



Dental Bites

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New Dean Search

The national search for a new School of Dentistry Dean is well underway. The search is being conducted by the executive search firm Isaacson, Miller. Key stakeholders have been interviewed and a search committee has been named to help develop the position description and expectations, along with a pool of potential candidates. The goal is to interview finalists on campus this fall.

90 New Graduates from Dental School

With the ornate Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall in downtown Portland as backdrop, OHSU School of Dentistry graduated 90 new dental professionals in June. There were 74 doctor of dental medicine degrees awarded, as well as 16 advanced degrees in five specialties.

"It is very difficult to get into dental school and it is even harder to get out," said Interim Dean **Gary Chiodo**, D.M.D. '78, F.A.C.D. "Nonetheless, our new graduates have worked hard and these are highly accomplished health professionals who join our ranks. I am extremely honored to present them as my new colleagues."

Greetings at the ceremony were provided by **Joseph Robertson Jr.**, M.D., M.B.A., OHSU president; **Charles Wilhoite**, chair of the OHSU board of directors; **Gregory Jones**, D.M.D. '94, president of the Oregon Dental Association; **Rick Asai**, D.M.D. '81, on behalf of the School Alumni Association; and Dr. Chiodo.

New graduate *(continued, right column)*



Charlie Muraki, D.M.D. '12, gave the Class of 2012 address and Dean Emeritus **Jack Clinton**, D.M.D. '64, gave the Dean's Address, advising graduates to nurture their dental knowledge, maintain a positive attitude, and appreciate their office employees.

"Every person in this assembly is here to celebrate and congratulate your arrival on this day," said Dr. Clinton. "You, our graduates, have earned the endorsement of the faculty to attach the title of doctor of dental medicine to your name and for the graduate residents to add the dental specialty to their title. Congratulations!"

Alumna Represents OHSU Internationally

Recent periodontology graduate **Lisa Frisbie-Teel**, D.D.S., Perio '12, recently represented OHSU and the School of Dentistry in Sweden, presenting her research at an international implant meeting. Dr. Teel presented "Dental Implants Placed from 2002-2009 in an Advanced Specialty Education Program in Periodontics: A Radiographic and Clinical Review" during the Implant World Congress May 7 to 12.

"It was a true pleasure representing OHSU and I would like to thank my department, mainly Dr. **Winthrop Carter**, for making it happen," said Dr. Teel, who graduated June 15 and will join the Marquette University faculty, while practicing periodontics in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. *(continued on page seven)*

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School of Dentistry Employees Honored for Service

Pins were awarded May 30 to several dozen full- and part-time School of Dentistry employees who completed 10 through 55 years of service, as of December 31, 2011. Those honored include:

55 Years

David Mahler, Ph.D., professor of restorative dentistry

50 Years

E. Bob Quinn, D.M.D. `55, associate professor of restorative dentistry

40 Years

J. Henry Clarke, D.M.D. `61, professor emeritus of community dentistry

Rose Russell, manager, clinic relations

35 Years

Robin Jungert-McGinn, PAS resource specialist, department of oral and maxillofacial surgery

30 Years

Stewart Clelen, D.M.D. `80, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Larry Doyle, D.D.S., assistant professor of orthodontics

Julie Hirai, executive assistant to the Dean

Sherry Lemon, R.D.H., M.S., Honorary Alumna `03, associate professor, Pediatric Dental Surgery Clinic

Carl Perkins, D.M.D. `68, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Diane Sullivan, administrative coordinator, department of community dentistry

Daniel Yaillen, D.M.D. `77, assistant professor of orthodontics

25 Years

Sheila Barnhart, administrative coordinator, department of restorative dentistry

Peter Morita, D.M.D. `86, assistant professor, associate dean for patient services, and Sellwood group leader

Debbie Reaume, continuing education manager

20 Years

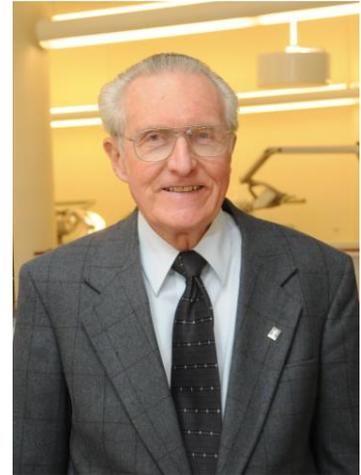
Alejandro Carrion, D.M.D. `82, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Lisa DiTommaso, department administrator, oral and maxillofacial surgery

