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### THE NEWS

### BOARD UPDATES

### William Richardson assumes position of Foundation Board president

👢 t the August Eastman Dental Center (EDC) Foundation, Inc. Board meeting, William Richardson accepted the post as Eastman Dental Center Foundation Board president. Robert Hurlbut, first vice president, commented, "Mr. Richardson's position on the Medical Center Board would be a benefit in maintaining good communication between that entity and the EDC Foundation Board."

Regarding his new role, Mr. Richardson said, "Dentistry at the University of Rochester is embarking on a number of innovative strategies and the Foundation Board is both involved and supportive of the new initiatives. This is an exciting time to serve as the president of this active group. We have four new Board members who bring a national perspective to the group because of their reputations in education, research, and patient care." He added,



William Richardson

"The Board previously focused on its fiduciary responsibility but our involvement has expanded to include academic

this dynamic institution." New Board members

oversight, community

involvement, and develop-

ment. We look forward to

charting new waters and

setting new directions for

Four new members joined the Eastman Dental Center Foundation, Inc. Board.

### William Calnon, DDS

Following graduation from the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in 1978, Dr. Calnon completed a general practice residency at Strong Memorial Hospital in 1979. He was an associate dentist in a private practice in Fairport for two years and started his own general practice in Chili in 1981. He is a partner in that same practice, now known as Calnon & Cilano, DDS, PC.

Dr. Calnon has been very active in organized dentistry throughout his career. He sees this as a benefit as a

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Mr. Richardson reminisced about his involvement on the Board and his hopes for the future of Dentistry at the University of Rochester.

"I joined the Board over a decade ago to help preserve and grow the endowment George Eastman left in furtherance of Dentistry. Since I joined the Board, two things stand out. The first is the endowment investment performance, which has significantly outperformed our benchmarks and secondly, the strengthening of the organization, through the merger with URMC, a leading academic health center. As a result of the merger two significant things occurred, namely the participation and involvement of URMC senior staff such as Mac Evarts and Mike Goonan and participation of EDC

Foundation Board members on the URMC Board including Robert Hurlbut, Bill Springer,

I feel that Bill Springer brought some special qualities to the Board and I would like to promote that so Board members have a genuine interest in and advocacy for EDC. Secondly, I'd like to continue to see the Board as a resource for EDC's senior staff to advance the organization's plans and goals.

I see the Board continuing to move forward with the assistance of our new members, who bring invaluable experience in both dental education and research. I also see the Board identifying and enabling ways to advance EDC's leadership position nationally and internationally."

## Dentist and Eastman Dental Center board president dies

ilfred A. Springer, DDS, a local dentist and life-long supporter of oral health initiatives in the Rochester community and in the nation, died on June 29, 2005. He was a general dentist and practiced at the Medical Arts Building until 1975 when he became a partner of the Westfall Dental Group until his retirement in 1987. He was an active member of the New York State Dental Society, serving as its president, and he was vice president of the American Dental Association.

Dr. Springer spent the later part of his career in support of the Eastman Dental Center (EDC) serving as Board president from 1997, when the Center merged with the University of Rochester Medical Center (URMC), until the present. He joined the URMC board in

1997 and served on the finance committee during his tenure.

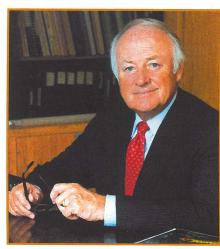
"Bill Springer served the dental center as a Board member, president, and interim director," said Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, director of the Eastman Dental Center and professor and chair of the Eastman Department of Dentistry. "Because of his dedication during the merger with the University, his ability to forge close personal relationships, and his determination, the Center has maintained its world-wide reputation in addition to reaping the benefits of being an important part the University of Rochester Medical Center."

"No volunteer in the history of Eastman Dental Center has done more for the organization than Bill Springer," added Louis Langie, Jr.,

EDC Foundation, Inc. treasurer and Board member.

Dr. Springer's dedication to the oral health profession began in 1946 when he received his dental degree from the University of Buffalo. He was a Fellow in both the international and American colleges of dentists. He also was given the highly coveted Greenwood Award by the Seventh District Dental Society.

In addition to his professional experience, Dr. Springer participated in a variety of civic and social activities. He was an avid golfer and was a 57-year member of Oak Hill Country Club.



Wilfred A. Springer

Dr. Springer and his wife, Liz, were always a close team with one eye to the future, respect for the past, and a deep commitment to a profession, which they both served well for many years.

The Eastman Dental Center Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees recognized Dr. Springer's dedication and support to the Center with a tribute at its August meeting.

### BOARD UPDATES New Board members continued

member of the EDC Foundation Board and said, "Eastman Dental Center has an international reputation and one reason is because the alumni represent almost every country in the world. The field of oral health is embarking on new horizons in the fields of education, research, and patient care. I'm



William Calnon

pleased to be a part of the Board that is helping to lead the way for Dentistry at the University of Rochester."

Dr. Calnon has served as president of the Monroe County

Dental Society, the Seventh District Dental Society, and the New York State Dental Association. He has also served on countless committees and councils including the Council on Dental Practice of the American Dental Association. He is currently trustee-elect representing New York State to the Board of Trustees of the American Dental Association (ADA).

"The fact that Dr. Calnon knows both the local climate and the state and national trends will be of great benefit to the Foundation Board," said William Richardson, president of the EDC Foundation, Inc. Board. "The Board will now be able to take an active role in reaching out and helping to plan some of the responses to the new issues facing oral health."

An appointment to the New York State Board for Dentistry allowed Dr. Calnon an opportunity to serve on that board from 1994-2000. He also served on the Northeast Regional Board of Dental Examiners during that same period of time.

### Cecile Feldman, DMD, MBA



Cecile Feldman

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Feldman,
has served
as dean of the
New Jersey
Dental School
(NJDS) since
February 2001.
She served as
acting, then
interim, dean
of the school

from early 1999 until 2001.

A 1984 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's School of Dental Medicine, Dr. Feldman earned a certificate in advanced general dentistry from that school in 1985, and went on to receive an MBA in health care administration from The Wharton School. She came to NJDS as a clinical assistant professor in 1988, and since 1998 has served as a professor in the Department of General Dentistry. In 1990, Dr. Feldman became director of Information Services and Quality Assurance, then associate dean for

Planning and Assessment, and in 1998, acting associate dean for Academic Affairs.

Dr. Feldman's accomplishments during that period include the design of the e-curriculum, a network that provides students with instant access to information, the revamping of the clinical management information system, increasing research and clinical revenues, strengthening ties to surrounding communities, and expanding the school's involvement in oral health education.

In welcoming Dr. Feldman to the Eastman Dental Center Board, William Richardson said, "Dr. Feldman brings a wealth of experience to the Board including her areas of expertise in quality assurance, outcomes assessment, health informatics, health services research, and health professions education. She is a welcome addition to the Board and Dentistry at the University of Rochester."

In 1998, as associate dean for Planning and Assessment and chair of the Accreditation Steering Committee, Dr. Feldman led NJDS in a successful site visit from the Commission on Dental Education. She repeated this success during the 2005 Commission site visit.

Dr. Feldman has been principal investigator or co-investigator on many grants, primary and co-author of more than 80 articles, abstracts and book chapters, and has served as a reviewer and board member of the Journal of Dental Education as well as a reviewer for Journal of the American Dental Association. She is an adjunct professor in the Department of Dental Care Systems at the University of Pennsylvania and has been a Leadership Institute Fellow for the American Dental Education Association.

### Christopher H. Fox, DMD, DMSc



Christopher Fox

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Fox is the
executive
director of the
International
and American
Associations
for Dental
Research
and is one of
four new
members of

the Foundation Board. Concerning his appointment, Dr. Fox said, "I am delighted to be joining the Eastman Dental Center Foundation Board at such an exciting time in dental research. We are on the precipice of so many new discoveries in dental medicine and Eastman will play a central role."

The IADR and AADR are nonprofit organizations with over 11,000 individual members with a mission to advance research and increase knowledge for the improvement of oral health worldwide. Prior to coming to IADR / AADR, Dr. Fox was the European director of professional relations for the Colgate-Palmolive Company from 1999 to 2003 and was based first in London, England, and then in Paris, France. From 1995-1999, Dr. Fox was director of global professional relations and worked at Colgate's world headquarters in NYC and its world technology facility in Piscataway, New Jersey. Dr. Fox started his career at Colgate in the professional products division, Colgate Oral Pharmaceuticals, based outside of Boston, Massachusetts.

Throughout his career at Colgate, Dr. Fox initiated or supported many partnerships between industry and professional associations, industry and dental education, and industry and the practicing communityincluding such programs as the Oral Pharmaceutical Symposium, the annual ADA / Colgate Trends Survey, the IADR / Colgate Research in Prevention Award, the AADR Epidemiologic Forum, the ADEA / ADEE / FDEA Global Congress on Dental Education, the NDA Women's Health Symposium, and several other health and education initiatives involving women and dentistry.

"The Board is pleased to have Dr. Fox as a new member," said William Richardson. "He brings demonstrated leadership, knowledge of dental research and dental education, a pragmatic business approach, and collaborative partnership skills to the Foundation Board."

After completing a dual degree in biology and psychology from the University of Rochester, Dr. Fox earned his DMD in 1987 from the Harvard School of Dental Medicine (HSDM) and concurrently earned a Master's of Science in epidemiology from the Harvard School of Public Health. He continued his studies at Harvard, completing residencies in both periodontology and dental public health. In 1991, Dr. Fox completed a Doctorate of Medical Sciences (DMSc) program in oral biology and oral epidemiology from the Harvard Faculty of Medicine. After serving on the faculty of HSDM, where he was assistant director of clinics, Dr. Fox joined the Colgate Palmolive Company. He left private industry in 2003 to join the IADR and AADR.

### Richard R. Ranney, DDS, MS

Dr. Ranney received his dental degree from the University of Iowa, a certificate of training in periodontics from the Eastman Dental Center, and a master's degree from the University of Rochester.

"Dr. Ranney brings a double perspective to the Foundation Board," said William Richardson. "Not only has he served as dean of two dental schools, most recently at the University of Maryland (1991-2002), but he is an esteemed alumnus of Eastman Dental Center."

