Chairs Message:
Leaders of the Past, Present and Future

Coming from the AAPD meeting in Seattle, it’s hard to not to be filled with a sense of pride. The presence of UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry alumni and friends was evident at every turn from the continuing education offerings to the leadership positions on council, committee and Board of Trustees. In last issue of the department Newsletter, I touched on the legacy of the department with a focus on the past. Our history has been filled with past presidents of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (Jasper Lewis, Roy Lindahl, Ted Oldenburg, and Bill Vann); past president of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (Mike Roberts), chairs of numerous AAPD councils and committees (Scott Cashion, Carrie Arquitt, Mike Ignelzi, Tom McIver, Martha Ann Keels, Ron Venezie, Tim Wright, Teg Brickhouse, LaRee Johnson etc…). I believe the greatest legacy a leader can leave is having developed other leaders so as I think about the future and look at our current residents and recent graduates, I am very optimistic. I see in them the future of pediatric dentistry, the Department and the horizon has never looked so bright. I vision another AAPD president, Chair of Department, investigators and teachers. It is our role to develop the next generation as widely and as deeply as possible. That is why I am so proud of our development efforts focused on residents’ support and experiences. Who would have thought nearly 15 years ago when the first Congelton Leadership Fellows were named that we would still be touting the leadership experiences given to them and now have generations of Congelton fellows that have gone to do great things. As pediatric dentists, we spend our days passing along knowledge and training to people, children, and families. We also have an obligation to pass this along to the future of our specialty: the residents and the young pediatric dentists. If you want to leave a legacy, invest in people. That is what matters in this world.

Divaris Receives Award

Kimon Divaris (2011), Associate Professor in the Department received the Spurgeon Dental Society’s Faculty Appreciation Award, a school-wide award given by students enrolled in advanced dental education programs. The award is given to outstanding faculty engaged in graduate education. Kimon received his DDS in 2005 from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens before coming to UNC for graduate training in pediatric dentistry and a PhD in Epidemiology including a certificate in Global Health in 2011. He joined the Department of Pediatric Dentistry as full-time faculty in 2012. Aside from his teaching and clinical engagements, Kimon has active research interests in the genetic and microbial basis of early childhood caries, as well as health disparities and dental education. Congratulations to Kimon for this recognition!

“Changing the Paradigm for Preventing and Managing Dental Caries: Using Everything We Know”
Peter Milgrom, DDS—Timothy Wright, DDS, MS
Friday, October 23, 2015
William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
6 hours of CE credit
Alumni and Friends Shine in Seattle at the 2015 AAPD Annual Session

Alumni and friends again played key roles in the success of the recent 68th Annual Session of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry held in Seattle, WA. The program was filled with old friends and many familiar faces. The weekend began with the Preconference Course on Practice Management which was headlined by Mike Ignelzi (1992). Mike also leads the practice management course for our graduate program. LaRee Johnson (1999) stayed very busy presenting during the Mini Clinic session on pharmacology and the String of Pearls session on permanent tooth extraction/substitution. We are pleased to announce that LaRee will be spending more time teaching our residents this fall. Our faculty was also well represented with Tim Wright providing an outstanding session on Esthetic Treatment of Enamel Defects. The Breakfast Rounds included friends and alumni. Bobby Elliott (1998) provided a session on starting a practice and Scott Goodman conducted a session on conflict resolution in your office. The social program also offered times to connect and reconnect with our alumni and friends. The UNC Alumni and NCAPD Reception was held with many in attendance including the Class of 2002 (Lina Cardenas, Kate Pierce and Jessica Lee). The weather was spectacular and many enjoyed the sites and the Welcome Reception at the Space Needle.

Our residents were also well represented in the scientific program. Jenna Alvey (2016) made us very proud when she received 1st place in the poster competition among nearly 400 entrants. Her research is entitled “First-Time Mothers’ Intended versus Actualized Child Oral Health-Related Behaviors.” She is being mentored by Jessica Lee (2002), Bill Vann (1976) and Kimon Divaris (2011). In the same competition, Erica Brecher (2016) won 3rd place for her research presentation entitled “A Policy Review of After-Hours Emergency Dental Care Responsibilities.” She is being mentored by Martha Ann Keels (1990), Mike Roberts and Rocio Quinonez (2000). Kevin Ricker (2015) also presented a poster presentation on “A Qualitative Description of Stakeholders Views of Pediatric Dentistry Admissions.” We are pleased to announce that Kevin’s paper reporting the data from his study has been accepted for publication by the Journal of Dental Education. He was mentored by Kimon Divaris (2011), Jessica Lee (2002) and Mike Roberts. It was also announced that Scott Schwartz (2016) was selected as the AAPD Harris Policy Fellow and Jackie Burgette received the AAPD Residents Committee Recognition Award. Congratulations to first year residents Jami Ballantine (2017), Bhvana Pahel (2017) and Beau Meyer (2017) who served as the 2014-15 James B. Congleton Fellows. The Congleton Fellowship supported their participation as Advocacy/Leadership. Mentors for the trainees were Scott Cashion (1997) and Jessica Lee (2002). They provided leadership for the trainees’ attendance at the Board of Trustees meeting and the Council and Committee Meetings. In addition to the Scientific Program, many friends and alumni were working hard behind the scenes to support the business and policy development of the AAPD through its councils, committees and centers!
Development Activities

