OHSU School of Dentistry is offering new and additional resident and student scholarships this year thanks to a $5.1 million gift from a former professor emeritus and the School’s first graduate residency program director of oral and maxillofacial surgery (OMFS). The bequest by Wilbur N. Van Zile, D.D.S., is the largest private donation in the dental school’s 112-year history.

OHSU students enrolled in the oral and maxillofacial surgery advanced specialty program undergo six years of intensive training. During the second and third of the six years, OMFS residents are immersed in OHSU’s Medical School curriculum. OMFS residents receive a salary under the Graduate Medical Education program for their first, fourth, fifth, and sixth years of advanced training. However, tuition and fees for the medical school curriculum, depending on students’ resident status, is from $35,000 to $50,000 per year, which leaves many residents with educational debt.

Beginning fall of 2011, the Wilbur N. and Ruth H. Van Zile Scholarships will fund all the School of Medicine tuition charges of the OMFS advanced specialty program curriculum for OHSU OMFS residents who apply for a Van Zile scholarship and meet the scholastic criteria. Two new OMFS residents are accepted to OHSU each year, so up to four residents will be eligible for Van Zile scholarships annually.

“Wilbur Van Zile was an excellent clinician and teacher (see story, page four) and he was extremely ethical, professional, and compassionate about his patients and students,” said Dean Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64. “This exceptional commitment to OHSU School of Dentistry oral and maxillofacial surgery residents and dental students will ensure OHSU continues to attract and retain the highest caliber individuals pursuing oral maxillofacial surgery training.”

About $200,000 will be made available for School of Dentistry scholarships each year from Dr. Van Zile’s bequest, according to Dr. Clinton. Once tuition and fees have been awarded to qualified OMFS residents, any remaining funds will go toward application-based scholarships for third- and fourth-year dental students with preference given to dental students interested in pursuing oral and maxillofacial surgery training.

An emphasis on dental student scholarships was initiated by the dental school in 2007 to address the increasing cost of dental school tuition, said Dr. Clinton. Given the state’s decreasing support of dental education, tuition – and student debt – is expected to increase further. The average dental student graduates with $200,000 in student loans, he said.

“We appreciate our generous philanthropic partners who are providing opportunities for outstanding students to ensure future dental professionals for our region,” said Dr. Clinton. (See also story, page four).
Dean's Message

As we were finalizing this issue of Caementum, we had hoped to be able to give you a definite start date for breaking ground on our new South Waterfront building. We are getting very close to having a date to share, but at press time, we were still going through the final approval process at the university level.

However, there are a number of significant educational improvements, additions, and changes included in the planning that I can pass along now. First among these will be a class size increase that will likely be 15 dental students per class, bringing each entering class to 90 students. Also proposed is the establishment of a one-year AEGD (Advanced Education in General Dentistry) program of six residents. A third high priority is increasing the class size of all of our graduate residency programs including endodontology, oral and maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dentistry, periodontology, and orthodontics.

With the added space in the new dental school building, we plan to add an instrument management system for all our dental clinics with the school owning and managing the patient care instruments. For the first time in the history of the dental school, students will not be required to buy most of the more than $25,000 student issue, which is a huge change!

A larger pre-doctoral clinic in the new building will enable us to continue to build and enhance our very successful group practice structure. We plan to assign and integrate dental assistants and dental hygienists (the first of whom are currently being interviewed and hired) into each of the six “bridge” groups. Most of the programmatic changes being introduced will not only boost the educational experience for our students, but help make our annual budget more stable and sustainable.

With these major changes, our next challenge is to design the layout of the building so that our dental students learn and experience in an environment very similar to the practices they’ll be working in after graduation. The OHSU School of Dentistry leadership team along with the Blue Ribbon panel have provided invaluable guidance through this lengthy and complex planning and approval process and I wish to thank them for all their hard work. They continue to offer their input daily and I anticipate many more months of planning in creating our new building.

As we move forward, everyone’s ideas and contributions will be essential in making our new building a reality. It has been 55 years since we’ve had a new dental school building and I am extremely excited and anxious to create the next level of detail and to engage all of our wonderful alumni and friends as we embark on the kind of momentous adventure that usually only happens once in a lifetime.

In this issue, you will read about three new separate and wonderful $1 million plus gifts that will be essential to the dental school as it moves to a new facility. I hope to be able to share more with you in April at the Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon. See you then!

Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64
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Message from the Association President

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon on April 9! We'll be conducting Alumni Association business, honoring dental colleagues, and hearing the latest on what's happening at the OHSU School of Dentistry.

As you’ll learn, we have another busy year planned for dental alumni, students, and friends. From May to July, there are state dental meetings in Montana, Alaska, Washington, and Idaho. Back to School weekend (Sept. 23 and 24) will include the Cantwell Golf Tournament and the Margaret M. Ryan/Cantwell Lecture. Alumni Outreach Committee Chair Mark Alder, D.M.D. ’80, reports that Tualatin dentist Scott Dyer, D.M.D. ’00, is our Cantwell speaker this year, so be sure to mark your calendar for the morning of Sept. 24.

We have another group of well-trained students about to join our ranks as alumni and the Alumni Association has a couple of ways to help them through this transition. The Student Outreach/Scholarship Committee, led by Ann Caingoy, R.D.H. ’77, is preparing survival packs for the fourth years to let them know we’re thinking of them as they take their WREB (Western Regional Examining Board). We will also welcome them to our midst at a dinner hosted by Steve (D.M.D. ’80) and Dennel (R.D.H. ’77) Beadnell.