In 2003, Dr. Ranney was a Senior Policy Fellow at the American Dental Education Association (ADEA). He then returned to the faculty at Maryland as a professor of periodontics at Maryland while also being the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Gies Education Fellow



Richard Ranney

for 2004-5.
Retiring from
his faculty
position on
July 1, 2005,
Dr. Ranney
was appointed
professor
emeritus.

Beginning with his first full-time facul-

ty appointment in 1969, Dr. Ranney has held faculty positions in four dental schools, and served administratively as an advanced dental education program director, department chairman, and assistant dean before being appointed dean at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He was continuously funded as a principal investigator (PI) on National Institutes of Health (NIH) research and training grants from 1970 until 1986 when he relinquished his currently active grants to accept a deanship. Among his grants as PI, was one of the first three specialized clinical research centers funded by NIDR, which began in 1978 while he was at Virginia Commonwealth University. He has authored more than 150 publications and has made more than 180 presentations locally, nationally, and internationally. The early presentations were on the immunology, microbiology, clinical genetics, and other clinical aspects of the periodontal diseases, and later topics dealt with dental education and licensure.

Dr. Ranney has served multiple public, professional, and private organizations as a consultant, committee member, or officer, including being president of both the American (AADR) and International (IADR) Associations for Dental Research, on the editorial boards of five professional journals, advisor to ADEA's Leadership Institute, and an inaugural member of the Oral Health Advisory Committee for the State of Maryland. He is a Fellow of the American and International Colleges of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Also among his honors are the Balint Orban Prize from the American Academy of Periodontology, the Basic Research in Periodontal Disease Award from the IADR, an honorary doctorate from the University of Buenos Aires, the naming of the Richard R. Ranney Dean's Conference Room in Maryland's new dental building, and a Presidential Citation from ADEA.

### INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE

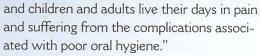
### Oral health alliance strengthens efforts between Eastman Dental Center and the dental faculty of Piracicaba, Brazil

Visiting professor makes second trip to the Center as part of an alliance to promote the exchange of research ideas and cooperation on scientific projects.

A new Oral Health Alliance has been officially established between the University of Rochester Eastman Dental Center (EDC), and the Faculty of Dentistry of Piracicaba (FOP), University of Campinas (UNICAMP) to promote innovative research ideas and cooperation on scientific projects. The alliance is the result of an intensive collaboration between scientists from these two renowned institutions that began in 1995 and has resulted in over 25 scientific papers, two pending patent applications, and other cooperative ventures.

"The vision of the alliance is to have two-

way communication so that EDC and FOP faculty members can collaborate on translational science proposals and encourage research that will benefit underserved populations on a global basis," said Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz. "Although there are some differences, our countries share the same dilemma; providing oral health care for the underserved. Until we can accomplish that, we will continue to see overall health costs soar



Ten years ago, Jaime A. Cury, DDS, MSc, PhD, spent three months at EDC researching analytical methodologies applied to cariology. He returned home with positive impressions and a desire to continue the collaborative work. He shared information with his colleagues about EDC's innovative ideas concerning postdoctoral programs, research, and patient care.

The initial relationship between EDC and FOP began in the late 80s when Dr. Cury met Dr. William H. Bowen, a world-renowned scientist, and several oral health researchers who were involved in similar types of investigations. Dr. Bowen is the Welcher Professor Emeritus of Dentistry, Center for Oral Biology (COB) and professor emeritus of the departments of microbiology and immunology and of environmental medicine.

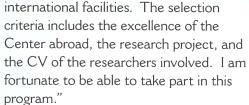
At the time, Dr. Bowen was essential in the establishment of the alliance by making his laboratory available to numerous FOP researchers and students, including Dr. Hyun (Michel) Koo. There was a mutual interest in gaining additional scientific training and collaborative research. Since then, a number of FOP scientists and students have visited the research laboratories at EDC and COB.

Dr. Koo, who was mentored by Dr. Cury, joined the Eastman Department of Dentistry

faculty in 2002 as an assistant professor at the EDC's Laboratory of Applied Oral Microbiology. Once student and mentor, Drs. Koo and Cury are again collaborating on ways to understand and prevent dental diseases. Dr. Koo, who was instrumental in working on the alliance said, "It is a privilege to have one of the most preeminent scholars and researchers in the field of oral diseases with us. Dr. Cury was a pioneer of this relationship at the beginning and he is now the first visiting professor under our newly established alliance. The exchange of information and expertise over the past ten years has provided us with excellent research productivity. This has contributed to a better understanding of the pathogenesis of dental diseases, with an emphasis on dental caries,

and new ways to prevent them."

Dr. Cury arrived at EDC the beginning of August and will return to Brazil in April 2006. His trip in 1995 was supported by CNPq, the federal council that supports research in Brazil. His current visit is funded by CAPES, the Brazilian agency responsible for graduate programs. Dr. Cury said, "There are only a handful of professors and students who receive funding to develop research studies at EDC and other



Dr. Cury is professor and head of biochemistry and cariology at FOP-UNICAMP. He has published over 100 scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals, written seven book chapters, and is the 2005-2006 president of IADR's Cariology Group. His students have won IADR's Research in Prevention Award in the Latin America-Mexico Division competition five times and the Brazilian IADR Hatton competition on three occasions.

From 1989 to the present, Dr. Curv has served on the Scientific Technical Committee in Oral Health for the Brazilian Ministry of Health and he was president of the Brazilian Association for Preventive Dentistry from 1993-1995. He also represents Brazilian dentistry as a member of CNPg, which is the equivalent of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). His research from 1980 to 1997 focused on the anticariogenic effects of fluoride. Since 1995, he has studied the cariogenicity of dental biofilm using in situ models. His goal during this scientific visit to EDC is to focus on molecular biology methodologies applied to cariology.



Dr. Michel Koo (left) and Dr. Jaime Curry discuss a research project

# DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

hange is an exciting part of life and Dentistry at the University of Rochester is leading the charge in a number of areas. You'll find an array of topics covered in this issue of Momentum. I hope you'll enjoy reading it and will consider using the tear-off section at the end of the newsletter to share your own good news.

The EDC Foundation Board has changed. We were all saddened by the death of Dr. Wilfred Springer, who served as our Board president for ten years. He was instrumental in the merger with the University and led the Board with his quick sense of humor and his dedication to the Center.

William Richardson, a long-time Board member, assumed the role as president and is providing excellent leadership to the Board as it moves ahead in a number of new initiatives. The Board has expanded its role to include academic oversight, community involvement, and development support, along with the fiduciary responsibility for the Foundation funds.

The Board increased its numbers to include four new members: Drs. Cecile Feldman, Christopher Fox, and Richard Ranney, who are from out-of-state and have strong ties to dental education, research, and patient care at the national level. Dr. William Calnon, the fourth member, is local and brings a wealth of experience in working with groups from both state and national organizations.

Leading the Way is the name of the history project that will result in a publication, authored by Betsy Brayer, which provides a panoramic view of oral health care in Rochester from the early 90s, through today, and on to the future. This will help ensure that George Eastman's legacy in clinical service to the underserved, education, and research, will never be forgotten. This testament to oral health will soon be available and it contains many of the signposts that will help us continue to lead the way to a bright and successful future for Dentistry at the University of Rochester.

Our development and alumni relations efforts are also moving in a new direction. We now have two people who are spearheading plans to financially support our goals in the



Cyril Meyerowitz

academic, research, and patient care areas. Lisa Westcott and Tandra Miller are already planning Dentistry's All Alumni Reunion for 2007 that includes a four-day continuing dental education course and alumni gathering at Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa in Florida. An exciting scientific program will take place in the mornings and the afternoons are open for fun and relaxation!

The reunion held in 2004 was a huge success. So save November 7-11, 2007, bask in the Florida sunshine, and enjoy the company of your classmates and faculty.

One thing that hasn't changed is Dentistry's vision. It is four-fold: to be the premier dental postdoctoral training environment for the education of dentistry's future academic leaders; to be a local and national leader of high-quality oral health care, which is evidence-based with an emphasis on prevention and community service; to move into the top ranking in NIDCR funding, with EDD focusing on clinical / translational research and COB on basic research; and to develop a service / education system, which is a national model for the integration of dentistry with medicine and the health care system.

I hope you will take the time to read Momentum and that you'll enjoy the stories. The publication's goal is to be a conduit to share news about our research and patient care endeavors; to keep alumni informed about the residents and students who are following in their footsteps; to highlight the faculty who give so freely of themselves in the classroom and the clinics; and to celebrate you....our alumni and friends.

Sincerely,

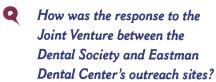
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Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, '75 GenDen, '80 MS Eastman Department of Dentistry Professor and Chair Eastman Dental Center Director

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### Dentists in the community respond to the underserved

Editor's note: The following Q&A involved Holly Barone, the senior operations administrator for the Division of Community Dentistry and Oral Disease Prevention and also a member of the Joint Venture Committee. This group initiated a program to recruit dentists from the community to work in some of Dentistry's outreach sites.



The response exceeded our expectations. We are very fortunate to have such caring dentists in our community.



Approximately 18 dentists have registered so far.

### What did the training consist of?

In addition to the orientation to assist with the faculty appointment and credentialing process, site-specific, one-onone training was provided to each participant. Each was given the opportunity to shadow an existing faculty member, meet the staff at the site, discuss preferences in scheduling, and observe the operations of the site. Additionally, a training manual, which included EDC policies and procedures, was reviewed and provided.

### How many dentists are now working in the outreach project?

There are currently two dentists working in outreach sites and several more will be coming on board within the next few months

### What sites are the dentists choosing?

One chose the Downtown Health Care Center in the Sibley Tower Building due to our work with the homeless population and another chose School 17 due to the large Hispanic community.



Holly Barone

### What is their response to the program?

The feedback has been very positive ranging from the equipment to the helpful and responsive staff. One participant is interested in learning as much as he can from us so he can utilize this model in his hometown in the Southern Tier. His commitment is admirable. as he drives from Corning, stays in a Rochester hotel, and volunteers two consecutive days each month!

### When will you be doing additional recruitment?

The current focus is to get the remaining participants credentialed, trained, and working at the sites. We won't be ready for another recruitment effort until we get this phase completed.