William F. Vann, Jr. Endowment Fund (VEF) Update

We want to bring you up to date on our progress toward the complete funding of the VEF. At the 2012 American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Annual Session in San Diego, the VEF initiative to honor Bill’s legacy within the Department and the UNC School of Dentistry was announced. One goal of the VEF was to permanently endow a hospitality function at the AAPD Annual Session to provide a setting for renewal of friendships among our alumni and members of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. At the recent Academy Annual Session in Seattle, we staged our third reception. It was well-attended by many with ties to UNC and the Tar Heel State. The VEF also permanently endows the annual Residents’ Appreciation Banquet. The second successful banquet supported by the VEF was held on May 29, 2015. In addition, the VEF is to provide Fellowship support for our pediatric dentistry residents. This goal is partially accomplished and will be fully implemented when all the outstanding pledges to the VEF fund have been met. Our steadfast vision has been to delay the celebration of the VEF until all promised pledges have been honored. While the VEF still has outstanding pledges, we are confident that with your help, the VEF will hit all its benchmarks on time. Therefore, we have set a date; please mark your calendars for Friday evening, October 7th, 2016, for a VEF Gala Celebration in Chapel Hill!

This festive event will follow the Department’s CE offering by Dr. Stanley F. Malamed entitled “Review of contemporary issues associated with pediatric conscious sedation, local anesthetics and management of emergencies in the dental office”. (Details to follow in future Newsletters) The two of us remain committed to closing out the VEF initiative as the most successful development endeavor in the department’s history. To help reach that goal, we would like to see the number of contributing alumni donors to the VEF reach 100. There are 132 living alumni, so the goal is easily achievable. We recognize that there are several alumni who have their own personal and/or family funds dedicated to supporting various department activities. And, it is understood that some of our recent graduates are unable to afford a large gift; however, we urge all of you who have not given to add your name to the list of donors to the VEF, no matter the amount. Your thoughtful donation will not only be appreciated but will honor Bill's legacy to enhance the experience of present and future pediatric dentistry graduate students. Thank you all for the outpouring of loyalty and support for our strong and enduring departmental family.

Michael Hasty (DDS 1986, MS 1989)
Michael Ignelzi (DDS 1987, Certif 1992, PhD 1992)

“Pro40+” Grant Award for Pediatric Dentistry Course Redesign

Rocio Quinonez (2000), Associate Professor in the Department, was recently awarded a course re-design grant from the UNC Center for Faculty Excellence. The course focuses on the introduction to clinical pediatric dentistry and is offered in the fall of the DDS students’ second year. The goal of the re-design is to have greater integration of pediatric dental fundamentals in the classroom, while maximizing active learning and student engagement. Educational innovation is a priority at the School of Dentistry and at the University level. Most recently, the provost appointed a Director of Instructional Innovation to overlook these types of initiatives in professional schools. With general dentists providing the greatest safety net for children’s oral health in the United States, staying at the forefront of pedagogical models of learning and how best to engage DDS students to care for children is an important agenda item for our department. We are excited to help lead course re-design at the School of Dentistry in collaboration with the UNC Center for Faculty Excellence.
Pediatric Dentists at the Forefront of North Carolina Dental Society Leadership

