dentistry, a B.Ch.D. (honors) in children’s dentistry, an M.Ch.D. (cum laude) in orthodontics and a Ph.D. in dental science. Additionally, he received an orthodontics certificate from Baylor College of Dentistry in 2006.

With his arrival at UNC, Rossouw has now led orthodontics education at four universities—and within three countries. He was named acting head of the University of Stellenbosch’s Department of Orthodontics in 1987, with that appointment becoming permanent in 1989. He later left South Africa to head the Department of Orthodontics for the University of Toronto, from 1992 through 2000. While at the University of Toronto, he also directed the Burlington Growth Centre (2000-2002) and was a private practitioner.

He joined Baylor College of Dentistry as professor and clinic director in the orthodontics department in 2002 and held this position until he was appointed chair of Baylor’s orthodontics department in 2004.

Rossouw has served as a visiting orthodontics professor in Sweden, Brazil and Japan and has authored dozens of papers in peer-reviewed journals. His professional interests include clinical orthodontics, biomaterials and jaw growth. His areas of research concentration include the evaluation of standardization in orthodontic materials, the longitudinal study of craniofacial growth of normal subjects and the stability of orthodontic treatment results.

Offenbacher Named Periodontology Chairman

Dr. Steven Offenbacher, a UNC faculty member since 1991, has been selected chair of the School of Dentistry’s Department of Periodontology.

His appointment was effective July 1, 2010. Offenbacher had been serving as interim department chair since Feb. 1.

“Steve is a gifted scientist, renowned internationally for his research on the possible associations between periodontal and systemic health. He has brought enormous distinction to the school for his translational discoveries,” said Dr. John W. Stamm, the school’s interim dean. “Steve exudes an unusual level of creativity and brings enormous passion to his work. These characteristics are matched by his exceptional ability to present complex concepts and hypotheses in a clear and readily understood manner, whether on the page or from the lectern. Despite all he brings to the classroom or the laboratory, Steve maintains an open, low-key and approachable style, especially for his students.”

Offenbacher is the OraPharma Distinguished Professor of Periodontal Medicine in the school, and he also directs the Center for Oral and Systemic Diseases. A past president of the American Association for Dental Research, Offenbacher’s national and international honors include the International Association for Dental Research’s Basic Research in Periodontal Disease Award, the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Special Impact Award and the American Dental Association’s Norton M. Ross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research.

Offenbacher introduced and popularized the term “periodontal medicine” and for his translational research has become a three-time recipient of the American Academy of Periodontology’s Clinical Research Award.
Dr. David T. Wong (far left), keynote speaker and director of the UCLA Dental Research Institute, spent much of the 2010 School of Dentistry Dental Research in Review Day talking to faculty and students about their research. Pictured with Wong are Jordan Olsen (DDS 2010), Dr. William Vann and Stephanie Werner (DDS 2010). The day included oral and poster presentations of more than 60 research abstracts, lunch-and-learn sessions and Wong’s talk on “Salivary Diagnostics for Oral and Systemic Diseases.” Students were involved in most of the 62 research abstracts presented that day. The School of Dentistry ranks sixth of U.S. dental schools in National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research grant funding.

New Web Site, Academic Catalog for School

As if orientation and the beginning of a new academic year were not enough to celebrate, the UNC School of Dentistry welcomed the launch of its new Web site in August! The site, www.dentistry.unc.edu, features revamped sections devoted to alumni, patient care, research, community service, continuing education and academic programs. The site also incorporates favorite features from the former site, such as WebMail and the “People Search” directory.

Initial planning began two years ago. The University’s Design Services office created the original design, with ongoing guidance provided by Office of Computing and Information Systems (OCIS) then-director Dr. Jim George and School of Dentistry Web administrator Tim Murphy. A school committee of faculty, staff and students met regularly to discuss the site development and provide input.

“Information technology is evolving at a breakneck speed, and it has become central to our working lives at the school, whether in classrooms, laboratories, clinics, the finance and human resources divisions or our development initiatives, to name just a few. Every dimension of teaching, research and patient care depends on the school’s advanced, well-functioning Web site. In addition, our Web site increasingly carries our UNC Dentistry brand to the rest of the world,” said Dr. John Stamm, the school’s interim dean. “Much work goes into the creation of a site of this depth and breadth, and we anticipate that the site will continue to change periodically to reflect the needs of our faculty, staff, students, patients and countless visitors. I commend Dr. George’s leadership and gratefully recognize the tremendous effort Tim and the advisory committee gave this project.”

In mid-August, the School of Dentistry also published its 2010-11 academic catalogue, which is available online at www.dentistry.unc.edu/academic/.
Pre-clinical laboratory:
This educational space featuring windows onto South Columbia Street will contain 34-inch benches and fold-away simulator units for each student. A centralized instructor station will allow faculty to offer instructions that will be broadcast to monitors at each bench. The room can be subdivided to more comfortably accommodate smaller groups—such as dental hygiene graduate and continuing dental education classes.

The primary academic entrance along South Columbia Street also serves as the new “front door” for the School of Dentistry. Visitors will enter a large lobby that overlooks an interior community space and provides a reception area for the nearby 220-seat auditorium. Visitors will notice the maple trim detail and thick terrazzo flooring.

Community space:
Extending upward as an atrium to the third floor; the Dental Commons (community space) will serve multiple purposes. A café will be located to one side, and total space will be flexible, accommodating everything from the lone student studying before a class in the nearby auditorium to a large reception.

The School of Dentistry ranks sixth out of U.S. dental schools in National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research funding, and the University ranks second out of U.S. academic institutions in this funding. New flexible laboratory space will support collaborative, patient-centered research.

A flat “green roof” above the atrium will be visible from the upper floors. This feature will filter stormwater and improve thermal efficiency. Numerous features have been incorporated into the building’s design that are attentive to sustainability, such as using lighting controls and daylight sensors to reduce energy use. The University will pursue a “silver” LEED certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.
Cornerstone of Excellence

Dental Sciences Building construction well under way—new classroom, laboratory space to be ready in early 2012

A crane now swings across the Dental Sciences Building “footprint” and likely claims much of the passersby attention at the corner of Manning Drive and South Columbia Street.

That will change in a big way—in a 216,000-square-foot way—in early 2012, when the crane is gone and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Dental Sciences Building officially opens. Construction is moving along on schedule on this building, which will feature a variety of innovative educational spaces, administrative offices and research laboratories. Plans are under way to launch the private giving campaign in support of this building in January 2011.

Please join us on a “tour” of just a few of the many interesting and cost-effective features of the building. We begin our tour across Manning Drive…

Library/reading room:
Located at the very end of the south wing on the third floor, the library/reading room will be near the central research offices and look down on the Dental Commons. Faculty and students will be able to make use of this room.

Pedestrian bridge across Manning Drive: Pedestrians crossing Manning Drive will enter the School of Dentistry’s exterior arcade and be able to observe hands-on education taking place within the 100-seat pre-clinical laboratory. The covered arcade, running parallel to South Columbia Street, will integrate the School of Dentistry into the day-to-day life of the University like never before.
Dental Sciences Building: Be a Part of the Excitement

Alumni and friends of the UNC School of Dentistry have many worthy reasons for supporting this great institution. When I consider my own reasons, I think about when this state did not even have a dental school! The state, University and practicing community made a huge investment in dentistry when they created this school. I want to honor that investment and demonstrate my gratitude for the generations of dedicated practitioners who have received their education here.

The state and University have made yet another huge investment in dentistry on the UNC campus, and the Dental Sciences Building now under construction is the result. And just as when the school was first created, those of us in the practicing community have an opportunity to be a part of the excitement.

Can you imagine walking through that 216,000-square-foot building in 2012 and knowing you played a part in making this facility possible?

We all know about the patient care and outreach the school’s students perform in our state’s communities and throughout the world. They volunteer their time and talent, and then talk about what a privilege such service is. We all know about the dental research taking place on this campus, and the promise these discoveries have for improving other people’s lives. Don’t we all want to support the ways this building will advance the education of these deserving students and dental research?