### How many are in training now?

Two to three more will have completed training by December.

### How many more can vou use?

That is a difficult question to answer at this time. It really depends on the longterm commitment of the 18 individuals who originally signed-up. It also depends on chair availability in our sites.

### REMINDER

If you have news to share, please visit the Dentistry Website at http://www.urmc.rochester.edu/Dentistry/news\_events/index.cfm and click on "Share Your News."

### LOCAL GROUP KEEPS BABIES SAFE AND SHARES INFO ABOUT GOOD ORAL HYGIENE

he death of an infant earlier this year due to unsafe sleeping arrangements underscores the importance of the crib distribution sponsored by the Safe Crib and Car Seat Project. The organization, founded after two Rochester infants were suffocated by unsafe cribs in the 1990s, continues

its pledge to help keep Rochester's infants and toddlers safe by donating cribs and mattresses to needy families.

The group's annual distribution took place in November, when 184 cribs and mattresses were distributed to pre-screened families through participating prenatal and parenting outreach programs.

The event included a time for donors and recipients to learn about other child safety and health issues. Dentistry was represented by Dr. Hiroko lida who addressed the issue of good oral health practices for pregnant women, infants, and toddlers.

Dr. lida's advice to the pregnant women at the crib event was about the importance of keeping their own teeth healthy and making early preventive dental visits for their children. She reminded them that the first dental visit is recommended within six months after the eruption of the first tooth and no later than the first birthday. This ensures that mother and child have periodic professional support.

This was the first year that Dr. lida participated in the event and she shared her thoughts about the need to reach out to parents when their children are little to ensure access to early intervention.

"I have a growing interest in the oral health of pregnant women. More studies show that maternal oral health has an impact on children's oral health in many ways.

As a pediatric dentist, I have come to realize that we may have to approach mothers while they are pregnant in order to prevent oral health problems in their children. It has been more than a year since I started to provide oral health education to pregnant adolescents at the Rochester Adolescent Maternity Program

(RAMP) covering topics such as dental care during pregnancy and early childhood oral health care.

The crib project, which is a multidisciplinary effort to improve maternal and child health, is another great example where dental professionals can be integrated to improve awareness of oral health.



Dr. Hiroko lida distributed materials and answered questions from a number of

At the crib giveaway, I received a great deal of feedback from other exhibitors and parents about the need for more oral health outreach in this community. Many mothers told me that they lack a regular source of dental care. Although they didn't seem interested in going to a dentist themselves, I saw a sparkle in their eyes when they received a cute, tiny toothbrush for their babies. It is often said that pregnancy provides a wonderful opportunity to educate mothers about healthy behaviors. It may also be a good time to improve their oral health and peak their interest in the oral health of their children.

Since pregnancy and early childhood are periods when mothers and children have numerous health related visits. maternal and child health professionals could help identify mothers and children at risk for dental disease by simply asking mothers if they've had a recent dental visit. Attending the crib giveaway gave me an opportunity to promote oral health, distribute oral hygiene kits, talk with pregnant women, and network with the many community groups committed to maternal and child health.

I hope more dental professionals will be interested in this and other community events next year."

—Hiroko Iida

# **Visiting Greece**

GREECE IS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR THOUGHT, ARCHITECTURE. AND THE ARTS. —Dr. Stanley Handelman

Ruth and I visited Greece in the spring of 2005. Dimitrious Maragakas met us in Athens and graciously acted as our guide to the Acropolis, the city, and the coastline of Athens.

We also visited many other ancient sites and spent a romantic three days in Nafpron. About midway in our visit we met Øivind and Phyllis Jensen at the Athens airport.

Let me digress for a moment. I have a "Isn't it a small world story" to tell about Dimitri. A few years ago, good friends of ours were traveling in Greece. Bob Schwartz, a pediatric allergist who was on the medical faculty of the University of Rochester and an accomplished photographer, wanted to take pictures of a christening that was in progress at an ancient Greek site. Being considerate he asked whether the family would mind. Dimitri stepped forward and assured him that it was okay. Bob complimented Dimitri on his English. Dimitri answered, "Well, of course. I trained in Rochester at the internationally renowned Eastman Dental Center." On Bob's return I identified Dimitri from the photographs.

The Jensens and Handelmans then flew to Santorini to stay at a hotel recommended by Helen Apostolopoulos. Many of us are familiar with the travel pictures of the Greek Isles of the white stucco houses built into the rising cliffside with a breathtaking view of the harbor. That's Santorini. After Santorini, we spent a week in Crete. On our return to Athens, Helen and Dimitri organized an alumni dinner at an elegant restaurant in Athens.

The following are some of my reflections that I shared with our alumni.

"As much as we enjoyed the beautiful landscapes, cities and islands of Greece, the antiquities of ancient times, the food and the wine, the high point of our trip was visiting with friends from Eastman and the splendid and warm dinner organized to welcome us. Visiting Greece is connecting to the roots of western civilization. The questions posed by Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle are the foundation of western philosophy. The architecture of many of our major buildings is copied from Greek temples. All of the leading American playwrights, Tennessee Williams, Eugene O'Neill, and Arthur Miller, wrote modern adaptations of ancient Greek tragedies. Greece is the foundation of our thought, architecture, and the arts.

All of you alumni stated in one way or another that your time in Rochester was a defining period in your professional career. For me, seeing former students and old friends was a validation of my career choice as a teacher. Hearing about your professional lives and families was a joy. Many of you traveled from the corners of Greece to welcome us. That all of the general dentistry alumni during my tenure are present is heartwarming. The attendance of pediatric dentistry and prosthodontic

# EVENTS



(Left) Cleo Kechaya-Millous, Thanasis Vasilas, Vassilios Tsanidis, Helen Apostolopoulas, Oivind Jensen, Constantine Hiliadas, Phyllis Jensen, Maria-Assimina Akrivou, Stan Handelman, Nikos Kafandaris, Effie Syrrakou-Zarrou, Dimitrios Maragakis, Maria Menenakou, and Triantafyllos Triantafylios.

alumni in addition to alumni from general dentistry was an additional reward. I accept being a symbol of Dentistry in Rochester. I will convey your good wishes to your mentors.

There was discussion at the table about organizing an alumni group in Greece. If our trip to Greece played a generative role in this endeavor, it would give me a great deal of satisfaction. The idea has merit on a number of levels. It would be a reminder of the skills and attitudes you developed, while you spent time in Rochester; it would give you the opportunity to exchange professional knowledge and concepts; it could be a mechanism to organize minialumni reunions in Greece with small groups of alumni from the States and other countries; and it could be a mechanism for the recruitment and support of Greek students at Eastman.

The following are comments that were written about reflections on the Eastman experience at the dinner. They are very meaningful and I want to share them with others.

### Constantine Hiliadas GenDen '92

"I have so many things in my mind to write, but it's impossible to do so on such a small piece of paper. I'm so happy that I saw Dr. Handelman and his party and the memories went back 12 years ago. Since then I got married to my wife Demebe, I have two sons 3-1/2 and 1-1/2 years old, and my practice is doing really good. I'm looking forward to visit EDC again and see people I love and spent a wonderful two years with them."

### Thanasis Vasilas Prostho MS '91

"I run a small private practice doing prosthodontics along with my sister who is a general dentist. Dr. Graser's experience in dentures and Dr. Brodine's copper band techniques have been invaluable tools towards a great appreciation of my work from my patients. I still do check points."

### Maria-Assimina Akrivou GenDen '93

"Eastman was my best experience throughout my several years of graduate training in the U.S.A. I have very fond memories of it and respect!!"

### Vassilios Tsanidis

GenDen '87

"Bill (Rex) runs a pedo dental office in Komotini. Since 1992, after coming back from the States in 1990 holding a Master's and specialty in pediatric dentistry (UAB), he, his wife Mary and his son Nikolas, born in the U.S.A. in 1990, live in Komotini. Bill is the president of the local dental club and a member of the Greek Dental Association Board. Eastman Dental Center marked our lives. You gave us really a lot of good memories besides the excellent education Bill had. We will always remember you with love!"

### Dimitrios Maragakis GenDen '84

"I will never forget my EDC experience. Not only education-wise, but meeting people from all over the world. It was great seeing Stan, Ruth, Øivind, Phyllis, and the alumni members."

### Effie Syrrakou-Zarrou Pedo '92

"I graduated from the Pediatric
Dentistry Program in 1992 and I got my
MSc from the University of Rochester in
1993. Looking back today I am sure that
the four years I spent in Rochester were the
best of my life, but I didn't know that then.
My life now is simple but happy. I have a
wonderful husband, Theodore, and two
great children, Myrto 6 years and Spyros 4
years old. I run a private practice and I'm
part-time faculty at the Athens University.
I miss EDC but mostly I miss the people.
Regards to everybody that remembers me!"

**Gleo Kechaya-Milious** GenDen '91 "I graduated from the General Dentistry Program in 1991. I run a small private practice doing general dentistry. Eastman was my best experience. It gave me an excellent education. I will always remember you with love!!"

### Helen Apostolopoulos GenDen '90

"I graduated from Eastman Dental in the General Dentistry Program in 1990. I came back to Greece and won the Greek National Scholarship in Preventive Dentistry. I received a PhD in preventive dentistry (Silitating Agents and Their Role in Plaque Prevention). I have a private practice in the Glyfhda area. I truly believe without the training I received from Eastman Dental Center I would never be as successful as I am today. I look forward to coming again for a visit."

### Maria Menenakou Pedo '89

"Greetings to Pedo! I feel as if part of my family is at EDC, Division of Pediatric Dentistry.

Thanks to everybody for the support. I gave birth to my son, Dimitri, during the first year of my residency. My strong baby is now 17 years old and ready to become a dentist. Guess where he wants to go for his specialty?

May God be with you for everything you have generously offered and for the change it made in my life."

### Triantafyllos Triantafyllos Pedo '92

"I am glad because God saw me the way to Rochester which was a kind of a second country for me. What I am doing now in my profession I think belongs to Eastman Dental Center. Thank you all for whatever you gave to me."

### Nikos Kafandaris GenDen '78

(Nikos did not write down his thoughts but his presence was especially meaningful to me. In a sense he is the dean of our Greek alumni. Not only was he the first but has been instrumental in sending a number of his former students to Eastman to study.