Immediate Past President David Kreutzer, D.M.D. ’00, who heads our Awards and Nominations Committee, and his team have selected a handful of dental colleagues to receive awards during the Annual Meeting including Alumnus of the Year, Honorary Alumni, President’s Award, and the Alumni Association Legacy Faculty Award. As in past years, the president gets to announce the President’s Award. It is always exciting to see the reactions of these most deserving professionals when they are called to the podium. These awardees represent the best of our alumni … and dentistry.

Vice President Barry Taylor, D.M.D. ’95, is ready to take the gavel during the Annual Meeting. As a classmate and, having worked with him on the board, I can tell you that his compassion and longterm big picture view of dentistry will serve the Alumni Association well.

At our February board meeting, we welcomed two new board members: Michelle Crocker, D.M.D. ’04, and Tom Pollard, D.M.D. ’74. Thank you both for agreeing to join the board.

We are always looking for potential board candidates. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact me at lilgha@comcast.net for consideration. Being on the board is quite rewarding and it is good to feel you are making a difference in the future of dentistry.

It has been a wonderful year – one I’d do all over again if given the chance. Thank you all for being such a great dental family.

Lillian Harewood, D.M.D. ’95

Recollections Needed from Dental Alums

OHSU is collecting stories from School of Dentistry alumni, faculty, staff, and friends for a Diversity Story Wall to be unveiled this June in Kohler Pavilion. The goal of the Diversity Story Wall is to tell a little of the story of diversity at OHSU and in dentistry, science, and medicine. The Diversity Story Wall committee is looking for: names, photos, and recollections of colleagues whose contributions marked a significant moment relating to diversity (for example a first of any kind); recollections or memorabilia relating or portraying OHSU in larger national contexts (for example, the civil rights movement); items that offer perspective on OHSU’s ongoing journey to create a community of inclusion around issues like age, culture, disability, ethnicity, gender, national origin, color, race, religion, and sexual orientation; and noteworthy diversity milestones in the history of science and medicine. If you have a story to share, please contact Karen Peterson, peterska@ohsu.edu.
Wilbur Van Zile, D.D.S., had a distinguished career as a general dentist and oral surgeon which included 25 years in the Navy Dental Service where he perfected surgical techniques to correct misaligned jaws by removing sections of bone to allow realignment of the jaw. He served 10 years (1959-1969) experience as chair of oral and maxillofacial surgery at the then University of Oregon Dental School (the precursor to OHSU School of Dentistry) helping to transform oral surgery into an operating room specialty.

Dr. Van Zile initiated the School's graduate residency program in OMFS, now one of the top oral surgery residency programs in the country. A lifelong inventor, Dr. Van Zile was continually tinkering, designing, manufacturing, and patenting a device to improve outcomes for root canal restorations. Upon retiring from OHSU, Dr. Van Zile continued in private practice for another 10 years, retiring fully in 1979.

Dr. Van Zile met Ruth Harrison during his senior year of dental school at the University of Southern California and they were married for 70 years before her death in 1998. The couple was childless and Dr. Van Zile expressed his desire to provide scholarships to students at the OHSU School of Dentistry by creating a bequest in 2003. Dr. Van Zile died in 2009 at age 104.

“Dr. Van Zile was an amazing guy,” said Dean Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64. “He was a ham radio operator and I remember him building electronic kits in his spare time. One kit was for making your own color television, which promised a higher quality of picture than what you could get commercially, and I had a similar kit and we used to compare notes. He had high standards for whatever he pursued and is an excellent role model for any student to emulate.”

Thirteen-year-old Janet of Portland was called “vampire” by friends because of her double canines. She was also distressed by overcrowding in her mouth coupled with sharp pains when eating. Janet knew she needed braces, but as an Oregon foster child, she did not have the resources needed for oral care.

Enter Jean Altorfer, an Oregon Department of Health and Human Services (DHS) employee who worked closely with foster children for many years. That experience helped Ms. Altorfer recognize and take to heart the need for orthodontic services and the lack of funding for such care. Previously, Ms. Altorfer donated $10,000 to the School for foster children who were referred to OHSU for orthodontic treatment, said David Covell Jr., D.D.S., Ph.D., associate professor and chair of orthodontics.

Upon her death in 2010, the Jean D. Saunders Trust established the “Jean D. Altorfer Fund for Orthodontia Care for Children” through the OHSU Foundation. The $216,000 fund makes coverage available for orthodontic and related care for Oregon children residing in foster care homes under the supervision of the Children, Adults, and Families Division of the Oregon Department of Human Services. Janet was one of the first patients to benefit from the new fund, receiving braces at an emotional February appointment.

“This fund was Ms. Altorfer’s approach to making a difference,” said Dr. Covell. “Her generous gift will enable us to provide full orthodontics care to about 60 Oregon foster children.”

To donate to the Jean D. Altorfer Fund for Orthodontia Care for Children, please contact the OHSU Foundation, 1121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, Ore., 97205, (503) 228-1730.
$1 Million Gift For Community Dentistry

Growing up in Eagle Rock, Calif., Robert Beauchamp, D.M.D. ’39, was inspired by the work of his father, Curtis “Doc” Beauchamp, D.D.S., who bucked the professional conventions of his day to serve patients in Los Angeles regardless of their race or financial circumstances.

After graduating from North Pacific Dental College (the precursor to OHSU School of Dentistry), Robert, along with wife, Dorothy, quickly headed south to help the elder Dr. Beauchamp keep his practice alive. Though the elder Dr. Beauchamp died shortly thereafter, his mission to help the underserved lived on in his son.