John Eilers, D.M.D. `71, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Shideh Sadlou, dental assistant, department of restorative dentistry

Luzviminda Tulipat, dental assistant, department of periodontology



E. Bob Quinn, D.M.D. `55, associate professor of restorative dentistry, was one of dozens of employees honored in May for their longtime service to the dental school. A big thank you to all for their loyalty and service. (Photo Dan Carter)

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Dr. Emery Receives Award

Lee Emery, D.M.D. '63, assistant professor of pediatric dentistry, recently received the United States President's Volunteer Service Award for his national and community service through Medical Teams International. Dr. Emery received the Bronze Award for service of more than 100 hours in 2010. This is the second time Dr. Emery has received a President's Volunteer Service Award.

Dr. Emery has volunteered with Medical Teams International for more than 23 years, their longest-serving dentist. He volunteers two days each month on the dental vans going to various schools, and for the past 10 years he has been taking OHSU School of Dentistry students along with him to care for young people who are low-income.

Welcome to the Alumni Association



To welcome graduating fourth-year dental students into the alumni fold, the School Alumni Association hosted a reception for the Class of 2012 on June 2 at the home of Steve, D.M.D. '80, and Dannel, R.D.H. '79, Beadnell. From left, Tyler, D.M.D. '12, and Tara Bendixsen, and Stephen, D.M.D. '12, and Danielle Jackson, enjoy the festivities. Both Drs. Bendixsen and Jackson graduated with honor.

School Calendar

July 4	Fourth of July holiday
July 9	Start of summer session
July 20	White Coat ceremony for DS2's, Old Library

Hockey Team Wins Division

The School of Dentistry hockey team, the Fighting Dentites, placed first in their division in early June with a score of 4-2 against the Mudskippers. Seven of the 13 players on the Fighting Dentites were with the dental school: **Kathryn Nichols** (DS2); **Traci Saito** (DS3); **Trevor Frideres**, **Jordan Buhr**, and **Thomas Wanat** (DS4); and **John Loberg** and **Michael Gingras** (Class of 2012). More than 40 dental students attended the 10 p.m. game to cheer on their team!



Fourth-year dental student Trevor Frideres (left) is ready to back up teammate and first-year dental student Kathryn Nichols (in pads, in front of goal) who is ready for the puck. (Photo courtesy Traci Saito)

Corrections

Christine Sedgley, B.D.S., M.D.Sc., M.D.S., F.R.A.C.D.S., M.R.A.C.D.S., Ph.D., chair of endodontology, received first place in the Faculty Award category at the recent OHSU Volunteer Awards, not first runner-up as was stated in the June *Dental Bites*. Dr. Sedgley was selected out of 35 OHSU nominees. We regret the error.

In addition, please welcome **Ty Vaughan**, D.D.S., as a new endodontology resident. **Khuyen Nguyen**, D.M.D. '09, is the incoming endodontology fellow, not a resident.

Service *(continued from page two)*

15 Years

Grace Crary, D.M.D. `80, assistant professor, clinic administration

Gail King, administrative assistant, continuing dental education

Charles "Mark" Malloy, D.M.D., M.S., director of clinical restorative dentistry

Wayne Mito, instructor, restorative dentistry

Tian Xia, D.M.D., M.S., assistant professor of endodontology



Gail King

10 Years

Brion Benninger, M.D., assistant professor of integrative biosciences and oral and maxillofacial surgery

Jila Bowman, D.D.S., assistant professor of periodontology

Jeffrey Brunner, D.M.D. `97, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Lee Emery, D.M.D. `63, assistant professor of pediatric dentistry

John Mitchell, Ph.D., professor of biomaterials and biomechanics

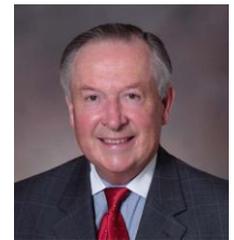
Robert Myall, M.D., professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery

Elena Nagy, radiologic technologist, clinic administration

Richard Park, D.M.D. `67, assistant professor of pediatric dentistry

Dwight Reno, custodian

Donald Sirianni, D.M.D. `64, assistant professor of restorative dentistry



Robert Myall, M.D.

