



# UB DENTIST

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## STRIKING A PAGE 12 CHORD

EXPLORE THE MUSICAL SIDE OF SDM'S  
FACULTY, STAFF AND ALUMNI

When I sat down to write this message and reflected on the state of the school after commencement—all our fourth-year students graduated on time—I thought I should tell you that the school is in great shape; we're getting better every day and we need your support!

How can we be getting better if we're already great? Well, the school's vision is "defining excellence in global health," so we have to get better every day. Great isn't good enough.

We need your support for the same reason we need support of all kinds—to fund initiatives that make us better. We need support from you because this is your school.

In order to keep you up to date with what's happening in the school, we're starting an email newsletter to supplement the news in this magazine. These newsletters will come about once a month. The best thing about email is that it works both ways, so we hope to hear back from you.

Upcoming renovations in Squire Hall will be getting a lot of coverage in all our communications. Although Squire is still the envy of most dental schools, our needs have changed since the school moved in 25 years ago. We're evaluating the facilities and we have the support of the UB administration to begin renovations soon. We'll be looking for partners of every kind.

Thanks to our friends in the Eighth District Dental Society and to individual alumni, we are building a community mentoring program

that will be a tremendous benefit for our students and, I believe, very gratifying for the mentors. Farther afield, we are expanding the size of our international footprint in the Middle East, India and China, where I recently opened a link with a dental school that has a patient pool of more than 1 million.

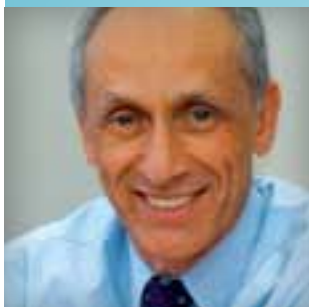
You may have heard from him already, but I want to add my welcome to Bob Van Wicklin, our new director of development. I hope you will make him feel at home by dramatically increasing your support for the school.

Finally, I'm proud to tell you that our graduating students, who we survey every year, are happy with their experiences here. For me, there can be no better endorsement of the work of everyone in the school. If we are steadfast in pursuing our vision and our students are happy, we're in great shape.



*Michael Glick, DMD*

# FROM THE DEAN



## ON THE COVER:

Chet Gary, '78, JD, clinical assistant professor in restorative dentistry, who has been playing violin since age 5.

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### "CONGRADUATIONS!"

Find out what's next for the talented members of the UB SDM Class of 2012 as they enter the field of dentistry.



## WEB EXTRA

Watch a short video on the inaugural UB Run for Smiles 5K Race: <http://tinyurl.com/run-for-smiles>



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# NewsBriefs

## Running miles for smiles

The American Student Dental Association (ASDA) held its inaugural UB Run for Smiles 5K on April 22 on the North Campus.

The event was created to raise community awareness of the importance of oral health, and to raise funds to support donated dental care and local student body community outreach endeavors.

About 250 runners participated in the event, including students, alumni, faculty and members of the community. ASDA 5K committee chair Anna Bailey, '13, worked relentlessly with her committee and volunteers to get this event off the ground.

ASDA is planning to expand the UB Run for Smiles by adding a health fair and inviting other health science schools to be involved.

## 2 Glick receives AAOM honor

SDM Dean Michael Glick was presented with the highest academic award given by the American Academy of Oral Medicine (AAOM), conferred at the organization's 66th annual meeting in April.

Glick received the Samuel Charles Miller Award in recognition of his outstanding academic and clinical achievements, specifically his pioneering work with dental management of patients with HIV/AIDS, as well as patients with other medically complex conditions.



**AND THEY'RE OFF!** RUNNERS TAKE PART IN THE INAUGURAL UB RUN FOR SMILES 5K.

The AAOM, whose tagline is "We Bring Medicine to Dentistry," was founded in 1945 and is the membership organization that represents the discipline of oral medicine. While the primary focus of most dental specialties is a particular area of dental, oral or maxillofacial expertise, oral medicine encompasses the diagnosis and treatment of primarily adult patients who have medical conditions that affect the mouth or the delivery of dental care.

"Looking at previous recipients and knowing that this award is one decided upon by one's peers, I was both humbled and honored to be a recipient of the Samuel Charles Miller Award," Glick said. "But, this type of award is also recognition of all the great people I have had the pleasure of collaborating with during my career."

Glick is regarded as a leader in clinical dental care/oral

medicine for medically complex patients. He is a proponent of dentists becoming involved in the overall health and well-being of their patients, including chair-side screening of dental patients for cardiovascular disease and other chronic illnesses, such as HIV and diabetes.

AAOM President Martin S. Greenberg, DDS, professor and associate dean of hospital affairs at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, praised Glick for his outstanding research and publications on the dental and oral management of patients with complex medical problems.

"He has been an important role model for dentists and dental specialists, and has guided his students and residents into careers in oral medicine and academic dentistry," Greenberg said. "Dr. Glick highly deserves this honor."

## 3 Calnon, '13, selected as ASDA house delegate

Timothy Calnon, '13, has been selected as a delegate to the American Student Dental Association's 2012 House of Delegates. Calnon was selected from a competitive field of extremely qualified national candidates and will be one of five dental students representing the American Student Dental Association on the ADA House floor.

This prestigious appointment carries with it great responsibility. Calnon is charged with understanding, representing and advocating the needs of his fellow dental students to the ADA House of Delegates. SDM congratulates Calnon on this well-deserved recognition.

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## Guttenberg, DeNardin publish textbooks

Two members of the SDM community recently published textbooks in their respective fields.

Steven A. Guttenberg, '69, edited "Cosmesis of the Mouth, Face and Jaws." Published by Wiley-Blackwell, the textbook aims to provide a definitive resource for all medical and dental clinicians interested in facial cosmesis.

Covering the core repertoire of cosmetic facial and dental procedures, this landmark text provides thorough and pragmatic clinical guidance in each area.

The first book on facial cosmesis written by and for oral and maxillofacial surgeons, "Cosmesis of the Mouth, Face and Jaws" draws together contributions from experts in each field under the aegis of one editor.

It is hoped the book will serve as a cornerstone for those studying and expanding their repertoire in this vast area, while providing more experienced clinicians with a reference tool.

Guttenberg is a senior attending surgeon at the Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C., and chairman of its Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Training Program.

"Contemporary Clinical Immunology and Serology," written by Kate Rittenhouse-Olson and Ernesto DeNardin, a professor in SDM's Department of Oral Biology, is designed for students who require training in modern clinical immunology.

The book is divided into 23 chapters covering basic immunology, immunodiagnos- tics for bacterial, viral, parasitic and fungal diseases. Other topics involve basic mechanisms and diagnostic approaches to systemic and organ-based autoimmunity,

immunoproliferative diseases, as well as primary and secondary immunodeficiency, including HIV and AIDS.

This text will benefit undergraduate and graduate students in biotechnology, clinical diagnostics and immunologic diseases.

The book was written in consultation with clinical laboratory scientists at Buffalo hospitals and National Reference Laboratories.



18TH ANNUAL LOWER LAKES MEETING AT ADAM'S MARK HOTEL

# 5

## 18th annual Lower Lakes Spring Meeting a success

The UB School of Dental Medicine, the UB Dental Alumni Association and the Eighth District Dental Society held the Lower Lakes Spring Meeting March 29-30 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in downtown Buffalo.

The entire dental team was welcomed to attend the mingle and Thursday evening program, "Boomers and Seniors Living Longer & Healthier Lives," presented by Carol Jahn, RDH, MS.

Simone Grandini, professor and chair of the Department of Endodontic and Restorative

Dentistry and dean of the School of Dental Hygienists, Tuscan School of Dental Medicine, University of Siena, Italy, presented the all-day educational program for dentists.

Grandini's program, "Direct Resin Composite Restoration: A Useful Tool for the Multidisciplinary Treatment Plan," was well-attended.

Jahn presented the all-day educational program for the Hygiene Symposium, "Taking Periodontal Care from Good to Great!"

SDM thanks all the exhibitors for participating in this year's program.

# 6

## Canadian organization honors Eisner

John Eisner, associate professor emeritus, received the Association of Canadian Faculties of Dentistry's (ACFD) Distinguished Service Award in March.

The ACFD Distinguished Service Award is not conferred annually, but only when a member has made a contribution of sweeping significance to the field of dentistry.

Eisner, who joined SDM in 1989, is credited with developing a software program that streamlined the school's admissions process. The program is now used by more



EISNER

than 3,000 health professions schools and programs.

In addition, Eisner

developed an accreditation-management system that has been adopted by 10 accrediting agencies and more than 3,000 of their accredited schools and programs in the U.S.

Eisner received high praise for his efforts in dental education. "John Eisner is the only colleague I have known who has made a truly transformative impact on dental education," said Bruce Graham, dean of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry and a former colleague of Eisner's at Dalhousie University in Halifax.

Eisner was honored with the 2009 UB Faculty Entrepreneur Award and was recognized in 2002 by the State University of New York as being an outstanding inventor at UB in the "entrepreneur" category.



PICTURED AT THE OMICRON KAPPA UPSILON INDUCTION CEREMONY ARE, FROM LEFT: MICHAEL HATTON, '82; MELISSA BALK, EHLIE BRUNO, RACHEL HARGRAVES, NICOLE HINCHY, JUSTIN JANIK, KRISTIN LAWSON, JONG KEUN OH, DONALD PITCHER, DOUGLAS SHAW AND KIPP SLOCUM, ALL FROM THE CLASS OF 2012; AND PATRICK ANDERS, '86.