“My father was always ahead of his time,” said Robert’s son, Richard Beauchamp. “He treated all patients, without discrimination. His attitude was ‘I will treat the patient first and then try to collect.’ That approach led to him offering interest-free credit to patients and then the moniker “Dr. Beauchamp Credit Dentist.”

Despite intense criticism from his colleagues for offering patients credit, advertising that he accepted credit, and championing larger clinics, Robert Beauchamp successfully bucked the professional conventions of his day, eventually opening eight practices, all in inner city locations.

Dr. Beauchamp ultimately sold his offices to a dental health management organization (HMO), which grew into the largest HMO in the United States, with 200 centers.

Wishing to honor Dr. Beauchamp’s legacy, the family of Robert Beauchamp recently pledged $1 million to OHSU School of Dentistry to establish the Dr. Robert Beauchamp Professorship in Community Dentistry. The first installment of the gift, made through Beauchamp Charities, will support the department of community dentistry’s outreach program, now required as part of the curriculum for all dental graduates. (See also story, page 12).

“The concepts Dr. Beauchamp pioneered were revolutionary in their time, but they helped define contemporary dentistry,” said School of Dentistry Dean Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64.

“This spirit of community is alive and well within our school today and we are pleased to be able to honor Dr. Beauchamp’s legacy through his family’s generous donation.”

Local Mason’s Group Offers Care for Medically-Fragile Children

Continuing its longstanding relationship with OHSU School of Dentistry, the Gul Reazee Grotto (a local chapter of a national humanitarian foundation) provided more than $100,000 of care for uninsured and medically-fragile children last year at the School’s one-year-old Pediatric Dental Surgery Clinic in Doernbecher Hospital. "Dr. of Smiles" Lloyd Fries, R.Ph., former monarch (president) for the Gul Reazee Grotto, recently spent a day in the clinic visiting with children and their families, many of whom he recognized from previous visits. Each child seen on “Grotto Day” received a free dental cleaning, prophylaxis, exam, and x-rays.
Patrick Hagerty, D.M.D. ’85, has always appreciated the general practice residency he completed at OHSU after dental school and how it helped prepare him for treating patients with special needs. He was disappointed when the program closed in 2003 due to budget cuts.

“Such work comes down to caring for another soul,” said Dr. Hagerty, who practices in Albany, Ore., and is board chairman of Albany General Hospital. “These folks didn’t get a fair shake in life. Yesterday, I saw a 14-year-old who was hit by a drunk driver when he was eight, was in a coma for a year and a half, and is now permanently brain damaged so is incapable of cooperating in the usual dental setting. So many patients with special needs have unusual metabolic disorders and you always have to be thinking outside the box. Dental training in a hospital setting is essential to this kind of dentistry.”

Dr. Hagerty happened to mention the OHSU program last spring to one of his patients, an 86-year-old with whom he’d forged a relationship when his wife, Stephanie, was raising funds in 2005 for a hospice house at the hospital.

“We had just presented a paper at an IADR (International Association of Dental Research) meeting as part of NW Precedent (www.nwprecedent.net) quantifying how health professionals who do a general practice residency in a hospital setting are far more likely to care for patients with special needs,” said Dr. Hagerty. “I told my patient how OHSU’s general practice residency had closed, how more hospitals are requiring postdoctoral training, and how there aren’t many people in the pipeline to take care of patients with special needs.

“Then I asked her if she’d be willing to invest $1 million in re-starting the general residency program and her answer was an immediate ‘Yes!’”

Dr. Hagerty credits his patient’s religious beliefs as the catalyst for her incredibly generous anonymous gift. “She refers to this as God’s work,” he said. “She’s a very strong person who knows her own mind so I knew she was serious about helping.”

School Dean Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64, is currently working with the university to identify space for the Hospital Dental Service. An ideal location, he said, would be on the seventh floor of OHSU’s Mark Hatfield building near the Oral Surgery Clinic.

Dr. Hagerty grew up in Albany (“I was born in the same hospital for which I am now chairman!”) and attended Oregon State University, graduating with a bachelor of science in general science. After dental school and his graduate practice residency, he rented office space from his dad, Harold Hagerty, D.M.D. ’58, then opened a satellite office in Harrisburg a year later.

When the elder Dr. Hagerty announced his intention to retire in 1988 and move to Portland, his son purchased the practice. In the mid-1990’s, Dr. Hagerty built a new dental office in Albany and it was about that time when he began his hospital practice. He is now at Albany General two or three days a month handling 12 to 15 patients, “an unusually large number for a general dentist,” he said.

The Hagertys have two daughters (now in their twenties) and they live on a farm in North Albany. Dr. Hagerty had a heart event about a year ago that prompted him to go on a public weight loss challenge. At press time, he had lost 31 pounds and had four to go to meet his 35 pound goal – and $100,000 for the hospital’s hospice project – from the same anonymous donor helping OHSU.

Anonymous Donor Pledges $1 Million to Restore OHSU Hospital Dental Service and General Practice Residency

Jeff Short, D.D.S., Endo ’95, recently made a generous contribution to the School of Dentistry’s Endowment for the Excellence in Endodontics (now at $814,302 toward its $2 million goal). Dr. Short completed the two-year graduate endodontology residency program at OHSU in 1995. “My educational experience there is unparalleled in my entire dental career,” said Dr. Short, “and I continue to associate with my mentors and friends from this great program.” Dr. Short said he appreciated Leslie Morgan, D.M.D. ’79 (who died in 1998), leading him through his research and publications during residency. Dr. Short made his gift in Dr. Morgan’s name.
When the RDH 1971 class reunites in April, they’ll definitely be updating one another on their latest work adventures. Of the graduating class of 33, “the majority are still working,” said reunion coordinator Joclyn Gaye (Kirrie) Thornburg, R.D.H. ’71.

