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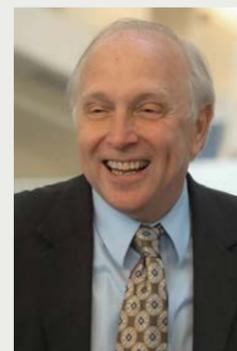


Just hangin' round – The Class of 2018 participated in a retreat to Oregon's Camp Collins at Oxbow Park for some team building and general fun during the summer of 2017.



Members of the Class of 2020 attended the annual Conference on Professionalism and Ethics in Cannon Beach, Oregon September 27 and 28, 2016. Attendees heard and discussed the academic and social responsibilities that accompany their acceptance into the dental profession, and collaborated in treatment-planning studies that emphasized treatment of the whole patient.

## Message from the Dean



Dear colleagues,

Those of you with particularly sensitive ears might have heard a collective cheer coming from the School late last October, and wondered what was happening.

I am delighted to share the welcome and exciting news that we have successfully

completed the capital campaign for our new home. I would like to express my sincere thanks to each and every one of the 741 corporate and individual donors who have made this magnificent building possible. You can read more about our collective achievement in our feature article.

While we celebrate that accomplishment in bricks and mortar, I also want to recognize our ongoing commitment to a greater purpose: to build a School of Dentistry that is a nationally-recognized leader and innovator in oral health education, care and discovery. With your help, we are well on our way.

As I walk through our clinics, labs and classrooms I see and hear this purpose being realized every day. Working in a physical environment that faithfully replicates a private or corporate dental clinic, our students are immersed in the rhythm and pace of a busy practice while being supported over time through their own learning curve, from observer and assistant to a dentist who is truly practice-ready.

We also better understand the extraordinary value of the clinical rotations that take place outside the walls of the school. As our students travel to clinical care sites around the state, they see first-hand the challenges and rewards of providing dental care in rural locations.

These experiences are designed to allow our students to build up their facility and efficiency, and to follow up on their own care when they return to the site after two weeks back in Portland. I often hear from returning students how much more easily they can accommodate a patient load that challenged them before their rural rotation. We are now creating an experience in the school that builds on these rotations.

As Dean, I am singularly focused on continuing the strong tradition of our school in graduating dentists with superior clinical skills who are practice-ready and fully-prepared to step into the next phase of their careers or training.

You will read elsewhere in this edition of the many avenues now open to our graduates - hospital dentistry, general practice residency and community dentistry, as well as ways we facilitate life-long learning through our continuing dental education program.

I am proud of our new facility, and grateful for the time, treasure, talent and leadership that so many have contributed. From alumni, current and former school leadership, friends, corporate supporters, faculty and others; all contributed to make a long-held dream a reality. But I am even prouder of the students who move through it. Your support enables our outstanding faculty to prepare students to lead the dental profession in this era of unprecedented change, and shape the future of the practice of dental care. Thank you. I look forward to joining with you to fashion the next exciting phase of our school's story.

Phillip T. Marucha, D.M.D., Ph.D.

## Message from the Alumni Association President



Early in the 2016-2017 academic year I participated in the DS1 Conference on Professionalism and Ethics, held at Cannon Beach on the Oregon coast. It was wonderful to see the eager first year student involvement in this conference. They heard a talk from Dean Marucha about the school, discussed the American Student Dental Association Code of Conduct and received sweatshirts as welcome gifts from the Alumni Association. Then, with the help of their Group Practice leaders and D3 and D4 student volunteers, they divided up into their Bridge Groups and worked on case studies. Having started their curriculum in the summer rather than the fall, already they are honing their knowledge of dentistry much earlier than the students of my generation.

During the conference I heard the students express their desire for OHSU to remain focused on restorative excellence. I know alumni have the same expectations. They also have the opportunity to work outside the school, especially in rural areas. The goal of their curriculum and the opportunities provided inside and outside the School over the next four years is to make the graduates “practice ready” – both clinically and ethically. Many hours will be devoted to developing the hand skills and clinical diagnosis skills they will need as professionals. This conference was dedicated to developing their professional and ethical skills. As a result of this experience, if a future employer were to ask them to do something unethical, they will know not to do it.

The finale is always the Sand Sculpture Competition on Friday morning. The theme this past year was “Olympics” and the DS1s hit the sand running. They had 80 minutes and all did a remarkable job. The six entries were amazing in their imagination, execution and presentation. In the end there was a tie for the Alder trophy between the Hawthorne and Steel bridge groups. We offered to have the trophy shared between them for six months each or to have them flip a coin with the winner taking all. Nobody wanted to risk a flip so the trophy will be shared by both groups in the coming year.

I thought the students’ choice said a lot about our profession. We are not gamblers. When the American Dental Association Annual Session was held in Las Vegas in 2012, local conference organizers would not let us stay over a weekend. We were told dentists did not gamble enough and they didn’t want to waste renting weekend rooms to non-gamblers. Good for us. Most of us don’t gamble in our profession either.

Thank you all for your support. The students need and deserve it.

Tom Pollard, D.M.D. '74  
President, OHSU School of Dentistry Alumni Association



## Campaign Conclusion Marks Beginning of a New Era

Almost two decades of planning, effort, advocacy and intense focus ended in October with two words: “We’re done!”

The OHSU School of Dentistry and OHSU Foundation announced in the fall that the Our Moment is Here campaign had been successfully concluded through a combination of outright gifts, pledges and deferred commitments.

The campaign – which secured unprecedented support from donors in Oregon and 35 other states – was driven by gifts from 741 individual and corporate donors. Alumni accounted for almost two-thirds of the donors. The campaign coincided with a number of similar dental school campaigns across the country, but none as ambitious.

“We are truly delighted to be able to close out this campaign,” said Phillip Marucha, D.M.D., Ph.D., Dean of the OHSU School of Dentistry. “The School’s new

home on Portland’s South Waterfront fully reflects the excellence of the faculty and the work that takes place here, and provides the foundation for our work to improve the health of all Oregonians.”

Among the gifts was the largest in the school’s history to date – a \$10 million commitment from Dr. Eugene ’68 and Bonnie Skourtes.

“When the opportunity came to possibly add the tower to the Collaborative Life Sciences Building I felt that this was a great idea,” said Dr. Skourtes. “My wife, Bonnie, and I agreed this opportunity may never come up again. Now we have a new home for the school, and a strengthened collaboration in the health sciences for the betterment of oral health in our community.”

Support from corporations, foundations and organized dentistry was also essential in achieving the goal. A-dec, Inc. and Moda Health each made

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## CAMPAIGN CONCLUSION MARKS NEW ERA



substantial leadership commitments exceeding \$5 million to the campaign. They were joined by Sirona, the Oregon Dental Association, Dr. Kenneth '63 and Dorothy Johnson, Dr. Eugene '59 and Carol Kelley, O'Brien Dental Lab, Inc. and the Oregon Academy of General Dentistry, all of whom made gifts of at least \$250,000.

"We were delighted to help support this historic campaign," said Robert Gootee, Chief Executive officer of Moda Health and Delta Dental of Oregon. "Our support marks the most recent chapter in our now 60-year partnership with the dental school. We remain convinced that a thoroughly modern, innovative, collaborative dental education will be a key component of ongoing healthcare transformation throughout the communities we serve."

"As dentists embark on their new career, it is increasingly important that they have access to state-of-the-art equipment, tools and technology to ensure they are prepared for the challenges of modern dentistry" said Scott Parrish, President of A-dec, Inc. "A-dec is proud to partner with OHSU in this effort."

"The Oregon Dental Association is dedicated to advancing the dental profession throughout our state," said Gregory Jones, DMD '76, ODA President. "We are delighted to have been part of a campaign that secures a home for world-class educational, clinical and research programs to further develop in Oregon."

### WHAT'S NEXT?

The successful conclusion of the campaign allows the school to focus on philanthropic opportunities that reflect the growing challenges of containing and reducing student debt while fully preparing the next generation of clinicians for a career in an ever-changing profession. In particular, philanthropy will play an essential role in two areas that are fundamental to the success of the school:

- **Building our endowment to support faculty success.** The school's faculty is a cornerstone of the School of Dentistry's national reputation for clinical excellence. Endowed support for faculty positions allows school leadership to recruit and retain a faculty who ensure that the curriculum leads national advances in clinical practice, education and dental research.
- **Improving access to state-of-the-art technology.** Technological advances require students to become familiar with a wide range of equipment and processes they will encounter in the workplace. Far from commonplace today, cone beam technology, 3D printers and CAD/CAM restorative preparations are set to become the standard of care in dental offices in the next decade. An endowment supporting the acquisition of new technology allows OHSU students to keep pace in developing essential skills and experience.