Pediatric Dentistry Barbecue



Hungry fourth-year dental students (now alumni!) Katie Rock (center with purse), Chris Kim (second from right), and Jed Taucher (far right) line up for burgers and hot dogs at the pediatric dentistry department's annual barbecue in June to benefit patients who are low-income. Tom Galbraith, D.D.S., assistant professor and Broadway bridge leader is at left. The barbecue raised \$1,300. (Photo Mark Mitchell)

Road Work on the Hill this Summer

Beginning July 9, a portion of Campus Drive will be under construction and open only to downhill traffic (except delivery vehicles). The project—to put new expansion joints in the roadway near the Kohler Pavilion parking entrance—is expected to take six-to eight-weeks.

Drivers will be able to get partly uphill on Campus Drive from Terwilliger Boulevard to reach most parking, including the garage that houses School of Dentistry patients, Casey Eye, the Student Center, and Doernbecher. People wishing to access Kohler Pavilion parking should come down Campus Drive from Sam Jackson Park Road. To see a map or flier about the project, go to http://ozone.ohsu.edu/blogs/facilities_logistics/2012/06/04/summer-on-the-hill-major-road-work-starts-july-9/

DS3 Golf Tournament

Now fourth-year dental student **Daniel Walsh** reports that the 34th annual DS3 golf tournament, held this year in mid-May at Pumpkin Ridge golf course, raised \$3,000 for the senior graduation event and brought the dental community together for a morning of fun and camaraderie. "We (the students) are so thankful for all of the support from the dental community and look forward to another great tournament next year," said Dan.

Sponsors included: Artisan Dental Laboratory, OHSU Alumni Association, Hillsdale Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Center, Oregon Academy of General Dentistry, OHSU Dental Student Government, Patterson Dental, BnK Construction, Inc., Wells Fargo Practice Finance, O'Brien Dental Lab, New York Life Insurance Company, Pacific Dental Services, Sunset Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, DBIC, NW Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, Kaplan Medical, and Brasseler USA.

SOD in Virtual Fair

OHSU School of Dentistry was one of about 30 United States dental schools participating in the American Dental Education Association (ADEA)'s first Dental School Virtual Fair in late June, said **Mark Mitchell**, M.A., associate dean for student affairs. The goal of the Virtual Fair was to offer students interested in dentistry an online networking experience. Participants had a number of presentations they could "attend" – from finance to application tips -- and the ability in real-time to connect with top dental professionals across the country. "It was just as if we set up a booth at a recruitment fair to meet prospective applicants, except instead of talking in person we were chatting online," said Mark.

PeopleMovers

Julie Ann Smith, D.D.S., M.D., assistant professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery, has accepted the role of interim chair for the department. Former Department Chair **Leon Assael**, D.M.D., has accepted a position at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry as dean, effective Aug. 1. Dr. Assael joined the OHSU faculty in 2003 and became chair in mid-2006. A national search for a new oral and maxillofacial surgery chair is underway.

St. John's Softball Victors

School bridge groups faced off at the third annual Robert Quinton-Cox Memorial softball tournament in early May at Lake Oswego Junior High. The St. John's group practice was first, with the Broadway group practice in second, said organizer and third-year dental student **Traci Saito**. This year's tournament



*The victorious St. John's integrated group practice.
(Photo Sydney Quinton-Cox)*

honored **Donald Porter**, D.D.S., who chaired the pediatric dentistry department for 30 years. New pediatric dentistry department chair and assistant professor **John Engle**, D.D.S., Pediatric Dentistry '76, talked to the students about Dr. Porter's commitment to children's dentistry, at the after-tournament party at Buffalo Gap, which generously donated food for the players. Donations for the tournament, said Traci, were \$1,750.

A Few Scenes from the June 15 Commencement



New dentists Ian Brawner, Michael Sparrow, and Sam Sticka bond before receiving their purple hoods. Each will practice general dentistry: Dr. Brawner to New Mexico, Dr. Sparrow to Vancouver, Wash., and Dr. Sticka to North Dakota.



Oregon Dental Association President Greg Jones, D.M.D. '94, who offered greetings to the Class of 2012, talks dental trends with Winthrop "Bernie" Carter, D.D.S., assistant professor and graduate residency program director for periodontology.



Sixteen of the 90 graduates received advanced specialty degrees. Pediatric dentistry residency graduates Patricia Peirano and David Richman-Raphael, each head to practices in the Portland-area.