“There is such a huge variety of opportunities for you with a dental hygiene degree,” said Joclyn, who was interviewed one recent morning from her Milwaukie, Ore., home. “It’s been a great career.”

Joclyn grew up less than four miles from OHSU and remembers learning to drive on Terwilliger Boulevard. She attended Wilson High School and Oregon State University.

Joclyn said she was drawn to dentistry because she was terrified of the dentist as a child. “I wanted to be in a situation to make going to the dentist a better experience for others,” she said. “I also liked the idea of having flexibility in my work hours.”

Joclyn entered what was then the University of Oregon dental hygiene school in 1969 for the two-year certificate program (a bachelor’s degree in dental hygiene wasn’t offered at the school until after Joclyn graduated). “I liked the interaction with the patients and caring for their needs,” she said.

Since graduation, Joclyn has worked continuously in private practice. She joined the Gum Gardners Study Club 15 years ago for her continuing education and continues to attend regularly with five of her classmates.

Hoping to teach, Joclyn returned to school in the late 1990’s, receiving a bachelor of arts in management from George Fox University. She was adjunct faculty at OHSU, helping dental hygiene students work chair side, and began teaching at Portland Community College in 2000. She now teaches two days a week and works in a private practice dental office one day a week.

Joclyn also volunteers once a month on the Medical Teams International dental van, caring for Outside In clients alongside William Wilde, D.M.D. ’77.

When not doing dentistry, Joclyn hikes, teaches quilting at the Wilsonville women’s prison, and travels locally. She is married to Gordon and their two sons live nearby (the youngest was on a ladder helping with moss removal the day Joclyn was interviewed), along with three grandchildren.

“‘The dental school is a hub of dentistry,” said Joclyn. “You can do everything here: continuing education, networking, teaching.

“I’m looking forward to seeing my classmates in April,” she said. “We’re going on a Portland Spirit cruise, just our class.”

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Alumnus Heads ODA Annual Meeting Council

When Larry R. Franz, D.M.D. ’87, was interviewed in late January, he was hot on the trail of speakers for the Oregon Dental Association (ODA)’s Oregon Dental Conference weekend – that is, the 2012 conference.

“We are always looking to improve the conference,” said Dr. Franz, the Annual Meeting Council Chair for the April 7 - 9, 2011, event in Portland. “It is a lot of work, but also a lot of fun.”

Dr. Franz said this year’s conference provides dental professionals the opportunity to earn up to 18 continuing education credits over three days of courses, as well as catch up with friends and colleagues. The featured speaker is Gordon Christensen, founder and director of Practical Clinical Courses, and the keynote speaker is Mt. Everest summiteer Jim Whittaker.

Teri Barichello, D.M.D. ’98, will be on hand at the President’s Garden Reception, which will be in a new location this year. Two other receptions – the Grand Opening Reception and the New Dentist Reception – feature food, music, and prizes. There are free massages in the exhibit hall (not to mention 200 exhibiting companies) and a new Masters Café where attendees can check on the Masters Golf Tournament.

Dr. Franz, 50, said he was invited to join the host committee four years ago by Michael Naughton, D.M.D. ’89. Dr. Franz is in his second year of a third-year term and said it was “his turn” to be council chair.

His father, Landy J. Franz, D.M.D. ’53 (now deceased), a longtime Salem dentist was the inspiration for Dr. Franz’s career choice. The younger Dr. Franz received a bachelor of science in chemistry from University of Oregon and applied to and was accepted to OHSU.

After dental school graduation, Dr. Franz intended to purchase his father’s practice, but advice to “locate where you’d love to live” kept him in Portland instead. “I really liked Portland and wanted to stay here and so my dad sold his practice to Mark Rogers, D.M.D. ’86.”

Dr. Franz associated with Lewis Flach, D.M.D. ’60, in southeast Portland on 128th and Foster Road and he’s been in that neighborhood ever since. Dr. Flach retired in 1991 and Dr. Franz built his own office five years ago, moving five blocks to 122nd and Foster. He said he has the same staff that Dr. Flach had for 25 years, though he did have to hire an additional dental hygienist who has been on board for 17 years now!

In his time away from dentistry, Dr. Franz enjoys international travel, backpacking, and he is a Hood to Coast (relay run) veteran.

Though it’s not an OHSU reunion year for Dr. Franz, he is looking forward to seeing his dental classmates at their 25th reunion. “We had a very eclectic class and we really got along well together,” he said. “School was hard, but I made good friends. We really enjoy one another’s company.”
Class of 1955

Ken Adams, D.M.D. ’55, Salem, Ore., is married to Germond (Gerry) and has three children, 11 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Orville Boyle, Jr., D.M.D. ’55, Milwaukee, Ore., was in the United States Naval Reserve, retiring as captain after 26 years. He is a longtime (17 years) assistant professor of restorative dentistry at OHSU, now working one day a week. Dr. Boyle has served on the OHSU Alumni Board and was Alumnus of the Year in 1995. He enjoys fishing, hunting, time at Black Butte Ranch, and travel. Dr. Boyle and his wife, Emily, have four children, nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Donald Carpenter, D.M.D. ’55, Medford, Ore., spent two years as a United States Air Force dentist at George Air Force Base in Victorville, Calif., and then was in private practice in The Dalles, Ore., for 28 years. Dr. Carpenter has traveled extensively including to Kenya, Galapagos, Panama, Argentina, and Brazil. He enjoys sailing. Dr. Carpenter’s wife is deceased. He has three children.