Nikos is chair of prosthodontics at Aristotle University in Greece. He flew from Thessaloniki with Vassilios Tsanidis and his wife. – S. Handelman)



Congratulations to Dr. **Paul Werner** who was named a Fellow of the American College of Dentists in 2004. Dr. Werner received his postdoctoral certificate from the Pediatric Dentistry Program in 1979 and now lives in Boca Raton, Florida.

Need a filling: a root canal, a brighter smile? A national survey lists the best practitioners in Central Ohio. This is the lead-in to a story entitled "Top Dentists" that ran in the April issue of Columbus Monthly. The article was sent in by Estelle Hutta Scott because it was written about her sons, Drs. Lawrence and James Hutta. Both received certificates from the Orthodontic Program. Lawrence received his general dentistry certificate in 1984 and completed his Orthodontic Program in 1986. James completed his General Dentistry Program in 1990 and received his orthodontic certificate

In her note to Dr. J. Daniel
Subtelny, Ms. Hutta Scott wrote, "I
am enclosing the Columbia Monthly
for you to enjoy. You were such a
great mentor for my sons Larry and
Jim. I wanted to share their success
as orthodontists in Columbus, Ohio."

Congratulations to both Lawrence and James Hutta!

# ALUMNI EVENTS

### Prosthodontic Program event

October's Pearls of Practice Conference, sponsored by the Prosthodontic Program, included a festive event involving the dedication of the Gerald N. Graser Fellowship plaque. The Pearls program included prosthodontic alumni, Drs. Edward Plekavich ('73), Gary Rogoff ('74), Charles Oster ('84), Ronald Sambursky ('92) and Rudy Sanchez ('97).



Dr. Gerald Grasei

Prosthodontic alumni, Eastman Dental Center Foundation Board members, faculty, residents and students, staff, and friends gathered to celebrate the unveiling of the plaque located on the second

floor of the Center's atrium. Dr. Carlo Ercoli ('96), Prosthodontic Program director, welcomed the group and gave a brief overview of the fellowship's purpose and history. The purpose is



(Left) Robert Hurlbut, Gary Rogoff, Carlo Ercoli, Gerald Graser, Cyril Meyerowitz, and Robert Witmer

In the 1999 American Association of Dental Schools Presidents' Task Force Report it stated, "The ability of dental education to prepare the dental health professionals for the next millennium is built on the pillars of a well-qualified faculty." This has become increasingly more difficult as the following statements have been proven a reality.

- It is estimated there are nearly 400 vacant faculty positions within the US.
- The number of full-time faculty has declined 10% over the past 10 years.
- Almost 60% of US dental schools have at least one or more full-time faculty positions vacant for more than a year.
- Nearly half of the existing dental faculty members are over 50 years of age.

Dr. Ercoli introduced Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, Board members G. Robert Witmer, Jr., Robert Hurlbut, and alumnus Dr. Rogoff, who each spoke about the success of the fundraising effort, the need for the fellowship, and the dedication of the alumni and friends to Dr. Gerald N. Graser and the Prosthodontic Program at Eastman.

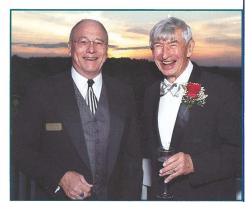
Dr. Graser, a 1972 graduate of the Prosthodontic Program, and chair of the division (1977—present), thanked the donors and guests for supporting the fellowship in his honor.

The unveiling ceremony was followed by a reception.

### Subtelny celebration glitters

The stars were out in honor of Dr. J. Daniel Subtelny's 50th anniversary as leader of the Orthodontic Program at Eastman Dental Center. The celebration was marked with a weekend full of events beginning September 23 and ending on the 25th.

There were a number of social functions and a black tie gala on Saturday evening that was attended by 240 faculty, alumni, staff, and friends. The Charlie Bertini's Dixieland Band played and Dr. Subtelny was persuaded to take a couple of turns on the dance floor to the delight of his guests.



Drs. Mac Evart and J. Daniel Subtelny

Dr. Joseph Sweet, '98 Ortho, headed up the planning committee for the weekend celebration and he mentioned the number of people who worked on the event details for almost a year. He gave a special word of appreciation to Erica Sergent, program operations administrator, and Becky Herman, who left the development office but worked on her personal time to see the project through.

Whether they were an ortho alum, faculty, resident, staff, or friend, people took on each task enthusiastically in

recognition of the dedication shown by Dan Subtelny who has been looked upon by many as a teacher, mentor, and friend throughout his rich 50-year career.





### Eastman and Seventh District co-sponsored the Handelman Conference

The Annual Handelman Conference held in May 2005, was the first co-sponsored event involving Eastman Department of Dentistry and the Seventh District Dental Society. The conference was the Dental Society's semi-annual meeting and the 11th Handelman Conference sponsored by Eastman's Division of General Dentistry.

The two-day event featured Drs. Carl E. Misch and Gordon J. Christensen, as presenters and attendance at the conference was

The audience was welcomed by Drs. Michael Grassi, president of the Seventh District Dental Society, Hans Malmström, Handelman Conference program chair, Cyril Meyerowitz, director of Eastman Dental Center, and Louis Cianciola, director of the Dental Society's continuing education effort.



The Handelman Conference was established to pay tribute to Dr. Stanley L. Handelman and his success as an educator, researcher, mentor, and friend. Dr. Handelman's career at Eastman spans 40 years. As a result of his efforts, Dr. Handelman has been described as the father of postdoctoral general dentistry education.

### SAVE - THE - DATE!

### Dentistry's All-Alumni Reunion - November 7-11, 2007

lumni, family, and friends of Eastman Dental Center, Eastman Department of Dentistry, and the Center for Oral Biology are invited to a four-day continuing dental education course and alumni gathering at Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa in Florida.

An exciting scientific program is being planned for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. Afternoons will be open for fun and relaxation! You can enjoy appetizing meals at the Welcome Dinner planned for Thursday evening, the divisional dinners planned for Friday, and farewell event on Saturday.

Named one of the top 10 spa resorts in the U.S. by CondeNast Traveler, Sanibel Harbour encompasses an 85 acre resort situated on a private peninsula overlooking Sanibel and Captiva islands.

The resort has extensively refurbished its rooms and spa. A few of the amenities are as follows:

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- Seven dining locations on property
- Eight lighted tennis courts
- Five heated outdoor pools and an indoor pool
- Readily accessible to SW Florida International Airport (Ft. Myers)
- Trolley transportation around the resort
- Shuttle transportation to selected Sanibel attractions and beaches
- Meeting rooms on-site

The room rate and resort fee will be \$189 plus tax. For those who want to extend their getaway either for three days before or after the Reunion meeting, arrangements have been made with the hotel to stay at the block rate. Registration details for the meeting, the scientific program, and the Sanibel Resort and Spa will be forthcoming. We hope to see you all at the "All-Alumni Reunion for 2007."



oin us on a journey from the beginning of Dentistry at the University of Rochester Medical Center to the present with Leading the Way-Dentistry's History. Written by Elizabeth "Betsy" Brayer, author of the George Eastman biography, this book will explore the interplay between dental research, education, and clinical and community dentistry.

Each discipline has played a pivotal role in the relationship involving the Eastman Dental Center, School of Medicine and Dentistry, and both the international and national academic dental communities.

Completion of the project is expected in spring 2006. Your gift, large or small, will support this tribute to the traditions of excellence you experienced in Dentistry at the University of Rochester Medical Center.

We look forward to sharing Leading the Way - Dentistry's History with our alumni and friends.

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May 5-6, 2006

12th Annual Handelman Conference Rochester, NY May 5 Time: 8 AM-5 PM General Dentistry Alumni & Friends Dinner Location: TBD May 6 Time: 8 AM-1 PM Picnic Lodge at Woodcliff 199 Woodcliff Drive Fairport, NY 14450 Contact: Mona Fine Toll free 888-898-9750 or

May 5-9, 2006

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### May 25-28, 2006

59th Annual American Association of Pediatric Dentistry Cincinnati, OH May 27 Time: 5:30-7:30 PM Pediatric Alumni and Friends Reception Place: TBD Contact: Tandra Miller Toll free 800-333-4428 or tmiller@admin.rochester.edu

June 2, 2005

28th Allen A. Brewer Prosthodontic Conference RIT Inn and Conference Center 5257 West Henrietta Road Rochester, NY Time: 8 AM-5 PM June 3 Picnic Time: TBD Location: TBD Contact: Mary Jane Kleinhammer

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June 16, 2005

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General bequest: One of the more common ways of making a charitable gift by will, you simply leave a specified dollar amount or percentage of your estate to the Department of

Dentistry. Specific bequest: Another popular form, this involves stipulating that a specific asset or piece of property is to go to the Department of Dentistry.

### Residuary bequest: A

residuary bequest is used to give the Department of Dentistry all, or a portion, of an estate property after debts, expenses, and all other bequests have been paid. It can be expressed as an amount or a percentage

### Restricted bequest:

of the residuary assets.

While many beguests provide unrestricted gifts - that is to say, the Department of Dentistry is given the discretion to decide how the gift is specifically used you may, if you choose, designate a specific purpose. For example, you may wish to establish an endowed

scholarship fund, or to stipulate that the funds are to be used for a particular purpose within the department. A restricted endowment usually should be made in the broadest terms possible within your area of interest, and should be made only after consultation with the department.

Charitable gifts from your estate can also be accomplished through the use of a trust. Typically known as a charitable remainder trust (CRT), this form of testamentary gift is most often used when the donor needs to provide income to one or more heirs before the assets are available for charitable purposes. Charitable estate tax deductions are available in the amount projected to ultimately pass to the Department of Dentistry.

Our endowment was, in large measure, built through testamentary gifts from many hundreds of loyal alumni and friends. Combined with gifts made during donors' lifetimes, they form the support system which helps assure that the Department of Dentistry will continue to be among the finest schools of dentistry in the country.

Testamentary gifts require legal arrangements to be accomplished through your attorney. If you have interest in any gifting opportunity, we will be pleased to assist you, your attorney, and any of your other advisors.