## 7 OKU holds induction ceremony

Ten graduating students from the Class of 2012 were inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU), the national dental honor society, on May 9. Omicron Kappa Upsilon Lambda Lambda Chapter President Raymond G. Miller, '85, presided over the induction ceremony at the Westwood Country Club.

Students were selected based on scholarship, exemplary character traits and potential for future professional growth and attainments. Inductees were Melissa Balk, Ehlie Bruno, Rachel Hargraves, Nicole Hinchy, Justin Janik, Jong Keun Oh, Kristin Lawson, Donald Pitcher, Douglas Shaw and Kipp Slocum.

Along with the students, Patrick Anders, '86, was inducted as a faculty member. His election to membership was based on scholarly activity and outstanding contributions to the art, science or literature of dentistry.

In addition to the inductions, the officers of the dental school's chapter were installed. They are Mary Beth Dunn, '90, president; Joseph Rumfola, '02, president-elect; Frank Barnashuk, '80, vice-president; and Michael Hatton, '82, secretary/treasurer. Hatton also was granted life membership at the event.

The speaker for the evening was Madeline Kaufman, who gave a fascinating presentation on "The Real or Ancient Olympics."

The dental school congratulates all who received this significant honor and recognition.

## 8 ASDA student body officers elected

The new American Student Dental Association (ASDA) student body officers were elected and have now taken office.

This year's ASDA officers are Lauren Vitkus, '14, president; Anne Adamson, '15, president-elect; Rick Andolina, '13, im-

## 9 Andreana receives tenure

Sebastiano Andreana, MS '95, has received continuing appointment as associate professor in the Department of Restorative Dentistry. Andreana, who is director of implant dentistry, returned to UB in 2008 after serving on the faculty of Loma Linda University Department of Periodontology, and working in the dental industry with Ivoclar Vivadent Inc., Pfizer Consumer Healthcare, and Johnson and Johnson Worldwide Consumer Products.



ANDREANA

He currently serves as senior associate editor for the Journal of Oral Implantology. His research involves bone regeneration studies and dental lasers. The Class of 2012 recognized him in May with the William M. Feagans Award for his contributions to their education. In addition, the faculty presented him with the 2012 Richard A. Powell Award.

mediate past president; Erica Lavere, '15, secretary; Phong Chung, '14, treasurer; Ashley Nozik, '15, treasurer-elect; Eric Murawski, '14, legislative liaison; John Willis, '15, legislative liaison-elect; Matt Valerio, '14, fundraising chair; Meghan Manisero, '15, fundraising chair-elect; Chelsea Eppolito, '14, social chair; Michelle Lee, '15, pre-dental liaison; Liz Cappadonia, '14, historian; Tom LaGree, '14, website administrator; Ariana Weissend, '14, editor-in-chief; Morgan Fryer, '15, co-editor; Amy Klockowski, '13, Class of 2013 liaison to ADEA; Ariana Weissend, '14, Class of 2014 liaison to ADEA; and Joanna Pufnock, '15, Class of 2015 liaison to ADEA.

ASDA class elections to determine the ASDA Senate will be completed during the early fall session. Thanks to all of last year's officers who

have worked tirelessly in support of SDM's student body and congratulations to the new ASDA student body officers.

## 10 Class of 2012 honors faculty, staff

The SDM Class of 2012 selected Fadi Ayoub, '97, Certificate in General Dentistry, '98, as Educator of the Year. As this year's honoree, Ayoub carried the mace and addressed the students at commencement. In her introduction, class president Nicole Hinchy expressed the class' appreciation for his significant efforts to improve their experience, to stand by his word time and again, and keep their education superb.

The graduating students presented the Society for the Advancement of Dental Research Award to Ashu Sharma. The award honors

the faculty member whose contributions and support have been invaluable in fostering the principles of student research. Sharma is associate professor in the Department of Oral Biology and a mentor in the student research program.

The William M. Feagans Award went to Sebastiano Andreana, MS '95. The students chose him in recognition of his concern that encompasses the finest aspects of academic dentistry, tempered with an appreciation of the demands of "real life" dentistry and the inherent challenges of student life. Andreana also received the 2012 Richard A. Powell Award for Teaching Excellence from his faculty colleagues at commencement.

The Florence Kronson Award was presented to Mary Alice Schroeder for executing her duties as a dental assistant in an outstanding manner and contributing significantly to the welfare of her students. Schroeder has been with the school for 27 years, the last 15 as senior dental assistant.



CLASS PRESIDENT NICOLE HINCHY, '12, WITH FADI AYOUN, '97, EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR.

Bonny Berry received the Dental Student Association Staff Appreciation Award for her dedication and sincere interest in the education and welfare of dental students. Berry twice previously received the Florence Kronson Award.

## Gambacorta appointed assistant dean

Joseph Gambacorta, '93, was recently appointed as SDM's assistant dean for clinical affairs, bringing a well-balanced skill set of administrative, clinical and educational excellence to the school.



GAMBACORTA

Gambacorta has spent the past 20 years refining his skills in both community hospital clinics and private practice. He has shown selfless dedication over the past 10 years by assuming leadership roles within the Eighth District Dental Society and SDM. In 2010, he was awarded the William M. Feagans Teaching Award from the SDM Dental Student Association.

It has been Gambacorta's life-long mission to use his skills to educate dental students while improving the quality of life for those less fortunate, and to inspire the next generation of health care providers to give back. This is especially evident by his leadership within BOCA, where he has mentored hundreds of dental students.



## 1899 Glee Club

Music at UB has its roots in the late 19th century, when there existed the U.B. Dental Glee Club (pictured in this photograph taken from the 1899 yearbook), the first music group at the university. There was even a U.B. Dental Song Book. Here's an excerpt from a song titled "Go to Buffalo," written by Christian Schuster, a 1917 graduate, and set to the tune of "It's a Long Long Way to Tipperary."

*"Bill Green one day decided*

*A dentist he would be,*

*Said he, 'Daddy won't you send me*

*To a School of Dentistry;'*

*His Dad himself a Doctor*

*Whose degree was from U.B.,*

*Said, 'Willie I'm agreeable*

*But Buffalo it must be.'"*

*Read more about the Dental school's connection with music on page 12.*



# MEET THE CLASS OF 2012

PHOTOS BY JASON CHWIRUT

*“You have only been preparing to reach a certain degree of fitness and with graduation over, study isn’t past because your future greatness depends largely upon your willingness to continue to study and to work for the best interests of those who seek your advice and professional care.”*

DANIEL H. SQUIRE DEAN, UNIVERSITY OF BUFFALO DENTAL COLLEGE: 1912-1935

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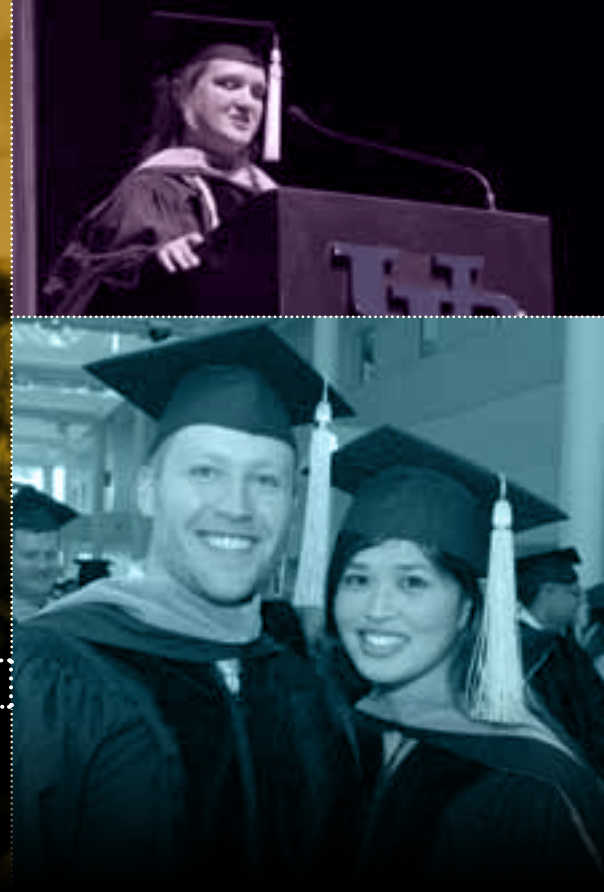
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**Asim A. Alsuwaiyan**

**Eiad Elathamna**  
**Ahmed T. Elhassan**  
**Arely D. Garza**  
**Ahmed Kutkut**  
**Olutayo Odusanwo**  
**Mally Parelman-**  
**Karmon**  
**Kamolphob Phasuk**  
**Khaled Shaikhi**  
**Jonathan Stockton**  
**Carlos A. Terrazas**

#### ORTHODONTICS

**Carla A. Hamilton**  
**Eva-Maria Moll**  
**Zohair M. Qureshi**

### POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATES

#### ADVANCED EDUCATION IN GENERAL DENTISTRY

**Dalia M. Bafarat**  
**Cyrus Chang**  
**Zahra Idriss**  
**Roshan Jardosh**  
**Kyungho Lee**  
**Eunhae Park**  
**Miyoung Yoon**

#### ENDODONTICS

**Hussam A. AlFawaz**  
**Patrick J. Battista**  
**Debra L. Levin**

#### GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY

**Michele Bonnevie**  
**Sara Caro**  
**Eunsuk Lee**  
**Samuel Li**  
**Stephan J. Vigliotti**

#### ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL PATHOLOGY

**Khaled Shaikhi**

#### ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

**Tara Halliwell-Kemp**  
**Karthik Naidu**

#### ORTHODONTICS

**Thikriat Al-Jewair**  
**MHD A. Allaymouni**  
**Nasser Alqahtani**  
**Mohammed Alsultan**  
**Carla Ann F. Hamilton**  
**Eva-Maria Moll**  
**Zohair Qureshi**

#### PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

**Yousef Alawadhi**  
**Kristin Bender**  
**Ami Maru**  
**Sarah Pannozzo**  
**Michael Quigley**  
**Justin Warcup**

#### PERIODONTICS

**Ahmed T. Elhassan**  
**Seok M. Heo**  
**Sasi K. Sunkara**

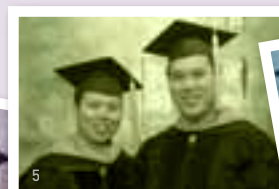
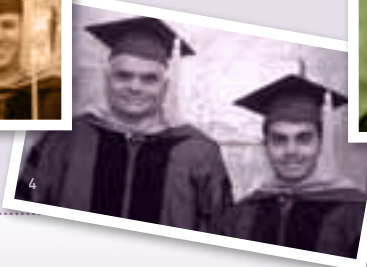
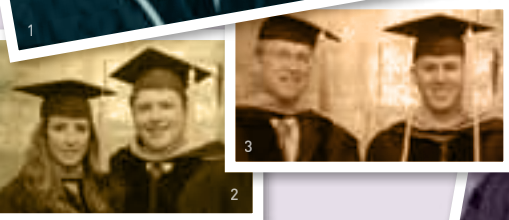
#### PROSTHODONTICS

**Mosa Altassan**  
**Arely D. Garza**  
**Carlos A. Terrazas**  
**Kamolphob Phasuk**

## ALL IN THE FAMILY

A particularly special part of SDM commencement is the hooding ceremony, in which UB dental school alumni hood relatives who are graduating.

1. DONALD PITCHER AND HIS AUNT, MARCI MENDOLA-PITCHER, '97; 2. BRIDGET SWEENEY AND HER COUSIN, MARK DONAHUE, '03; 3. KARL HEUER, '75 AND HIS SON, KYLE HEUER; 4. MANESH MEWAR, '86 AND HIS SON, PARTH MEWAR AND HIS FATHER, ; 5. MICHAEL CHANG, '10, AND HIS BROTHER, JHIA-MING CHANG; 6. JEFFREY COHEN, '79, AND HIS SON, ARIEL COHEN, WITH ADAM GOLDSTEIN AND HIS FATHER, IRA GOLDSTEIN, '79.



# SDM 2012 Senior Awards

RECOGNIZING ACHIEVEMENT, SKILL AND CONTRIBUTION

**Academy of General Dentistry Award**  
Ehlie K. Bruno

**Academy of Operative Dentistry Award**  
Qian Cao

**Dr. Joseph A. Accardo Eighth District Dental Society Award**  
Catherine E. Adamson

**Alpha Omega Fraternity Award**  
Douglas R. Shaw

**American Academy of Craniofacial Pain**  
Diana M. Long

**American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry Award**  
Douglas R. Shaw

**American Academy of Implant Dentistry Award**  
Adam D. Goldstein

**American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology**  
Nicole Hinchy

**American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Award**  
Diana M. Long

**American Academy of Oral Medicine Award**  
Carl C. Fricke

**American Academy of Orofacial Pain**  
Diana M. Long

**American Academy of Osseointegration Award**  
Shweta S. Vora

**American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Predoctoral Student Award**  
Kristin M. Lawson

**American Academy of Periodontology Award**  
Melissa A. Balk

**American Association of Oral Biologists Award**  
Nathan E. Schoenly

**American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Award**  
Donald D. Pitcher

**American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Implant Award**  
Donald D. Pitcher

**American Association of Orthodontists**  
Douglas R. Shaw

**American Association of Public Health Dentistry Award**  
Nicole Hinchy

**American College of Dentists Outstanding Student Leader Award**  
Sarah L. Evans

**American College of Prosthodontists Award**  
Maryam Mobarhan

**American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Award**  
Justin V. Janik

**American Student Dental Association Award of Excellence**  
Catherine E. Adamson

**Barrett Foundation Award**  
Douglas R. Shaw

**Eleanor Bushee Award**  
Nicole Hinchy

**Dr. Samuel A. Caccamise Award**  
Andrew C. Burke

**James Collord Memorial Award**  
Melissa A. Balk

**Delta Dental Student Leadership Awards**  
Catherine E. Adamson  
Melissa A. Balk  
Andrew C. Burke  
Nicole Hinchy

**Delta Sigma Delta Award**  
Laine A. Spadola

**Dental Alumni Award**  
Melissa A. Balk

**Dentsply Merit Award in Removable Prosthodontics**  
Alexandra Zemskova

**Erie County Dental Society Chester A. Glor Award**  
Melissa A. Balk

**Dr. Marshall Fagin Prosthodontic Award**  
Maryam Mobarhan

**The Pierre Fauchard Academy Award**  
Ariel F. Cohen

**Fonzi Dental Study Club, Anthony S. Gugino Humanitarian Award**  
Nicole Hinchy

**Victor A. Fumia Award**  
*First Place:*  
Maryam Mobarhan  
*Second Place:*  
Kyung H. Kim

**Hanau Prosthodontics Award**  
David F. Jette

**International College of Dentists Award**  
Kyung H. Kim

**International Congress of Oral Implantologists Award**  
Christopher L. Leigh

**Edwin C. Jauch Award**  
Kyung H. Kim

**Donald Kozlowski Memorial Award**  
Nicole Hinchy

**Robert B. Levine Award**  
Jeffrey F. Mazarella

**New York State Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Student Award**  
Melissa A. Balk

**The Northeastern Society of Periodontists Award**  
Adam D. Goldstein

**Omicron Kappa Upsilon Research Award**  
Dong H. Lee

**Pediatric and Community Dentistry Department Award**  
Yelizaveta Gegino

**Richard A. Powell Award**  
Sarah L. Evans

**Quintessence Awards**  
*Research Achievement:*  
Shweta S. Vora  
*Restorative Dentistry:*  
Ariel F. Cohen  
*Periodontics:*  
Douglas R. Shaw

**George B. Snow Awards**  
*Complete Prosthesis*  
*First Place:*  
Donald D. Pitcher  
*Second Place:*  
Iris J. Chan

*Fixed Prosthesis*  
*First Place:*  
Kipp M. Slocum  
*Second Place:*  
Maryam Mobarhan

**The Harvey D. Sprowl Award**  
Christopher L. Leigh

**Stephen B. Totten Memorial Award**  
Paul Canallatos



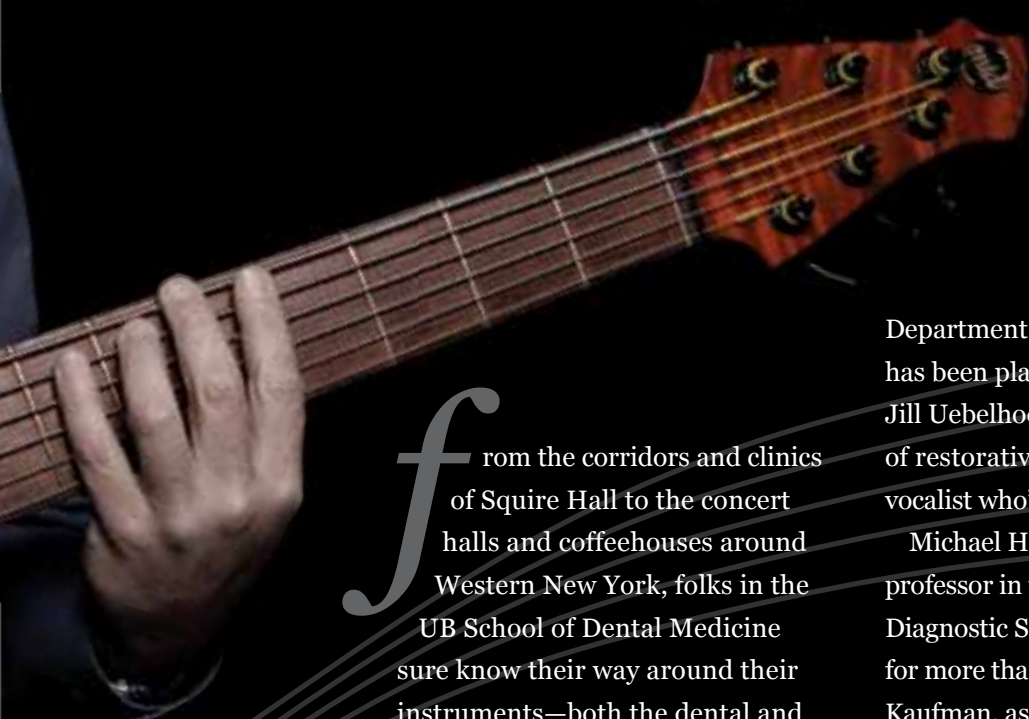
7. ADA PRESIDENT AND UB GRAD WILLIAM R. CALNON, '78, DELIVERS THE 2012 COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS. DR. CALNON'S SON, CHRISTOPHER, AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, JENNIFER, GRADUATED FROM THE SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE IN 2008 AND HIS SON, TIMOTHY, WILL GRADUATE IN 2013.



SDM BOASTS A WEALTH OF DENTAL PRACTITIONERS  
WHO MOONLIGHT AS MUSICIANS

# THE *Maestros* OF SQUIRE HALL

By DAVID J. HILL  
Photos by DOUGLAS LEVERE



*f*rom the corridors and clinics of Squire Hall to the concert halls and coffeehouses around Western New York, folks in the UB School of Dental Medicine sure know their way around their instruments—both the dental and musical variety, that is.