Discussion about a new home for the school began in the late 1990s. Through the planning and ground-breaking, the move to Skourtes Tower and the successful completion of the campaign, the School of Dentistry has demonstrated that the committed effort of a dedicated community can achieve what seemed at the outset to be a formidable goal.

"This progressive building represents a spectacular achievement by the school, the university, our alumni and our friends in the dental community," said Dr. Marucha. "Now we can address ourselves full time to building and developing a program that matches the excellence of our home."

### NEW SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY BY THE NUMBERS

**TOTAL DONORS: 741**  
Corporate/Foundation Donors: 62  
Individuals Donors: 679  
Alumni Donors: 480

Gifts at \$1 million or greater: 3  
Gifts between \$1 - \$49,000: 696

Total States Represented: 36  
Donors from Oregon: 510  
Donors from outside the U.S.: 3

Age of oldest donor: 99  
Age of youngest Donor: 31

### COLLABORATIVE LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING BY THE NUMBERS

Total site area dedicated to landscaping and a green roof: 20%

Total length of conduits (in miles): 126  
Total number of light fixtures: over 6,000  
Total length of wire (in miles): over 593  
Total number of plumbing fixtures: over 900  
Total length of data cables (in miles): 398

Number of chocolate chip cookies fueling the jobsite team between ground-breaking and opening: over 1 million

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# Interprofessional Education Builds Link between Oral and Systemic Health

At OHSU, Interprofessional Education (IPE) has become a university-wide initiative that aims to drive an educational revolution producing team-based, patient-centered care that includes all specialties. The School of Dentistry has taken this initiative to heart, incorporating IPE into many programs, the most visible being very active student rotations at OHSU's rural health campuses.

In many ways dentistry has developed separately from medicine, both in the educational setting and in practice. But growing economic, political, demographic and sociologic forces are challenging current health-care delivery models in the United States. New and available forms of health care coverage are focusing more on prevention and primary care. The escalating population of older adults often presents with complex health histories and a growing body of research continues to substantiate the oral-systemic link. In the face of these factors, collaborative practice is seen as the approach to health care delivery that is cost-effective, accessible and focused on prevention and primary care. A team-based and collaborative approach to health care is seen as imperative to reduce costs, improve patient outcomes, and raise quality of care.

Like anything else, acquiring the skills of collaboration requires years of practice beginning at the start of professional training. IPE facilitates the sharing of skills and knowledge between professions, promoting improved understanding, shared values, and respect for the roles of other health care professionals. At OHSU, dental students already are learning together with other nursing,

medical and pharmacy and physician assistant students with the goal of creating health professionals able to work side-by-side, sharing information in a clear and empathic manner, performing procedures and helping guide care in the direction desired by the patient.

During the summer and fall of 2016, incoming OHSU students participated in OHSU's introductory IPE event: *Professionalism and Professional Identity: Exploring Shared Commitments*. In October, students participated in the first of three more day-long courses: Foundations of Patient Safety and Interprofessional Practice. Students recently completed their January sessions and will meet again in April of 2017.

OHSU's IPE curriculum will include electives and multiprofessional courses as well as experiences in the Interprofessional Simulation Center at the Collaborative Life Sciences Building. Further advanced curriculum will focus on clinical practice and interprofessional collaboration. At OHSU, IPE is helping to reinforce the link between oral health and systemic health, while overcoming some of dentistry's separation from medical care. Future patients are the end beneficiaries, as we move toward the triple aim of lower costs, better experiences and better outcomes.



## SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY LAUNCHES HOSPITAL DENTAL SERVICES

OHSU Healthcare has created a new division, Hospital Dental Services, to manage the oral health needs of hospital patients. OHSU chief medical officer Charles Kilo, M.D., M.P.H., and School of Dentistry dean, Phillip Marucha, D.M.D., Ph.D., jointly announced the new division, which will operate three clinic areas: Pediatric Dentistry in Doernbecher Children's Hospital, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in Hatfield Research Center and the newly reinstated General Practice Residency in Hatfield Research Center. The General Practice Residency will concentrate on adults, with a special focus on medically complex and special needs patients.

The new division is led by Sean Benson, D.D.S., who has recently assumed the position of clinical service chief as well as associate dean of dental services in the School of Dentistry. Dr. Benson is an assistant professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and joined OHSU in 2012 after practicing privately in Baker City, Ore. Dr. Benson has recruited Patrick Hagerty, D.M.D., to serve as assistant program director of the General Practice Residency program. Dr. Hagerty is a 1985 alumnus of OHSU and has maintained a private practice while previously serving in leadership positions at Samaritan Albany General Hospital and the Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center. Mark Engelstad, M.D., D.M.D. has returned as program director for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, having pursued a one-year research fellowship in bioinformatics.

Dr. Benson will work closely with Pamela Hughes, D.D.S., who will continue as chair of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and with Suher Baker, D.M.D., B.D.S., M.S., newly appointed chair

and program director of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Baker previously served as chair of the Department of Dentistry and program director of Pediatric Dentistry at Yale New Haven Hospital.

Dr. Benson has also recruited new staff leadership for Hospital Dental Services. Katherine Long, formerly administrative director at OHSU School of Dentistry, will serve as director. Heather McClellan, formerly a supervisor in the OHSU Department of Dermatology, has joined as clinics manager.

The Hatfield Research Clinic has also undergone a physical transformation, having been expanded and remodeled in anticipation of the July 2016 start date of the General Practice Residency. Renovations were made possible by the generosity of a private donor.



Hospital Dental Services friendly office staff, from top left: Gloria Winborne, Kandace Kyles, Rachel Dees. From bottom left: LaShawnda Varnado, Mona Hassani, Irasuki Serrano.



The old School of Dentistry facility served as the home of dental education in Oregon for 58 years.

## OLD BUILDING OFFERS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

They say there's no school like the old school. Soon however, the old School of Dentistry facility on Marquam Hill will be no more. The building came into service in 1956, physically locating the state's dental school alongside the school of nursing and school of medicine for the first time. Today, the building is in the midst of a two-year demolition project. Over the next few months the interior work will be completed and the more dramatic structural demolition will take place.

OHSU's long-term master plan slates the majority of the building footprint for much-needed hospital clinical space, but in the near future construction will begin at the east end of the parcel for the new Elks Children's Eye Clinic. Groundbreaking on the clinic is tentatively scheduled for late 2017.

# Addressing Oral Health Inequities in Oregon

*OHSU Community Dentistry and Capitol Dental Care improve oral healthcare access through new telehealth connected dental teams*

Poor oral health affects Oregonians of all ages and economic status. One of the stickiest problems in dentistry and healthcare today is ensuring broad access to dental care for underserved populations. Particularly troublesome is the natural concentration of oral health professionals where the best economic opportunities are located – in or near significant population centers – perpetuating the oral health care disparity between urban and rural areas. This problem is complex and involves classic economic supply and demand and demographic issues that go well beyond reimbursement rates.

The Oregon Health Authority's research into this issue shows that a high percentage of Oregonians are not receiving timely preventive care. As reported in the Oregon Smile Survey 2012 Report, less than two-thirds of Oregon adults visit the dentist at least once a year. Racial, economic and geographic factors strongly affect access to timely prevention and treatment. Rural Oregonians receive dental care at rates well below the state average, as do Oregonians at lower income and education levels. Accordingly, rates of tooth decay and gum disease are much higher among these populations. A complete solution will have to address the broader economics of healthcare and the geographic distribution of oral health professionals in our state.

The Oregon Health Authority's 2012 Smile Report showed significant dental care access issues in the state, particularly in highly rural areas. OHSU, Capitol Dental Care and the Pacific Center for Special Care at the University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry are currently collaborating on a pilot project that uses telehealth technology in conjunction with Expanded Practice Dental Hygienists and the "virtual dental home" model of care to bring quality oral health care to communities where it has traditionally been difficult to sustain a full dental practice. This model leverages the strengths of existing dental workforce definitions and licensing levels with technology to

achieve the goal of meeting the oral health needs of underserved populations in our state.