For more information, please contact Jack Kreckel, Office of Trusts and Estates, at (800) 635-4672. (585) 273-5901, or kreckel@alumni.rochester.edu. Also, we invite you to visit our Web site at www.rochester.plannedgifts.org

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ongratulations to Dr. J. Daniel Subtelny who was selected as the 2006 recipient of the James E. Brophy American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) Distinguished Service Award.

In his notification letter, Dr. Larson R. Keso, chair of the award committee wrote, "Your meritorious contributions to the advancement of the art and science of our specialty and to the AAO, spanning many decades, made your selection an easy task. The award, the highest honor the AAO can bestow, will be presented to you at the 2006 Annual Session in New Orleans."



Dr. Oren I. Weiss

Dr. C. T. Haung

Two Dentistry faculty received new positions. Dr. C.T. Huang, assumed the position of clinical director of Community Outreach on November I. He joined Dr. Sangeeta Gajendra, who assumed the position of associate director of Community Outreach

In his letter informing faculty, staff, and residents of the appointments, Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, wrote, "Both of these individuals are outstanding and have had an active involvement in public health and community service. They will provide substantial leadership for the important clinical activities of the

effective July 1.

Division of Community Dentistry and Oral Disease Prevention and complement the excellent administrative leadership and support that exists."



At the opening ceremony of the 91st Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology, the Board of Trustees presented Dr. Oren I. Weiss with the R. Earl Robinson Award. In his notification letter, Dr. Vincent J. Iacono wrote, "This award, sponsored by the American Academy of Periodontology Foundations, is presented in recognition of your outstanding contributions and services to the Academy."

Dr. Robert J. Berkowitz was one of the speakers presenting at the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's Symposium on the



Dr. Robert J. Berkowitz



Dr. Sangeeta Gajendra

Prevention of Oral Disease in Children and Adolescents held in November in Chicago. His topic was the Acquisition and Transmission of Mutans Streptococci.

Dr. Berkowitz has been invited to speak at the European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry

(EAPD) in Amsterdam. He will speak about the influence of aggressive dental surgery at the upcoming July 2006 conference.

### Dr. Malmström inducted as a Fellow

🖺 t its annual October meeting in Philadelphia, the American College of Dentists inducted Dr. Hans Malmström as a Fellow in the College.

Dr. Eugene Surasky nominated Dr. Malmström and the following is an except from his letter:

"As a part-time faculty member, I have known Dr. Hans Malmström for twelve years in his role of program director of the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Program at the University of Rochester Eastman Dental Center. I know him as a wonderful educator, admired and respected by both faculty and residents. He is also a meticulous practitioner of highlevel clinical dentistry. He works in close cooperation with the local dental societies in presenting seminars and speakers of high caliber for the dental community.

Most recently, Dr. Malmström has been instrumental in initiating and



Dr. Hans Malmström



Dr. Eugene Surasky

supporting ethics seminars for all residents in cooperation with the American College Program.

Aside from dentistry, he is a devoted husband and father to two sons. In support of his family, he has assumed a continuing leadership role in the Boy Scouts of America, involvement with his church, the YMCA, and soccer club.

I can think of no one who better exemplifies the principles and tenets of the American College than Hans Malmström and therefore, I am submitting his name for consideration as a Fellow of the College."

### How does someone become a Fellow of the American College of Dentists?

Fellowship in the American College of Dentists is by invitation and it is based on a proven, confidential, peer-review system that has remained intact since the inception of the College in 1920.

### What qualifies a dentist to be a Fellow of the American College of Dentists?

In its most fundamental sense, Fellows of the College have records of leadership, excellence, and meritorious achievement in dentistry or public service. For dentistry, these credentials may be reflected in professional organizational involvement, dental education, dental research, dental journalism, or other areas. Addition-ally, candidates must be members of the American Dental Association or an equivalent foreign organization if applicable.

There is also an ethical component to Fellowship as specified in early College records, "The candidate...must be of good moral character, and have a reputation for ethical conduct and professional standing that is unquestioned. Personality, integrity, education, unselfishness, and high professional ideals as well as freedom from mercenary tendencies shall be considered."

Fellowship in the American College of Dentists is a distinct honor and it is often the high point in a dental career. Only about 3.5% of dentists in the United States have been granted Fellowship in the College. Fellows of the American College of Dentists truly are an elite group. Fellowship is bestowed only if the accomplishments of the nominee are truly outstanding and epitomize excellence.

### Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz appointed to the Commission for Change and Innovation in Dental Education

r. Cyril Meyerowitz will serve on the new Commission for Change and Innovation in Dental Education.

Over the past decade, repeated calls have been made for curricular reform and innovation in dental education. The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) has endeavored to support change by developing curriculum guidelines, competency statements, and by holding a variety of meetings and conferences. In the fall of 2004, ADEA held a forum on the Pre-doctoral Dental Curricu-lum and

developed a number of recommendations.

As ADEA moves forward to implement these recommendations, an oversight committee entitled the Commission for Change and Innovation in Dental Education was established by Dr. Eric Hovland, president of the ADEA board of directors. Dr. Kenneth L. Kalkwarf. ADEA president-elect and dean of the



Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz

University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School, is serving as the Commission chairman.

In his letter of invitation, Dr. Hovland wrote, "The work of the Commission for Change and Innovation in Dental Education will likely shape dental education for decades to come."

Dr. Meyerowitz was one of the

leaders in the initiative to develop the New York State Academic Deans Council and New York Academic Dental Centers, a group of five dental schools in New York State that work together on state-wide initiatives in education and patient care. He is an active member of the group and served as chair from 1999 to 2001. He serves on the Commission on Dental Accreditation and is chair of the Postdoctoral General Dentistry Review Committee.

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### Dr. Graser thanked by the Montezuma Creek Dental Clinic

Editor note: The following letter was sent to Dr. Gerald Graser in appreciation for the time he spent helping patients in Montezuma Creek, Utah.



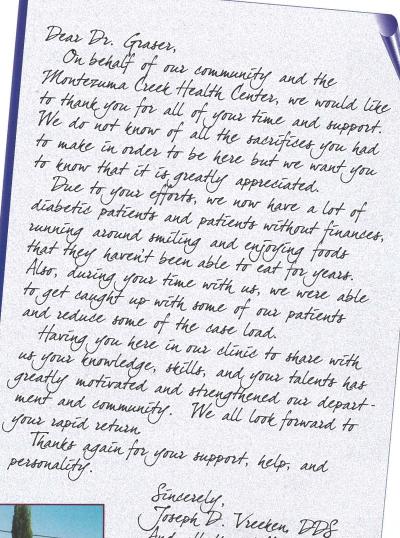
Dr. Gerald Graser



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### Faculty **Appointments**

### **Division of Community Dentistry** Assistant Professor

Dr. Sangeeta Gajendra

### Instructor

Dr. Bryan Gelfand

### Clinical Instructors

- Dr. Mairaj Ahmed
- Dr. Nancy Berg
- Dr. Kenneth Brotherton
- Dr. Matthew Coles
- Dr. Terrance O'Keefe
- Dr. Daniel Rosinski
- Dr. William Zungner

### Instructor of Clinical

Dr. Mona Halem

### **Division of General Dentistry** Clinical Instructor

- Dr. Ira Kamp
- Dr. Stephen Ruchlin
- Dr. Keith Sanger
- Dr. Harinderbir (Harry) Singh
- Dr. Joshua Souweine

### **Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery**

Assistant Professor Dr. Joseph (Jay) Fantuzzo

**Division of Prosthodontics** Department Fellow/Instructor Monroe Community Hospital

Dr. Ricardo Huerta-Andrade

### Dr. Pollan elected vice president of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

r. Lee D. Pollan was elected vice president of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) during the Association's 87th Annual Meeting, Scientific Sessions, and Exhibition held in Boston, Massachusetts.

Dr. Pollan has been on the AAOMS board of trustees representing the oral and maxillofacial surgeons of District I since 2001. The district includes New York, Connecticut, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

After earning his dental degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine in 1971, Dr. Pollan completed his oral and maxillofacial surgery residency at Georgetown University Medical Center. He earned his masters of science degree from Georgetown the same year. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and is a Fellow in the American and International College of Dentists.

Dr. Pollan is an associate professor of Dentistry at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry (SM&D) and the director

of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Program for residents at the Eastman Department of Dentistry. His special areas of interest



include trauma care, temporomandibular joint, dentoalveolar surgery, dental implants, and reconstructive surgery.

Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, chair of the Department of Dentistry and director of the Eastman Dental Center said, "Election to the position of AAOMS vice president is indeed prestigious as there is automatic succession to the presidency of the organization. Dr. Pollan has been extremely important in the insurance that the OMFS Program at the University of Rochester Medical Center maintains its high standards nationally."

Dr. Pollan and his wife and family live in Pittsford. He has maintained a private practice in Rochester, since 1974.

### **Cranberries and oral health** make big news

link between cranberries and oral health was 🚹 a hot topic in the media this past Thanksgiving. A release was distributed concerning a recent study by researcher Dr. Hyun (Michel) Koo, who said, "Something in the cranberry juice disarms the pathogens that cause tooth decay."

The information was picked up by Reuters News Service, media from England, Russia, and all of the major American television affiliates.



Dr. Hyun (Michel) Koo

The story actually made the most searched and viewed news at Yahoo on Thanksgiving Day and remained in the top five sites on Friday. Here are just a few of the links that carried the story.

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/4466726.stm

http://abcnews.go.com/Health/wireStory?id=1343574

http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-nacranberries24nov24,1,7059881.story?coll=la-headlines-nation

http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2005/11/23/health/webmd/main1071692.

http://newsfromrussia.com/science/2005/11/24/68455.html

### Dentistry Archives

Did you know that the Bibby Library includes an archival collection? Any materials or memorabilia you might have would be most welcome. Right now, Pamela White, librarian, and Beth Mamo, senior library assistant, are anxiously awaiting news concerning a grant proposal they submitted to digitize and provide public electronic access to selected images from the Bibby Archives. New York State will notify award winners in April 2006.

Please contact elizabeth-mamo@urmc.rochester.edu or call (585) 275-5010 if you have any questions or have items you would like to donate to the archives.

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### Searching for a new chair

-Dr. Ronald J. Billings

he University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and Eastman Department of Dentistry invites nominations and applications for the position of chair of the Division of Community Dentistry and Oral Disease Prevention.