Friends, we need your support. The state government and the University have given very generously to make this dream of a building a reality, and the dental school is being asked to provide at least $6.1 million in private funds toward the

WHY I GIVE TO THE DENTAL SCIENCES BUILDING FUND

"Why give? How can we not support our school? When I have the privilege of traveling around the country teaching, the pride you feel and the esteem you are granted by being introduced as a graduate of the UNC School of Dentistry is palpable. Every age has seen the leaders of the dental community step up and make a powerful statement that this is important enough to give an impactful gift—one that makes you feel proud to be part of something special.

"My wife and I set up the Ron Strauss Award when we built Tarrson Hall and made a bigger gift to the Dental Sciences Building for many reasons. This is a much harder time to give, which makes it more important to do so.”

—DR. MARK HYMAN
WHERE WE ARE IN THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS

The atrium slab has been poured and the steel columns put in place. The atrium will provide much-needed student and staff gathering areas that will feature a relaxed sitting room environment, a dining area, a café and a technology wall.

Scaffolding is being placed in preparation for welding the atrium steel structural supports. The atrium green roof will be visible from the fourth floor of Brauer Hall and the upper floors of the Dental Sciences Building. A skylight will provide natural lighting to the atrium below.

Please visit the Dental Sciences Building site, located at www.dentistry.unc.edu, to see a webcam view of the ongoing construction.
The building’s construction. The building’s design includes a 220-seat auditorium, a brand-new patient simulation laboratory, a community space large enough for school events, collaborative research lab space and much, much more. Just take a drive down Manning Drive to the intersection with South Columbia Street next time you’re on campus, and you will see why I’m thrilled to be a part of this fund-raising effort. Dental Foundation of North Carolina board members and Campaign Steering Committee members are currently making their pledges toward our goal. We plan to kick off the public phase of our campaign to raise the remaining funds on January 7-8, 2011.

When the Dental Sciences Building is completed in early 2012, the dental school will likely be one of the largest dental campuses nationwide. We all have seen how the dental school has maximized the use of every inch of space in its current buildings. Just think of the difference this brand-new space will make in the school’s mission of excellence in teaching, patient care, service and research.

I encourage you to contact any of the steering committee members whose names are listed on the previous page for more information. Or please contact Paul Gardner, associate dean of advancement, at (919) 966-4563 or paul_gardner@dentistry.unc.edu. Paul and all of us on the steering committee welcome the opportunity to share information with you. This is an exciting time in the life of the School of Dentistry, and we are all fortunate to be a part of it.

JAMES A. HARRELL SR., DDS
Dental Sciences Building Campaign Steering Committee Chairman

WHY I GIVE TO THE DENTAL SCIENCES BUILDING FUND

“**When I first learned of the construction of the new Dental Sciences Building and the impact this building is going to have on the future education of dentists from UNC, I knew I wanted to be able to contribute to the ongoing greatness of our school. It is such an honor to say that I graduated from the UNC dental school and an even greater honor to be able to give back to the school that gave me a wonderful education. I have supported the school in the past and will continue once my pledge has been met but I certainly did not want to miss such a great opportunity to be a part of history in the making!!**”

—DR. JESSICA BISHOP

“My father always believed in excellence at every level. Giving to the Dental Sciences Building honors his memory because of what it represents to the state of North Carolina: the opportunity for the best and the brightest to ensure that excellence in dentistry continues for decades to come.”

—DR. SHARON NICHOLSON HARRELL in memory of William Cole Nicholson

“**From 1930 to 1942, there was an average of 150 students from North Carolina studying dentistry each year in other states, because there was no dental school in North Carolina. In 1942 I left the University of North Carolina to study dentistry in Virginia. In 1950 the state of North Carolina built our first dental school. I was so thankful and proud to have a dental school at the University of North Carolina that I have always supported it in every way that I could! We have one of the top dental schools in the whole world, and this new building is critical to helping it remain one of the best.**”

—DR. JAMES HARRELL SR.
The purpose of this series is to invite an individual with a distinguished career related to dentistry to present a lecture as if this were the last opportunity to present what the speaker thinks is most important to share. Maixner, also a full professor in the Department of Endodontics and director of the school-based Center for Neurosensory Disorders, spoke on "The Development of a Scientific Career: the Effects of Time and Space."

Dr. Andrea Nackley Neely, assistant professor, is the recipient of the 2010 John C. Liebeskind Early Career Scholar Award, which recognizes early career achievements that make or show substantial promise of making an outstanding contribution to pain scholarship. She was honored on May 6, 2010, at the Centers of Excellence Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony during the 29th Annual Meeting of the American Pain Society in Baltimore.

Dr. Timothe Turvey, chair, delivered a distinguished lecture as a part of the Annual Scientific Meeting of the British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Turvey presented the Norman Rowe Lecture, which honors the memory of a surgeon who dedicated his career to the facially injured of Great Britain following World War II. Turvey’s lecture was titled "Orthognathic and Reconstructive Surgery: the Heritage, Legacy and Future of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery." The annual meeting, themed “Tomorrow’s World,” was held May 26 through 28, 2010, in Manchester. The British association’s purpose is to promote the advancement of education, research and the development of oral and maxillofacial surgery in the British Isles; and to encourage and support postgraduate education, study and research within the surgical specialty.

Department of Orthodontics

Dr. Emile Rossouw, chair, presented two lectures at the Ninth Annual Beirut International Dental Meeting held at Saint-Joseph University Faculty of Dental Medicine June 2 through 5, 2010. Rossouw presented two lectures at the meeting: "An Orthodontic Anchorage Approach to Treat Class II Malocclusions" and...
Sandler Receives Ned Brooks Award for Public Service

Dr. Eugene Sandler, an emeritus professor in the UNC School of Dentistry, received the University’s Ned Brooks Award for Public Service in April 2010. The award honors the achievements of Dr. Ned Brooks, clinical associate professor of health policy and management and UNC 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 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 Sandler served as dental director for Carrboro and Hillsborough for 26 years. From 1993 until his retirement at the end of 2007, Sandler 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.

Dr. 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 Dr. Sandler set the highest standards for them and it was so obvious how he really cared about them," Strauss wrote in his nomination.

“Dr. Sandler continued to visit extramural sites and communicated the goals and objectives of the rotations to the adjunct faculty at those sites. Therefore, the experiences 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 University’s Carolina Club. In concluding her presentation of the Ned Brooks Award, center director Dr. Lynn Blanchard announced that Sandler’s son Frank and his family had made a contribution to the center in honor of Sandler.

The award comes with a plaque and monetary gift.

“The Impact of Translational Research on the Clinical Outcome of Orthodontic Treatment.”

Yan Ying Yao and Ramona Futrell were named the 2010 Denise Hancock Memorial Award recipients. The department established this award two years ago to honor the memory of Denise Hancock, a School of Dentistry employee for almost three decades. Hancock served within the department as a dental assistant and then as a patient relations representative. She passed away in 2007. The award recognizes the dental assistant or former dental assistant still employed within the dental school who best exemplifies the values Hancock represented: hard work, a sense of fun and loyalty. Yao works within Clinical Affairs, and Futrell works within the Department of Prosthodontics.

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Department of Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Jessica Lee, associate professor, was recognized as a Class of 1958 Clinical Research Award recipient in January 2010. The presentation took place at the School of Dentistry’s inaugural lecture in the “Last Lecture Series.” The Class of 1958 award recognizes research conducted by school faculty that has “the greatest potential for direct contributions to the practice of dentistry and dental health generally.” Lee is the principal investigator for a $1.8-million National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research grant addressing how the oral health literacy of caregivers and parents affects the oral health outcomes of their preschool-aged children.
Dr. Rocio Quinonez, clinical associate professor, was named the 2010 Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) National Dental Honor Society’s Charles Craig Teaching Award recipient. This is the first time a UNC faculty member had received this honor. The award recognizes young dental educators for particularly innovative teaching in dentistry, with emphasis on encouraging students to pursue lifelong learning and explore dental education as a career. Quinonez received a certificate of recognition and a $1,000 cash award, as well as formal recognition at the OKU annual business meeting in Washington, D.C., on Feb. 28, 2010.

Dr. Tim Wright, chair, was recently named vice chair of the American Dental Association’s Council on Scientific Affairs. This organization provides guidance to the ADA leadership, dental practitioners and other health professionals/practitioners and the public on issues related to the science of dentistry. The council also promotes, analyzes and leads scientific studies related to dentistry. Wright also was recently named vice president of the International Association for Dental Research Mineralized Tissue Scientific Group.