In our last Newsletter we trumpeted the news that Scott Cashion (1997) of Greensboro would serve as President of the North Carolina Dental Society (NCDS), soon to be followed by Ron Venezie (1994) of Apex, who will assume the leadership mantle in 2016. Scott is nearing the mid-term of his presidency, reporting a busy but productive and rewarding year to date. When Ron assumes the presidency position in January ‘16, we will experience a new “first”, wherein both the President and Vice-President of the NCDS will be pediatric dentists. Ron’s VP-mate will be Richard Brooks (DDS 1994) of Cary, who is also our Immediate Past Present of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Richard will not be the first pediatric dentist to serve as NCDS-VP; that distinction goes to Jasper Lewis (1973) of Greenville, who held the position some years back. Jossein Shahangian (2010), his wife, Rayhannah, and their two daughters are doing well in sunny San Diego, California. He now balances his time playing tea party with his two daughters, Roya and Noor, and running two successful ped dent/ortho practices built from the ground up. Jossein (J.) believes he was well prepared at UNC-CH for this challenge and has added an associate to the practice. He has also stayed involved in academics as a Lecturer in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at UCLA and an active member of the American Academy of Pediatrics. From the University of British Columbia (UBC), Canada, we have news from Kavita Mathu-Muju (2006). Her daughter, Sunaya, turned 6 years in March and will be starting Grade 1 in the fall. On the work front, Kavita is currently an assistant professor of pediatric dentistry. She reports collaborating on research to advance equity in oral health for First Nations children. Her teaching responsibilities are both with the undergraduate and graduate programs in pediatric dentistry. Kavita is proud to be a Tar Heel!

Pediatric Dental Alumni and Friends Celebrate at the Wedding of Marshall Long

On Saturday, April 18, pediatric dental friends gathered to celebrate the marriage of Marshall Long (2012) to Dustin Fuzzell. They received a special treat when Sonny Long (1978) took the stage to play a couple of sets with the band!
Goal: To Run a Marathon in Every State by Age 50
Is it lofty goal-setting or madness? Ambitious for sure, but how about if it’s you and your spouse doing the 50 together? The challenge is magnified with two school-aged youngsters, running a pediatric dental practice and serving numerous community, state, and national professional commitments. Enter LaRee Johnson (1999) and spouse, James Gerds. They run marathons while on business trips, vacations and to celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries. In addition to marathons, James and LaRee also do full length triathlons. They celebrated turning 40 by running a 100-mile race. And, don’t forget the “Annual Gerds Fat Ass 40”, a just for fun-trail run on the Mountain-to-Sea Trail along Falls Lake in Durham/Raleigh. Their next run is the Lake Michigan Trail Marathon over Labor Day. In future Newsletters, we’ll give updates but they are over half way home to meeting the challenge with 7 years to go. Don’t bet against them! Kate Donovan Lambert (DDS 2011) and husband Tery welcomed their new addition. William Ransome Lambert (aka Hurricane Ransome) was born on April 1, weighing in at 12lbs 9 oz and 31 inches tall. On hand for the 75th Anniversary of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD), left to right are Mike Roberts, LaRee Johnson (1999), and Lina Cardenas (2002). An interesting factoid: Mike served as the 49th President of the ABPD, Ted Oldenburg (1962) served as the 28th, Roy Lindahl as the 16th, and John Brauer as the 7th. Enjoying the ’15 SESPDM Meeting in Charleston are Chuck Mauney (DDS 1993, MPH 2000) and Lenise Clifton (DDS 1992, MS 1997). Jim Congleton (DDS 1975, MS 1977) was one of the keynote speakers at the 2015 Dental Foundation of North Carolina (DFNC) Scholarships, Fellowships and Award Dinner held March 3rd at the Carolina Inn in Chapel Hill. A Past President of the DFNC, Jim thanked the donors in the audience who have sponsored scholarships, fellowship and awards, while urging the students in the audience to give back to alma mater after graduation. Looking back at only a decade ago, he traced the very modest financial resources for student scholarships, fellowships and awards to today’s nearly 4½ million dollars available. He challenged the students in the audience to give back at the rate of a “filling-a-year”, a message that seemed to resonate with those present!
Residents’ Corner

In celebration of summer movie releases, the residents were asked to tell us what is their all-time favorite movie and why. Here are their responses:

**Bhavna Pahel** says that *The Sound of Music* makes her heart sing “because it is a wonderful story of how love and levity can help overcome adversity.” Anyone need a box of tissues?

**Beau Meyer** loves *The Lion King* even as a grown adult! He said, “It is one of the first movies I can remember watching in the theatre, and I remember just being fascinated by it. I've been obsessed with everything Lion King for a while--the movie, the soundtrack, the musical--but one of my favorite things is watching the special features on the deluxe DVD edition. I could spend, and have spent, afternoons watching the special features, particularly the behind the scenes/how it was made feature. Awesome!” In all reality, he loves to dance around his apartment singing “I Just Can’t Wait to be King.”

**Erica Brecher** loves *Mean Girls* because “it epitomizes the high school experience.” The jury is still out on whether or not she was a mean girl in high school! Erica? Never!!