Under the direction of OHSU Department of Community Dentistry Chair, Eli Schwarz, D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., the pilot project targets approximately 1,500 children in the Central School District of rural Polk County, Oregon which includes three elementary schools, a middle school and a high school. As the principle investigator, Dr. Schwarz, hopes to see real improved outcomes in oral health by integrating rural school-based delivery of care, the virtual dental home model, and new telehealth technology.

Permission was granted by the Oregon Health Authority's Center for Prevention and Health Promotion earlier this year for the pilot project to train Expanded Practice Dental Hygienists (EPDHs) to perform Interim Therapeutic Restorations (ITRs). This allows the EPDH to utilize "scoop and fill" techniques to take off easily reached disease and provide an interim restoration to stabilize the patient's tooth. The dentist can then monitor the tooth and decide if it needs further treatment in the future. The procedure is quick, less invasive and there's less pain and discomfort, particularly for children. The ability of EPDHs with additional training to work at the top end of their licensure, including performing ITRs in a community setting is improving the oral health of rural Polk County and expanding the reach of the current workforce.

A particularly innovative part of the pilot is its integration into the virtual dental home model of care that allows the EPDH (connected with a remotely-located dentist through telehealth technology) to provide preventive dental care in a non-traditional setting, whether that is a school-based clinic, an assisted living facility or mental health clinic. In addition to performing an overall dental risk assessment, the EPDH takes x-rays and intra-oral photographs, which are then uploaded

from a laptop to the Cloud for later assessment by the dentist, who then develops a treatment plan from this patient information. The addition of the ITR procedure now available in the EPDH's toolkit of services greatly enhances the ability of these practitioners to meet the needs of patients in underserved areas.

The dental pilot project was planned over a year-long process which involved a large network of dental care stakeholders in the state. A planning grant was made available through a generous contribution from CareOregon, Kaiser Permanente, Northwest Health Foundation, Providence Health & Services, Samaritan Health Services and The Oregon Community Foundation. The pilot program is expected to run for 54 months and may expand to include other dental care organizations.

This dental pilot project was undertaken within the framework of Oregon Senate Bill 738 on dental pilot projects enacted by the Oregon legislature during the 2011 session. The parameters of the ITR Pilot Program required that an existing funding source be in place prior to start of the pilot. That

support came from Capitol Dental Care and a 2015 OHA Telehealth Innovation grant. The grant, managed by Oregon Office for Rural Health, brought Capitol Dental Care's telehealth team together with Paul Glassman, D.D.S., M.A., M.B.A., of University of the Pacific's Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry and OHSU's Dr. Schwarz, with the goal of delivering the virtual dental home model of care to residents of Polk County.

A recently released six-year study by Dr. Glassman's Pacific Center for Special Care has shown that the virtual dental home model combined with teledentistry can safely and effectively deliver dental care to people who lack it. Bringing virtual dental homes to schools, nursing homes and long-term care facilities can keep people healthy in the community, reducing school absenteeism, lessening the need for parents to leave work to care for an ailing child, and helping to prevent suffering for millions of people who have no access to a dentist. By connecting on-site care to dentists in dental offices using telehealth technology, this model improves access to care for those with the greatest dental needs.

*Independence Elementary School, in Independence, Ore. is one of the pilot program sites.*



# Interprofessional Care Access Network (I-CAN) Targets Rural Health

*Oregon Oral Health Coalition's 2016 Progress Report highlights I-CAN program's successes and continued need.*

Since 2014, community-based site rotations for dental students have increased from 14 days to a minimum of 25 days, and interprofessional programs are encouraging multidisciplinary collaboration between students while also providing education on the social determinants of health. Incentives for rural providers have expanded as well. Today, every OHSU dental student has a minimum of 200 hours in community-based rotations.

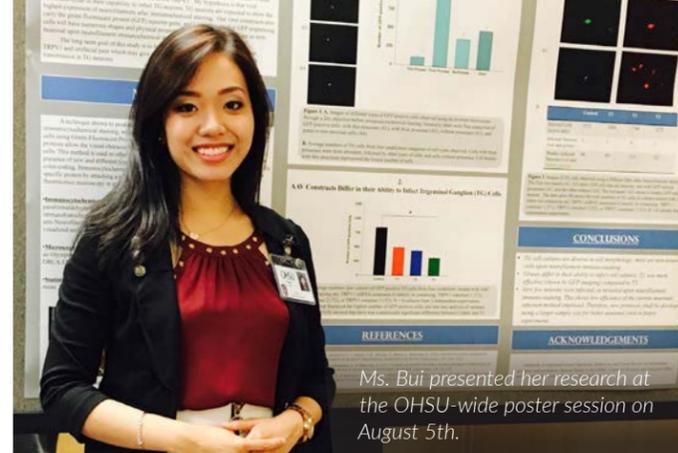
In 2014, although OHP had expanded dental benefits, the lack of access to providers remained a major barrier to receiving care. More than two years later, these problems not only persist but are likely to intensify, especially for lab technicians and dental assistants. This is not simply due to a lack of providers; it also stems from inequitable distribution, especially in rural areas.

In 2014, the number of licensed dentists working in Oregon climbed from 2,335 to 2,562 – an increase of 10 percent over 2012. However, this increase masks decreases in specific regions. For example, dentists in eastern Oregon have declined by about five percent since 2010. During the same time, the number of dental hygienists decreased by nine percent, from 2,371 to 2,153. Currently, more than one million Oregonians – or 31 percent of the population – live in a federally designated dental health professional shortage area (HPSA), defined as an area with 5,000 or more people per dentist. This is a 24 percent increase over the figure of 944,000 reported in the Oregon Oral Health Coalition's Strategic Plan from 2014.

A looming shortage of lab technicians and dental assistants will have a serious impact on oral health in Oregon if not addressed immediately. Stakeholders agreed that in the future, workforce assessments should happen well before predictable shortages occur.

The Interprofessional Care Access Network (I-CAN) is a three-year project funded by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration, and forms a cornerstone of OHSU's Interprofessional Initiative. In this innovative program, dental, medical, physician assistant, pharmacy and nursing students who are performing existing community/ clinic rotations work together to develop interprofessional practice and education partnerships that benefit underserved communities. Participating students collaboratively develop a multidisciplinary, community-based, patient-centered plan of care that includes addressing the social determinants of health (defined as the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age). Through this process, students gain a deeper understanding of the social context of vulnerable, disadvantaged and socially isolated patients who have complex health needs, and learn the value of collaborative health care in meeting these needs.

As of 2016, there were four I-CAN communities: Klamath Falls, Portland Old Town, Southeast Portland, and West Medford. Klamath Falls participants also enroll in an interprofessional education course and collaborate to meet a specific health need identified by the community. The Oregon Oral Health Coalition's Strategic Plan recommended increasing dental student rotations in rural and underserved areas. As of 2015, OHSU dental students are now required to complete a five-week community site rotation – an increase from the former two-week rotations. In the 2015-16 academic year, 37 students spent at least 20 days in rural areas and an additional five days working with underserved patients at Russell Street Clinic in Portland. These rotations annually provide more than \$1 million in oral health services for underserved Oregonians.



## SUMMER RESEARCH SPURS PROFESSIONAL INTEREST IN INTERNS

OHSU School of Dentistry, in collaboration with the OHSU Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI), sponsored the summer research endeavors of two Portland-area college students who are interested in oral health research and careers in dentistry. The students were selected to the CDI's Summer Equity Research Program through a highly competitive process.

Tram Bui, a senior at the University of Portland and a prospective dental student, worked with Agnieszka Balkowiec, M.D., Ph.D., Associate Professor of Integrative Biosciences, on a neuroscience project aimed at understanding the cause of chronic orofacial pain, such as pain associated with temporomandibular disorders. In her experiments, Tram examined trigeminal neurons treated in a dish to reduce TRPV1, the key molecule involved in the conversion of pain-evoking stimuli to electrical signals that are carried to the brain.

"I was really impressed with Tram's performance in the lab, her work ethic, and passion for research," said Balkowiec. "I strongly believe that hands-on research provides invaluable educational opportunities in training future dentists whom we expect to become life-long learners practicing evidence-based dentistry."

The other student, Deziree Roberts from Portland State University, worked with Dr. Richie Kohli, B.D.S., M.S., Diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health and Assistant Professor of Community Dentistry, to develop an interdisciplinary intervention to address oral health disparities in long-term care facilities.

## SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY'S NEW NEIGHBOR: THE KNIGHT CANCER RESEARCH BUILDING

In the wake of the highly-successful Knight Cancer Challenge, construction plans for the new Knight Cancer Research Building (KCRB) just north of the School of Dentistry's Skourtes Tower were accelerated. This has made for some earth-shaking moments in the South Waterfront. The Collaborative Life Sciences Building has literally been trembling in anticipation while construction crews "drilled and filled" to create the foundation pilings on which the new structure will rest. These mini earthquakes are caused by the installation of large steel cylinders that are being vibrated into the ground. The casings are necessary to stabilize the loose soil in the pile holes until crews can insert rebar cages and pour the concrete. Then the casings must be vibrated out of the holes, causing more shaking.

The vision for the KCRB is to be the intellectual and social hub of the Knight Cancer Institute in its pursuit of early detection and innovative treatment of cancers. The building will provide research space for the Knight Cancer Institute, housing top scientists and physicians working on early cancer detection, computational biology, immuno-oncology, leukemia, prostate and other areas, and it will also have administrative offices, a conference center and street-level retail space. The building will feature services and amenities designed to foster collaboration, discovery and community. It is expected to open in July 2018.



# Welcome Your Newest Colleagues: OHSU School of Dentistry Class of 2016

The School of Dentistry honored 74 students from the D.M.D. program and 16 from specialty programs at OHSU's Commencement Ceremony, held at the Oregon Convention Center on June 12, 2016. Graduates from the D.M.D. program are pictured here by student group practice:



## Broadway

*Back, left to right:* Dustin Reese, Kenneth Downing, Brennan Bahnson, Gregory Hanak, Benjamin Haslam, Keith Herkert, Joseph Knight, Chad Achatz, faculty advisor, Dr. Tom Galbraith. *Front, left to right:* Bradfork Spika, Shafia Tariq, Nhu Nguyen, Alex Matsumoto, Emily Gaunt.



## Fremont

*Back, left to right:* Lisa Anderson-Peitz, Eugene Choi, Christopher Louie, Keith Argraves, Elizabeth McElhinney, Kayla Elliott, Sandeep Toor, Rachel Findlay, Casey Norlin, Kevin Berg, Darren Ng, Jonathan Yih, Karl Shao. *Front:* Faculty advisor, Dr. Rose McPharlin.



## Sellwood

*Back, left to right:* Michael Kim, Peter Wagner, Soroush Amali, Tyler Tebay, Matthew Erickson, Philip Quigley. *Front, left to right:* Sukhmanpreet Sidhu, Estrellita Ramirez, Lindsay Taira, Amelia Stoker, Ericka Smith, Alexander Sonesson, faculty advisor, Dr. Lynn Whitley.



## Hawthorne

*Back, left to right:* Ryan Leining, John Wait, Heather Manka, McKay Pearson, John Michael Duro, Nicholas Faure, Stephen Holly, Tucker Burnett, faculty advisor, Dr. Steve Gold. *Front, left to right:* Therese Pham, Caroline DeVincenzi, Jennifer Rosales. *Not pictured:* Malanie Kim.



## St. John's

*Back, left to right:* Elijah Volvovic, Tyler Bradstreet, Jennifer Nguyen, Josh Hardin, Daryl Khaw, Jared Rowberry, Jaon King, Seth Hinckley. *Front, left to right:* Thanh-Gruc Nguyen, Kayla Walters, faculty advisor, Dr. Lisa Greene, Ryann Belcher. *Not pictured:* Kenneth Clow.



## Steel

*Back, left to right:* faculty advisor, Dr. Patricia Finn, Leila Sears, Keith Brannen, Jacqueline Platta, Nicholas Skourtes, Alexandria Johnson. *Front, left to right:* Sydney Stoker, Anita Trieu, Crystal Kelso, Erin McEvoy. *Not pictured:* Colin Taggart, Gabrielle Weishoff.



## Student Activity

### FUN ON THE RUN - HOOD TO COAST

Eleven dental students (and one very patient friend) ran the "Mother of all Relays," Hood to Coast, last August, running from Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood to the city of Seaside on the Oregon coast. Creative team names are "a thing" for the relay and the dental students named themselves the Bleeding Gums Murphys after the character on The Simpsons television show. The team finished the 199-mile, 36 leg relay in a time of 31 hours, 48 minutes and 22 seconds.

**Back row:** Chris Fanger (DS4), Jordan Bodily (DS4), Vince Kirse (DS3), Alayna Schoblaske (DS4), Tony Morales (DS4), Eddie Ramirez (DS3), Mart Stewart-Smith (friend)

**Front row:** Travis Baskerville (DS4), Lindsey Yap (DS4), Jessica White (DS4), Carly Christoferson (DS2), Elizabeth Tomczyk (DS4)

**Other dental students also ran Hood to Coast on other teams:** Alex Bouneff (DS4), Nic Ferguson (DS4), Kasey Hall (DS4), Kyle Hansen (DS4), Travis Burk (DS4), and Bryan Rogers (DS3).

## New Faces

The School of Dentistry continues to grow our ranks in key academic departments. Please welcome (and in some cases, welcome back) our newest faculty members:

**Demaian Woyciehowsky**, D.M.D., Assistant Professor  
**Robert Bruechert**, D.M.D., Assistant Professor  
**Fernanda Gwinner**, D.D.S., Ph.D., Assistant Professor  
**Philip Mann, M.D.**, D.D.S., Assistant Professor  
**Joshua Kucharski**, D.M.D., Assistant Professor



**Karan Replogle**,  
*Endodontology, Associate Professor, Graduate Endodontics Program Director.* Dr. Replogle is a Board Certified Endodontist who taught at Virginia Commonwealth University

School of Dentistry in Richmond Virginia, serving at various times as Endodontics Predoctoral Program Director, Department Chair and Program Director for Advanced Specialty in Endodontics. Dr. Replogle came to academics from private practice where she owned and operated a group endodontic practice for 10+ years in Dayton, Ohio. Dr. Replogle was educated at The Ohio State University receiving both her D.D.S. and M.S. with Endodontics Certificate. While there she was actively involved in intraosseous anesthesia research. Her current areas of research interest include trauma, Cone Beam Computed Tomography and cracked teeth.



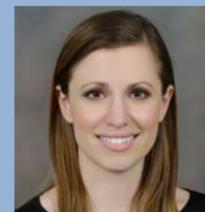
**Suher Baker**, D.M.D., B.D.S., M.S. is the newly appointed chair and program director of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Baker joins OHSU School of Dentistry from Yale, New Haven Children's Hospital and Yale School of Medicine

where she was Section Chief and Pediatric Dentistry Program Director. She graduated from The University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine where she was awarded a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree in 1999. She later pursued 2 fellowships for children with special health care needs at the Helen Hayes Hospital a Columbia University affiliate and the Rose F. Kennedy Center an Albert Einstein College of Medicine affiliate. Subsequently, she graduated from the University of Michigan (2003), Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry and was awarded a certificate in Pediatric Dentistry as well as a Master of Science degree. In June 2006, she completed training in dental anesthesiology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Baker is board certified in both pediatric dentistry and dental anesthesiology.



**Franci Stavropoulos**,  
*D.D.S., has been appointed Predoctoral Program Director, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.* Dr. Stavropoulos received her D.D.S. from Virginia Commonwealth University in 1982, and completed her

residency in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Maryland & R.A. Cowley Shock Trauma Center in 1992.



**Tobie Jones**, D.M.D. - OHSU 2011 - Assistant Professor, Restorative Dentistry. The faculty and staff are happy to welcome one of our own back to school. After graduating in 2011, Tobie spent four years in the Navy as a general dentist at the Naval

Air Station in Lemoore, California. Tobie greatly enjoyed serving in the Navy and is proud to have had the opportunity to take care of the men and women serving our nation.

DS2 Carissa Choong,  
 presenting her poster.

## News and Events

### SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY RESEARCH DAY

Research Day 2017 began with poster viewing and a Continental breakfast. This year there were 48 research posters presented – the largest number yet. The posters were judged by representatives from Permanente Dental Associates and faculty from the School of Dentistry.

### BEST DMD STUDENT POSTER AWARD

Victor Tran for “Dentin-derived Hydrogel Bioinks for 3D Bioprinting of Vascularized Dental Pulp.” Victor M. Tran, Avathamsa Athirasala, Anthony Tahayeri, Nelson Monteiro, Greeshma Thirvikraman and Luiz E. Bertassoni

### BEST PHD CANDIDATE POSTER AWARD

Kenneth Weekes for “Characterization of Clonable Progenitor Cells Isolated from Articular Discs of the Temporomandibular Joint.” Kenneth Weekes and Brian Johnstone.