George Casterline, D.M.D. ’55, Portland, Ore., is a moderator for the First Congregational Church of Portland. Over the years, he’s visited 27 countries. He has been on the board of directors for Mount Hood Community College for 10 years and is past chairman of the scholarship committee. He is also past chairman of the Gresham, Ore., Rotary Club. Dr. Casterline is married to Suzanne and they have four children, 10 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Class of 1960

Jack Adams, D.M.D. ’60, Jerome, Idaho, practiced four years in Corvallis, then took a year’s hiatus to attend the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business. Dr. Adams moved to Jerome, Idaho, and has been practicing dentistry ever since. He is a flight instructor, has a commercial pilot’s license, and was a business computer programmer and consultant for 25 years. He and his wife, Diane, have four daughters and six grandchildren. Lately, Dr. Adams has been giving motivational speeches on life’s purpose.

Leland Armstrong, D.M.D. ’60, Gresham, Ore., provides pro bono care for former alcohol and drug addicts. He enjoys skiing, hunting, and fishing. Dr. Armstrong is married to Marlene and has five children.

Martin Arrigotti, D.M.D. ’60, Portland, Ore., practiced for two years after graduation and was then called into the United States Army Dental Corps for two years. He resumed private practice in 1964 and retired in 1997. Dr. Arrigotti works out three-to five-times a week. He and his wife, Sharon, travel annually. They have five children and 10 grandchildren. Dr. Arrigotti drag races during the spring and summer and keeps busy as a handyman for one of his sons who owns restaurants.

Class of 1962

Floyd Holady, D.M.D. ’62, Lake Oswego, Ore., has been traveling since the death of his wife, Celia, in June of 2009. In 2010, Dr. Holady visited Williamsburg, Va., and drove through North and South Carolina into areas where his ancestors resided. Dr. Holady said he “keeps busy” and enjoys his children who all live nearby.

Kenneth Keyes, D.M.D. ’62, M.D. ’66, F.A.C.S., Bozeman, Mont., practiced dentistry for 28 years in Winston-Salem, N.C., in a group practice. He retired in 1999 and moved to Montana. Dr. Keyes and his wife, Dottie, have three children.

Class of 1965

Riley “Ray” Allen, D.M.D. ’65, Prineville, Ore., is married to Becky and enjoys bird hunting and fishing.

Edward Barnes, D.M.D. ’65, Portland, Ore., was in an early commissioning program for the United States Navy, serving on Guam from 1965-1967, and then 25 years in the Naval Reserve, retiring in 1992. Dr. Barnes had a private practice in North Portland for 33 years, retiring in 2000, to become a fulltime sheep farmer. He and his wife, Linda, raise registered St. Croix Hair Sheep. They enjoy traveling throughout the United States in their recreational vehicle. Dr. Barnes loves fishing and hunting, but his main hobby is woodworking. He still has Morgan horses that were shown for many years.

J. Darold Brown, D.M.D. ’65, Portland, Ore., spent three years in the United States Air Force and then nearly 28 years in private practice in Sandy, Ore. He also taught for nearly 28 years in fixed prosthodontics at OHSU. He is married to Linda and they have two children.

Class of 1970

J. Rich Bamford, D.M.D. ’70, Medford, Ore., is married to Marilyn, R.D.H. ’70. Marilyn said they were disappointed to miss their 40th class reunions and that they had just traveled to South America in November with two of her dental hygiene classmates on a cruise.

William Bettis, D.M.D. ’70, Winchester, Ore., enjoyed working and raising a family, coaching, and then being remarried to Tiffany and is raising twin preschoolers. He played competitive tennis and wrestled and has been a board member of the Oregon Chapter of National Wrestling Hall of Fame for 10 years.

Class of 1985

Bruce Austin, D.M.D. ’85, Corvallis, Ore., did a graduate practice residency and worked for three years in a one-dentist clinic in Germany, followed by five years teaching at OHSU, and another 20 years at Permanente Dental Associates. Dr. Austin recently took a sabbatical to attend massage school. He has run 30 marathons and several ultra-marathons. Dr. Austin and his wife, Sherilyn, have a farm (he’s an Oregon Duck) and he is a woodcarver.

Matthew Bourg, D.M.D. ’85, Boring, Ore., has been in private practice for 25 years. He is married to Cindy and they have four children. Dr. Bourg says he enjoys “lots of camping, boating, and motorcycle riding.”

Valerie Foster, D.M.D. ’85, Hillsboro, Ore., had the “great opportunity to provide dental care to my patients in Aloha for 25 years with a dedicated long term dental staff. “ Dr. Foster and her husband, Rupert Fersch, have three children. They have traveled the world from South American to Fiji to the Seychelles, the Mediterranean, and Australia.
Class of 1990
Beth Finnson, R.D.H. ’90, Silverton, Ore., was recently promoted to Captain in the United States Public Health Service. Capt. Finnson has completed more than 19 years in the U.S. Public Health Service and is stationed at Chemawa Indian Health Center in Salem. She received her master’s in public health in 1994.

Class of 1992
Scott Curtice, D.M.D. ’92, Yokuska, Japan, recently was promoted to captain of the United States Navy. Dr. Curtice is currently stationed in Yokuska, Japan, and now outranks proud father, Fred Curtice, D.M.D. ’62, who attended the September promotion ceremony.

Class of 2000
Ron Nielsen, D.M.D. ’00, Anchorage, Alaska, moved to Alaska in 2002 and started a practice from scratch in June 2005. He and his wife, Alison, built their “dream home” in 2009. They have three children.