**Scott Schwartz** said, “*The Little Mermaid* is my favorite movie because it taught me the art of brushing my voluminous hair with a fork.” He wishes…

**Jenna Alvey** said, “I love the movie *Tombstone* because Doc Holiday may be the coolest dentist ever!” She neglected to mention that she had a thing for Val Kilmer back in the day.

**Alex Boudreau** told us that she loves the *Princess Bride*. “It is as close to perfect as you can get. Revenge! True Love! Sword Fights! Hilarity! Farm boys! Princesses! Peter Faulk!” Inconceivable!!

**Jackie Burgette** said, “I love the dance scene choreography in Joe Wright's *Anna Karenina*.” Don’t we all?!

**Kevin Ricker’s** favorite movie is *Amelie*. Why? “Because I wanted to be the guy who put in a foreign language film to impress potential readers.” Hmm…

**Shijia Hu** loves the movie *Kick A$$*. His reason: “it is in the title…. Come on!” Or, is it really because he loves to dress up as a caped crusader himself…??

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**Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series**

On May 15, 2015 **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** presented in the Excellence Lecture Series. Her talk titled "Making it Happen ~ Providing Care for Children with Special Needs and Medical Conditions within the Private Practice Model” provided an excellent overview of her many and diverse experiences managing this population of patients. She shared her thoughts from office design and scheduling to specific therapeutic approaches of some very challenging cases. Martha Ann has been in private practice in association with Duke University and Duke Hospitals for 25 years and lectures nationally and internationally on a variety of pediatric dentistry topics. She is a talented clinician and gifted speaker and her presentation certainly reflected this.

The next Pediatric Dentistry Lecture Series will be on November 13th, 2015 and **Scott Cashion (1997)** has tentatively agreed to speak with the group. He will be reflecting on his experiences in organized dentistry and how this fits with life while running a busy private practice. Scott has served in a variety of leadership roles with he American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and has served as the President of the North Carolina Dental Society. We look forward to seeing all of you this fall so put it on your calendar.
Residents’ Banquet 2015
Generosity of Alumni and Friends
Gifts and Development Funds

Below is the list of gifts received by the Department through the Dental Foundation of North Carolina for the calendar year 2014. Your generous and thoughtful gifts to the UNC-CH Department of Pediatric Dentistry’s development funds are gratefully acknowledged below. The Dental Foundation has provided this information to us. We express our most sincere “thank you” for your continued support. Your gifts support our residents’ training, improve our graduate student learning center, acquire new technology and provide additional opportunities to enrich the residents’ educational experience. Unfortunately, state and university support continues to decline and has made your support ever more critical. Gifts received are invested and the interest from the funds is used to meet our graduate program needs described throughout this Newsletter. Your commitment to improving the graduate program is not lost on our residents, and it continues to cement the bonds among our past, present and future alumni and friends. (Continued on page 9)

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Erratum

In our winter 2015 Newsletter we acknowledged donors to the Department for the calendar years 2013. Additional clarity is required and is listed below:

$10,000 plus
Portsmouth Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics should have been identified as Jon Wendell (DDS 1998).

$2,000 plus
Raymond James Charitable Endowment should have been identified as Larry (1975) and Suzanne Dempsey Family Trust.

$1,000 plus
Raymond James Charitable Endowment should have been identified as William Taylor III (1983).

Pfizer, Inc. Matching Gifts should have been identified as Paul and Gail Rohlffing (1996).

News from the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

The Board of Directors (BOD) of the North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (NCAPD) met on October 11th, 2014, in Chapel Hill, with President Kate Pierce (2002) of Greensboro presiding. As a part of a busy agenda, meeting highlights include:

The NCAPD’s collaboration with the AAPD for dues collects was a successful endeavor. As a direct result of the partnership, we achieved:
1. A 13% increase in active members (18 new members).
2. Over a 100% increase in affiliate members (8 new members).
3. Approximately a 15% increase in membership-related income (~$3300).

NCAPD membership stands at an all-time high for Active Members (167), Affiliate members (15), and Retired Members (21). The BOD embraced the concept of an Electronic Membership Directory.

Currently the Directory is printed and distributed semi-annually, so it is often out-of-date. The E-Directory will be updated weekly. For more convenient use, members will be listed both alphabetically and by city. For those who prefer a hard copy, the Directory will be downloadable from the Web Site (see NCAPD.net). The NCAPD ‘15 Annual Meeting Date will be October 24th, 2015. This is a home football date for the Tar Heels, so the meeting will be held at the Hilton Gardens Inn at South Pointe. The meeting will commence at 7:30AM with a breakfast for all attendees. In collaboration with UNC, the NCAPD will co-host a reception the evening before (Friday, October 23rd) at which time the 2015 NCAPD Oral Health Service Award will be presented. Stay-tuned for more details later this summer.