### BEST RESIDENT POSTER AWARD

Joohyun Cha for “Clinical simulation to determine the instrument selection and the force used to probe dental implants.” J. Cha, C. Wadhvani, M. Wang, S. Hokett, J. Katancik.

### STUDENT CHOICE POSTER AWARD

Madison Borup for “*Scardovia wiggisiae* and *Streptococcus mutans*: Key Microbial Players in Severe Early Childhood Caries in Oregon.” Madison Borup, Dar Yoon, Claudia Lyashenko, Alyssa Galhano, Courtney Verloo, Hatai Jivagunchainan, Aisha Saradi, Tom Maier, and Curt Machida.



### BEST POST-DOCTORAL POSTER AWARD

Sylvio Redanz for “Microbial Interaction in Oral Mixed-Species-Biofilms - The Thin Line between Mutualism and Competition.” Sylvio Redanz and Jens Kreth.

### BEST CASECAT POSTER AWARD

Lindsey Yap for “Treatment for necrotic infected pulp.”

All awardees receive a \$100 cash prize, Victor Tran is also awarded an AADR student research award to enable him to attend next year's AADR meeting.

This year's keynote address was well-attended, with the lecture hall at capacity for the lunchtime presentation. Titled *Osteal macrophages summon stem cells to regenerate bone*, the talk was presented by Laurie, K. McCauley, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D., Dean, University of Michigan School of Dentistry, The William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor, Division of Periodontology. Dr. McCauley's presentation focused on compromised osseous healing in the oral cavity. Her research on the processes of bone remodeling and specifically the role of cells in bone termed ‘osteal macrophages’ has revealed a novel feedback coupling cycle whereby dead and dying cells inform macrophages to produce factors that attract mesenchymal stem cells, thereby creating an environment that drives healing and bone regeneration. As part of the Dean's Lecture Series at the School of Dentistry, the lecture qualified for CDE credits through OHSU's Continuing Dental Education Department.



Research Day Keynote address  
 from Laurie, K. McCauley, D.D.S.,  
 M.S., Ph.D.

### IN MEMORIAM

Please visit [www.ohsu.edu/sod/alumni](http://www.ohsu.edu/sod/alumni) for In Memoriam information.

## COMPASSION CLINICS CONTINUE SUCCESSFUL OUTREACH



Faculty advisors Dennis Nicola, D.D.S. and Thad Langford, D.D.S. at Clackamas Community College Dental Assisting School.

The OHSU School of Dentistry continues its long tradition of outreach to communities in need. One such outreach effort this last year was the North Portland Compassion Clinic in at the Charles Jordan Community Center in August. More than 15 students participated, providing much needed oral care for members of the North Portland community.



3rd year Dental Students, Tommy Ngo, Conrad Schulte, Krista Garchar, Kelsey McEvoy and 2nd year Dental Student Corinna Ma.

The Impact Your Health Portland event included students Negin Azari, Sara Edmondson, Noelle George, Elizabeth Gorman, Piyam Hooshmand, Kellie Kawasaki, Jason Maw, Efen Mansilla, Tommy Ngo, Trusha Patel, Dustin Peterson and Sita Ping, along with Dr. Richard Knight

and Dr. Thad Langford, who all volunteered at this worthy event.

“We very much appreciate the time and effort of OHSU’s students to come and help,” said event organizer Robert Hessong, D.D.S. “We saw 414 patients in the clinic, of which 287 were patients in need of dental care.”

Another event saw OHSU students joining forces with Compassion Connect and Clackamas Community College to create an ASDA Outreach Clinic. The first clinic was held November 19th at Clackamas Community College Dental Assisting School. With the help of advisors Dr. Dennis Nicola and Dr. Langford, OHSU dental students were able to provide dental treatment to more than 28 patients. The next clinic is planned for Spring 2017 with the hope of further bridging the gap between communities unable to access dental care.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SDAA at the Oregon Dental Conference, April 6 – 8, 2017

Please join us at 11:45 a.m. on Saturday, April 8 to recognize reunion attendees, scholarship recipients, and our alumni award recipients for 2017:

**Joseph S. Schwartz, D.D.S. '95 (Hon.)** – *Legacy Faculty Award*  
**Dan Carter** – *Honorary Alumnus Award*  
**Thomas D. Pollard, D.M.D. '74** – *John C. Peterson Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award*  
**Daniel Petrisor, M.D., D.M.D. '03** – *Early Career Achievement Award*  
**Sean Benson, D.D.S.** – *President's Award*

Registration is required via email ([alumni@ohsu.edu](mailto:alumni@ohsu.edu)) for the Awards Luncheon. Mailings for the lunch, reunions and other alumni activities associated with the Oregon Dental Conference, April 6 – 8, 2017 have been sent

### Cantwell Golf Tournament/Cantwell Lecture- Ryan Dental Hygiene Update

The 2017 Cantwell Golf Tournament will be held at Riverside Golf and Country Club on Friday, September 15. Some sponsorships have already been snapped up. If you are interested in sponsoring this event, please contact Alisha Campbell at [campalis@ohsu.edu](mailto:campalis@ohsu.edu), or at (503) 552-0713.

**Scott Dyer, D.M.D. '00, M.S., Ph.D.**, will deliver the Cantwell Lecture-Ryan Dental Hygiene Update on Saturday, September 16 at the Collaborative Life Sciences Building, 2730 S.W. Moody Avenue, Portland, Oregon. Sponsorship and registration information for both events will be mailed in late June.

### Save The Date: SDAA at the ADA

The School of Dentistry will hold a reception for alumni, faculty, students and other friends of the school at the American Dental Association Annual Session, on Friday, October 20 in Atlanta, Georgia. Invitations will be mailed in the summer.

### Dean's Seminar Series

The Dean's Seminar Series at OHSU School of Dentistry continues to draw quality speakers and robust audiences to the Oregon Dental Association Lecture Hall in the Collaborative Life Sciences Building. Designed to bring nationally-recognized researchers to campus and stimulate discussion and collaborations, the lunchtime sessions begin at Noon, and are offered to OHSU faculty, students, and staff and alumni. For information about upcoming Dean's Seminar presentations, please call 503-494-8874. For more information about OHSU's continuing dental education offering, visit [www.ohsu.edu/cde](http://www.ohsu.edu/cde).

## CANTWELL GOLF GOES DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE

The 2016 Cantwell Memorial Golf Tournament was held on September 16 in almost perfect conditions and at a new venue - the Riverside Golf and Country Club. The 1926 course, designed by Chandler Egan and James Henderson, provided a scenic experience that challenged the experienced golfer while still encouraging the “annual” players. The tournament was won by Rocky Rockwell, Joshua Hiller, D.D.S., Brian Burk and Demetri Howerton. The putting competition, sponsored by Henry Schein, was won by Joo-Ri Kim, in a putt-off that involved eight players.



Photo: Fred A. Bremner, DMD '64

The School of Dentistry Alumni Association is grateful to the following companies and individuals whose support is essential to the success of the tournament:

**Major Sponsor:** Henry Schein  
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**Cart Sponsor:** Willamette Dental

**Photo, Tee and Prize Sponsors:**  
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**Student Sponsors:** Advantage Dental, Dental Foundation of Oregon, Dental Service & Repair, Inc., Dentists Benefits Insurance Company.

Interested in being a sponsor in future years? Please contact Alisha Campbell at [campalis@ohsu.edu](mailto:campalis@ohsu.edu) or call (503) 552-0713.

## CANTWELL MEMORIAL LECTURE/RYAN DENTAL HYGIENE UPDATE



Axel Ruprecht, D.D.S., M.Sc.D., delivered last year's Cantwell Memorial Lecture/Margaret M. Ryan Dental Hygiene Update.

Axel Ruprecht, D.D.S., M.Sc.D., Professor Emeritus, Department of Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry, presented the 2016 Kenneth Cantwell Memorial Lecture and the Margaret M. Ryan Dental Hygiene Update at the Collaborative Life Sciences Building on September 17. Dr. Ruprecht discussed Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology in Three Acts, covering anatomy of the skull and oral maxillofacial regions, the presentation of benign and malignant dental anomalies through cone beam computed tomography, and the need for adjustment in our visual interpretation of two-dimensional CBCT information due to the way we typically view and understand our day-to-day, three-dimensional environment.

Have a suggestion for a speaker or topic for future Cantwell Lectures and Ryan Updates? Contact us at [alumni@ohsu.edu](mailto:alumni@ohsu.edu) or (503) 552-0667.