### **Rich Heritage**

The division has a rich heritage in teaching, research excellence, and service to the community and is responsible for graduate education in dental public health, community dentistry, and epidemiology; research in community oral health and oral disease prevention, and has administrative oversight for the division's outreach programs.

### Relationships

The division has a close working relationship with the School of Medicine and Dentistry's Clinical Trials Coordinating Center, departments of pediatrics, biostatistics and community and preventive medicine, and the Center for Oral Biology in the Aab Institute of Biomedical Sciences. The division also interacts collaboratively with the City of Rochester School District, the Monroe County Department of Health, and the Dental Bureau of the New York State Department of Health.

### Qualifications

Nominees and applicants with a PhD or equivalent degree in a healthrelated field with advanced training in epidemiology, public health, or

biostatistics will be given highest consideration. A DDS / DMD / MPH and board eligible / certified in Dental Public Health is desirable.

Candidates with a dental degree must have a dental license or be eligible for a license to practice in New York State. Preference will also be given to individuals with grant funding and / or the demonstrated ability to build a strong research program in oral / dental epidemiology and / or health services research.

### **Appointment**

The successful candidate will be appointed at the associate or full-professor level. A joint appointment in the Department of Community and Preventive Medicine is possible depending upon qualifications. The University offers a significant compensation package commensurate with qualifications of the appointee and includes the opportunity to join the Medical Center Faculty Group Practice for the DD / DMD appointee.

### **Application Process**

Letters of inquiry should include a brief background statement, including academic and research interests, administrative experience, a current CV or resume, and should be sent to the chair of the Search Committee: Dr. Ronald J. Billings, Eastman Department of Dentistry, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, 625 Elmwood Avenue, Box 683, Rochester, NY 14620-2989, or email: ron\_billings@urmc.rochester.edu. Telephone 585-275-3145. Fax 585-273-1081.

### Welcome the new development staff

Dentistry now has two fulltime development specialists who work exclusively for Dentistry at the University of Rochester (EDC, COB, and EDD), raising funds and other resources to support institutional priorities and initiatives. Through managing and building relationships with alumni and friends, Lisa Westcott and Tandra Miller work alongside faculty and staff to promote and grow the Dentistry program.

"I am very excited to have joined such a committed group of professionals and educators. I look forward to working together to strengthen George Eastman's vision in the achievement of Dentistry's shared goals in academics, research, and community outreach."

Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Lisa Westcott Senior Associate Director and Chief Development Officer for Dentistry (585) 273-3172 lwestcott@admin.rochester.edu







Lisa Westcott

Tandra Miller

"It is an honor to be a part of a world-renowned institution that cares for the oral health of our global community. We hope to provide an array of opportunities for you to stay connected with Dentistry and your fellow alumni.

I look forward to the opportunity to assist you in achieving your philanthropic goals while advancing the mission and vision of Dentistry."

Tandra D. Miller Associate Director of Development Alumni and Community Relation for Dentistry (585) 275-2767 tmiller@admin.rochester.edu



# **2005-2006 Residents**

and Intern	ational Students	
Advanced Education General Denti	stry Program	
Gilbert Akl, DMD	Univ. Montreal, Canada	Resident
Indra Albertina, DDS	Riga Stradin's Univ., Latvia	Student
Besher Alfarra, DMD	Univ. Montreal, Canada	Resident
Filippo Cangini, DDS (Dec.)	School of Dental Medicine, Italy	Student
Patricia Carlson, DDS	Univ. Metodista Sao Paula, Brazil	Student
Christina Ciornei, DDS (Dec.)	Univ. GR.T.Popa, Romania	Student
Dan Doaga, DDS	Univ. of Apollonia, Romania	Student
Yiqian Dong, DDS, PhD (Dec.)	Beijing Medic Univ., China	Student
F. Sevde Ersan, DDS (Dec.)	Ankara Univ., Turkey	Student
Mona Farrahi, DDS	Gothenburg Dental School, Sweden	Student
Michel Ha Thanh, DMD	University of Montreal	Resident
Phaedra Harbaugh, DDS	University of Colorado	Resident
Daniel Hovsepian, DMD	Univ. Montreal, Canada	Resident
Hiroko lida, DDS	Kagoshim University, Japan	Student
Josemari Imao, DMD	Univ. of the Philippines	Student
Taran Kaur, BDS	Coll. Dental Surgery Manipal, India	Student
Keizo Kobayashi, DDS	Nippon Dental Univ., Japan	Student
Valeria Kresevic, DDS (Dec.)	Cayetano Heredia Peruvian, Peru	Student
Katia Leder, DDS	Univ. Estadual do Rio de Janeiro	Student
Ahmed Mansour, DDS	Cairo University, Egypt	Student
Loredana Markovitch, DMD	Univ. Carol de Villa - Romania	Student
Shay Markovitch, DMD	Univ. Carol de Villa - Romania	Student
Michael Nawrocki, DMD	Tel-Aviv Univ., Israel	Student
Adenike Ogunbekun, BDS	Univ. Lagos, Nigeria	Student
Klenise Paranhos, DDS	U deOdont Joao Prudente, Brazil	Student
Danny Seto, DDS	Univ. Toronto, Canada	Resident
Sandhya Swarnavel, BDS	Ragas Dental College, India	Student
Yen-Tung (Andy)Teng, DDS MPH PhD	Kaohsiung Med. Univ., Taiwan	Student
Georges Tohme, DMD	Univ. Montreal, Canada	Resident
Dilvir Toor, DDS	Univ. Toronto, Canada	Resident
RamMohan Vaderhobli, DDS (Dec.)	R.V. Dental School, India	Student
General Practice Residency Progra	am	
Michael Adsit, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Resident
Victor Colon, DMD	Univeristy of Puerto Rico	Resident
Joshua Haremza, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Resident
Nancy Mouradian, DMD	University of Montreal	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T
Patricia Nino de Guzman, DDS	Peru, Eastman Dental Ctr. AEGD	Resident Resident
Denese Shelton, DDS	Meharry Medical College	
Vivian Sithole, DDS	Finland, Eastman Dental Ctr. AEGD	Resident
Manager of the Control of the Contro		Resident
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Pro		
Mark Burne, DMD	University of Pennsylvania	Resident
Stephen Cho, DDS	University of Toronto	Resident
Mohammad Ganni, DMD	University of Pennsylvania	Resident

### Mohammad Ganni, DMD University of Pennsylvania Marc Johnson, DDS SUNY Buffalo Resident Daniel Mahar, DDS SUNY Buffalo Resident Stefan Simoncic, DDS University of Baltimore Resident

Pediatric Dentistry Program		
Christine Bell, DMD	University of Manitoba	Resident
Shannon Coyle, DDS	Baylor College	Resident
Paul Dominique, DMD	University of Kentucky	Resident
Gabriela Ganoza, DDS	Peru, Eastman Dental Ctr. AEGD	Resident
Matthew Jensen, DDS	Nova Southeastern	Resident
Desiree Laracuente, DMD	University of Puerto Rico	Resident
Jared Lothyan, DDS	University of Washington	Resident
Talisha Mason, DDS	Meharry Medical College	Resident
Sean McLaren, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Resident
Aisha Romain, DDS	Howard University	Resident
Courtney Wilson, DDS	Meharry Medical College	Resident
Timothy Wilson, DDS	SLINY Buffalo	Resident

Timothy Wilson, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Resident
Periodontology Program		
Navneet Arora, BDS	Kless Inst. Dental Sci., India	Student
Benjamin Greenstein, DMD	Univ. Med. & Dentistry New Jersey	Resident
Humphrey Ho, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Resident
Cheng Miao, DDS	UCLA	Resident
Nicolas Naurato, DDS	University of Toronto	Resident
Thomas Zahavi, DMD	The Hebrew University, Israel	Student
Prosthodontic Program		
Jose Francisco Cortes, DDS	Universidad Tecnologica de Mexico	Student
Heeje Lee, DDS	Yonsie University, Korea	Student
Adegbenga Otun, BDS	University of Lagos, Nigeria	Student
Guido Batalocco, DDS	Univ. Sienna, Italy	Resident
Alfonso Pineyro, DDS	U. Autonoma de Guadalajara	Resident

Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction Fellowship			
Hwa Sung Chae, DDS	Seoul National Univ., Korea	Student	
Yoon Chang, DDS	Univ. Cayetano Heredia, Peru	Student	
Paolo Fiorentino, DDS	University of Palermo, Italy	Student	
Douglas Larson, DDS	SUNY Buffalo	Student	
Xiomara Restrepo, DDS	Universidad del Valle, Colombia	Student	
Jeffrey Toothman, DDS	Baltimore Coll. Dental Surgery	Student	

SUNY Buffalo

Temple University

### Nobel Prize tidbit

Akihiko Shirakura, DDS

Joseph So, DMD

Did you know that the Nobel Prize in Medicine has been awarded four times to faculty and graduates of the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry?

The award winners included:

2002 Masatoshi Koshiba, PhD

http://nobelprize.org/physics/laureates/2002/koshiba-cv.html

1976 D. Carleton Gajdusek, MD http://nobelprize.org/medicine/laureates/1976/

1959 Arthur Kornberg, MD

http://nobelprize.org/medicine/laureates/1959/index.html

1934 George Hoyt Whipple, MD http://nobelprize.org/medicine/laureates/1934/index.html Resident

Resident



Editor's note: The following is an excerpt of the remarks given by Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz to those who received program certificates in June 2005.

This is an important evening because the 47 men and women who just entered this auditorium are achieving a major milestone in their careers.

Many of you will be moving into the world to pursue your futures; some will join practices or set up new ones.

Some will pursue academic careers in clinical care education, while others will enter the world of research. Given the need for educators, we hope you will strongly consider this option.

Tonight I'd like you to think about what it means to be a professional. I think you all know that professions like dentistry have a contract with society. That contract started a long time ago when society allowed us to practice dentistry, do invasive procedures, and provide advice to improve oral health. That contract gives us certain privileges, but of course, it also carries significant responsibilities. So what exactly is a contract?