Department of Periodontology

Dr. Steven Offenbacher, chair, was recognized as a Class of 1958 Clinical Research Award recipient in January 2010. The presentation took place at the School of Dentistry’s inaugural lecture in the “Last Lecture Series.” The Class of 1958 award recognizes research conducted by school faculty that has “the greatest potential for direct contributions to the practice of dentistry and dental health generally.”

Department of Prosthodontics

Dr. Carlos Barrero, clinical associate professor, received a UNC/Lenovo Instructional Innovation Grant in late 2009 for his project titled “Improving Dental Competency Evaluations.” The UNC Center for Faculty Excellence received 27 proposals and selected six. Barrero said his project goal was to improve the frequency and quality of faculty feedback for dental students during their competency assessments. “Digital pen and camera technology [were] used in clinical settings to improve the quality of the feedback, increase the amount of face-to-face feedback that the instructor can provide during the evaluation, and to expedite student access to a digital version of the completed evaluation.” The project was implemented during the 2009-10 academic year.

Phillips Is Appointed Assistant Dean for Graduate Education

Dr. Ceib Phillips, professor of orthodontics within the School of Dentistry, has been named assistant dean for graduate/advanced dental education. Dr. David Paquette had formerly held that position. Paquette, who joined the dental school faculty in 1994, left the school in early 2010 to become associate dean for education at the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine.

In her new role, Phillips is responsible for planning and implementing policies, procedures and systems related to the advanced education programs at the School of Dentistry. She leads coordination of admissions, curriculum and outcomes assessment related to these programs and also designs and implements instructional tracks and collateral degree programs with other schools campuswide.

Other responsibilities include, but are not limited to, mentoring students who may consider careers in academic dentistry and promoting research activities related to students in advanced education and collateral degree programs.

Phillips, who received her doctorate from the University of Wisconsin and her master of public health degree in biostatistics from UNC, joined the University’s faculty in 1978. Phillips is a recognized leader in clinical research related to orthodontic and oral and maxillofacial surgery treatments with a focus on patient recovery and patient perception of process and outcomes. Her teaching responsibilities are primarily within the Department of Orthodontics and the research core of the post-doctoral program.
Mauriello Steps Down as DH Director; Wilder Named Interim Director

Dr. Sally Mauriello, a professor in the UNC School of Dentistry’s Department of Dental Ecology, has stepped down from her position as director of the Undergraduate Dental Hygiene Programs to focus on teaching, research and community service.

Rebecca Wilder, who directs the Graduate Dental Hygiene Education Program, became interim Undergraduate Dental Hygiene Programs director on Aug. 16, 2010. Wilder is a professor in the Department of Dental Ecology and also serves as director of faculty development for the school.

In announcing Mauriello’s decision, interim Dean John W. Stamm praised her deep commitment to the dental hygiene programs and her outstanding efforts in preparing her programs for the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation’s site visit in April 2010.

Mauriello joined the School of Dentistry faculty in 1979. She received her bachelor of science degree in dental auxiliary teacher education (DATE) from the University that year, and then both her master of education and doctor of education degrees from North Carolina State University.

During her five years of program leadership, Mauriello oversaw the modification of the dental hygiene degree completion program to include an online format; instituted an annual Commitment Ceremony for first-year dental hygiene students; and worked with alumni to reactivate the Dental Hygiene Alumni Association and create a scholarship (in collaboration with the Durham-Orange Dental Hygiene Association). She also personally mentored students who went on to receive national recognition for community projects and conducted patient-centered research during this time.

Wilder, a faculty member since 1981, graduated from the University of Missouri-Kansas City with bachelor of science and master of science degrees in dental hygiene education. She has taught and directed courses in the dental hygiene undergraduate and graduate curricula, as well as in the pre- and postdoctoral curricula. Wilder is an editor for the second edition of Mosby’s Dental Hygiene: Concepts, Cases, Competencies, published in 2008.

She is a former recipient of the Colgate/IADR Oral Health Research Award for outstanding accomplishments in oral health research and also the Pfizer/American Dental Hygienists’ Association Award for Excellence in Dental Hygiene.

In 2007, she received her alma mater’s Alumni Achievement Award. She currently serves as the editor-in-chief of the Journal of Dental Hygiene and has mentored many graduate students in their research, as well as their professional development as future academicians.

Wilder has participated in leadership training in the University’s BRIDGES professional development program for women and, more recently, the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Leadership Institute and the ADEA/Academy for Academic Leadership’s Institute for Teaching and Learning.

She will continue in her roles as faculty development and graduate program director.

In Memoriam... Dr. Troy Sluder

The following article was previously published in The Operative Word, the Department of Operative Dentistry’s newsletter:

Dr. Troy B. Sluder Jr., professor emeritus in the Department of Operative Dentistry, passed away December 22, 2009, in Manteo, N.C. Dr. Sluder was born in Asheville, N.C., the son of the late Troy B. Sluder Sr. and Ressie E. Sluder.

Troy was married to Ruth Hodges Sluder on Christmas Day and they remained together for 61 years until her death in December 2008. He was a member of University Baptist Church of Chapel Hill and served as a deacon for many years. Dr. Sluder was a retired captain in the United States Navy and was a recruiter at the UNC School of Dentistry.

Troy was a graduate of Woodfin High School in Asheville and received his BS from the University of Tennessee, BA from George Washington University, DDS from the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry and MS from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

He was a member of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society, North Carolina Dental Society and American Dental Association. In addition, he was a charter and continuing member of the Academy of General Dentistry. Dr. Sluder was a well-known lecturer around the country, a teacher, a researcher, author and clinician in the Dental Faculty Practice at UNC. He joined the department faculty in 1955 and retired in 1994.

Troy was widely acknowledged as a very caring friend, devoted husband, wonderful father and grandfather. He always had time for friends and family, giving his time and energy to help everyone. Surviving are his son Dr. Troy B. Sluder III, who is a dentist in Manteo, N.C.; his grandson Barron T. Sluder; and her daughter-in-law Lyubov G. Sluder.
In Memoriam... Mr. Larry Keith

Mr. Larry Keith, who directed his career toward increasing health career access to disadvantaged students, passed away Feb. 17, 2010. Since 1992, Mr. Keith had served as director of the Medical Education Development Program, a collaborative effort between the University’s School of Dentistry and School of Medicine. The program provides a rigorous summer academic program and other support to disadvantaged students who have shown an interest in pursuing medical or dental careers.

“He knew his MED students,” said Dr. Al Wilder, the School of Dentistry’s assistant dean for admissions and student affairs. “He knew their performance and their potential, and he knew which would be successful in dentistry. Qualified MED students never had a better advocate.”

Then-Dean John N. Williams, in announcing Mr. Keith’s passing to the School of Dentistry community, said Mr. Keith’s “integrity, determination, kindness and humor made everyone with whom he came in contact feel welcome at this University. He made everyone believe they had something valuable to contribute. He will be missed tremendously.”

Mr. Keith also had served on the School of Dentistry’s DDS admissions committee for a number of years.

His other roles, all within the School of Medicine, were assistant dean of admissions, associate director of the Office of Educational Development and director of special programs. He joined the School of Medicine as associate director of the MED Program after receiving his master’s degree (anatomy) from the University in 1985.

Previously, he received his bachelor of science degree in biology from N.C. A&T State University and his master’s degree in biology from Virginia State University.

Mr. Keith was born on Dec. 28, 1951. He is survived by his wife, Wilma Spann Keith, and their adult children, Channte Keith and Quinton Keith.

The UNC School of Medicine contributed to this article.

In Memoriam... Dr. Svein Utheim Toverud

Born in Oslo, Norway, in 1929, Svein Toverud showed an early aptitude for learning and science. On completing his basic education in Norway, Dr. Toverud travelled to the United States in 1949 to further his education at the University of Iowa. After spending only a year at Iowa, Dr. Toverud enrolled at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine and graduated with a DMD degree in 1954. To further his considerable promise in basic sciences, Dr. Toverud took a two-year fellowship in pharmacology. With a U.S. dental degree and a research fellowship to his credit, Dr. Toverud was recruited back to Oslo, where he joined the dental faculty at the University of Oslo. Dr. Toverud spent the next 13 years in Oslo, but many of his research endeavors there involved his earlier collaborators back at Harvard, particularly Professor Paul Munson and later Dr. Phil Hirsch.