Please visit NCAPD website at www.ncapd.net
The Department of Pediatric Dentistry has a long history of conducting innovative and impactful research in a wide range of areas aimed to improve children’s oral health. The department is currently involved in the areas of genetics/genomics, health disparities, behavioral and health services research, education, and clinical studies. Faculty, residents, PhD students and dental students are all actively involved in interdisciplinary research projects.

Our first year residents, Jami Ballantine, Beau Meyer, and Bhavna Pahel, have made great strides in finalizing and fine-tuning their research plans and in April they presented their protocols to a school-wide audience. Jami is studying the “Genetic basis of early childhood caries”. Beau is examining “Factors influencing children's entry into the dental system: Elucidating reasons care-takers seek emergency versus preventive care for their children” and Bhavna is investigating “Permanent molar morbidity and disparities in the receipt of dental sealants”.

Our second year residents pursuing the MS degree, Jenna Alvey and Erica Brecher, presented their research at this year’s AAPD in Seattle, and received the 1st and 3rd place awards respectively among ~400 entries in the “My Kid’s Dentist” poster competition! Jenna’s presentation was titled “First Time Mothers’ Intended Versus Actualized Child Oral Health-Related Behaviors”, and Erica’s poster was titled “A Policy Review of After-Hours Emergency Dental Care Responsibilities”. Congratulations to Jenna, Erica, and their research teams for such an impressive showing at this year’s AAPD!

More good news from the Seattle AAPD meeting: Scott Schwartz (certificate and MPH track) was awarded the prestigious Samuel D. Harris Health Research and Policy Fellowship. Jackie Burgette (certificate and PhD track) received the AAPD’s Resident Recognition Award. Jackie will be spending 3 weeks in the Galapagos Island this summer, conducting mixed-methods oral health research among Ecuadorian children and their families. Shijia Hu (current Vann Fellow) is wrapping up his PhD work and has already published his first paper in PloS ONE with the title “Towards unraveling the human tooth transcriptome: the dentome.”

Our third year residents, Alex Boudreau and Kevin Ricker both defended their MS theses successfully in March. Kevin presented his results at this year’s AAPD meeting, and his paper “In their Own Words: A Qualitative Description of Stakeholders’ Views of Postdoctoral Pediatric Dentistry Admissions” has already been accepted for publication and will appear in the November issue of the Journal of Dental Education.

**Presentations at the School of Dentistry’s Dental Research in Review Day**
The department was well-represented at the annual Dental Research in Review Day in February. Jackie Burgette, Kevin Ricker, Jenna Alvey and Erica Brecher presented their research findings in an excellent manner. Dental students mentored by Pediatric Dentistry faculty members included Annie Chen, Rob Christensen, Katie Doswell, Feifei Huang and Kelly Lipp. Congratulations to Jenna Alvey for receiving a Turner finalist MS award, Rob Christensen for receiving a Turner DDS category award, and Jackie Burgette for receiving a Turner PhD category award!

**Presentation at the upcoming 2015 APHA Meeting**
Scott Schwartz will represent the department at the prestigious 2015 American Association for Public Health (APHA) meeting in Chicago, November 1-4, 2015. Scott’s abstract was one of the very few that were selected for oral presentation (https://apha.confex.com/apha/143am/webprogram/Session43840.html). Scott’s paper is titled “Investigating sexual orientation-related oral health disparities in the United States”, his mentor is Kimon Divaris (2011), and co-authors are Jessica Lee (2002) and Anne Sanders (Associate Professor, Department of Dental Ecology).

**Southeastern Society of Pediatric Dentistry (SSPD)**
2016 Annual Continuing Education Course
Featuring: Drs. Dennis McTigue and Sue Seale
January 15-17, 2016  15 CEU’s
The Ritz Carlton Buckhead
Buckhead Atlanta, GA  1-800-241-3333
*This is a change from previously printed dates due to new hotel contract.
Please mark your calendar.