There was a time when a person's word was his or her bond. One judged people by whether they kept their word. If you said you were going to do something, you did it. There was no need to write it down. Of course, in today's society, we write it down. It's a contract. It can be legally binding. It's different. What all of you should realize is that as you walk out with your certificates, which give you privileges to do periodontology, prosthodontics, or another field, there is an unwritten part of that certificate that is a binding contract with society that you can't see. Before I tell you what is in that contract, let me read something from James O'Donnel's *Avatars of the Word*.

"She would write a poem on the blackboard in her fine Palmer method hand, and we had to copy it, in pencil. The rule was simple: NO ERASURES. If you erased once and handed it in, you got an F. Very simple.

Now you can see what she was doing with 9-year-olds. Getting them to slow down, calm down, control their stray bodily fluids, and get a little discipline. It makes sense.

So we'd sit there copying, then after a few minutes, you'd hear, 'RATS!' and a kid would crumple his paper and start over. You had to get it 100% erasure-free or you had to come back after school to finish it.

Now this exercise taught us two very useful things: (1) good penmanship, and (2) truly extraordinary erasership. Because, face it, you can't copy 'The Village Blacksmith' perfectly every time at that age, and it was a bore. So you studied the situation, bought good, fresh, soft, rubber erasers, learned to write lightly without pushing grooves into the paper, learned to erase carefully around the blue lines on the paper without abrading the surface – she'd hold the paper up to the light and could see where you had abraded it. So the ideal erasure just lifted the pencil mark off the paper and didn't touch the paper at all.

Most of us got pretty good at it. She only caught me once, and gave me the only F of my grade- and highschool career. I looked at the paper with an F on it and did not say, 'Gosh, I have sinned. I must go and mend my ways.' I looked at it closely and said, 'Geez, she's good! I

me again."

gotta get me a better eraser – and work on dealing with those crossing strokes right at the blue line.' And I did, and she never caught

Dr. Meyerowitz and Marilyn Foy

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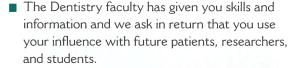
Dr. and Mrs. William Nesbitt

Now on long reflection and years after, I realized that the genius of that teaching strategy was that both parts were important and useful. It's important to learn how to calm down and write neatly, but it's also important to learn how to cope pragmatically with unrealistic demands on your time and talents. How good do you actually have to be? Which assignments can you shortchange? How much reading do you really NEED to do? THOSE are real-life, real-world skills, because you're going to be juggling multiple demands forever. And, indeed, in that case, the skills of erasership that we learned were exactly congruent with the skills of penmanship – they directly helped us produce written work that was neater, cleaner, more legible, and so on.

-James O'Donnell, Avatars of the Word

So this story tells us that what we teach is one thing, what students learn is another. There can be a significant gap. What I hope and believe is that what you were taught about your discipline was one part of your education but what you might have learned from your teachers was that part of education that was not written down – that contract with society. Remember, Your certificate includes an invisible but binding contract with society that includes:

■ Henry Brooks Adams said of education, "A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."



■ We ask you to remember to uphold the ethics and professionalism of your profession.

■ We ask you to provide caring treatment of the underserved; to remember those who struggle every day just to provide food and shelter; these are the people George Eastman had foremost in his mind when he started the Dental Dispensary in Rochester.

■ We ask that you provide quality care and maintain the enthusiasm to do your best in your chosen field of endeavor.

■ We ask you to reach out and touch people – help change a life – with your caring skills, a research breakthrough, or a contribution.

■ We ask you to be a continuous student – novice, competent, proficient – expert. Learn new techniques.

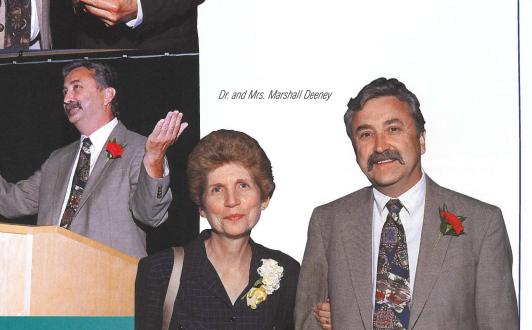
We ask you to be ready to change as our profession advances but remember to maintain your values.

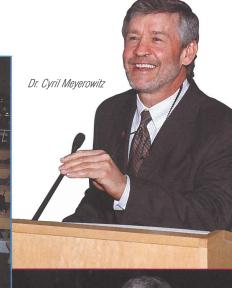
We ask you to be members of EDC / University of Rochester Alumni – stay in the family, education needs you.

We ask you to be people true to your word and remember that the privileges you now have come with responsibility. The certificates you receive carries a hidden contract with society in very fine print.

Congratulations on your achievements!







- Maggie Petrosky and Lenora Colaruotolo

### Addressing the needs of our families - A social work update

Editor's note: The spring 2005 issue of Momentum featured a story about the continuous presence of social work at Eastman Dental Center for the past 12 years

n keeping with George Eastman's L vision to provide dental care to Rochester's disadvantaged children, the social work staff at Eastman Dental Center focuses on the multitude of psychosocial factors that influence families' priorities, behaviors, and utilization of health services.

Simply providing oral health care is not enough to meet the needs of many families. Their stories remind us that poverty is widespread, that health is



Shawanda Martin, BS

**Health Project Counselor** 

Ms. Martin has spent the last two years on a state-funded project that is focused on the early identification of dental caries by pediatric health care professionals. Ms. Martin, along with dental professionals from Eastman Dental Center, has trained pediatric residents, faculty, and nurses in the Ambulatory Pediatric Clinic at Golisano Children's Hospital about early signs of childhood caries and the importance of timely referrals.

Ms. Martin links the referred families to Eastman's pediatric dental clinic by facilitating their entry into care, addressing any expressed barriers,

> and creating a positive first experience. According to pediatrician Dr. Danielle Thomas-Taylor, "The collaboration with Eastman and Strong's Pediatric Clinic has significantly improved our understanding of pediatric dental issues, including the need for referrals, and has created a supportive, easy way to help families get the dental care they need."



(Left) Daisy Giles visits with Mrs. Butler who is both a grandmother and guardian to three children.

In order to address the increased demand for social work services and the critical need for funds to help our underserved community patients, a Sponsor-a-Smile fund was established this spring. The Sponsor-a-Smile initiative is committed to ensure that care, as well as compassion, is delivered to our children and families disadvantaged by poverty, hardship, illness, and/ or loss. Contributions are used for patient care and to create an environment that promotes literacy and positive social interaction utilizing reading materials, educational videos, and age-appropriate play equipment.

According to social workers Maggie Petrosky and Lenora Colaruotolo, the fund has received several generous donations. Close to \$150 has been spent on parking vouchers, oral sedation medication, and dental treatment. We truly appreciate the generosity of those who have contributed. Join us today and help make a difference in the life of a child. Please consider the opportunity to invest in the care of vulnerable families through the Sponsor-a-Smile initiative!

### (Left) Shawanda Martin and Dr. Danielle Thomas-Taylor

not a given, and that pain is never far away. To better address the needs of our families, the social work role has expanded from patient advocacy, consultation, and case management to include program development, resident education, and collaboration on funded projects such as those described below.

### Daisy Giles **Health Project Counselor**

Since July of 2004, Ms. Giles' efforts have been directed toward children who tend to receive urgent and episodic care through the pediatric dental clinic. The federally-funded demonstration program, known as the Dental Home for Children Project, aims to improve children's oral health by changing their utilization of dental services.

Enrolled families are offered help with transportation, appointment scheduling, appointment reminders by mail and by phone, advocacy, home visitation, and referrals to help them meet their children's dental needs. According to Mrs. Butler, grandmother and guardian to three children, "Daisy is nice...she comes to pick us up and is very friendly." Ms. Giles has helped the Butler family and many others like them by serving as a liaison between the pediatric dental clinic and the community.

### SMILEmobile Program wins New York State award

he SMILEmobile Program, one of the cornerstones of Eastman Dental Center's community outreach activities, has been honored with the Healthcare Association of New York State's (HANYS) prestigious Community Health Improvement Award. Given annually to recognize outstanding initiatives that improve community health and well-being in the state, the award marks the second time in four years that a Medical Center program has captured this top honor. In 2002, the Department of Psychiatry's Project Link prog won the HANYS award.

A dental office on wheels, the SMILEmobile Program brings oral health services year-round to children who would otherwise not have access to much needed dental care. Medical Center dentists, hygienists, and dental residents provide comprehensive oral health care services to children and teens on three, fully-equipped dental vans. Each year, Eastman Dental Center works with the Rochester City School District and other organizations to select the SMILEmobile locations. In 2004, the three SMILEmobiles provided services to 3,700 children and teens at 15 inner-city schools, eight Head Start programs, and three remote rural locations. Since its inception, the program has served an estimated 39,000 patients.

"Service to the Rochester community has long been a central part of the University of Rochester Medical Center," said Dr. C. McCollister Evarts, CEO of the Medical Center and Strong Health. "As we continue to grow and expand our community health initiatives, it is fitting that we pay tribute to those programs like the SMILEmobile that have

been serving the community for years. I salute the faculty, staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly over the past three decades to make the SMILEmobile the resounding success that it is."

The program's roots began as a volunteer-based community collaboration jointly led by the Monroe County Dental Society and Eastman Dental Center, which together introduced New York State's first dental mobile unit in 1967. Less than two years later, recognizing both the success and the continued need for such services, Eastman Dental Center agreed to oversee all operations of the program. Today, the SMILEmobile Program employs 12 full-time health workers and each van is staffed with a dentist, dental hygienist, dental assistant, and clinical coordinator.



In addition to the clinical component of the SMILEmobile Program, staff collaborates with the teachers at each school, making available ageappropriate curriculums and in-classroom visits by dental hygienists. Staff also provides continuing education and presents educational seminars during parent nights hosted by the school.

"It is a great honor to be recognized for a program that is clearly making a difference to our community," said Dr. Cyril Meyerowitz, professor and chair of the Eastman Department of Dentistry, and director of Eastman Dental Center. "As the Rochester area's safety net to ensure the underserved in our community have access to oral health care services, we will continue to work to develop programs like the SMILEmobile to serve those most in need."