In the latter 1960s, Drs. Munson and Hirsch were recruited by the University of North Carolina and moved to Chapel Hill. The key notion was to establish a major center for mineralization research. In that context, the idea to recruit Dr. Toverud to UNC emerged almost immediately. By 1969, the efforts of Drs. Munson and Hirsch, together with those of Drs. Drew Dickson and Jim Bawden from the UNC School of Dentistry, came to fruition. In the summer of 1969, Dr. Svein Toverud, his wife, Connie, and their three children (Kirsten, Kari and Jon) arrived in Chapel Hill. His initial academic appointment was as an associate professor in the Department of Pharmacology, with secondary appointments in the School of Dentistry and the newly formed Dental Research Center.

At UNC, the arrival of Svein Toverud advanced the mineralized tissues research effort considerably, and a steady stream of high-level scientific papers appeared on various aspects of bone biology, all written in collaboration with his UNC colleagues. Research on enamel and dentin formation was...
a natural extension of the efforts devoted to bone research. After seven very productive years (1976), the University of North Carolina promoted Dr. Toverud to the rank of full professor. He continued a very active research program that included important findings on lactation. During that period, two graduate students from the Department of Pharmacology, Mary Thomas and Lori Dostal, earned PhD’s under his mentorship.

Very important to the UNC dental students who enrolled from 1969 onward was that Professor Toverud presented to them state-of-the-art lectures and labs in pharmacology and clinical pharmacology, both with a rich dental perspective. The clinical pharmacology course was a separate course given during the third year and which Dr. Toverud originated. For his entire career at UNC-Chapel Hill, Svein Toverud anchored the teaching of pharmacology to dental students, a period of time that extended for over three decades. He was both the course director and lectured extensively in the pharmacology course for second-year dental students. He also directed and participated in the clinical pharmacology course in the third year. The clinical pharmacology course emphasized case studies in dentistry and problem solving skills with considerable student discussions.

As the years went by, Professor Toverud was very proud of his uninterrupted success in earning major peer-reviewed grants from the National Institute of Dental Research. In addition, throughout his career Professor Toverud continued very fruitful scientific collaborations with colleagues in Scandinavia. The year 1983 was quite special for Professor Toverud because he was granted a six-month sabbatical leave to the Karolinska Institute, and in that same year he was honored by being chosen as a Fellow of the American Academy of Science.

Professor Toverud retired from UNC’s full-time faculty and became professor emeritus in 1996. However, he continued to work in a part-time capacity until 2003, teaching pharmacology to dental students, a service deeply appreciated by the UNC School of Dentistry. In 1997, the UNC dental students voted to honor Professor Toverud with the Richard E. Hunt Jr. Memorial Award, the school’s highest recognition for teaching excellence. On the occasion of his last lecture to the second-year dental students, the class rose spontaneously and gave him a rousing round of applause.

In late December 2003, Professor Toverud returned home to Oslo, cherishing there the familiarity of place, customs and language he so enjoyed as a child and young man in Norway. Professor Toverud died on Dec. 28, 2009. He was a very kind, gentle man with a wonderful sense of humor that he kept in spite of the fact that a physical ailment frequently caused him great pain. Most people were not aware of this. His Norwegian heritage was one of fortitude in the face of adversity with a strong work ethic, an excellent model for our time.

Submitted by Drs. John W. Stamm and Barry P. Goez.
The following is news from the activities and achievements of current or newly graduated students in the School of Dentistry’s DDS, dental assisting, dental hygiene and advanced education programs.

**Dr. Stephanie Blumenshine Jackson**, who recently completed her residency in the pediatric dentistry graduate program, received national recognition in May 2010 for her research into how poor oral health may affect children’s school performance.

Jackson received the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry’s 2010 Ralph E. McDonald Award at the organization’s 63rd Annual Session, held in Chicago. The honor, which comes with a cash award, is a judged competition that recognizes the Graduate Student Research Award recipient who has produced the most outstanding research project.

Specifically, her research examined missed school days related to routine dental care and missed days related to dental pain and infection. Analysis of telephone surveys with the parents 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.

Jackson’s adviser was **Dr. William F. Vann Jr.**, William Demerit distinguished professor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. Research collaborators were **Dr. Jessica Y. Lee**, associate professor of pediatric dentistry and also associate professor of health policy and management in the Gillings School of Global Public Health; **Dr. Jonathan B. Kotch**, the Carol Remmer Angle endowed professor in children’s environmental health in the Gillings School of Global Public Health; and **Bhavna T. Pahel**, postdoctoral fellow with the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research.

After graduating from the pediatric dentistry program in June, Jackson joined a private pediatric dental practice in Charlotte.

**Dr. James Rokos**, who recently completed his residency in the oral and maxillofacial pathology graduate program, received the William G. Shafer Award at the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (AAOMP) Annual Meeting in Tucson, Ariz.

The William G. Shafer Award is given to the oral and maxillofacial pathology resident who attains the highest score on the academy’s fellowship examination. The exam tests the clinical and histopathologic diagnostic skills of individuals seeking fellowship status in the academy. The honor comes with a $500 cash award. Rokos also is now a fellow in the academy.

Rokos was a private practitioner in general dentistry for almost 17 years before entering the oral and maxillofacial pathology advanced education program in 2007. He recently received his master of science degree in oral and maxillofacial pathology from UNC. His master’s thesis, titled “Immunohistochemical Evaluation of Sex Steroid Hormones in Sicca Syndrome,” explored the development of Sjögren’s Syndrome, an autoimmune disorder that affects the glands producing tears and saliva.

Rokos completed the residency program in June and plans to pursue a career in academic oral pathology at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

**Dr. Kristen Fritz**, who recently completed her residency in the graduate orthodontics program, received two national awards in June 2010 for her research abstract titled “Prevalence of Sleep Disorders in Pediatric Orthodontic Patients.”

The American Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine (AADSM) formally announced the presentation of its Student Research Award and its Research Excellence Award to Fritz at the organization's June 5 annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas. **Dr. Rose Sheats**, a faculty member who co-authored the research and was Fritz’s research mentor, presented the research abstract at the meeting. She also was quoted in a CNN health blog on the research soon after the award presentation.

The awards recognize the scientific merit of Fritz’s research abstract, said **Dr. Fernanda**
Almeida, chair of the AADSM Research Committee.

Fritz’s study included 100 pediatric orthodontic patients between 7 and 17 years of age. Parents or guardians of each patient filled out the pediatric sleep questionnaire, a previously validated survey used to assess risk for pediatric sleep disordered breathing. Findings from the questionnaire indicated that an estimated 18 percent of the pediatric orthodontic patients surveyed are at risk for sleep-related breathing disorders; risk for pediatric sleep disordered breathing was not found to be associated with any demographic or craniofacial characteristics that were investigated. The preliminary research findings indicated value in clinicians including screening questions for sleep disordered breathing in their health histories of pediatric patients.

Katie Bell, who received her master’s degree in dental hygiene education from UNC in May 2010, is the recipient of the American Dental Hygienists’ Association (ADHA)/Sigma Phi Alpha Journalism Award. Her honor recognizes a master- or doctoral-level student who has written a review or original research paper that contributes to the dental hygiene body of knowledge. The competition also has a category for baccalaureate or degree-completion candidates. Bell received a plaque and $1,000 award at the ADHA Annual Session opening ceremonies in June in Las Vegas. A selection committee reviewed and ranked the submitted manuscripts. Bell’s manuscript, “Incorporating Oral-Systemic Evidence into Patient Care: Practice Behaviors and Barriers of North Carolina Dental Hygienists,” will be published in an upcoming issue of the Journal of Dental Hygiene, the scientific, peer-reviewed journal of the ADHA. Bell surveyed 1,665 licensed dental hygienists in North Carolina on ways in which they incorporate oral-systemic evidence into practice and the barriers they perceive in accomplishing this action. She also administered a companion survey to a cohort of N.C. dentists.

Professor Rebecca Wilder chaired a School of Dentistry thesis committee, whose members were Drs. Ceib Phillips, Steven Offenbacher and David Paquette (who has since left the school’s faculty). Earlier this year, Bell was selected to represent UNC in the national DENTSPLY/ADHA Graduate Student Clinician Research Program competition. She presented her research in June at the ADHA Annual Session.