## Grants and Awards

Faculty members **Dr. Tobie Jones** and **Dr. Silvia Amaya Pajares** were both awarded the 2017 ADEA Leadership Institute Phase V Leadership Development Tuition scholarship – ADEA Summer Program for Emerging Academic Leaders.



**Thomas J. Hilton, D.M.D., M.S.**, was honored with the 2017 Award of Excellence from the Academy of Operative Dentistry. The Award of Excellence was established in 1986 to recognize outstanding contributions to the discipline of Operative Dentistry in areas of, but not limited to: service to the Academy; teaching of operative dentistry at academic and continuing education levels; or promotion of excellence in operative dentistry at a national or international level.



**Kirsten Lampi, M.S., Ph.D.**, Professor, Integrated Biosciences has been awarded NIH R01 funding by the National Eye Institute to continue her research: Aggregation of Deamidated Crystallins as a Major Cause of Cataracts. Cataracts are the leading cause of blindness in the world and the leading cause of low vision in the United States. Dr. Lampi's research focuses on the underlying cause of cataract formation, the aggregation of the structural proteins called crystallins in the lens of the eye. To support this research, Dr. Lampi was also recently awarded \$9,000 from the University Shared Resource Core Innovation program to develop hydrogen/deuterium exchange with mass spectrometry using the proteomics core facilities high resolution mass spectrometer and their new robotic sampler. These methods will be used to study protein-protein interactions.



**Carmem S. Pfeifer, D.D.S., Ph.D.**, Associate Professor, Biomaterials and Biomechanics, has been elected treasurer of the Academy of Dental Materials on top of an active research year. Dr. Pfeifer has also recently been granted a K02 Independent Research Scientist Development award from the National Institutes of Health. The K02 award is granted to foster the

development of outstanding scientists who can demonstrate the need for a period of intensive research, to enable them to expand their potential.

**Jack Ferracane, Ph.D., Kirsten Lampi, M.S., Ph.D., and Justin Merrit, Ph.D.**, were recently awarded pilot funding from OHSU's University Shared Resources to continue their development of a new model to study *S. mutans* behavior at the protein level. Their new model has successfully demonstrated that the rate of bacterial colonization is lower in the gap of dental restorations than on the surface of the restorative material. Additionally, the model was able to show that certain dental composites with ion-releasing properties show some inhibiting effect on bacterial colonization of gaps. The University Shared Resources pilot funds, along with scientists and technology at the PSR, allowed Ferracane's team to collect preliminary data sufficient to begin writing the NIH grant application and a manuscript for publication.

The University Shared Resources pilot funds, along with scientists and technology at the Proteomics Shared Resource facility, allowed Ferracane's team to collect preliminary data sufficient to begin writing the NIH grant application and a manuscript for publication. The pilot funds, launched in 2016, have supported 45 scientists with more than \$360,000.



OHSU dental students serving in Honduras.

### 2016 HONDURAS DENTAL MISSION

Fourth-year students Travis Burk, Nathan Wecker, Ian Salisbury, Bryce Holmes, and Alayna Schoblaske spent ten days last year in Honduras as part of a humanitarian dental mission led by Wide Open Humanitarian, Inc., a local nonprofit founded by OHSU alumni, Greg Williams, D.M.D., and Scott Dyer, D.M.D., M.S., Ph.D. Students provided free dental work to hundreds of children and adults in four different cities.

## Alumni News

### 2016 SDAA AWARDS LUNCHEON HONORS ALUMNI AND MORE

The School of Dentistry Alumni Association hosted its annual Awards Reception on the closing day of the Oregon Dental Conference with 111 in attendance to honor this year's award and scholarship recipients. Four were honored for their achievements and longstanding commitments to the OHSU School of Dentistry.

#### ALUMNA OF THE YEAR – JILL M. PRICE, D.M.D. '92

Dr. Price has been practicing dentistry for over 30 years. She is a longtime and active member of the Alumni Association and OHSU Foundation Boards, Oregon Dental Association, American Dental Association, Multnomah County Dental Society, and more! She is an avid volunteer in addition to practicing at her southeast Portland office.

Dr. Price's long list of involvements and volunteerism are a testament to her dedication to the field of dentistry, and why she is a strong example of a dedicated practitioner and alumnus.



Dr. Price receiving her Alumna of the Year Award from SDAA President Don Sirianni.

#### LEGACY FACULTY AWARD – EUGENE O. KELLEY, D.M.D. '59

Dr. Kelley has served OHSU and the OHSU School of Dentistry for nearly 20 years. He is a professor emeritus and has championed clinical education and ethical excellence in oral maxillofacial surgery not only in Oregon, but nationally.

As a testament to his impact on his students and colleagues, the School of Dentistry announced the formation of the Eugene O. Kelley, D.M.D., Endowed Annual Lectureship in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery in 2015. The lecture was created by friends and colleagues to honor Dr. Kelley's professional legacy.



SDAA President Don Sirianni speaking at the Annual Awards Reception.

#### LEGACY FACULTY AWARD – DAVID HAMM, D.M.D. '52 (POSTHUMOUS)

A World War II veteran and Purple Heart recipient, Dr. David Hamm was known for his skills in the dental field as much as he was for his character and bowties. Dr. Hamm had a successful 43 year career in private practice, retiring in 1995. After retirement, Dr. Hamm joined the School of Dentistry faculty, assisting students with fabrication of removable dentures and overseeing insertion of immediate dentures in oral surgery.

Dr. Hamm passed away in 2014, but his memory and impact will live on for years to come.



Dr. Kelley speaking to the audience after receiving his Legacy Faculty Award.

#### PRESIDENT'S AWARD – MARK KEMBALL, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS, OHSU FOUNDATION

Mark Kemball has served as Director of Alumni Relations at the OHSU Foundation since August 2011. In this role he works with three boards and councils and numerous other volunteers to build a community of current and future alumni in support of the mission of OHSU.

Prior to moving to the OHSU Foundation Mark served OHSU as Director of Community Relations, Director of Protocol & Events, and Communications Manager in the School of Medicine between June 1992 – July 2011. Mark earned his M.A. in music from Cambridge University and his M.B.A. from Portland State University. He, his wife Alice and daughter Molly live in West Slope, close to Portland.

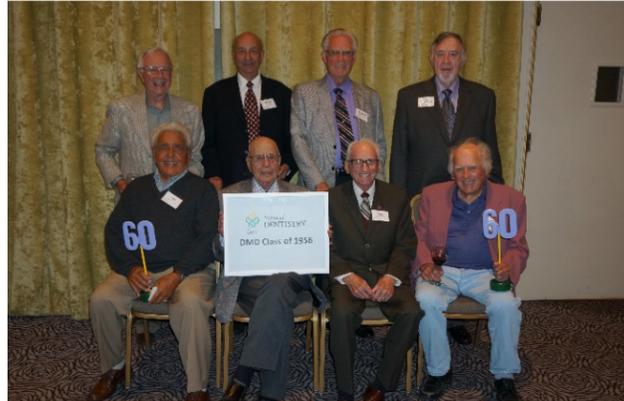


Don Sirianni, SDAA Board President, presenting the President's Award to Mark Kemball.

# 2016 Reunion Round-up

The annual Oregon Dental Conference (ODC) draws thousands of dental professionals from throughout the Pacific Northwest to Portland each year. This year's conference again served as a central opportunity for class reunions. A total of eleven classes met over ODC weekend (two more gathered in May!) at various venues throughout the Portland area and tours of the new School of Dentistry were offered and led by Dean Phillip Marucha. Profiles of the reunion gatherings have been prepared along with reunion photos.

'56



## DMD 1956

*Seated (l to r):* Joe Megale, Norman Pope, Lou Terkla, William Mosby  
*Standing (l to r):* Skip Eshleman, Harry Killas, Robert Bradshaw, Elton Storment.  
*Not pictured:* Leroy (Ladd) Goodwin

## DMD CLASS OF 1956

As the final class to graduate from the School of Dentistry's former home on NE Sixth Avenue, the D.M.D. Class of 1956 has a special place in the history of the school. Eight members of the D.M.D. Class of 1956 gathered in mid-May to tour the School's current home in South Waterfront, learn about the evolution of the curriculum and reminisce about lifetimes spent in dental practice.