Inna Shimanovsky, D.M.D. ’00, Tigard, Ore., was an associate at Capitol Dental Group for two years. She has owned her own practice since 2005. Dr. Shimanovsky attended the Aesthetic Advantage Institute in New York. She and her husband, Roman, have two children and they’ve traveled abroad extensively in the last 10 years.

John Swain, D.M.D. ’00, Gilbert, Ariz., has been in solo general practice – one he started from scratch – since 2002. He and his wife, Karen, have two cats.

Class of 2005
Matt Aldridge, D.M.D. ’05, Ridgefield, Wash., was an associate at Couch Comfort Dental in Idaho after graduation for two years and is now an associate at River Dental in Vancouver, Wash. He helped found the Eastern Idaho Low-Income Dental Clinic and is the original president of their Board of Directors. Dr. Aldridge and his wife, Kelsey, have one son.

Brian Bray, D.M.D. ’05, Portland, Ore., is a licensed speech language pathologist. He completed a prosthodontic residency in 2008. Dr. Bray and his wife, Leslie, have two children.

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- Current OHSU dental students

Register online at http://www.ohsu.edu/sod/alumni
New Faculty

Mark Engelstad, D.D.S., M.D., M.H.I., recently joined the School as an associate professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Dr. Engelstad was most recently an associate clinical professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, where he just completed a master’s of health informatics. Dr. Engelstad received his doctor of dental science from the University of Minnesota and his medical degree from University of Louisville School of Medicine. He also received certificates in general surgery and oral and maxillofacial surgery from the University of Louisville. Dr. Engelstad completed an AO Craniomaxillofacial Fellowship at the Kantonspittal Basel, Switzerland and Queen’s Medical Centre in Nottingham, England, and an oral and maxillofacial fellowship at the Royal Melbourne Hospital & Royal Children’s Hospital in Melbourne, Australia. His interests include maxillofacial trauma, cleft and craniofacial surgery, medical informatics, and surgical skills education.

New Research Published

The lab of Agnieszka Balkowiec, M.D., Ph.D., associate professor of integrative biosciences, recently released a major finding in Neuroscience, one that could play a significant role in the development of new treatments for orofacial pain conditions such as TMJ disorder, trigeminal neuralgia, and toothache. For more information, go to www.ohsu.edu/sod and click on the March Dental Bites.
Community Dentistry Chair on Board

The OHSU School of Dentistry’s new chair of community dentistry arrived in January and is excited to enhance outreach so it becomes an important part of graduates’ educational experience.

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When Dr. Schwarz – most recently adjunct professor in professional studies at the University of Nevada Las Vegas and professor of Population Oral Health, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Sydney – saw the OHSU community dentistry chair position posted online, he was impressed with the School’s commitment to community dentistry.

“When funding for community dentistry declined in the mid-1980s, community dentistry lost its lure and many schools closed or merged their departments,” said Dr. Schwarz. “This position was attractive because the school wanted community dentistry to have a clear identification and provide dental students with a broad program, from health promotion to prevention to public health.”

Dr. Schwarz, who replaces acting chair Denice Stewart, D.D.S., M.P.H., associate dean for clinical affairs, said he appreciated the challenge of the year-long recruitment. “I haven’t been in such a rigorous recruitment exercise in a very long time!” he said. “I really enjoyed the challenge, which was followed by an extremely warm welcome. People have been extremely helpful.”

Since his arrival, Dr. Schwarz has been visiting local clinics, Pacific University’s Dental Hygiene program, and meeting with fellow chairs and faculty. “Meeting our partners gives a sense of the potential of what we are able to be a part of in Oregon, which is invigorating,” he said.

A self-described “hard worker,” Dr. Schwarz said he likes to think outside the box. “I’ve always questioned things to see if we can do better,” he said. “For instance, many of the words we hear regularly now in dentistry – immunoassays, biocompatible – did not exist 30 years ago when I was a student. Can you imagine what we haven’t invented yet that we will be needing and using regularly in dentistry 30 years from now?

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The Class of 2011 is the first OHSU dental school class required to complete a one-week community-based rotation in addition to serving one week at the Russell Street Clinic. All 74 soon-to-be dentists have now signed up to provide care at one of 13 sites in communities ranging from private offices in rural and remote Burns and Baker City, to safety-net public health clinics in Hillsboro and Cornelius.

A handful of soon-to-be graduates sought more than one community-based rotation and several completed three or more. Studies have shown that providing dental students with diverse, hands-on clinical experience beyond school walls increases the chance that they will return to those communities to live and work.

“Community dentistry is a way of learning and a way of teaching that has come to stay and we need to find a happy medium between the inside and outside of the school walls,” said Dr. Schwarz. “It isn’t like you go to the clinic every day and then you leave the office and go play golf. Community dentistry lives with you all the time.”

Dr. Schwarz said he’ll be lecturing occasionally this spring for the Health Promotions course (CD 730). He intends to continue research into health services, longitudinal programs, and clinical trials.

Though he came to Oregon for a national conference a few years ago, Dr. Schwarz said he didn’t have time to see much of the city, but overall it reminds him of his native Denmark given the rain, biking, and light rail. In his spare time, Dr. Schwarz enjoys walking, biking, guitar, baking Danish rye bread and cakes … and working.

Dr. Schwarz and his wife, Sussi, have moved into a condominium on South Waterfront, maintaining their Henderson, Nev., home. They have four children (one in England, two in Hong Kong, and one in Nevada) and two grandchildren.