Michael Taylor, D.M.D., assistant professor of restorative dentistry and director of implantology, and Denice Stewart, D.D.S., M.H.S.A., associate dean for clinical services, get in the spirit of the day.



The processional march! Eli Schwarz, D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., professor and chair of community dentistry, is in red, with Brian Whitten, D.D.S., assistant professor and pre-doctoral program director for endodontology, at right.

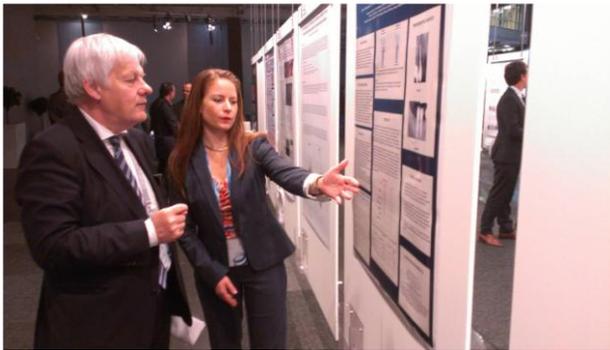


OHSU School of Dentistry faculty sponsored the post-commencement reception in the Main Plaza between the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall and the Portland Center for Performing Arts, in downtown Portland.

Alumna's Research *(continued from page one)*

Dr. Teel was one of only three United States researchers presenting at the Implant World Congress.

"There were 50 other projects presented," said Dr. Carter, D.D.S., director, graduate periodontology program. "Dr. Teel's is one of the very few IRB (Institutional Review Board) clinical research studies active at the School of Dentistry. This research project is the only clinical research project completed during my 10 years at OHSU in graduate periodontology, which is quite an accomplishment."



Recent OHSU graduate Lisa Frisbie-Teel, D.D.S., Perio '12, presents her research in Sweden to Tomas Albrektsson, M.D., Ph.D., who is a renowned expert on implants. (Photo courtesy Dr. Teel)

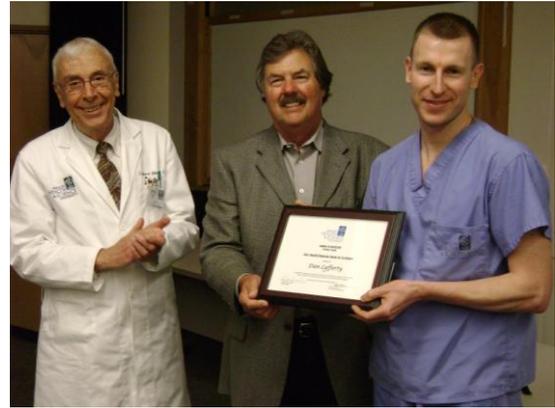
Dr. Teel also presented her research at the Academy of Osseointegration in Phoenix during March, and participated in OHSU's Research Week.

"OHSU's periodontology residency has unparalleled one-on-one resident-to-mentor contact and instruction," said Dr. Teel. "The department's reputation is excellent nationally.

"During my interview, I was impressed by the close connection between the residents and the deep integrity of the director and the vision and passion of the primary clinical mentor of the department (**Ernie Weinberg**, D.M.D. '65)," she said.

"I am honored to have completed my training at OHSU."

Prosthodontics Award



Now third-year dental student Dan Lafferty (right) received the Terry Monetti Memorial Award for Excellence last month. The annual award is named for the daughter of longtime Prosthodontics Instructor Luciano Monetti, C.D.T. (left). The Terry Monetti Memorial Award for Excellence, sponsored by Artisan Dental Labs, is given annually to a sophomore who demonstrates interest and excellence in academic and technical aspects of fixed prosthodontics and who shares time and skills with classmates. The award was presented June 13 during prosthodontics class by Luciano and Karl Koch, president and owner of Artisan. Dan received \$2,500 and a framed certificate. (Photo Pat Regan)

OHSU Summer Research

Three undergraduates are at the dental school for eight weeks this summer to work with faculty on research, through the OHSU Summer Equity Research Program: **Y-Thien Hoang** from the University of Portland will work with **John Mitchell**, Ph.D., professor of biomaterials and biomechanics; **Laura Gutierrez** from Chemeketa Community College will work with **David Morton**, Ph.D., professor and associate dean for research; and **Konstantin Tachan** from Whitworth University will work with **Carmem Pfeifer**, D.D.S., Ph.D., assistant professor of restorative dentistry.