Following the tour, classmates and guests gathered at the Hotel DeLuxe (formerly the Mallory) to continue their conversations and hear from former dean Lou Terkla, D.M.D. '52 who gave a bravura performance, regaling the group with anecdotes and "behind the curtain" glimpses from his long association with the school. Those attending also heard a message from Dr. Yoshio Kiyokawa, written shortly before his passing less than a month prior to the reunion.

The Alumni Relations program thanks all those who attended. Special thanks are due to Norman Pope, D.M.D. '56, the inspiration and coordinator for the reunion, who worked over many months to make it happen so successfully.

'59

## DMD CLASS OF 1959

Hosted by Dean Phillip Marucha, we were given a personal tour of the new Dental School Facility with all of the updated equipment. Very impressive to us since we began in what was called the concert block in 1955 with a class of 80 students. After the first year, a number of the class transferred to the New Loma Linda, California Dental School. We graduated with 58 members: 27 are now deceased and 41 remaining. All were contacted by a committee of Alfred Heston, Eugene Kelley, and Mardon Lamb, except about 4. Eleven attended, 21 had personal (including poor health) reasons for not attending, and 5 shared no interest.

Those in attendance were: Fred & Lauretta Buchanan, Dick Gilbert, Jay & Carol Harmer, Verl & Margene Jensen, Eugene & Carol Kelley, Mardon & Maybeth Lamb, Henry & Eulia Mishina, Duane Wasden, Jim & Helen Webb, & Norman & Marie Zeller. The Evening Dinner was at the Mult. Athletic Club where all in attendance reported on the prior years since graduation. Biographies were shared and will be distributed to all the members still living by OHSU & Doernbecher Foundations. Many thanks to them.

- Mardon Lamb, D.M.D. '59

'61



## DMD 1961

*Front row, left to right:* Donald Stoffer, Lewis Blue, Jerrold Larsen, Robert Faris, Lon Carroll, Joseph Clarke, Fredric Bennion  
*Back row, left to right:* Robert Gill, Arnold Colwell, Dan Johnson, Dean Phil Marucha, Gerald Morrell, William Ensley, Dean Masterson, Owen Smith, Richard Guasco

## DMD CLASS OF 1961

A Friday lunch at the Old Spaghetti Factory was the venue for our 55th year class reunion. Even though we have lost eight classmates in the last five years, there was a lot of excitement among the attending 16 to see each other. We honored them. Although many of our classmates weren't able to attend because of age and health related issues, hugs were in order and dental school stories flew. Remarks from Dean Phillip Marucha on the current dental school education brought a few questions from our retired dentists. Times have changed. It is hard to compare our 1961 UODS degree with a 2016 OHSU degree when you factor today's cost and the school's reduction of clinical requirements. What a challenge it must be for the young dentists to deal with their huge student debt. Our '61 class went to school at a unique time, and we practiced during "dentistry's golden age."

- Robert Gill, D.M.D. '61

'66



## DMD 1966

*Front row, left to right:* Eric Burbano, Shoun Ishikawa, Kenneth Small, Franklin Rosumny, Peter DiGrazia, Don Christie, Bertha Barriga, Chang Cho, Kenneth Carneiro, Dean Phil Marucha  
*Back row, left to right:* Clifford Herbert, Lavon Shelton, James Jacobson, Rex Langley, Frederick Judy, Thomas Walker, Lawrence Pirkle, Richard Kaufman, Richard Bertelson, Robert Bowles

## DMD 1966

The D.M.D. Class of 1966, including spouses and guests, started its 50th reunion day by meeting in the lobby of the Casey Eye Institute. After the short tram ride to the lower terminal, the group departed past the new Tillikum Crossing Bridge to the new School of Dentistry where we were met by Dean Phillip Marucha. The reunion group was then given a tour of the impressive new School of Dentistry where we were able to see the advances and improvements in dental education from what it was 50 years ago. We then headed for the Chart House for lunch and additional information on the new school from the Dean followed by questions from our classmates. The reunion day concluded with a steak and salmon BBQ at the Four Seasons HOA Clubhouse in Beaverton, which gave us additional time to renew old friendships. Our thanks go to the Alumni Office for their assistance in coordinating the day's events.

- Robert Bowles, D.M.D. '66

'66



**RDH 1966**

Front row, left to right: Paula Hurst, Peggy DeLiva, Rhoda Cady, Meredith Wilson, Dean Phil Marucha  
Back row, left to right: Karla Sylwester, Ann Oliver, Patricia Bogh, Sandra Buchanan Cheryl Wright, Catherine Southern, Maryann Andonian, Mary Kay Eilers

**RDH CLASS OF 1966**

The twelve of us that met at the Chart House for dinner and journeyed from California, Utah, Washington, Idaho, and of course Oregon. The talk was non-stop, the laughter heartfelt, and it seemed as if we picked right up from when we were last together.

We couldn't quite believe that 50 years ago we were all preparing for our board examinations and looking forward to getting on with life. And get on we did! A surprising number of us are still practicing hygienists. Perhaps not full-time, but enough to bring us the satisfaction our profession has always provided.

We marveled at so many changes. The tour of the new building on Macadam was exciting. It is amazing that the dorm, which was completed in 1964 just in time for us to move in, is now the site for the tram upper terminal. Wow! We can't wait for 2021.

- Karla Sylwester, R.D.H. '66 and Mary Kay Eilers, R.D.H. '66

'81



**DMD 1981**

First row, left to right: Michael Carlascio, Michael Sabin, Dennis Adair, Steven Abbot  
Second row, left to right: John Kuhl, Steven Bolender, Paul Turgeson, Vaughn Tidwell  
Third row, left to right: Steve Rogers, Martha Rich, Kris Rice, Mark Rodman, Jeffrey Timm  
Fourth row, left to right: Walter Manning, Darrell Jensen Jenson, E. David Granum, Michael Roussel, Marianna McLean, Sandra McCoy  
Fifth row, left to right: Dean Phil Marucha, William Melby, Philip Mills, Kenneth Mize



**RDH 1981**

Left to right: Diana Rice, Debora Mehlhaff

'76



**DMD 1976**

Front row, left to right: Mike Hoag, Don Rollofson, Steve Bruce, Randy Freed; Second row, left to right: John Rosenthal, Joe Cochran; Third row, left to right: William Tainter, Fred Fisher, Bob Southworth, Tom Over; Fourth row, left to right: Kent Lee, Mark Coussens, Jim Goertz, Richard Zeider; Fifth row, left to right: Dean Phil Marucha, Douglas Coe, Michael Shannon; Back row, left to right: Daniel Dodds, Scott Churchill

**DMD CLASS OF 1976**

The OHSU D.M.D. Class of 1976 held their forty year class reunion April 8th, during the ODA annual meeting. The sun shone bright for Friday's golf event at Langdon Farms Golf course. On Friday evening, classmates and spouses had a chance to renew old friendships and exchange stories of years gone by over dinner and cocktails at the Multnomah Athletic Club. Dean Phillip Marucha addressed the attendees on happening at the new dental school and answered questions from the group. A special thanks to the Alumni Association for their assistance in making it an enjoyable evening.

- John Rosenthal, D.M.D. '76

**DMD AND RDH CLASSES OF 1981**

Thirty-five years? Already? How can that be true? Those of us who could make it gathered at the Multnomah Athletic Club to celebrate. We missed those who couldn't be there. Of course, we recalled old times. Some of us are retired, some are retiring soon, and some of us don't want to think about it yet. There was lots of visiting about children, grandchildren, travel and becoming a snowbird. The Dean and members of the Alumni Association dropped by and we took class photos. We were also able to hear some of the happenings at the school as well as plans for the future. Happy 35th!

- Martha Rich, D.M.D. '81 and Diana Rice, R.D.H. '81

'86



**DMD 1986**

Front row, l to r: Terry Clark, Peter Morita, Kendall Horn, David Teeter, Jacqueline Bourdette, Rex Murray, Laurie Bloch-Johnson, Nancy Hanratty; Middle row, l to r: Dean Phil Marucha, Marie Lathrop, Doug Retzlaff, John Kloucek, Steve Scheffel, Tony Hoffman; Back row, l to r: David Mehlhaff, Jan Olivier, Troy Jones, Debbie Miller, Geoff Faris, Mark Rogers, John Snyder, David Bull, R.C. Shakespeare

**DMD 1986**

Many thanks to Marie Lathrop for opening up her home to host the DMD 1986 reunion. The beautiful weather made for a lovely evening and fun was had by all in attendance. Memories and new ventures were shared and we look forward to the next reunion!