As current students and SDM alumni surely will attest, the dental school has a wealth of talented musicians. To name but a few, Chet Gary, clinical assistant professor in the

Department of Restorative Dentistry, has been playing the violin since age 5; Jill Uebelhoer, assistant to the chair of restorative dentistry, is a noted vocalist who's been singing since age 7.

Michael Hatton, clinical associate professor in the Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, has played guitar for more than five decades. Elias Kaufman, associate professor emeritus in the Department of Pediatric and Community Dentistry, is a scholar in classic five-string banjo; he and his wife, Madeleine, have edited the American Banjo Fraternity's "Five-Stringer" publication for nearly 40 years.

PICTURED: BARRY BOYD

**I**T HAS BEEN WELL-DOCUMENTED through clinical studies that music plays a role in significantly reducing the level of tension and anxiety patients feel while visiting their dentist. Some dental practices encourage patients to download a playlist stocked with dental visit-friendly songs. There's even an Internet radio station that markets itself as "music for the modern dental practice."

But why do so many SDM faculty, staff and students perform music themselves? For many, it's a creative outlet. Still, there are parallels between playing an instrument and working in dentistry.

"Learning an instrument prepared me for the rigors of dental school because with an instrument you're constantly aspiring to get better and you never settle for mediocre results," says Barry Boyd, a clinical associate professor in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. "Certainly, precision is necessary in both music and dentistry. If you're not playing precisely, it's going to be reflected immediately in the band's sound, especially in an instrument with no frets on it."

### BARRY BOYD AND HIS BASS GUITARS

A well-rounded bass player, Boyd has a particularly interesting story, having worked his way through college by playing gigs every night and performing with numerous prominent jazz musicians.

Boyd and several of his friends began playing bass guitar around the same time when they were teenagers growing

up in Buffalo. "We saw it as a means to be popular and meet girls," Boyd says with a laugh. He started taking lessons at age 14 and soon after his father took him to area clubs like the old Tralf and the historic Colored Musicians Club of Buffalo.

"I had some indoctrination by fire by hanging at the musicians club when I was a teenager," he says, noting that some of the more traditional musicians there didn't look too kindly on him playing the bass guitar instead of the upright jazz bass, which he later studied in college.

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BARRY BOYD, CLINICAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

It was at the Colored Musicians Club that Boyd met some of his biggest influences. "Fortunately, I met a lot of really nurturing, older musicians, one of whom was Al Tinney," he says. Credited with influencing the birth of bebop jazz, Tinney played in many of the original jazz clubs in New York City and was a cast member in George Gershwin's opera "Porgy and Bess."

"They called him the 'little giant,'" Boyd says of Tinney. "He was very kind and really taught the young musicians a lot. He tried to inspire us to play."

Boyd was happy to return to Buffalo during summer breaks while he was in college at the University of Pittsburgh. "When



## MUSICAL MEMORIES

SDM ALUMNI RECALL THE ROLE MUSIC HAS PLAYED IN THEIR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LIVES.

### FREDERICK J. HALIK, '46

It all started back in the '30s when, as a little World War I baby boomer dude, my scoutmaster showed up with the troop bugle and said, "Here, teach yourself how to play it," which I did. And that was back when scout troops followed the military, and bugles were useful.

In UB dental school, all of us except one or two civilians in the whole school were actually in the military service. Several of us that could carry a tune would frequently break out in barbershop harmony—that was fun and stress-relieving music.

I played for years in the award-winning Pittsford Fire Department Marching Band and also with the Damascus Temple Shrine Band, playing in parades at conventions all over the country. I sure can't parade any more.

I have played for many years with a very fine band for the Town of Irondequoit. Music has been a significant, stress-relieving and most enjoyable activity.

### JOSEPH J. MASSARO, '58

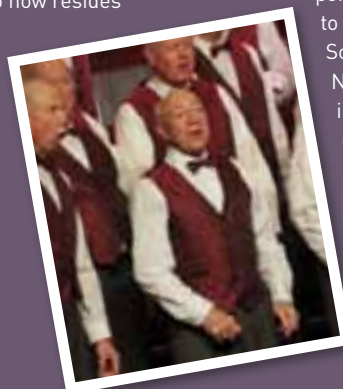
"Music was an integral part of my dental practice, where I was known as the singing dentist by my patients as I would often sing along with background Broadway show music and love songs," says Massaro, who now resides in Floral Park, N.Y. He sings with the barbershop chorus Long Island Harmonizers and with a barbershop quartet.

In addition, Massaro sings every Sunday with the St. John's University Adult Choir.

### RONALD J. PETERSON, '60

During my high school and undergraduate years, I played extensively in school bands, orchestras and dance bands. When I attended dental school, I had no time or opportunities to pursue my love of playing the clarinet or the alto saxophone in organized groups. While practicing dentistry for 40 years, I again had no time to play.

However, after retiring I finally found the opportunity. In Rochester we are fortunate to have the Eastman Community Music School. The program is called the New Horizons. I am an avid participant in the clarinet choir ensemble. We give gratis concerts in nursing and assisted living homes, Lifespan, Gardenscape at the Dome Arena, and an ensemble concert in the Kilbourn



JOE MASSARO, '58, WITH THE BARBERSHOP CHORUS LONG ISLAND HARMONIZERS.



CHET GARY

I'd come home for summers, I was in a band that Al Tinney and another gentleman directed. It was a big band called the Al Tinney Bilal Abdallah Big Band, but since we practiced in the basement of a building at Main and Utica, we affectionately referred to ourselves as the cellar rats," he says.

Despite the hectic schedule of dental school, Boyd earned a living playing music seven nights a week and sometimes twice a day on weekends. It was actually his DMD degree that got him kicked out of one band. "The first and only band I ever got fired from, the guys got together and decided I wasn't going to work out because I was graduating from dental school and they thought that was going to be the end of the music for me," he recalls, laughing. He got picked up by a jazz fusion band shortly after being voted out.

Over the years, Boyd has expanded his bass repertoire. "I am an exclusively bass-playing guy. I play the four-, five- and six-string fretted and fretless electric basses, and string bass, and I play pretty much most styles," he says. He now plays a hybrid version, an electric upright bass, which isn't as large as the orchestral version and also eliminates the feedback problems that can occur with an upright bass at high volumes.

On a recent Friday, after finishing up a full day of submitting grades and overseeing cases in clinic, Boyd headed off to the Wegmans in Buffalo's Black Rock neighborhood, where he was playing a gig with Rey Scott and Friends, one of several bands he's in. "We play jazz that is a little bit obtuse, slightly free-form," he explains.

In addition to his bands, Boyd also enjoys performing in a chamber orchestra with his 11-year-old son, who is turning heads with his proficiency with the half-size bass.

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BARRY WOOD, '66, SPORTING HIS SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY MARCHING BAND UNIFORM OUTSIDE THE OLD ARCHBOLD STADIUM.

Hall at the Eastman School of Music. We rehearse every Monday morning under the leadership of Dr. Alan Woy, who is a retired professor of music from the Crane School of Music. The ensemble is composed of 25 to 30 retired clarinetists from all different backgrounds.

#### ROGER W. TRIFTSHAUSER, '61

I played trumpet and bass drum for the Alexander, N.Y., Firemen's Band, 30 parades a summer in the '50s. That's how JoAnn and I met (she played the trombone). You might say our romancing days started on a musical note and from those renditions has followed 53 years of marriage. As well, I played for the UB ROTC Marching Band from 1954 to '57.

The fabled dental Class of '61's triumphant entries at each of its five-year class reunions, our 50th just celebrated, was always led



by a band. Over the past many years, the Barroom Buzzards were chosen to lead the parade as we waved our "YOUNG ONCE, IMMATURE FOREVER" class motto signs. By the way, one of the Buzzards played in the ROTC Band with me. This Dixieland tradition was my doing because I always harkened back to the parades in the '50s and the desire of our class to stride our stuff before our dental school colleagues. It was a smash hit!

#### RICHARD R. O'CONNOR, '64

I have played the bagpipes for the past 14 years. I initially played pipes with the Caledonian Pipe and Drum Band. More recently, I have been playing with the Erie County Sheriff's Irish Pipe and Drum Band. My first march was in April 2002 at the Tartan Day Parade in New York City. Thousands of pipers from all over the

RICHARD R. O'CONNOR, '64, RIGHT, PICTURED OUTSIDE HOLYROOD CASTLE IN SCOTLAND.

world marched in honor of 9/11, with Sean Connerly and Mayor Bloomberg in the lead. A few years later, I marched with the Caledonians in Scotland, the highlight of which was marching with thousands of pipers, again from all over the world, in Edinburgh. The parade ended at Holyrood Palace with a stirring rendition of "Amazing Grace."

#### BARRY F. WOOD, '66

In dental school, my studies prevented me from playing much trombone. After my orthodontic training, I enlisted in the USAF and was assigned to Eielson AFB in Fairbanks, Alaska. The musical highlight for me during those two and a half years was playing in the Dixieland band The Dixie North Five. It was a perfect combination of talented musicians, and we were in constant demand. I also played in the Fairbanks Symphony,

## TOUCHING HEARTS, A SONG AT A TIME

For staff member Jill Uebelhoer, music is a way for her to touch the listener's heart, the way Barry Manilow and Barbra Streisand did when she was a child. Their records inspired her to begin singing at age 7 and, despite an absence of formal training, Uebelhoer has developed an enchanting voice.

"It's all about feelings," she says. "People ask if I get nervous and I do just before I go on stage. But when I get up there, I transform. I feel like a storyteller through music. You feel like an actor up there and you sing the song the way the writer intended it to be. I just like to relate to people and

get them to feel what I'm feeling when I sing."