**Future Meeting of the SSPD**
2016 Joint Resort Meeting with the Southwestern Society of Pediatric Dentistry
September 29 - October 2, 2016
The Hyatt French Quarter, New Orleans, LA
Our current residents are:

**Fellows:**

**Shijia Hu** - Singapore
BDS - National University Singapore, 2008

**Jacqueline Burgette** - Massachusetts
DMD - Harvard, 2010

**3rd Year:**

**Jenna Alvey** - North Carolina
DDS - UNC, 2010

**Erica Brecher** - Massachusetts
DMD - Tufts, 2013

**Scott Schwartz** - Illinois
DDS - University of Illinois- Chicago, 2012

**2nd Year:**

**Jami Ballantine** - California
DDS - University of Michigan, 2014

**Beau Meyer** - Ohio
DDS - The Ohio State University, 2014

**Bhavna Pahel** - North Carolina
DDS - University of North Carolina, 2014

**MPH** - University of North Carolina, 2003

**PhD** - University of North Carolina, 2008

**1st Year:**

**Gentry Byrd** - North Carolina
DDS - University of North Carolina, 2015

**Lauren Green** - North Carolina
DDS - Medical University of South Carolina, 2015

**Molly Tesch** - North Carolina
DDS - University of North Carolina, 2014

Once again it seems that time has flown by and we have ended another academic year. We said goodbye to the class 2015. **Kevin Ricker** and **Alex Boudreau** are rapidly working on getting their practice off the ground in Briar Chapel.

**Gentry Byrd** was born in New Bern, NC. She studied at Vanderbilt University (where she majored in music) prior to earning her BS in nutrition from the University of North Carolina. Gentry received her DDS from the UNC School of Dentistry in 2015. While at UNC, Gentry participated in research projects with both Barry Popkin at the UNC School of Public Health and **Rocio Quinonez (2000)** in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. For her work with Rocio, on the prenatal oral health program (pOHP), Gentry was awarded an Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, among the many honors she has received. A frequent volunteer at many community service projects, Gentry was one of the organizers of the first School wide Give Kids A Smile event. An accomplished violinist and certified Suzuki violin instructor, she is married to Warren Byrd, a UNC dental student in the class of 2018.

**Molly Tesch** was born in Durham, NC and has received all of her higher education at the University of North Carolina. She received her BS in biology in 2010, her DDS in 2014, and completed the GPR program in 2015. Molly gained valuable research experience working with **Martha Ann Keels (1990)** and has been an active participant in many of the Dental School’s community outreach programs. Molly was instrumental in the Pediatric Oncology Outreach Project, a joint endeavor with the UNC Children’s Cancer Hospital. She has provided dental care in underserved areas ranging from the Navajo population in Winslow, Arizona to the citizens of Nepal, India; all of which led her being awarded the Dr. Ronald P. Strauss Community and International Health Award. Molly is also a versatile athlete, participating in both the UNC Club Swim Team and Women’s Rowing Team.

**Lauren Green** was born in Baltimore, Maryland and graduated from the University of North Carolina in 2009 with a BS in biology and a BA in psychology. In 2015, Lauren received her DMD from the Medical University of South Carolina. As a dental student, Lauren was an active member in many professional organizations including the Special Care Dentistry Association. She volunteered with the South Carolina Dental Association and gained research experience working with the Medical University of South Carolina Family Services Research Center. Lauren has been the recipient of many honors including the South Carolina Dental Association Scholarship Award. A talented swimmer, she has served as a swim coach at the North Carolina Aquatic Club. Lauren is married to Peter Green, a resident in the UNC Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Program.
Continuing Education at UNC-Chapel Hill

April 10, 2015
The CE offering of “An Update on the Current Management of Dental Trauma in Children” was a roaring success with over 180 in attendance. It featured Asgier Sigurdsson, Chair, Department of Endodontics, New York University College of Dentistry in addition to other international faculty appointments, and UNC-SOD department faculty and alumni, Jessica Lee (2002) and John Christensen (1984). The Redbud Room at the Friday Continuing Education was sold-out with a waiting list. We encourage you to register early for future courses and not be at risk of being disappointed.

Fall 2015
Our fall CE offering is bringing something different and special:
“Changing the Paradigm for Preventing and Managing Dental Caries: Using Everything We Know”. This course will address the newest and most creative means of managing dental caries.

Friday, October 23, 2015
9:00 AM-4:30 PM
Registration begins at 8:30 AM
William and Ida Friday Continuing Education Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The course is going to bring two nationally and internationally recognized speakers to our Continuing Education series! Peter Milgrom is Professor, Oral Health Sciences, University of Washington (Seattle), and Timothy Wright is the Bawden Distinguished Professor, University of North Carolina (UNC-CH) School of Dentistry. Peter received his DDS from the University of California, San Francisco. Tim earned his DDS from West Virginia University School of Dentistry and a MS in pediatric dentistry from the University of Alabama-Birmingham. Peter has published over 160 papers and Tim has published over 170 papers in the refereed literature. Both are active investigators and speakers on the subject of new dynamics in caries management.

Register early and do not miss this excellent course with two engaging speakers!