“Coming to a new place is exciting … and scary,” said Dr. Schwarz. “I just want to do the best that I can.”
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Robert G. Gootee/ODS Lecture is May 2

Neal Keny-Guyer, chief executive officer of Mercy Corps, is the speaker for the third Robert G. Gootee/ODS Companies Endowed Lectureship in Leadership and Professionalism set for May 2. The annual lecture was established in 2007 by the ODS Companies Board of Directors as a tribute to Robert’s many years of service.

Alumni are welcome to attend. To RSVP, go to www.ohsu.edu/sod/alumni and click Upcoming Alumni Events.

Neal Keny-Guyer is a social entrepreneur committed to creating a more just and peaceful world. He holds a bachelor of arts in public policy and religion from Duke University, a master’s of arts in public and private management from Yale University, and an honorary doctor of humane letters from Portland State University.

Mr. Keny-Guyer joined Mercy Corps in 1994 as chief executive officer. Under his aegis, Mercy Corps has emerged as a leading international humanitarian and development organization with ongoing operations in nearly 40 countries, 3,700 staff, and an annual operating budget of $308 million. He has forged new directions at Mercy Corps, most notably implementing global mergers and strategic alliances, placing human rights, civil society, and social entrepreneurship at the forefront of Mercy Corps’ humanitarian mission, and building an organizational reputation for groundbreaking, innovative programming in the world’s toughest environments.

Mr. Keny-Guyer lives in Portland, Ore., with his wife, Alissa, and their three children.

OHSU Continuing Dental Education Calendar

The following are courses available this spring. For information, please call (503) 494-8857, or go to www.ohsu.edu/sod/continuinged. Ask about early registration fees.

May 6-7
Understanding Your Dental Patient with Significant Medical Disease: Part III-Immunology, Psychiatry, Neurology, Oncology, Laboratory Tests (16 hours)
Bart Johnson, D.D.S.

May 23
Record Keeping for the Dental Office (Three hours)
Stephen Persichetti, D.D.S.

June 3
CAOS! Complex Adult Oral Medicine Solutions (Seven hours)
Mark Donaldson, Pharm.D., and Jason Goodchild, D.M.D.

June 4
Digital Dental Photography (Seven hours)
Mark Donaldson, Pharm. D., and Jason Goodchild, D.M.D.

June 6-11
Comprehensive Orthodontics for the Family and Pediatric Dentist (48 hours)
Howard D. Friedman, D.D.S.

June 20-July 1
Summer Oral Radiology Proficiency (50 hours)
Lynn George, CDA

July 8
There’s Pharmacology in the Air: Nitrous Oxide Use in Dentistry (Four hours)
John R. Smith, Ph.D.

July 28-30
The Art and Science of Sedation in the Dental Office: Minimal Sedation (21 hours)
David Donaldson, B.D.S., Fred Quarnstrom, D.D.S., and Mark Donaldson, Pharm.D.

July 30
Oral Sedation Review (Seven hours)
David Donaldson, B.D.S., Fred Quarnstrom, D.D.S., and Mark Donaldson, Pharm.D.
Dental Students Help with OHSU Foundation Trustee Tour

Seven second-year dental students recently led trustees of the OHSU Foundation through a hands-on exercise in the simulation clinic. Wearing personal protective equipment, the one dozen trustees were divided into small groups and learned from Dan Walsh, Ilkyu Lee, Trevor Frideres, Stephanie Nicola, Jordan Buhr, Kyle Malloy, and Tyler Way, how to prepare a tooth for restoration using a mirror and handpiece.

“We are going to treat you just like a dental student in learning one dental technique,” School Dean Jack Clinton, D.M.D. ’64, told the trustees. Dean Clinton also showed the trustees the pre-doctoral clinic and the Dr. and Mrs. Carl Rietman Pediatric Dentistry Clinic, discussing the school’s current space constraints and aging equipment.

“It was a great tour,” said OHSU Foundation Trustee John Eskildsen. “It was very educational and sure showed the need for a new dental school!”

Peter Morita, D.M.D. ’86, associate dean for patient services, guided the dental students in the simulation lab. Alum Kenneth Berg, D.M.D. ’57, assistant professor of restorative dentistry, is a Foundation Trustee and attended the tour.

Dental Students Focus of ODA Mentor Dinner

About 30 dental students attended the late January ODA Mentor Dinner, sponsored by the Oregon Dental Association (ODA)’s New Dentist Committee. Ten Oregon dentists, the majority of them from the Portland-area and nearly half of them alumni, provided a glimpse into what it’s like to be a dentist. “It was an incredible opportunity to get a sense of real-world dentistry,” said second-year dental student Iraj Kasimi, an OHSU representative for ODA. School of Dentistry alumni volunteering their time to attend the Jan. 27 dinner to talk with students included Alumni Association Board Member Connie Masuoka, D.M.D. ’88 (far right), Todd Beck, D.M.D. ’94, assistant professor of community dentistry, Jennifer Crowe, D.D.S., M.S., Ortho ’08, adjunct assistant professor of orthodontics, and Sue Walker, D.M.D. ’95, affiliate assistant instructor of restorative dentistry. (Photo courtesy ODA)

Dental Student Qualifies for Olympic Marathon Trials

Fourth-year dental student Amanda Rice recently qualified for the Olympic Trials by running a 2:44:08 marathon. Amanda ran her qualifying race in Sacramento in December at the California International Marathon.

“I couldn’t have done it without the support of my family and my coach, Rick Lovett, who designed my training schedule and worked with me almost every day to reach my goal,” said Amanda, who is poised to graduate in June and has been accepted into a graduate practice residency at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland. “We arranged my running schedule to accommodate my dental school training so that my workouts were mostly after school and on the weekends. I was averaging about 80 miles a week during the months of October and November, usually working in a 22-mile run over the weekend.”