Having performed at wedding ceremonies and in the annual SDM talent show, Uebelhoer is looking to take a big step by sending audition

tapes to the hugely popular NBC shows "The Voice" and "America's Got Talent," and has already sent a tape to "The Ellen DeGeneres Show."

Others in the dental school see something of a correlation between music and dentistry. "They've helped me interchangeably—music has helped my dentistry and dentistry helps my music. Doing both has improved my skills at both," says Chester Gary, '78, JD, from restorative dentistry.



UEBELHOER



CENTRAL GROOVE

Gary took seven years of lessons in classical violin before he taught himself how to play the guitar in the 1960s and how to incorporate the violin into rock music à la Charlie Daniels Band. In college, Gary used music as an outlet to earn an income by performing in coffeehouses and local colleges and high schools. After stints with Jade and then the Party Time Band, Gary joined the band Essence, with Kate Engler as the vocalist. The band made two original records and sold several thousand copies.

Gary stepped away from the band to go into dental practice. Later, he joined the Cheektowaga Symphony, for which he played second violin during the 1980s. Since then, he's been performing at area coffeehouses and clubs.

In addition, Gary plays guitar, violin and does vocals with the Central Groove, a contemporary rock band that includes three other dentists: vocalist Katherine A. Coster-Burgler, '04, a private practitioner; keyboardist Joseph Modica, '82, a private practitioner; and guitarist John J. Nasca, '87, a private practitioner and clinical instructor in SDM's Department of Restorative Dentistry. He also performs occasionally with Boyd, and has performed in the annual SDM talent show with Hatton.

For Gary, music has provided an enriching outlet of expression and creativity not available within the confines of dentistry.

"I still maintain now that I wouldn't want to give up music because it makes me a better professional and a better person because of the ability to express myself," he says. "Music just opens up doors. I can help people in a different way and communicate with them in a different way. It's a universal language." It's a language in which the folks around Squire Hall are quite fluent.



**ALFRED W. HOLLIS, '99**

AL HOLLIS, '99, LEFT, WITH FRANK SCANNAPIECO, PROFESSOR AND CHAIR, DEPARTMENT OF ORAL BIOLOGY, CIRCA 1996. HOLLIS PLAYS BASS GUITAR WITH HERMANOS DIABLOS, A HARD ROCK/HEAVY METAL BAND THAT PERFORMS IN THE GLENS FALLS, N.Y., AREA.

which consisted of musicians that ranged from an eighth-grade oboist to a world-class Russian violinist.

We moved to the Chicago area last year. I enjoy playing trombone with my son, Chris, and with our retirement community's Dixieland band. Music has been very important in my life. It is a wonderful avocation, but I am grateful that dentistry was my vocation!

### BARTON L. NECKERS, '81

Besides singing in the shower and in the car, I sing bass in the Park United Methodist Choir in the community of North East, Pa. I also play trumpet in the Park Brass. Although the members have changed over the years, we generally have about eight members and play brass ensemble music for church services and an annual Memorial Day observance that includes several Sousa marches and tunes related to military service. It helps fill my life with things other than dentistry.

As far as a musical memory from dental school, I recall our class having an occasional "Gong Show." Students put together various skits to entertain one another. The main focus was to make fun of the instructors who we felt were making our lives difficult. Music stretches our imaginations and lifts our hearts.

### JONATHAN P. MONTAG, '00

I've been a drummer since the third grade. I've been playing in bands since sixth grade and hope to one day play in one again! Unfortunately, I wasn't able to play much during my time in Buffalo, as dental school demanded so much time, but the minute I graduated I took out one last loan and bought a new drum set. I chose to do my residency in Chicago because a few of my former band members were there and throughout my year we would occasionally jam and record music. After residency, I moved to the Albany, N.Y., area and immediately found a band. We

played mostly cover songs. After the band broke up, I met my wife, scratch-started a dental practice and now have a 16-month-old son, Sawyer (named partially after "Tom Sawyer" by Rush). After about a six-year break from drumming, I purchased two sets of drums, began to take lessons again from a patient of mine and plan on looking for a band soon. And after my wife, Jill, divorces me, I should have PLENTY of time to play gigs! :)



Bob Van Wicklin brings interesting educational, political and military experiences to his new role as director of development for the School of Dental Medicine:

- As vice president for advancement at Houghton College in Houghton, N.Y., he oversaw a fundraising operation that took in close to \$25 million in cash and pledges.
- In the previous 17 years, Van Wicklin worked in legislative, communications and management capacities for two members of Congress from the Southern Tier of New York—Amo Houghton and his successor, Randy Kuhl—traveling to more than 60 nations in various capacities, from organizing and leading congressional delegations to election observation missions with the United Nations.
- For the past six years, he has been serving as an intelligence officer in the U.S. Navy Reserve, assigned to the Pentagon.

**Do you have a personal connection to the school?**

My brother-in-law, Tim Carr, is a member of the Class of '86. He was always the type of guy who, whenever we would move into a new community, would suggest that we find a UB dentist. He is very proud of his association.

**Your role as an intelligence officer in the U.S. Navy Reserve must be interesting.**

I report to the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Defense Intelligence Agency at the Pentagon at least one weekend a month. I'm assigned to analyze issues that affect our presence in a couple of key areas overseas. It's been very interesting and challenging.

**Quite an impressive experience you've had in college fundraising.**

As vice president of advancement at Houghton, I oversaw development, alumni relations and marketing communications for three years. One major gift I worked on was a \$12 million gift for the athletics facility.

**How do these varied experiences inform your new role here?**

All of my career has taught me how to relate to people, whether it's for political reasons or development reasons. Trying to get philanthropic support or

political support, it's all about getting to know people. All of these experiences have been shaping and preparing me for UB.

**During your short time here, what areas of engagement and support do you feel are most needed?**

One of the most important things is scholarships. There are also endowed professorships and endowed chairs, which help attract top faculty to the school. We have great faculty here now, but in order to attract new faculty, it helps to have an endowed chair or endowed professorship. Then, the third is facilities. Squire Hall is a great facility, but it's dated. And so, in order to revamp facilities there, it's going to cost quite a bit of money. We have a plan in progress. That will be another big need for the school that won't be taken care of by the state or the university.

**Do you have a plan to reach out to alumni and friends of the school?**

The people who were in this job before obviously did a good job of building a network of alumni around the country who have been terrific as far as sending their donations to the school to help out. My job is not only to build on what they did and keep those relationships active, but also to go out and seek new relationships.



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**Since the development office is no longer at the school, where can you be found?**

I'm on the 11th floor of Kimball Tower on South Campus. Because the development offices for the health sciences were scattered at UB, the development people for all the different health sciences were brought to one place. It is helpful for me. I can bounce ideas off my development colleagues right down the hall, but still get to Squire easily.

**What's the best way to reach you?**

By cell phone at 202-580-9071, or email at rvanwick@buffalo.edu. My desk phone is 716-829-2945.

—Jim Bisco

# DENTAL STUDENTS

# AND THE WORLD

# OF RESEARCH

By Anne Meyer, PhD

*figure 1.* **R**esearch “brings you to a world where you ask questions, and then you try to find what the answers are.” It can be “a simple answer ... for knowledge’s sake. And ... important to apply ... how you can help your future patients.” It is “important to humanity, exploring and discovering things that might be helpful to people.” Research is also a “great thing [to] get to meet people and get their advice.”

These are some of the comments made by UB’s dental students and graduate students in a short YouTube video about student research at the School of Dental Medicine. It’s available at <http://tinyurl.com/sdm-research>.

Many of our students who participate in research also benefit from traveling to conferences to present their work, interact with their peers, and hear from national and international “leading lights” of oral health research. In April 2012, three of SDM’s newer researchers were on the road:

Samantha Smith and Jacqueline Tuthill (both SDM ‘14) shared a poster presentation at the American Academy of Oral Medicine conference in Charleston, S.C. Their research (“Patient, dental student and physician attitudes toward monitoring systemic disease”; mentor: Michael Hatton, ‘82, Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences) was previewed at

SDM’s 2012 Student Research Day, and was recognized that day with the Maryanne Mather Clinical Research Award (Dental Student Category).

Tim Violante, ‘15, participated in the ADA Dental Students Conference on Research in Gaithersburg, Md. This trip was awarded to Tim on the basis of his poster presentation at the 2012 Student Research Day (“Effects of antiseptics on *Streptococcus gordonii* biofilms”; mentor: Meg Vickerman, Department of Periodontics and Endodontics).

“The scientists provided great insight into their everyday motions from the bench to the operatory, and made it clear what it means for a team of scientists to approach and treat disease. ... The underlying theme throughout all of our activities [at the conference] was a multi-disciplinary approach to science. The more oral health scientists can interact with all

fields of science, the more advances in research can be achieved,” Violante says.

In March, three of SDM’s PhD students in the Department of Oral Biology presented their research at the 2012 American Association for Dental Research [AADR] conference in Tampa: Anna Nikitkova, Paul Heo and Nina Thamadilok. Also presenting at the Tampa conference were 10 DDS students, including three graduating seniors: Kristin Lawson, Shaival Patel and Paul Tung. The other SDM classes were represented by Rianna Mayou and Jake Wilding (‘13); Sanjay Bhatt, Nicole Grassi, Kevin Manzella, and Jonathan Prindle (‘14); and Tim Violante (‘15).

In October, Sanjay Bhatt and Nicole Grassi will be traveling to San Francisco and Memphis, respectively, for conferences awarded to them at SDM’s 2012 Student Research Day.

Eight residents currently in SDM’s Oral Surgery, Pediatric, Orthodontics and GPR programs participated in the Summer Research Program as dental students in our school. Several other DDS alumni who participated in SDM’s Summer Research Program are now faculty members at our school or other universities.