UNC dental students Maggie Fetner and Jessica Oliver were selected as 2010-11 N.C. Albert Schweitzer Fellows; in the coming year, they will implement a project focused on helping pediatric cancer patients. Specifically, their program will focus on helping these cancer patients cope with oral manifestations of cancer and its treatment by providing education on oral hygiene, nutrition...
and preventive measures. They will conduct their program at the N.C. Cancer Hospital.

“We are honored and humbled by this opportunity to support these patients and their families,” said Oliver. “Conditions such as dry mouth, tooth decay and gum disease are often seen in these patients as a result of cancer and/or its treatment. With an emphasis on dental education and prevention, we hope to make a difference for these patients who deal with so much on a day-to-day basis.”

Dr. Carol Haggerty, clinical associate professor in the School of Dentistry’s Department of Diagnostic Sciences and General Dentistry, and Sandi Jarr, supportive care nurse consultant with the N.C. Cancer Hospital, will serve as advisers for the project.

The one-year interdisciplinary fellowship program focuses on community service, leadership development and reflection. Fellows receive a stipend of $3,000 for their project; the Dental Foundation of North Carolina provided support for the dental education project. Schweitzer Fellows must spend 200 hours in fulfillment of their project, with 150 hours spent in face-to-face contact with the population they are serving.

The mission of the N.C. Albert Schweitzer Fellows Program is to develop “leaders in service,” individuals who are dedicated and skilled in addressing the health needs of underserved N.C. communities and whose example influences and inspires others.

Dental student Rebecca Glover Andrews was recently inducted into the University’s Frank Porter Graham Graduate and Professional Student Honor Society.

Chancellor Emeritus James Moeser spoke at the April 13, 2010, induction ceremony, where Andrews and other inductees received certificates.

In informing Andrews of her selection, the organization mentioned her ongoing community efforts to improve oral health, her dedication to service and her advocacy for her fellow dental students.

Andrews is an officer in ENNEAD, the School of Dentistry’s student-led volunteer organization. Among her activities, she has volunteered at mouth guard projects, N.C. Missions of Mercy clinics and many health fairs.

The Frank Porter Graham Honor Society, founded in 1990, recognizes University graduate and professional students for outstanding service to the University and community. The organization also recognizes faculty, staff and friends of UNC who have made significant contributions to the University’s graduate and professional education.

Lisa Barron, who is pursuing her master of science degree in dental hygiene education at UNC, has been selected as the student representative to the American Dental Hygienists’ Association (ADHA) Committee on National Boards.

The five-member committee is made up of the ADHA commissioner to the American Dental Association Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations (JCNDE), one student member and three dental hygienists who are active ADHA members. The ADHA president appoints the committee members.

Among the committee’s responsibilities are reviewing dental hygiene examination specifications, monitoring the quality of the examinations, selecting dental hygiene test constructors and recommending rules for conducting examinations.

Along with her ADHA committee membership, Barron also will be a member of the JCNDE Committee on Dental Hygiene.

Barron’s previous dental hygiene leadership experience includes 13 years of active duty in the U.S. Air Force, where she helped develop training programs for dental technicians and assessment tools for measuring professional competency. She is currently a member of the U.S. Air Force Reserve.

While attending St. Petersburg College – where she received her associate and bachelor of applied science in dental hygiene degrees – Barron was elected president of the Florida Student ADHA. She went on to receive the organization’s leadership award and was selected to serve as alternate student delegate for District IV.

Currently, she is a part-time dental hygiene educator at Central Carolina Community College and is conducting research on issues related to oral health literacy.
Next Stop: Nepal

Dental student organizes team for crucial dental outreach

When UNC dental student Shenan Bradshaw first traveled to Nepal in summer 2009, she couldn’t have imagined that she would return just one year later—and with a School of Dentistry team she had organized.

That’s just what happened, however, in a matter of months. The UNC School of Dentistry Nepal Project team left in mid-July for Kathmandu and traveled to several regions of the country before returning to the United States in mid-August. In partnership with the Health and Development Society Nepal, the four-student team and faculty advisers sponsored several dental clinics, distributed oral health supplies and toured private and public health-care facilities.

Their travels took them, and their guide, through mountainous and rural countryside; included was a 13-day trek by foot to Mount Everest Base Camp. The team distributed oral health supplies and provided health education along the way.

The project team included Bradshaw, dental students Anna Shope, David Sullivan and Blake Brown. Dr. Frazier Keck, adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Operative Dentistry, was the faculty adviser, and Dr. Andre Ritter, associate professor in the Department of Operative Dentistry, joined the effort when the team returned to Kathmandu for another clinic.

Bradshaw received the 2010 UNC Mahatma Gandhi Fellowship Award for her efforts in organizing the Nepal Project. This award, the first University-recognized student-run scholarship, is presented to students who demonstrate leadership, passion and the ability to inspire others to make a difference in this world, said Aravind Chandra, fellowship co-chair. Selected students are also chosen based on their ability to effectively plan a service project that will directly influence the community in which they plan to work.

“Shenan’s dedication to her project was made very clear to the committee, and they recognized her passion and drive to succeed,” said Chandra. “Moreover, she embodied all of the qualities that the Mahatma Gandhi Fellowship looks for, including those mentioned above. Her past experience, intense planning and confidence she expressed in her project made...
her an ideal candidate for our fellowship. Finally, on behalf of the Mahatma Gandhi Fellowship, I would like to say that we are very pleased to help fund this trip that Shenan has taken the time to plan and we wish her the best as she carries out her project.”

All of this began back in 2009, when fellow dental student Alice Ma learned of a health education outreach effort in Nepal and held an informational meeting, which Bradshaw attended. Both joined the effort, flew to Nepal and spent their time assisting with community clinic efforts and learning about the country. “I got to see a lot of Nepal,” Bradshaw said. “I thought there was an amazing amount of need.”

When she returned, Bradshaw began to think seriously about forming her own effort that would focus on dental outreach in Nepal. She spoke with Dr. Rick Mumford, director of the UNC dental school’s Dentistry in Service to Communities program, and Dr. Ronald Strauss, the University’s executive associate provost, among others, who helped her make connections to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Through the CDC, she was introduced to the government-sanctioned Health and Development Society Nepal.

Bradshaw held her own informational meeting for the Nepal Project, and 10 students applied. And soon afterward, a project Bradshaw thought would take two years to fully form had a team and a Nepalese partner organization—by the end of 2009. Her efforts were further rewarded when she received the Mahatma Gandhi Fellowship Award in late March 2010.

“Since her first year in dental school, Shenan Bradshaw has impressed me with her genuine desire to serve others who may be caught up in tough circumstances of life,” Mumford said. “Shenan specifically sought out the Mahatma Gandhi Fellowship Award because she knew it would be a great fit for her community service in Nepal.”

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—DR. RICK MUMFORD
The School of Dentistry DDS Class of 1979 gathered at the home of Dr. Nona Breeland and Dr. Frank Maness on April 10, 2010. Class president Dr. Michael Burleson spoke about the efforts to bring the group together and thanked Dr. Renda Welch for her work pulling together the photos and updates from the class members. Dr. Ray White, who served as the school’s dean from 1974 to 1981, provided continuing education that morning, and he and his wife, Betty, were guests at the reception that evening.
Save the Date

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Dean’s Club Dinner
6:30 pm, Hill Ballroom, Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill
For Dean’s Club Members Only

The Dental Foundation of North Carolina established the Dean’s Club to recognize individuals and couples who make total annual contributions of $1,000 or more. By choosing to join the Dean’s Club, you are investing in the UNC School of Dentistry, providing a base of annual support that is critical to advancing its mission to promote the health of the people of North Carolina, the nation and the world through excellence in teaching, patient care, research and service. Dean’s Club members also make it possible for the dean to offer a future path of excellence for students, to attract and retain gifted faculty and to maintain UNC’s reputation as a world-class dental school.

DO WE HAVE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS?
The Dental Foundation and Dental Alumni Association have started the UNCDAA DentistrE News, an electronic newsletter that goes out periodically to alumni and the school community and is posted at the school’s “Alumni and Friends” Web area.

We’d love to add your name to the distribution list and make sure you have all the latest school news! Simply send your e-mail address to sarah_andrews@dentistry.unc.edu. Please note that if you have already provided your e-mail address to the UNC or dental school development offices, you do not need to send it again to receive the newsletter.