- Mark Rogers, D.M.D. '86



**RDH 1976**

Front row, left to right: Joan Traweek, Umbelina Peizner, Karen Johnson, Maureen Haley, Jill Hayner-Thompson  
Back row, left to right: Dean Phillip Marucha, Ruth Manning, Katherine McNeil, Sandra Portouw, Julie Taucher, Jean Van Lom

**RDH CLASS OF 1976**

Members of the Dental Hygiene Class of 1976 gathered to celebrate their 40th reunion. After an enjoyable tour of the new dental school, we met at McMenamin's Broadway Pub and enjoyed a nice meal while catching up on each other's adventures. Dean Marucha took the time to stop by and we shared our hopes that the new curriculum will help foster an understanding of the importance of developing professional working relationships between dentists and hygienists. Thanks to the Alumni Association for all their help in putting this together.

- Sandra Portouw, R.D.H. '76

'96



### DMD CLASS OF 1996

Thank you to the Class of 1996 and the Alumni Association for organizing our 20th reunion at the Multnomah Athletic Club. It was a great night of conversation, food and information about the new dental school. There were many stories from dental school shared and it was great to catch up with classmates that we have not seen for many years.

We appreciated Dean Marucha attending our reunion and sharing his thoughts about dental education. For those that attended, it was great to see you. For those that didn't attend, we look forward to seeing you at the 25th reunion.

- Marc Nordstrom, D.M.D. '96

### DMD 1996

First row, left to right: Michael Laws, Brian Duncan, Rupinder Johl, Deanne Baptiste, Deborah Schalk; Second row, left to right: Steven Peck, Neal Redman, Gregory Attack, Matthew Turay; Third row, left to right: Troy Sargent, Peter Pastrell, Negar Sherkat, Molly Vendetti, Thao Nguyen; Fourth row, left to right: Charles Branen, Kregg Delange, Ronda Trotman, Darin Vierra; Fifth row, left to right: Marc Nordstrom, Cedric Lewis, Dean Phil Marucha

'06



### DMD CLASS OF 2006

Our 10 year reunion was held at Touché's restaurant in the Pearl district following the ODA convention. It was fun to get to see everyone and have a chance to talk about our lives and careers since leaving OHSU. Our class continues to be full of industrious and hardworking individuals extending their interests far beyond dentistry.

- Sterling Card, D.M.D. '06

### DMD 2006

Sitting, left to right: Karie Lee, Jennifer Ehrlich, Luan Tran; Standing, left to right: Sterling Card, Ghazal Ringler, Banu Ramkrishna, Dean Phillip Marucha

'11



### DMD CLASS OF 2011

The OHSU School of Dentistry's Class of 2011 met at the lovely Portland City Grill for our 5-year reunion. With a gorgeous view of Portland from the top of the "Big Pink," around 25 dentists and spouses had a great time eating a delicious meal and catching up. Professional experiences, news of weddings and births, plans for the future, and stories from dental school were shared and treasured. As many in our class maintain interpersonal connections via social media, we have been able to follow one another's lives and communicate often during the past 5 years. Dean Marucha stopped by and said hello, and invited us to tour the new dental school the next morning. Thank you to the OHSU Alumni Association for organizing this event. Cheers to the past, present and future!

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Anne McLean, D.M.D. '11

### DMD 2011

Sitting, left to right: Jacob Howa-Morrow, Amanda Rentschler, Jeremy Larson, Anne McLean; Standing, left to right: Dean Phil Marucha, Isaac Edwards, Haley Hunt, Katie Marsh, Brian Lieu, Jeremy Messer, Viva LaRonge

Have a question about an upcoming event or reunion? Contact us at [alumni@ohsu.edu](mailto:alumni@ohsu.edu) or 503-552-0667.

## Continuing Dental Education

OHSU has recently re-launched its internal Continuing Dental Education initiative to better serve alumni and the broader oral healthcare community in the region. The school has tapped Alexandria (Alex) Dewey to lead CDE Initiatives for the School of dentistry. In this role Alex will be responsible for managing CDE programs to include recruitment of program presenters, study club programs, and assuring compliance with all CERP requirements. She will also be working closely with the Continuing Education Advisory Council which is chaired by Peter Morita, DMD '86.

Alex received an Associates of Arts in Dental Assisting from Chemeketa Community College and was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration Magna Cum Laude from Pacific University last year. Alex has been a valued and trusted colleague within the School of Dentistry since 2005. She has been the welcoming face of the Radiology Clinic engaged in training, patient service and student learning.

Alex welcomes CDE enquires and suggestions from alumni, and can be reached at [cdeinfo@ohsu.edu](mailto:cdeinfo@ohsu.edu) or by calling (503) 494-8857.

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- April 22, 2017 **21st Century Dentistry for the 21st Century Dentist**
- May 5, 2017 **Oral Cancer: From early detection to treatment and quality of life**
- May 20, 2017 **Pharmacology**
- June 10, 2017 **Local Anesthetic**
- June 23, 2018 **Mediterranean CDE, 7-day Cruise**
- July 8, 2017 **Four-handed Dentistry for the Dental Team**
- July 28, 2-17 **Mastering Sedation**
- August 19, 2017 **Four-handed Dentistry for the Dental Team**

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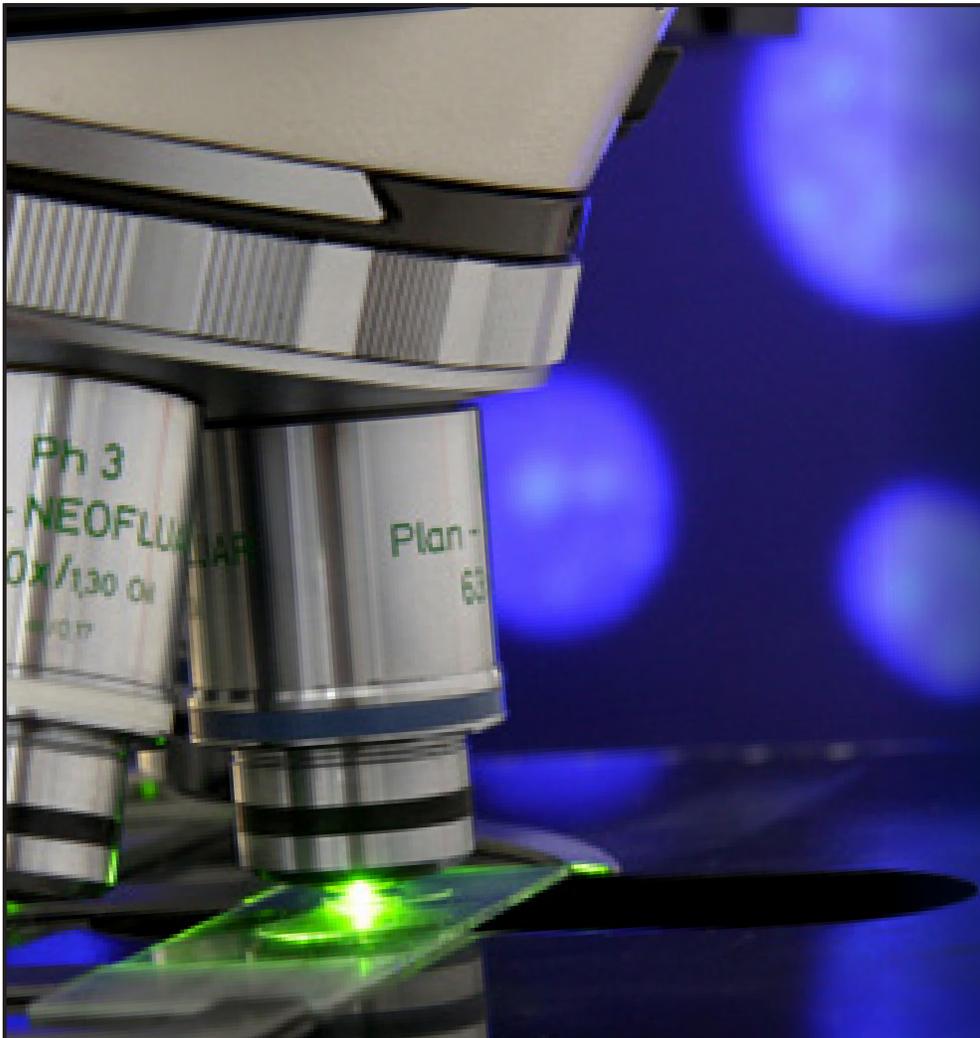
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