One example is Tobias Boehm (‘04, with thesis honors; PhD/Oral Biology, ‘09; post-grad periodontics). Boehm joined the inaugural faculty of Western University of Health Sciences (Pomona, Calif.) in 2009 and became board-certified in periodontology in 2011. He continues his research by collaborating with faculty at UC-San Diego and Loma Linda University.

Doug Olsen, an orthodontics resident, has commented on the importance of

TOP: MIRA EDGERTON (FIFTH FROM RIGHT) IS PICTURED WITH DENTAL STUDENT PRESENTERS AT THE ANNUAL SDM RESEARCH DAY EVENT. STUDENTS ARE, FROM LEFT: SAMANTHA SMITH, JACQUELINE TUTHILL, NICOLE GRASSI, TIMOTHY VIOLANTE, SANJAY BHATT, PETER DAVIDOW AND JAKE WILDING.

BOTTOM: MIRA EDGERTON IS PICTURED WITH GRADUATE STUDENT PRESENTERS, FROM LEFT: RUI LI, SEOK MO (PAUL) HEO, SWETA TATI, CHING WOOEN SZE, DEBRA LEVIN, KAMOLPHOB PHASUK AND CARLOS HERNANDEZ. NOT PICTURED IS SUPAPORN THAMADILOK. HEO RECEIVED HIS PHD AND PERIODONTICS CERTIFICATE, SZE HER PHD AND PHASUK HIS MS AND PROSTHODONTICS CERTIFICATE AT COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES IN MAY.



research to his future clinical career. In fact, Doug is planning toward a faculty position that will give him the flexibility to continue to do research, as well as clinical practice and teaching. Several residents in our Orthodontics, Prosthodontics, Periodontics, Endodontics, and Pediatric Dentistry programs received their MS research degrees at the school's 2012 commencement in May.

In April, Lauren Vitkus, '14, president of SDM's chapter of ASDA, and Olga Baker (assistant professor, Department of Oral Biology) represented SDM at the 2012 AADR Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill.

After a morning briefing about federal budget challenges facing NIH and NIDCR, Baker and Vitkus joined a Stony Brook University researcher for meetings with legislative staff in the offices of New York Sens. Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand. UB's group then met with legislative staff in the office of Rep. Kathleen Hochul. At each meeting, Baker and Vitkus presented their views on "how NIH funding will enhance scientific advancements that will allow health improvements in oral and general health."

Please take a look at the YouTube video mentioned earlier and, while you're at it, watch the video about SDM's "Give Kids a Smile Day" [<http://tinyurl.com/sdm-gkas>]. We don't need any better motivation for research than to commit ourselves to improving the health of these children.

*Anne Meyer is SDM's associate dean for research and research associate professor in Oral Diagnostic Sciences.*

## NEW GRANTS & CONTRACTS

Since January 2012, the following new grants and contracts have been received by SDM researchers:

### SUPPORTED BY FEDERAL FUNDS

"Resolution of Cytokine-Mediated Salivary Gland Inflammation," Baker, PI; Aguirre; NIH

"Metabolic Syndrome and Periodontitis in Postmenopausal Women," Lamont, PI; Genco; NIH

"Amylase Binding and Gene Expression in *S. gordonii*," Scannapieco, PI; Haase; NIH

"The Role of IFT80 in Bone Formation," Yang, PI; NIH

### SUPPORTED BY FOUNDATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS OR INSTITUTES

"MMP Inhibitory Properties of Benzalkonium Chloride Assessed by Different Evaluation Methods," Sabatini, PI; Academy of Operative Dentistry

### SUPPORTED BY INDUSTRY

"Clinical Investigation to Evaluate the Effect of Oral Hygiene with Commercial Dentifrices on Oral Polymorphonuclear Leukocytes (PMN)," Haraszthy, PI; Colgate-Palmolive Co.

"In vivo Evaluation of the Occlusal Wear of a New Denture Tooth for Complete Dentures and Overdentures," Munoz, PI; Ivoclar-Vivadent Inc.

"Determination of Reversible and/or Irreversible Damage of the Pulp Tissue after Irradiation with High-Power Curing Lights," Munoz, PI; Ivoclar-Vivadent Inc.

"Clinical Evaluation of a New Zirconia Crown," Sabatini, PI; Ivoclar-Vivadent Inc.

## UB SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE STUDENT RESEARCH DAY 2012 AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING POSTERS

### DENTAL STUDENT AWARDS

#### ADA/DENTSPLY STUDENT CLINICIAN COMPETITION AWARD

Travel and presentation at the ADA Scientific Session in San Francisco (Oct. 18-21)

*Sanjay Bhatt (mentor: Libuse Bobek)*

#### HINMAN STUDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM AWARD

Travel and presentation at the Hinman Research Symposium in Memphis, Tenn. (Oct. 26-28)

*Nicole Grassi (Ashu Sharma)*

#### ADA DENTAL STUDENTS CONFERENCE ON RESEARCH AWARD

Travel and presentation at the ADA Dental Students Conference on Research in Gaithersburg, Md. (April 15-16, 2012)

*Timothy Violante (Meg Vickerman)*

#### MARYANNE MATHER CLINICAL RESEARCH AWARD

*Samantha Smith and Jacqueline Tuthill (Michael Hatton)*

#### JAMES ENGLISH RESEARCH AWARD FOR PRE-DOCTORAL STUDENTS

*Peter Davidow (Mira Edgerton)*

#### DEPARTMENT OF ORAL BIOLOGY AWARD

*Jake Wilding (Robert Genco)*

### GRADUATE AND CLINICAL POST-GRADUATE STUDENT AWARDS

#### AAHR/BUFFALO SECTION STUDENT RESEARCH

*Seok Mo Heo (Stefan Ruhl/Frank Scannapieco)*

#### UB SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE AWARD

*Ching Woon Sze (Chunhao Li)*

#### DEPARTMENT OF ORAL BIOLOGY PRESENTATION AWARD

*Swetha Tati (Mira Edgerton)*

#### ROBERT J. GENCO RESEARCH AWARD

*Supaporn Thamadolok (Stefan Ruhl)*

#### MARYANNE MATHER CLINICAL RESEARCH AWARD

*Debra Levin (Eugene Pantera)*

#### JAMES ENGLISH RESEARCH AWARD FOR ADVANCED EDUCATION AND/OR MS STUDENTS

*Carlos Hernandez and Kamolphob Phasuk (Edward Monaco/Hyeong-Il Kim/Christopher Pusateri)*

#### JAMES ENGLISH RESEARCH AWARD FOR PhD STUDENTS

*Rui Li (Mira Edgerton)*

Since 1994, more than 200 UB DDS students have participated in the school's Summer Research Program. Can you help to ensure that this opportunity continues to be available for our future students? Please contact Bob Van Wicklin, our director of development, to discuss how you can contribute toward a summer research stipend and a small travel budget for a DDS student (approximately \$4,500 total per student).

Bob can be reached at [rvanwick@buffalo.edu](mailto:rvanwick@buffalo.edu) or 716-829-2945. You also can make a donation online at <http://giving.buffalo.edu/dental>.

Please designate your gift for the Student Summer Research Program. Your donation will be acknowledged in the student's research abstract and in the program book for our annual Student Research Day. Thank you!



# Outreach

By DAVID J. HILL  
and SARA SALDI


## SDM students respond to needs of the Amish

ON GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY 2011, then-first-year students Kelly Burch and Colleen Lacombe discovered something about a particular group of children who'd come to the clinics for the annual event. It was a group of kids from an Amish community, and the need for better oral care was evident.

Michael Hatton, clinical associate professor and director of oral medicine, asked Burch to talk to some of the Amish mothers in the waiting room. "I sat down next to one of the mothers and asked her some questions, trying to find out the root of her child's tooth decay," Burch recalls. "It was just lack

of education. It wasn't a lack of money or religious reasons, it's education."

Seeing the group led to another realization: the Amish children needed more care than what could be provided in a brief time on Give Kids a Smile Day. So Burch and Lacombe approached Dian ChinKit-Wells, '94, clinical assistant professor in the Department of Pediatric and Community Dentistry, and Debbie Licata, the department's outreach coordinator, about the possibility of creating an outreach program for the Amish community.



“These delightful, energetic young ladies were very excited, and quite honestly so were Debbie Licata and myself,” says Wells.

“We knew the children we were seeing often had rampant decay and were challenging to treat. There were also obvious barriers: distance from dental care opportunities, cultural ‘fire walls’ such as not being willing to have the children treated under general anesthesia,” Wells says. “In addition, we had not been able to provide dental education to help prevent further cavities from forming and to help the community understand the scope of our care and the mission of UBSDM and our outreach team.”

With permission from Paul Creighton, ‘84, and department chair Joseph Bernat, ‘73, both clinical associate professors in pediatric and community dentistry, Wells and Licata teamed up the dental students with a resident, Kristin Bender, ‘10, “and the dream became a reality,” according to Wells.

In July 2011, the students visited an Amish farmhouse in Sherman, N.Y., a rural village about a half-hour west of Jamestown. “We sat on the lawn of an Amish farm in the shade of a tree and talked to them about brushing and flossing, focusing on hygiene and good foods and bad foods,” Burch says.

That November, they returned to the Amish community and visited three schoolhouses. They were expecting to talk to maybe a few dozen moms and children. Instead, more than 100 showed up. Of the 120 children they saw that day, only four were free of caries.

The reasons are varied. The Amish often live in rural areas that have limited access to dentists and travel to the nearest office can be expensive. In addition, many of the Amish have well water, which lacks fluoride.