As always, the course tuition includes the continental breakfast at registration, two breaks with snacks and liquid refreshments, and a full lunch including the famous desert buffet at the Friday Center!

Tuition:
$285 dentist
$150 dental team members

Registration information for this CE offering can be obtained by calling the School of Dentistry Continuing Education Office (919) 537-3400, or by going to the UNC School of Dentistry’s web page at www.dentistry.unc.edu/cde.

The North Carolina Academy of Pediatric Dentistry will be holding their annual session on the following Saturday morning, October 24, 2015. The Tar Heels will be playing Virginia in Chapel Hill that afternoon. So, plan for a Chapel Hill weekend!

Spring 2016
Save the date of April 8, 2016! Our spring CE course will feature several alumni of our graduate program. A similar program in 2011 was a huge success and was very popular. By demand, we are presenting the format again featuring Bill Chambers (1979), LaRee Johnson (1999), Dorothy Pang (1991), Kate Pierce (2002) and Siggi Saemundsson (1996). More details will be following in the Winter edition of the Newsletter.

The Department continues to seek identification of topics of interest to pediatric dentists, generalists and their staff who treat children. If you have a subject of special interest or a particular speaker, let us know and we will see what we can do to schedule the topic and/or speaker for a future CE course.
Congratulations to Sharon Chen (DDS 2017), Alexis Sims (DDS 2018) and Clara Hicks (DDS 2018) for their kind, thoughtful and highly successful organization of the Trots4Tots event at Spence Family Farm. They thanked all of their volunteers and sponsors that made this fun-filled afternoon possible for the participating families. Many children got the thrill of a life-time riding on a horse for the first time! Over $1000 was raised for the NC Children’s Dental Treatment Fund which helps support dental care for children of economically challenged families. Great job Sharon, Alexis and Clara! We hope to see everyone at our next event - stay tuned!

IN MEMORIAM

Roy L. Lindahl, died July 2, 2015, in Chapel Hill. He was born in Los Angeles, CA on August 22, 1925 and graduated with a DDS from the University of Southern California Dental School in 1950, and received a MS in dentistry for children from the University of Michigan in 1952. Roy joined the faculty of the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry and was the Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry from 1956-1968. He served as President of the Durham-Orange Dental Society, President of the North Carolina Society of Dentistry for Children, and President of the Southeastern Society of Pediatric Dentistry. In addition he served as President of the American Society of Dentistry for Children, the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and chaired numerous councils and committees of the American Dental Association. Roy was a life-long member of the Rotary Club and International Foundation. He received the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service. In addition he served on the Chapel Hill School Board for six years.

He enjoyed playing golf, bike riding, and lunches with his many friends. Roy’s favorite activities were attending UNC games, traveling and music. Values that guided his life were commitment to family, a deep faith, service above self and an optimistic outlook to life. Roy is survived by his beloved wife, Marian, two sons, two daughters, three step-children and six grandchildren. A celebration of his life will be held at the Carol Woods Retirement Community Assembly Hall on August 22, 2015, at 2:00 PM, Roy’s 90th birthday. There is an opportunity to make a memorial gift to several Foundations and Funds, including the Roy L. Lindahl Fellowship Fund in the Dental Foundation for North Carolina, Inc., UNC School of Dentistry. Roy’s body failed him but his mind was sharp to the very end. He was a giant in our profession and specialty and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

IN MEMORIAM

Elliott M. Hester (1958), of Asheville, NC, formerly of Montreat, passed peacefully in his sleep on March 4, 2015. After completing his dental training at the University of Louisville and the University of North Carolina he settled in High Point and practiced pediatric dentistry there until retiring in 1987. He served that community in both private practice and later as a member of the Guilford County Health Department. He will be missed dearly by his loved ones but will forever remain a part of their lives and as a member of the Tar Heel family by the legacy he leaves behind.

Trots 4 Tots Fund Raiser

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Manuscripts


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Abstracts


Department of Pediatric Dentistry Publications 2014-2015 (continued)

Textbooks and Chapters in Textbooks


Department Involved in Special Olympics

Special Olympics was founded in 1968 and is the largest sports organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. In 1997, Special Olympics began the "Healthy Athletes Initiative" with the goal to help address health disparities for its athletes. This initiative includes offering "Special Smiles" to address oral health. Under the directorship of our department faculty member, Mike Milano, the UNC School of Dentistry (SOD) has been involved in Special Smiles since 2009. Every year, students, residents, staff, faculty and family members volunteer for the event. This year, the SOD was excited to participate in the oral health screenings of athletes participating in track and field and powerlifting hosted at Cardinal Gibbons High School in Raleigh. With more than 4 million athletes and 32 Olympic type events in 180 countries, the SOD is excited to play a role in the oral health of North Carolina's athletes.