“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.”

—ALBERT CAMUS
Please let us know what is new with you by sending an e-mail to alumni@dentistry.unc.edu. We’ll be delighted to include your news in the next issue of the North Carolina Dental Review.

1977

Jefferson Davis, DDS, was featured in a recent Albany (Ga.) Herald article on how his career as a plastic surgeon and his work as an artist intersect. The article’s headline was “Davis is an artist with scalpel and paint brush.”

1983

Lynette Laylon Smith, DDS, has been elected to the North Carolina Dental Society Board of Trustees. Smith has been in general practice in Mount Airy with her husband, Dr. Ben Smith, since 1990. She serves on the UNC Dental Alumni Association Board of Directors.

1984

Mark E. Hyman, DDS, was recently named among Dentistry Today’s 2011 Leaders for his work as a lecturer in continuing education. This is the 11th year Hyman has received the award, which recognizes the top 100 dental continuing education leaders in the nation. Earlier in 2010, Hyman and his wife, Anita, were named recipients of the President’s Award for Outstanding Leadership by B’nai Shalom Day School president David Altman. The Hymans were honored based on two decades of active involvement in activities supporting the school.

1987

Sharon Nicholson Harrell, DDS, is featured in a University marketing effort that shares stories of Carolina people who are helping North Carolinians and, at the same time, helping to lead the state into the future. The Web site — one.unc.edu — features a cross-section of stories showcasing the work Carolina people do every day and its ripple effect around the state. Harrell is a dentist who works to meet the dental needs of low-income children in Moore, Hoke and Montgomery counties as dental director of the non-profit hospital network FirstHealth of the Carolinas.

1990

Fred Ashley White, DDS, was elected to the Governing Board and became a Trustee for the Archaeological Institute of America. The AIA, founded in 1879 and chartered by the U.S. Congress, is considered the foremost organization dedicated to the protection and preservation of the world’s archaeological resources and the information they contain. During the past two decades, White has been researching ancient diseases and their initial presentations for prevention of future pandemic plagues. This evidence-based paleopathology research has granted White access to some of the world’s most sensitive archaeological sites.

2003

Miguel Vidal, MS/Prosthodontics, has been recognized as one of the “Ten Under 10” by the Massachusetts Dental Society. In an effort to highlight the impact that new dentists are having on the dental profession, the dental society created the “Ten Under 10” award. To qualify for this recognition, dentists must have graduated from dental school within the past decade, be a dental society member and have made significant contributions to the profession, community and/or organized dentistry. Vidal was featured in the spring 2010 issue of the Journal of Massachusetts Dental Society and received an award plaque.
Linda Tarrson, who has provided strong support for the advancement of the dental profession and the UNC School of Dentistry’s educational mission, received honorary membership in the American Dental Association in fall 2009.

The ADA Board of Trustees conferred this honor for her outstanding contributions to dentistry, and she was installed during the 2009 ADA Annual Session. In April 2010, School of Dentistry alumni Dr. Nona Breeland and Dr. Frank Maness hosted a dinner at their home to celebrate Tarrson’s honor.

Tarrson has served on numerous dental industry and education boards, including the School of Dentistry’s Carolina First Campaign honorary advisory committee. In 2003, she announced that the E.B. Tarrson Philanthropic Fund of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago would contribute $100,000 to the Dental Foundation of North Carolina to establish a merit-based scholarship in memory of the late Bud Tarrson, who had served as chairman and chief executive officer of the John O. Butler Co. He died in 1997.

Bud Tarrson and his wife, Linda, contributed $2 million to the School of Dentistry in 1992 to help build Tarrson Hall, the school’s clinical teaching facility.

Linda Tarrson is a member of the ADA Foundation Board of Directors, and she has served as a board member for the Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry, University of Southern California School of Dentistry and University of California at Los Angeles School of Dentistry.

She received the UNC School of Dentistry’s 2005 Distinguished Service Award from the Dental Foundation of North Carolina and serves on the foundation’s Board of Directors. She also is vice chair for the UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Visitors.

Breeland, Maness Host Dinner in Tarrson’s Honor
Retired Faculty Luncheon

Close to 70 current and former UNC School of Dentistry faculty members attended the school’s annual Retired Faculty Luncheon, sponsored by the Dental Foundation of North Carolina and held April 23, 2010, at the Carolina Inn. Dr. William “Rusty” Morris, president of the Dental Foundation of North Carolina, presided at the event. Professor Rebecca Wilder, who directs the Graduate Dental Hygiene Education Program and is now interim Undergraduate Dental Hygiene Programs director, gave a presentation on “A Formal Initiative at the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Dentistry for Professional Development of Faculty.”
Captured on Canvas

The Dental Foundation of North Carolina graciously funded the creation of portraits honoring former School of Dentistry deans Dr. James Bawden, Dr. Ben Barker, Dr. Raymond White and Dr. John N. Williams. The school already possessed portraits of Dr. John W. Stamm and Dr. John Brauer. Gordon Wetmore, a Tennessee-based artist who created Stamm’s portrait, also created the new portraits. They are temporarily installed in the passageway connecting the ground floors of Tarrson and Brauer halls, and they will find a permanent “home” in the Dental Sciences Building.

WHAT IS THE DENTAL FOUNDATION OF NORTH CAROLINA?
Chartered in 1950 by the UNC School of Dentistry’s founders, the Dental Foundation of North Carolina is the school’s nonprofit foundation. It raises funds from alumni, friends, corporations and foundations to provide exclusive support for students, faculty and programs at the UNC School of Dentistry. Assets in the Dental Foundation are overseen by its Board of Directors, most of whom are UNC School of Dentistry alumni. All contributions to the Dental Foundation of North Carolina are tax deductible and are, in short, contributions to the UNC School of Dentistry.
The UNC Best of Dentistry dinner was held on April 23, 2010, at the University’s Carolina Club. The evening provided an opportunity for the School of Dentistry to recognize alumni and friends who exemplify the best of the dental profession and promotion of dental health—as well as to thank the school’s supporters, who have ensured continued excellence in the School of Dentistry’s teaching, patient care, service and research missions. The Dental Alumni Association and Dental Foundation of North Carolina announced several awards that evening, including:

The Distinguished Alumni Award, recognizing the alumnus or alumna who has brought credit to the school through significant and extraordinary contributions to the profession and/or community: Dr. Delma Kinlaw (Class of 1981), one of the founding members of the Council of Interstate Testing Agencies and also the Dental Public Safety Committee, among other state and national professional activities.

The Distinguished Service Award, honoring exceptional service to the school and to dentistry, as well as a significant impact on the Dental Alumni Association: Dr. Flynn Harris, a member of the Dental Foundation since it began in 1962 (and also a past president) and a founding supporter of the Dean’s Club.

The John C. Brauer Award, named for the dental school’s first dean, recognizing outstanding service to the school: Dr. Ed Kanoy, recipient of the Richard Hunt Memorial Award for Excellence in Predoctoral Teaching and former chairman of the Department of Prosthodontics. Then-Dean John N. Williams selected Dr. Kanoy to implement the fourth-year general dentistry clinical program. Dr. Kanoy retired in January 2010.

The Dr. Henry Zaytoun Award, established by Dr. Zaytoun to recognize the graduating DDS student who has demonstrated superior professional and ethical demeanor in his or her dental education: Dr. Aaron Roberts, who graduated in May 2010. Dr. Roberts also is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy who served nine years in the U.S. Navy and received the Air Medal for missions flown during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The James A. Harrell Sr. Citizenship and Leadership Award, honoring Dr. Harrell, recognizes a student who brings exceptional leadership, enthusiasm, wisdom and service to his or her community, the School of Dentistry and the dental profession: Patrick Galloway, who has provided tremendous leadership in organizing students for N.C. Missions of Mercy clinics.

The Distinguished Service Award, presented to an individual who has offered meritorious service to both the dental profession and the School of Dentistry: Dr. Ed Kanoy. Past recipients include UNC President Emeritus William C. Friday, Linda Tarrson, Dr. Matt Wood, Dr. Ted Roberson, Dean John Stamm, Dr. Carol Stamm, Dr. Jim Harrell Sr. and Dr. Jacob Freedland.