*“We sat on the lawn of an Amish farm in the shade of a tree and talked to them about brushing and flossing, focusing on hygiene and good foods and bad foods.”* —KELLY BURCH

The group was very receptive to and grateful for the information the SDM students provided during their visit, Lacombe says. “They listen, and they want to be active about it. Their desire to take action is great,” she says.

The dental school collaborated with Erie Community College’s Dental Hygiene Program to offer X-rays for 30 Amish community members. They


saw another 35 children in February for Give Kids a Smile Day 2012.

Over the past year, Burch and Lacombe have developed a rapport with the Amish community. In fact, the community members are not “the Amish.” Instead, they are SDM’s “Amish friends,” a name that reflects the relationship the school has cultivated.

“The relationship we’ve established with this community is not just a dentist-patient relationship. They’ve invited us to family dinners and an Amish Christmas event,” says Burch. “For them to let us into the community is the most rewarding thing about this.”

Adds Wells, “Prior to us, our Amish friends were only taken to the nearest dentist if they had a toothache, and

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the tooth was extracted. We were destined to show that dentistry was much more than ‘pulling teeth,’ and that we care. In return we have received warm and appreciated welcomes and an opportunity to make a life-changing difference.”

The ultimate goal is for UB to serve as the dental home for the group.

“We want to establish a regular system of care for them,” says Lacombe, who is working to organize a health fair in the fall, where students will conduct blood glucose tests, check participants’ blood pressure and distribute information on early cancer detection.

## Carr, ’86, builds practice in Amish country

TIMOTHY CARR, ’86, also provides oral health care to the Amish population. Carr opened his practice, located about 45 minutes north of Harrisburg, Pa., in 2006. “I left practice for a season to look into joining the ministry, and I concluded that I could minister as a dentist,” Carr explains.

He was invited by an Old Order Mennonite to establish a practice, fulfilling a need in that community. “When the opportunity came up, I bought an old canal hotel. We converted the ballroom into a dental office. There’s a hitching post outside the office because some of them come in on horse and buggy. It’s a part of our parking lot.”

While there have been some cultural differences to learn over the past six years, Carr says he’s developed an admiration for the Amish and their way of life.

The best part of Carr’s practice, he says, is that he’s able to work from home. “I want to create the dentist equivalent of a family farm,” he says. “I have my office right where I live. I go ‘off to work’ but I’m right at home. And just as a farmer would have his family help, a lot of my family helps out.”

While Carr’s practice services the Amish population, it is open to all patients.

## Give Kids a Smile Day

SDM marked 11 years of providing free treatment to Western New York children who lack access to dental care by holding its annual “Give Kids a Smile Day” on Feb. 3 in Squire Hall.

For this year’s event, the UB Pediatric Dentistry Department’s off-campus office on Abbott Road in Buffalo also participated.

Buffalo Mayor Byron Brown delivered a proclamation to Squire Hall endorsing “Give Kids a Smile Day” and encouraged those who don’t have a dentist to use the UB dental school to find a dental home.

Approximately 600 school children, including those from Head Start centers, received a free dental exam, fluoride treatment, X-rays, sealants and oral hygiene instruction.

Upon leaving the UB clinics, children were equipped with a toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss and instructions on

how to keep their teeth healthy. Additional treatment or consultation was provided as needed.

In addition, parents and children were offered tours of the dental clinics, hands-on activities, dental videos and oral hygiene instruction.

Among the several hundred volunteers who kept the day running smoothly were UB dental school faculty, staff and students; private local dentists and their staffs; faculty and students from Erie Community College’s Dental Hygiene Program; and the UB Equal Opportunity Center’s Dental Assisting Program.

The Buffalo event is part of a national effort to motivate children to adopt good dental health habits early, in order to prevent major problems later in life.

The event is a partnership with the American Dental Association and the Eighth District Dental Society.



## Smile Education Day

In February, all 400 of the dental school’s students, joined by dentists in the community, participated in the dental school’s annual Smile Education Day, visiting more than 30,000 third- and fifth-graders in schools throughout Western New York to promote good oral health. UB’s dental school is the only school in the nation with such an outreach effort.

# BOCA

## BOCA outreach for 2012 sets records

**BOCA OUTREACH PROGRAMS** for 2012 have thus far provided more than \$550,000 in care—mainly through delivery of restorations, extractions and dental hygiene prophylaxis—to over 2,050 underserved individuals in the United States and abroad. This far surpasses the number of patients seen in any year since the program began, with three trips yet to occur over the summer.

Faculty supervisors joined 117 students on trips to Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo and San Francisco de Macoris in the Dominican Republic; Fiji and Vietnam; and trips to Knoxville, Bristol and LMU in Tennessee. Faculty participating this year include: Carlos Munoz, Elaine Davis, Dian ChinKit-Wells, Joseph Rumfola, Tara Halliwell, Yousef Alawaldi, Kevin D'Angelo, Beth D'Angelo, Carrie Wanamaker, Joseph Gambacorta, Stanley Youdelman and Ronald Zielin.



SDM STUDENTS SHARE SOME SMILES DURING THE ANNUAL BOCA CHARITY AUCTION APRIL 19.

## BOCA auction raises more than \$7,500

**BUFFALO OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE (BOCA)** held its annual charity auction on April 19 in Harriman Hall. This year's event featured a "Wild Wild West" theme, with participants donning their finest cowboy and cowgirl hats and boots.

The auction raised more than \$7,500, with proceeds benefitting Roswell Park Cancer Institute's Department of Dentistry and Maxillofacial Prosthetics, CARES and BOCA.

## BOCA photo contest winners

BOCA held a photo contest in the spring, naming one winner from each of the three BOCA outreach programs during spring 2012. Winning photos were submitted by Caitlin Kruczek, '13, Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic; Jillian Rozanski, '13, Fiji; and Amy Klockowski, '13, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.



ABOVE: SUBMITTED BY JILLIAN ROZANSKI, '13  
RIGHT: SUBMITTED BY AMY KLOCKOWSKI, '13



ABOVE: SUBMITTED BY CAITLIN KRUCZEK, '13

# C E

School of Dental Medicine Office of Continuing Dental Education

# course calendar

**AUG. 2 (6 TO 9 P.M.)**

## **Excellence in Implant Dentistry**

### **UB IMPLANT STUDY CLUB AUGUST MEETING**

Special guest faculty: Drs. Ugo Covani and Antonio Barone, University of Genova, Italy

**SINGLE MEETING: \$250**  
**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$995**  
**EARN 24+ CE HRS ANNUALLY**

*(Tentative guest faculty coming fall 2012: Carlo Ercoli, DDS, University of Rochester School of Medicine/Dentistry; Marc L. Nevins, DMD, MMSc, clinical assistant professor at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine.)*

**SEPT. 5**

## **Preventative and Restorative Dentistry**

### **ANNUAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL PEDO CONFERENCE**

Guest speaker: Amy Stone Nagai, DDS, and others to be announced

*Sponsored by the UB SDM Department of Pediatric and Community Dentistry and WNY Association of Pediatric Dentists*

*For more information or to register, call Jackie DiMartino at (716) 829-3717.*

**OCT. 20 (NOON)**

## **UB HOMECOMING FOOTBALL VS. PITTSBURGH**

Alumni Arena, UB North Campus

### **Update in Sports Dentistry**

*CE lecture, tailgate and game included!*

Faculty: David Croglio, '87, DDS

**TUITION: \$95 INCLUDING GAME TICKET AND TAILGATE**  
**GUEST: \$25 FOR GAME ONLY**  
**3 CE HRS**

**OCT. 26 (8:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.)**

## **Multidisciplinary Diagnosis, Management and Restorative Therapy for Pulpally Involved Teeth**

Faculty: Eugene Pantera, Jr., DDS, MS, and others TBA

**UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$145**  
**NONMEMBER: \$195**  
**TEAM MEMBER: \$65**

**4 CE HRS**

**NOV. 2 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)**

## **TMJ and Dental Sleep Medicine: Connecting the Dots**

Faculty: Jeffrey Goldberg, DDS, and guest Kate Bennett, DDS

**UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195**  
**NONMEMBER: \$245**  
**TEAM MEMBER: \$95**

**6 CE HRS**

**NOV. 9 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)**

## **Biofilm & Irrigation... Implications for Endodontic Success and Failure**

*And*

### **Managing Endo Emergencies ...What You Need to Know**

Faculty, Department of Periodontics and Endodontics: Ming Levine, DDS, MS; Carole Pantera, DDS, MS; Eugene Pantera, Jr., DDS MS; Margaret Vickerman, DDS, PhD; and Isaac Lee, DDS, (Endodontic Resident)

**UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195**  
**NONMEMBER: \$245**  
**TEAM MEMBER: \$95**

**6 CE HRS**

**DEC. 7 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)**

## **Forensic Dentistry: A New Perspective, including interactive demo**

Faculty: Ray Miller, DDS, Mary Bush, DDS, and Mr. Peter Bush

**UB ALUMNI MEMBER: \$195**  
**NONMEMBER: \$245**  
**TEAM MEMBER: \$95**

**6 CE HRS**



**DEC. 14 (9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.)**

UB School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Gross Anatomy Lab

## **Head and Neck Anatomy and Implant Placement Mini Cadaver Workshop**

*Limited enrollment!*

Faculty: Charles M. Severin, MD, PhD, and Sebastiano Andreana, DDS, MS

## **COURSE REGISTRATION**

Confirmation notice will be emailed upon receipt of your tuition payment.