The Olympic Trials are in Houston Jan. 14, 2012.

“I right now, I need to focus on getting stronger and building my speed so that perhaps we shall see my training take me all the way to London for the 2012 Olympics!” said Amanda.

Record Applications for Class of 2015

The OHSU School of Dentistry has received a record numbers of applications for its class of 2015, according to Mark Mitchell, M.A., associate dean for student affairs. At press time, the School had received 1,148 applications, compared to 1,070 in 2010, and surpassed the School’s all-time high of 1,132 applications in 2008-09.
Student Spotlight

National Children’s Dental Health Month Provides Outreach Opportunities

OHSU School of Dentistry students did an impressive job of coordinating February outreach activities as part of National Children’s Dental Health Month. Thousands of young people and their families received oral education and patient care during the three major School events.

Celebration of Smiles

More than 2,500 people visited the Portland Children’s Museum Feb. 4 and 5 during Celebration of Smiles.

“On Friday, there were 1,071 guests in four hours!” said second-year dental student Erica Coe, who organized the annual oral education event with classmate Geoff Peterson, and another four dozen first- and second-year dental students. “There is nothing more rewarding than reaching out to kids and the community. I feel very honored to take part in such a great event.”

Children went from station to station to paint plaster molds, make tooth pillows, get their face painted, and brush “Wally” the alligator’s teeth. Portland State University students presented an excellent skit Feb. 4 and the Alphabeticians gave three oral health-related performances Feb. 5.

“It was a marvelous display of student community engagement and creativity,” noted Eli Schwarz, D.D.S., Ph.D., M.P.H., chair of community dentistry (see also, page 12).

Sealant Day

After January oral education presentations by Outreach Coordinator Mary Ann Haisch, R.D.H., pediatric dentistry residents screened second graders at Buckman Elementary and Raleigh Park Elementary for the School’s “Sealant Day.”

Second graders needing sealants whose parents provided permission for oral care were then brought to the dental school for care on Feb. 4 (Raleigh Park) and Feb. 18 (Buckman). Fourth-year dental students placed the children’s sealants in the Dr. and Mrs. Carl Rietman Pediatric Dentistry Clinic with guidance from pediatric dentistry residents and faculty.

Give Kids a Smile

OHSU’s Give Kids a Smile day began early Feb. 25 with 40 pre-screened children from local Boys and Girls Clubs arriving by 8 a.m. for care by pediatric dentistry residents in the pre-doctoral clinic.

The next round of pre-screened children – about 160 of them – began arriving by bus about 9:30 a.m. The children – all from uninsured and low-income homes – represented various Portland-area schools, said Multnomah Dental Society executive director Lora Mattson. They were cared for in the pre-doctoral clinic by third- and fourth-year dental students.

Dental student coordinators were fourth-year dental students Vishal Panchmatia and Amanda Rentschler. Third-year dental student Vijay Patel wrote a letter to the White House informing United States President Barack Obama of the problem of oral uninsuredness and how OHSU dental students are doing their part to help.

Class of 2011

Spotlight On…Christopher Butler

Chris Butler, 39, is a great example of an individual taking a nontraditional route to dentistry. Chris dropped out of high school, received his general education diploma, and had two children by the time he was 18. He worked in fast food when his children were born and then moved on to working in the lumber industry, pulling green chain, and then working as a hod carrier in a masonry company for several years. When he turned 30, Chris decided to go to college – he was the first in his family to attend – to pursue dentistry. After one year at Chemeketa Community College, Chris was able to apply to Oregon State University (OSU) where he graduated with a bachelor of science in general science in 2007. He then applied to and was accepted to OHSU School of Dentistry, receiving several diversity scholarships (he’s Native American) to help pay for tuition. Every day for four years, Chris has commuted to OHSU from Salem! While Chris was at OSU, his longtime girlfriend decided to pursue dental hygiene and she works for a Salem dentist that Chris hopes to associate with after graduation this spring. Congratulations, Chris!
April 7 to 9
Reunion Weekend

April 9
Annual Meeting and Awards
Luncheon
Oregon Convention Center

May 2
Robert G. Gootee/ODS Companies
Endowed Lectureship in Leadership
and Professionalism
OHSU Auditorium (Old Library)

May 5 to 7
Montana Dental Association Annual
Meeting

May 12 to 14
Alaska Dental Association Annual
Meeting

May 14
Robert Quinton-Cox Memorial
Softball Tournament

May 16
Alumni Association board meeting

May 21
Golf Tournament
Sponsored by the Class of 2011
The Reserve Vineyards and Golf
Club, Aloha

June 4
Welcome to the Alumni Association
DS4 reception

June 16 to 17
Pacific Northwest Dental
Conference

June 17
Class of 2011 Commencement
OHSU Auditorium (Old Library)

July 15
White Coat Ceremony for DS2's
OHSU Auditorium (Old Library)

July 28 to 30
Idaho State Dental Association
Annual Meeting

Aug. 25 and 26
DS1 Retreat
Cannon Beach

Sept. 19
Alumni Association Board Meeting

Sept. 23
Cantwell Memorial Golf Tournament

Sept. 24
Cantwell Memorial Lecture & Margaret
M. Ryan Dental Hygiene Update

October
DS1 Welcome Dinner
TBD

Oct. 10 to 13
American Dental Association
Las Vegas

Oct. 11
Alumni Reception during the ADA
Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino,
Las Vegas

Oct. 22
Dean's Gold Circle – Invitation only
The Allison Inn, Newberg, Ore.

Nov. 14
Alumni Association Board Meeting

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