The 2010 Dental Alumni Association Honorary Lifetime Member Award, honoring service to the School of Dentistry and profession of dentistry: Dr. John N. Williams, who served as the dental school’s dean from 2005-2010. During Dr. Williams’ years as dean, the Dental Sciences Building project moved from planning and design to construction. He led the school through the accreditation process, as well.
The Dental Foundation of North Carolina hosted a dinner on April 8, 2010, to honor the donors and recipients of the Foundation’s endowed scholarships and fellowships. Those endowments permitted the Foundation to award about $250,000 in scholarship and fellowship funding to dental hygiene, DDS and post-DDS students for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Foundation Scholarships, Fellowships Awarded for 2009-2010

Claude Adams Jr. Scholarship
James Purvis, Class of 2013
Paul Carruth, Class of 2012
Heath Brantley, Class of 2013
Josiah Rich, Class of 2012

Rex B. Card Scholarship
Jordan Olsen, Class of 2010

Carolina First Campaign Scholarship
Jennifer Dillon, DH Class of 2010
Kristin Fritzscbe, DA Class of 2010
Rebecca Brown, DA Class of 2010
Laura Jacobs, DA Class of 2010
Yolanda Hargrove, DA Class of 2010

Dr. Robert Russell Clark Memorial Scholarship
Nicholas Kain, Class of 2011
Aaron Roberts, Class of 2010
Byron Capps, Class of 2010
Rebecca Glover, Class of 2012
Justin Valentine, Class of 2010
Kevin Ricker, Class of 2012

Dr. and Mrs. Curtis Dailey Scholarship
Kelly Higgins, Class of 2012

Delta Dental Plan of North Carolina Scholarship
Pearly Shah, Class of 2010

Dental Assisting Scholarship
Christa Cox, DA Class of 2010
Carolyn Coates, DA Class of 2010

Dental Friends Scholarship
Leslie Yuan, Class of 2013

Alberta Dolan Dental Hygiene Scholarship
Rachel Vergaray, DH Class of 2011

Dr. James Baldwin Hancock Memorial Scholarship
Thomas Covington, Class of 2012

Miguel and Carolina Hernandez Memorial Scholarship
Michael Hernandez, Class of 2013

Dr. Edmund Baxter Hopkins Memorial Scholarship
Brian Karkar, Class of 2010

Linda Paschall Jarvis Scholarship
Kiera Grier, DH Class of 2011

Kendrick, Kendrick & Petersen Scholarship
Katelyn Henderson, Class of 2013

Loblolly Dental Study Club
Elise Watson, Class of 2012

Keith T. Macdonald and Family Scholarship
Brad Russell, Class of 2011

Kenneth N. and Georgia S. May Memorial Scholarship
Elizabeth Kivus, Class of 2011

Medical Security Scholarship for Leadership in Dentistry
Charles Beavers, Class of 2011

Morgan Family Scholarship
Tate Jackson, Class of 2010
Patrick Galloway, Class of 2011

Dr. H.V. Murray Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Brittany Semones, Class of 2010

Robert W. and Maude B. Outland Scholarship
Melissa Wilson, Class of 2013
Sarah Lee, Class of 2013

Eldon and Zetta Parks Scholarship
Katherine Donovan, Class of 2011

George and Nina Patterson Scholarship
Daniel Moore, Class of 2011

Raynor/Ferguson Scholarship
Maggie Wright Fetner, Class of 2011

Raynor/Garcia Scholarship
Lauren Kennedy, Class of 2011

Raynor/Holland Scholarship
Brett Alvey, Class of 2010
Raynor/Miska Scholarship
Jenna Alvey, Class of 2010

Dr. and Mrs. J. Ronald Sain Scholarship
Bethany Harris, Class of 2010

Jack and Grace Silvers Scholarship
Tate Jackson, Class of 2010
Tiffany Williams, Class of 2010
Ying Zhao, Class of 2012

Dr. Troy Sluder Scholarship
Derek Steele, Class of 2011

Clarence Lee Sockwell Scholarship
Joel Stroot, Class of 2013

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. “Dink” Styers Scholarship
Taylor McFarland, Class of 2012

E. Bud Tarrson Family Scholarship
Savannah Gelesko, Class of 2010

Lois E. Taylor Scholarship
Lindsay Carlton, Class of 2013

Markie Wicker Thomas Memorial Scholarship
April White, DH Class of 2010

Dr. William “Bill” Tulloch Memorial Scholarship
Mark Cummings, Class of 2012

UNC Dental Alumni Association Scholarship
Mahshid Bahadoran, Class of 2010
Jane Choi, Class of 2010
Jennifer Howard, Class of 2010
Anna Evans, Class of 2011
Patrick Galloway, Class of 2011
Maggie Wright Fetner, Class of 2011

University Dental Associates Scholarship
Cameron Blair, Class of 2010

Dr. Michael A. “Mickey” Webb Scholarship
Anna Evans, Class of 2011

James Gurney and Ruth Williams Scholarship
Jason Strein, Class of 2013
Jason Pratt, Class of 2013
Matthew Gidaly, Class of 2013

Advanced Education Fellowship
Dr. Daniel Bouwers

Elise and Baxter Sapp Fellowship
Dr. Astrid Alves DaPorta
Dr. Thomas Suranyi

Ann and G. Randolph Babcock Fellowship
Dr. Sandra Al-Tawwneh
Dr. Jesse Arbon
Dr. Romina Perri
Dr. Jonathan Reside
Dr. James Rokos
Dr. Jessica Shireman
Dr. Elizabeth Miller
Dr. Caleb Corwin

Andrew M. Brooks Fellowship (Orthodontics)
Dr. Jeffrey Berndt
Dr. Jocelyn Beville
Dr. Katherine Klein

Mary Jean Breeland Fellowship (Pediatric Dentistry)
Dr. Stephanie Blumenshine Jackson
Dr. Kimon Divers

Theodore Oldenburg Fellowship (Pediatric Dentistry)
Dr. Shanninna Bridgers
Dr. Bob Cherry
Dr. Jina Kang
Dr. Ben Lai

Jack Menius Fellowship (Pediatric Dentistry)
Dr. Kerry Arzenberger Dove
Dr. Allison Cavenaugh
Dr. Travis Hicks
Dr. Marshall Long

Jim Congleton II Fellowship (Pediatric Dentistry)
Dr. Shanninna Bridgers
Dr. Bob Cherry
Dr. Jina Kang
Dr. Ben Lai

“I am continually overwhelmed and appreciative of the support that the North Carolina dental community gives to students like me as we begin our dental careers. Your work and dedication to providing us with the resources we need is inspiring and I hope one day to give back to this school that has given me so much already. Thank you for making my dream a more affordable reality!” — ELISE WATSON, Class of 2012

“I appreciate your generosity, and I will remember this contribution in the future when I am in the same position to give back to the profession, as well as the state of North Carolina.” — PATRICK GALLOWAY, Class of 2011

Sandy Marks Fellowship (Pediatric Dentistry)
Dr. Shanninna Bridgers
Dr. Bob Cherry
Dr. Jina Kang
Dr. Ben Lai

Jacob Freedland Scholarship (Endodontics)
Dr. Fang Gu
Dr. Aurelia Vanderburg

Freedland Advanced Dental Education Fellowship
Dr. Nozomu Yamauchi
Dr. Kristen Fritz
Dr. Oliver Pin Harry
Dr. Supawadee Naorungroji
Dr. Greice Oliveira
Paul Gardner, whose two decades of leadership in higher education development include seven years at the UNC School of Dentistry, returned to the School of Dentistry in late 2009 in the role of associate dean of advancement.

Brad Bodager stepped down from that position earlier that year; Diane Frazier, director of major gifts for the University's Office of University Development, had served in an interim capacity since Bodager's departure.

Gardner, a 1986 UNC graduate, had previously worked within University development roles for 18 years. After graduating from the University and before joining the University as a development leader, Gardner worked in development at the University of Chicago and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Prior to joining the School of Dentistry in 1998, Gardner had served as assistant dean for development and alumni affairs at the UNC School of Journalism and Mass Communication. While in that role, from 1989 to 1998, he helped the journalism school surpass its goal for the University's Bicentennial Campaign.

Gardner led the School of Dentistry's development efforts from 1998 to 2005. He was instrumental in helping the school exceed its goal for the Carolina First Campaign, raising more than $34 million two years prior to the campaign's conclusion. More than 35 student aid funds and 11 faculty support funds were created during his tenure, and a $2 million gift for the Dental Sciences Building project was secured.