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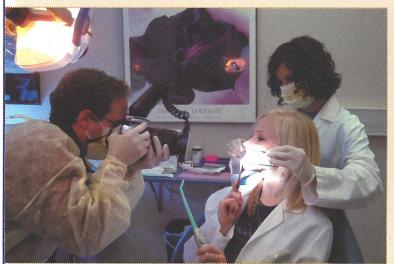
# The magic of molars and the wisdom of teeth

Eight teenagers found out what it's like to be a general dentist, as well as a dental specialist such as an orthodontist, oral surgeon, pediatric dentist, periodontist, or prosthodontist. As part of the Rochester Scholars Program conducted at Eastman Dental Center and Strong Memorial Hospital, they learned that today's dentists can be teachers, researchers, and care providers.

Seven teens from Monroe County and one from New Jersey participated in The Magic of Molars and the Wisdom of



The students posed during the first class complete with white coats and Medical Center nametags.



Dr. Nicholas Naurato helped the Scholars Program class by taking photos.

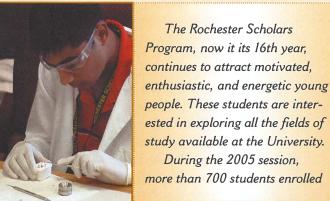
Teeth as part of the University's Rochester Scholars Program. The high schoolers visited Dentistry's Orthodontic Program and took impressions of each other's mouths and then poured the impressions in stone. They also collected saliva samples and calculated individual saliva flow rates.

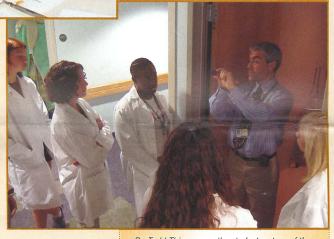
The Magic of Molars was a new, career-based, Rochester Scholars course offered to high school students during the fourth week of July. The three-hour afternoon classes were designed to give the teenagers an idea of what it's like to be a dentist and gave them a close look at the skills and education necessary to become an oral health professional. The hands-on activities allowed the teens to learn about some dental procedures, examine the latest equipment, and meet dental faculty, staff, and residents.

Clare Shaffer, administrator with the Office of Quality Improvement and Compliance, coordinated the effort recruiting faculty, resident, and staff volunteers, scheduling visits to the clinics and labs, and serving as the lead teacher for the class. Ms. Shaffer said, "The plans for Dentistry's participation in the Scholars Program for 2006 have already been submitted

because of the enthusiasm we received from the July group. High school students begin looking at careers at an early age so we are going to take advantage of the opportunity provided by the Scholars Program to introduce them to the field of oral health."

The program evaluation asked what part of the course the high schoolers enjoyed the most. Their responses included: the opportunity to see different parts of the dental profession at work; impression-making; the field trip to the clinic at School 17; and when we made models of our teeth.





Dr. Todd Thierer gave the students a tour of the SMH site and spoke about the importance of x-rays in the diagnostic process.

in courses covering a wide variety of topics, including engineering, medicine, philosophy, psychology, physics, film studies, politics, microbiology and immunology, dentistry, economics, debate, history, drama, photography, and writing. Nearly every major discipline was represented, exposing potential undergraduates to the unique educational options available at the University of Rochester.

### Lost Alumni:

You have helped us before and we need your assistance again. Please help us locate your classmates, colleagues and friends. If you have contact information for someone on our list, call Dentistry's Alumni Office at 800-333-4428 or alumni@admin.rochester.edu. Thank you!

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### Nominations for 2007 Alumni Awards

Alumni, faculty, past and present, and friends of Dentistry at the University of Rochester are eligible to nominate individuals for alumni awards. Awards will be presented during the 2007 Reunion.

Nominations should be based on one or more of the following criteria:

- Must be a graduate of one of the Dentistry programs
- Distinguished career in full-time or part time academia, research, government service, health care, or administration
- Substantial accomplishment in organized dentistry such as state or national dental associations, boards of dental examiners, specialty boards, etc.
- Leadership in the community such as board member of social service agency, college, university, etc.
- Contribution to the success of Dentistry at the UR including taking a leadership role in an alumni group, institutional advisory group, or fundraising activity

For consideration, submit a curriculum vitae and 250-word summary of the nominee's accomplishments including the person's impact on the dental profession, institution, and / or their community. Letters of support from fellow alumni or individuals may also be submitted.

All nomination must be received by April 1, 2007. Send nominations and support documents to: Bejan Iranpour, DDS, Chair of the Awards Committee, C/O Marilyn Foy, Eastman Dental Center, 625 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620-2989.

### The charitable gift annuity -**Guaranteed payments for life** — Jack Kreckel

### What is a charitable gift annuity?

A charitable gift annuity is a simple contract between the donor and the University of Rochester, on behalf of Dentistry. In exchange for an irrevocable gift of cash or marketable securities valued at \$5,000 or more, the University of Rochester agrees to pay one or two annuitants a fixed sum each year for life. The donor qualifies for a federal income tax deduction equal to the charitable remainder value, which is the projected amount that will ultimately pass to Dentistry for a designated purpose when the annuitant(s) have died.

### What asset is most commonly used to fund a gift annuity?

While cash gifts are the most common form, appreciated stock that pays a small dividend or none at all is a highly advantageous

option. Spendable income typically increases and the donor owes no capital gain tax at the time of the gift. Instead, a portion of the annual payments will be taxed as capital gain for a period of years.

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To learn more about charitable gift annuities and other methods of planned giving, please contact Jack Kreckel, Office of Trusts and Estates, at (800) 635-4672, (585) 273-5930, or kreckel@alumni.rochester.edu.

We also invite you to visit and to request a confidential personalized gift illustration through our planned giving Website at www.rochester.plannedgifts.org

### Dentistry's Minority Recruitment Program

entistry at the University of Rochester Medical Center held its third annual Minority Recruitment Program (MRP) weekend of activities from September 17-19, 2005. The program was established to:

- Strengthen Dentistry's relationships with institutions having a high proportion of underrepresented minorities.
- Attract minority candidates of high caliber to Dentistry's postgraduate programs.
- Recruit minorities to pursue academic careers.



(Left) Drs. Denise Shelton, Kristen Darville, Kisha Steele, Antoine Johnson, Stanley Handelman, Chanaka Sykes, Darlene Riggins White, Jaha Howard, and Jarrett Caldwell.

Selection of program applicants is made by their dental school's faculty committee based on participant interest in teaching and academic accomplishments.

The Minority Recruitment Advisory Committee along with faculty, staff, and resident volunteers was pleased to host a weekend long visit to showcase Dentistry and the city of Rochester to six students from Meharry Medical Center College of Dentistry and Howard School of Dentistry.

While visiting Rochester, our visitors toured numerous Dentistry programs such as craniofacial research, general dentistry, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, prosthodontics, and oralfacial pain. Participants were eager to meet and talk with some of Eastman Dental Center's oral health leaders including Drs. Robert Berkowitz, Stanley Handelman, Stephanos Kyrkanides, Hans Malmström, and Todd Thierer.

Our visitors were equally delighted with their social tour of Rochester provided by Dentistry's resident volunteers. Marty and Sherrie Handelman, members of the Minority Recruitment Advisory Committee, generously hosted an enjoyable cook-out.

The Minority Recruitment Program is supported in part by a grant from the Kellogg Foundation for Minority Dental Faculty Development. The program is under the auspice of the New York State Academic Dental Centers and administered by the American Dental Education Association and includes all the dental institutions of higher learning in New York State. Dr. Stanley Handelman is the program director.

Minority representation in academia and among community oral health leaders is one of Dentistry's priorities. We are grateful to the committee members, alumni and friends who support the Minority Recruitment Program. Additional support is needed in order to recruit the highest quality students and faculty to Dentistry at the University of Rochester Medical Center. Please consider supporting future MRP activities with a donation of funds, gifts-in-kind, or mentoring. Contact Tandra Miller at tmiller@admin.rochester.edu or 1-800-333-4428.

### Comments from our Meharry College and **Howard School guests:**

"I had a wonderful time; outstanding hospitality."

"Intuitive conversation about training in the Orthodontic Program."

"Having the open discussion about Rochester enlightens us about the city. Great job! Great atmosphere!"

"Faculty was thorough and informative."

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### Local AADR awards given -Joan Swanson

The 2005 American Association of Dental Researchers (AADR) Section Meeting was held in Rochester and included thirtyone oral and poster research presentations.

The AADR annual Section Meeting was held in June at the Eastman Dental Center. The event provided a unique opportunity for students, residents, faculty, and staff to showcase their research activities and for everyone involved in Dentistry at the University of Rochester to learn about and discuss local research endeavors.

Rochester Section officers include Drs. Hyun Koo, president; Rulang Jiang, secretary / treasurer; and Andy Teng, councilor. Dr. Jiang chaired the event and the Awards Committee included Drs. Robert Quivey, Ross Tallents and Gene Watson. Dr. Wolfgang Haas was the alternate judge.

Dr. Wei Hsu was the keynote speaker and his address was entitled, "Genetic Regulatory Circuits in Skull Morphogenesis and Craniosynostosis."



Dr. Jeffrey Bush and Mrs. Bibby



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Traditionally, the Basil G. Bibby and Michael G. Buonocore awards are given during the Rochester AADR meeting.

The Bibby Award is given for outstanding scientific merit among presentations by non-degree candidates. Mrs. Basil Bibby was on hand to help present the Bibby award to Drs. Jeffrey Bush and Liam Casey.

The Buonocore Award is given for outstanding scientific merit among presentations by degree candidates. Mrs. Michael Buonocore was on hand to help present the Buonocore award to Drs. Mawadda Alnaeeli and Yu-Ching Lai.

The program concluded with a reception in the Bibby Library.

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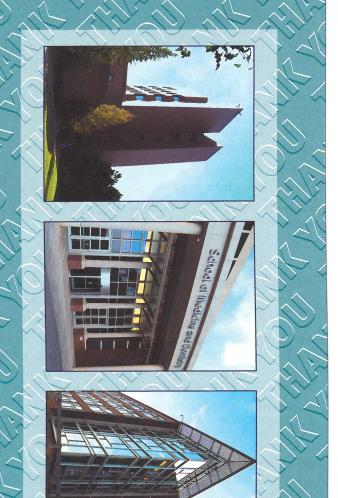
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