"Being part of the Special Olympics helped me appreciate the importance of oral screenings and preventive care on the long-term oral health of the athletes. I'm glad I could be a part of Special Smiles this year. Thanks to the sponsors and volunteers that made it possible." Min Yan Dong (DDS 2016)
Children and Grandchildren of the Department

Caroline Bella O’Daniel, daughter of Nick O’Daniel born 3-25-15, 6lbs 12oz

Bennett Michael Starcala, grandson of Mary Hillmer born 2-7-15, 8lb 3oz

Hannah Faye Howard, a 2015 graduate of Chatham Central High School– Bear Creek. Hannah is attending Sandhills CC. Hannah is the granddaughter of Sarah Howard.

Tyson Carl Poe, a 2015 graduate of Southern Alamance High School in Graham. Tyson will be attending St. Andrews University in the fall. Tyson is the grandson of Sarah Howard.

John Christian Sirls, grandson of Sarah Howard is a December, 2014 graduate of Appalachian State.

Lindsey Henderson
Lindsey is a new graduate of the dental assisting program at Alamance Community college. She lives in Graham with David and their three children; Aaron, who is 9, Lexie who is 6, and Emory, who just turned 1 in January. Lindsey loves working with children, and chose pediatric dentistry because of her own extensive orthodontic treatment when she was a child and the positive impact it had on her life.

Amber Cole
Amber lives in Mebane, NC. She is a recent graduate of Alamance Community College dental assisting program. Amber decided to choose dental assisting as a career because when she was little she used to really enjoy going to work with her mom at the dental office where she worked. Amber always knew she wanted to work in the dental field and dreamed of working at UNC, because she is a huge Tarheel fan!!!

We are quite proud of Bethany Fearnow, Dental Assistant in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry for receiving a Peer Recognition Excellence Award. This award for School of Dentistry staff employees is given in recognition of their overall excellence in performance and contributions to the School. The award is given to five employees twice yearly. Bethany received her award in July 2015. The Awards Committee that determines this honor considers teamwork, creativity/innovation, customer service, positive attitude, productivity, and flexibility. Bethany is an outstanding example of the quality and value of our pediatric dentistry team. Congratulations Bethany!
Gifts Support Excellence in Pediatric Dentistry

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

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

Many individuals would like to make major gifts to UNC but cannot commit current assets for this purpose. Through a will you can make a more significant gift than you might have ever thought possible by designating a specific sum, a percentage or the residue of your estate to the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. There are many options for providing a bequest that will leave a legacy of support for excellence in pediatric dentistry. To learn more about starting a new fellowship or making a bequest, please contact Paul Gardner or Sarah Andrews at the Dental Foundation at (919) 537-3257 or by email at paul_gardner@dentistry.unc.edu or sarah_andrews@dentistry.unc.edu

Dental Foundation Estate Planning Language

“I give, devise and bequeath ______ percent (___%) of my residuary estate [or, the sum of __________ Dollars ($________)] to The Dental Foundation of North Carolina, Inc. (the "Foundation"), located in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, for the unrestricted needs of the UNC Department of Pediatric Dentistry, or to establish 'The _________________ Fellowship Fund in Pediatric Dentistry.' The Board of Directors of the Foundation shall treat this bequest as part of its endowment, and the income paid out of the Fund shall provide fellowship funding to the department’s residents.”

Yes! I want to make a gift of $_____ to the Dental Foundation of North Carolina to support graduate education in pediatric dentistry at UNC.

I prefer to make my gift in payments of $_____.

Please use my gift for the:

- Vann Endowment Fund (4392)
- Tom McIver Fund (4373)
- Pediatric Graduate Program Endowment Fund (4338)
- Sandy Marks Fund (2133)
- Caldwell/Christensen Fund (4335)
- Diane Dilley Fund (4360)
- Jack Menius Fund (2132)
- Ted Oldenburg Fund (2043)
- Pediatric Dentistry Department Fund (2062)

Payment by:

- Check made payable to the Dental Foundation of NC
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Account #: _______________________________ Exp. Date: _____________

Signature: ______________________________________________________________________

Additionally, my company or my spouse’s company will match this gift. Enclosed is the company’s matching gift form.

For more information on the Dental Foundation of North Carolina or giving to the UNC School of Dentistry, please call 919-537-3257.
WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH YOU?

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

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

Name______________________________________________
Year of program completion________
E-Mail Address ______________________________________

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News of interest:

Thanks!