After leaving the School of Dentistry in 2005, Gardner joined Washington and Lee School of Law as associate dean for advancement. During that time, the number of development staff visits to alumni and total contributed funds increased by 180 percent.

Gardner returned to the University in January 2008, serving as associate dean for advancement at the School of Law. As was the case at the Washington and Lee law school, Gardner increased staff visits to alumni substantially and helped increase financial support to the School. More than $4 million was committed to the law school in 2008-09, and the number of $1,000-plus contributors increased by 26 percent in the 2009-10 academic year.

Could you provide two or three meaningful experiences or memories that you had when you were at the dental school earlier in your career and that you took with you?

It's difficult to isolate two or three, because there were so many meaningful experiences during my seven years at the school. In general, I recall numerous great experiences and relationships with faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the school. I'm worried if I start naming names I won't be able to include them all! It was always fun to see our supporters gather at School of Dentistry events (Best of Dentistry Dinner, Dean's Club Dinner, golf tournament, alumni receptions, etc.) and see how much they enjoy each other's company. They normally stay well after the event is supposed to be over, continuing their conversations and visiting with each other; and that was fun to see. My wife, Ronni, and I also were honored to be included in many holiday parties, birthday celebrations and other gatherings that our alumni would hold in their homes. One of my favorite parts of the job was – and is – visiting alumni across the state and the United States. My two children were born during my first tenure with the school and they were welcomed to the "dentistry family" with numerous cards, notes, well wishes and gifts. That meant a lot to us, but I guess I shouldn't be surprised by that outpouring of support since so many fathers, mothers, sons and daughters practice dentistry together. One specific experience that means a lot to me was the honorary Omicron Kappa Upsilon recognition I was given in 2005. That's truly an honor I'll always appreciate. I'm enjoying creating new memories with fantastic alumni, friends, faculty, staff and students.
What do you envision as the dental school’s key strengths and the messages that resonate with friends and alumni?

This is one of the things I want to hear from alumni, faculty, staff and students as I meet with them. Certainly, I can talk about a number of things: How we’re recognized by dental educators and professionals as one of the best in the country. How we educate dentists, dental specialists, dental hygienists and dental assistants who provide dental health care to the people of this state and, of course, across the United States and in other countries. How the school educates professors who go on to teach at UNC and in other dental schools. How we conduct research that helps the dentist in his/her office every day. How our alumni, obviously, provide most of that care, but also how our students and faculty members provide dental care in Tarrison Hall and Brauer Hall for thousands of patients. How our students and faculty members also provide excellent dental care through numerous extramural programs to North Carolinians, people across the United States and in other countries. But I want to hear what others think are our key strengths and messages so I can do a better job of working with our alumni who will support us and advance the school’s already strong reputation.

Why did you want to rejoin the school community?

The people. The alumni and friends of the School of Dentistry are wonderful. They’re compassionate, love the school and really want to see it thrive. The dentists, dental specialists, dental hygienists and dental assistants want to do good things for their patients, and they want our students and faculty members to benefit from their generous support. The faculty and staff are dedicated to ensuring that our students have an excellent experience in Chapel Hill, and they’re committed to making sure that the school remains one of the best in the country. As I said when I talked about memorable experiences from my previous tenure at the School of Dentistry, there are too many to count, but each of the significant experiences revolves around people, and I’m thrilled to be rejoining that special community of wonderful people to do what I can to help ensure our standing as one of the nation’s best.

What is the best part of your new role as associate dean of advancement?

Again, it all goes back to the people. I am enjoying reconnecting with the many generous and thoughtful alumni I worked with during my earlier stint at the school, and developing relationships with other alumni and friends (including corporations and foundations, of course) who want to help the school. I’m enjoying renewing my friendships with faculty and staff members. I’m excited to be a part of such a dynamic advancement team and to be a part of the effort to finish the new Dental Sciences Building. I’m looking forward to introducing the new dean to the people who care so much about this School of Dentistry and who will help him/her build an even stronger school. I am enjoying helping alumni and friends do the good things they want to do with their contributions, and helping students and faculty through the creation of scholarships, faculty support funds, and research funds. I’m grateful to be a part of the school’s future and all it promises.

What do you see as the school’s priorities for the next year in the area of advancement?

The dean will have his/her priorities when (s)he arrives, but I think it’s critical that I continue meeting with our department chairs, alumni volunteers and donors, and other key folks to assure them that our office will work cooperatively with them, be responsive to their suggestions and concerns and that everything we do will be focused on making the school stronger. Our immediate, primary goal is to raise private funds for the new Dental Sciences Building at the corner of Manning and Columbia. We have a committed building steering committee, and we are talking to our alumni and friends about ways they can help us complete that critical addition to the School of Dentistry campus. While we’re focusing specifically on the building, we need to reconnect alumni and friends with the School of Dentistry in a general way. So our advancement team is working to get in front of our alumni and friends, and to keep them informed about the great things going on at the school. I can’t emphasize enough just how important it is for all of our constituencies — alumni, friends, faculty, staff and students — to know that they can contact our office and we’ll respond in a timely fashion and do our best to make sure we help them with whatever their request may be. We also need to make sure we’re doing a good job of planning for the new dean’s arrival. We’ll need to introduce him or her to the North Carolina dental community and our alumni and friends across the United States. We’ll be calling on our friends to help us do that through study clubs, dental societies, alumni gatherings in friends’ homes, and so on. Our goal is to be the best dental school in the country and we need to ensure strong relationships with our supporters so that they’ll provide the private funding that is so critical to the school. We’re truly grateful for the generous commitment the State of North Carolina makes to our School of Dentistry and to the University, but we also need to raise private dollars to provide the margin of excellence that ensures our standing as one of the country’s best. I’m sure our new dean will take into account the thoughts of our faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends as (s)he determines what the school’s priorities are. Our office looks forward to helping him/her advance those priorities.
Andrews Joins the School’s Advancement Team as Assistant Director

Sarah Andrews joined the UNC School of Dentistry as assistant director of development on Sept. 14, 2010. Andrews, who grew up in Chapel Hill, previously served as assistant director for gift planning operations within the Office of University Development. In this role, she managed life income, the Charles Gerrard Legacy Society, the biannual Carolina Living Legends meeting, and marketing and stewardship initiatives, among other responsibilities.

Before joining University Development in 2007, she was a planned giving assistant with the UNC Center for Public Television. She received her bachelor of arts degree in sociology and justice and policy studies in 2001 from Guilford College and was a Presidential Scholar from 1997 to 2001. She also received her master of public administration degree from James Madison University in 2003.

As assistant director of development for the School of Dentistry, Andrews will plan and execute a comprehensive annual fund program, directing direct-mail, web-based and phonathon campaigns to increase Dean’s Club membership; and will raise unrestricted funds for the school and its departments, student aid and faculty support funds, class gifts and capital projects. She will also serve as executive director of the Dental Alumni Association and will plan Office of Advancement events.

““We are excited about Sarah joining the Office of Advancement,” said Paul Gardner, the school’s associate dean of advancement. “Those who have worked with her rave about her excellent work ethic, communication skills and great attitude. We’re fortunate to bring her to the School of Dentistry, and we look forward to introducing her to our many alumni and friends.”

Interim Dean John W. Stamm presided at an October 1, 2010, “Topping Out Ceremony” for the School of Dentistry’s Dental Sciences Building. The Dental Sciences Building Campaign Steering Committee hosted the event; guests were escorted to the interior ceremony site, which allowed a “first look” at the 220-seat auditorium and other building features. Dr. James A. Harrell Sr., who chairs the steering committee; and Dr. Charles Norman, vice chairman of the committee, also spoke at the event. Then those in attendance had the opportunity to sign a Carolina blue beam and watch as the construction team lifted it into place. “Happiness is generated when we’re doing something that will help others,” said Harrell. “It makes us happy to think of how many persons this building will help in the future.”

The Dental Sciences Building Campaign will enter its public phase in January 2011. The campaign goal is $6.1 million, and more than $3.5 million has been committed thus far. More than 100 naming opportunities are available in the building; for more information, please contact the Dental Foundation of North Carolina at (919) 966-4563.
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