### **TO REGISTER:**

#### **PHONE:**

Call 716-829-2320  
Toll Free 800-756-0328

**ONLINE:** Complete course details and online registration available on the UB dental events course calendar at [www.ubdentalalumni.com](http://www.ubdentalalumni.com)

### **Annamarie Phalen**

*Associate Director,  
Continuing Dental Education*

*Updated 6/26/12. All information correct as of press time...UB CDE reserves the right to change tuition, dates, topics and/or speakers as necessary.*



## FALL 2012 CE CAFÉ DISTANCE LEARNING LECTURE SERIES

### 6 TO 9 P.M. WEDNESDAYS

TUITION: \$65 PLUS DISTANCE LEARNING SURCHARGE

3 CE HRS ADA/CERP

**BUFFALO LOCATION:** Room 200G, Baldy Hall, UB North Campus

To confirm site participation and to register, call the location nearest you:

**Binghamton:** 607-778-5012

**Buffalo:** 716-829-2320

**Canton:** 315-386-7102

**Corning:** 607-937-6857

**Jamestown:** 716-664-8279

**Norwich:** 315-684-6615

**Watertown:** 315-786-2233

#### SEPT. 19

**Where Dentistry Leads Medicine: Osseointegrating Implants and Busting Infectious Biofilms.**

Robert Baier, PhD, PE

#### OCT. 17

**Designing Smiles as Healthy and Durable as They are Attractive**

Robert Yetto, DDS

#### OCT. 24

**Special Needs Dentistry**

Paula Sapanik, DDS

#### NOV. 7

**Varnishes: Who, What, When, Where, Why and How?**

Connie Lorich, RDH

#### NOV. 14

**Step-By-Step Evidence-Based Direct Bonded Restorations**

John Maggio, DDS

#### NOV. 28

**Win-win Practice Transitions: Maximize Value, Minimize Risk**

Chet Gary, DDS, JD

## TRAVEL COURSES

Travel opportunities through collaboration with other university dental schools. For more information and travel reservations, please call Jodi Murphy at 800-856-8826; reference "UB Dentist."

### OCT. 5-18, 2012

#### GLORIES OF CHINA

*In partnership with University of the Pacific*

Travel package includes RT air, visas, all meals, fees, guides and escorts.

**Minimally Invasive/Maximally Effective Dentistry: The Oral Systemic Relationship, Understanding CAMBA Treatment Planning and Options**

Dr. Allen Wong, Director of Hospital Dentistry, University of the Pacific.

TUITION: \$435

12 CE HRS

### JAN. 21-25, 2013

#### WESTERN CARIBBEAN

*Five-night cruise aboard Celebrity Constellation, in partnership with NYS AGD*

**Cyber Safety in Healthcare Offices**

Joseph DiDonato, DDS

**Orthodontics and Facial Esthetics**

Yosh Jefferson, DDS

PACKAGES START AT \$679 AND INCLUDE CE TUITION

6 CE HRS

### FEB. 23-MARCH 2, 2013

#### SEVEN-DAY SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN

*Aboard Celebrity Summit*

*In partnership with the University of Toronto*

**Medical Emergencies in Dentistry**

Dr. Daniel Haas

CRUISE CABINS START AT \$1,518 FOR TWO PASSENGERS

TUITION: \$595 CAD/DENTIST, \$200 CAD/TEAM MEMBER

8 CE HRS

### JUNE 29-JULY 6, 2013

#### HAWAII

*Seven-day cruise aboard Norwegian Pride of America, in partnership with University of Alabama*

**Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office: A Simple Approach**

Steven J. Filler, DDS

TUITION: \$375 PER PERSON

8 CE HRS

### LAKES OF NORTHERN ITALY

We are planning a land package, Lakes of Northern Italy, with Venice option, for early fall 2013.

*For details, contact Cruise and Travel Partners.*

# AlumniNews

## Hanau Cup 2012



RAYMOND G. MILLER, '85, LEFT, PRESENTS THE 2012 HANAU CUP TO TRAVIS D. LUDY, '12, AND DAVID F. JETTE, '12.

The tradition of Hanau Cup Hockey returned to Western New York on April 14 at the Northtown Center in Amherst. Students, faculty and alumni battled on the ice for the coveted Hanau Cup. Once again, the students convinced the Faculty/Alumni team that head-to-head competition against them was a good idea. No one's sure whether it's ego or ignorance, but the Faculty/Alumni team accepted the challenge.

The students sweetened the deal by offering a Division I goalie from Wisconsin as a net minder for the Faculty/Alumni team. Not since the days of Joe Pagliacci, '85, a D-I goalie from Western Michigan, has their goal been so well guarded.

The Faculty/Alumni learned another valuable lesson: No matter how good your goalie, if you are outshot 4 to 1 you will probably still lose! The Faculty/Alumni team was able to put a few pucks past Eddie "the Cat" Tyska, '98, but he was solid as well. He made numerous acrobatic saves further frustrating the more "experienced" alumni. In the end the students definitively outscored the Faculty/Alumni team.

Senior players Travis Ludy, '12, and Dave Jette, '12, proudly accepted the Hanau Cup at a postgame celebration at The Steer on Main Street. The Faculty/Alumni team claimed it was able to out-eat the students in the chicken wing department, 3-1, but that's up for dispute!

Both the game and the postgame celebration were sponsored in part by Peter Atkinson, owner of Dental Dynamics, and the Dental Alumni Association.

### REUNION DINNER DANCE

Catch up with classmates at the Reunion Dinner Dance, taking place at the end of this year's Buffalo Niagara Dental Meeting. Be sure to join us Oct. 5 for cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. in the Hyatt Regency in downtown Buffalo. It's sure to be a great night out.

### 2012 REUNION CHAIRS

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| 1947 | Dr. Robert C. Gartler   |
| 1952 | Dr. John C. Canney<br>Dr. Vincent E. Jagodzinski  |
| 1957 | Dr. Edward J. Kucio<br>Dr. Joseph A. LaNasa<br>Dr. Michael R. Marfino<br>Dr. Richard M. Stiegler                  |
| 1962 | Dr. James P. Foley<br>Dr. Richard F. Sheehan  |
| 1972 | Dr. Michael D. Hess<br>Dr. Peter P. Mascari   |
| 1977 | Dr. Bruce D. Parker<br>Dr. Alan M. Patrignani   |
| 1982 | Dr. Frances L. Deplato<br>Dr. Michael N. Hatton<br>Dr. Mark E. Mahaney<br>Dr. Joseph S. Modica<br>Dr. Gretta Tomb |
| 1987 | Dr. Robert J. Buhite, II<br>Dr. David P. Croglio<br>Dr. Norman Stoj   |
| 1992 | Dr. John R. Tibbetts  |
| 1997 | Dr. Julie M. Sheehan-Jones  |
| 2002 | Dr. Scott A. Burke<br>Dr. Rachael A. Rossitto<br>Dr. Joseph L. Rumfola  |
| 2007 | Dr. Joseph T. DeLuca<br>Dr. Andrew J. Dusel   |

# Thanks for supporting our student awards!



PICTURED AT THE ANNUAL STUDENT AWARDS BANQUET ARE, FROM LEFT: SDM DEAN MICHAEL GLICK, JANE ORLOWSKI (REPRESENTING DELTA DENTAL), ANDREW BURKE, NICOLE HINCHY, CATHERINE ADAMSON AND MELISSA A. BALK.



LEFT: DEAN GLICK; KYUNG HA KIM; JANE BREWER, CHAIR, DEPARTMENT OF RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY; AND MARYAM MOBARHAN. RIGHT: BREWER, IRIS CHAN, KIPP SLOCUM AND DONALD PITCHER.



BRENDAN DOWD, '86, PRESIDENT, EIGHTH DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY; AMY NAGAI, '09, REPRESENTING THE NEW YORK STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION; AND JOSH HUTTER, '05, PRESIDENT, UB DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.



DENTAL ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENT MELISSA A. BALK, '12, IS FLANKED BY SDM DEAN MICHAEL GLICK AND JOSHUA HUTTER, '05, PRESIDENT OF THE UB DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

## ATTEND THE 13TH ANNUAL WHITE COAT CEREMONY

Members of the UB School of Dental Medicine Alumni Association are invited to participate in the 13th annual White Coat Ceremony on Aug. 10 at the Center for the Arts Mainstage Theatre. The ceremony is scheduled to begin between 11 and 11:15 a.m. SDM's incoming class size is 90, and students will be entering the stage alphabetically. If there is a student whom you'd particularly like to cloak, inform Elaine Davis, associate dean for student affairs, at [eldavis@buffalo.edu](mailto:eldavis@buffalo.edu) or 716-829-3726. Participants are also invited to attend the annual Family Day picnic immediately following the ceremony at Banchetti at Rizzo's on North French Road.

If you are interested in participating, or have any questions, contact Davis.

## BOWLING CHAMPS

The Class of 83's bowling team, the Kaiser Dukes, took first place for the second straight year in the Buffalo City Dental Bowling League. Dick Lynch was quoted as saying, "This experience was worth a bundle!" Pictured from left: Ray Niceforo, Tim Seel, Dave Stasiak, Dick Lynch, Dave Brown, Joe Rutecki and Al Giangreco. Not pictured: team mentor Norb Koller.



## BILLY BARUE GOLF TOURNEY

The 23rd annual Billy Barue alumni/student/faculty golf tournament was held April 28 at Chestnut Hill Country Club in Darien Center, N.Y. Pictured above left are, from left: Adam Ungaro, Patrick Danna, Timothy Calnon and Richard Andolina [all SDM '13]. At right are, from left: Matt Whipple, Gary McBride, '88, Jon Cirbus and Mike Perry, '10.

# ALUMNUS PROVIDES INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE TO STUDENTS

## DONATION GIVES STUDENTS THE CHANCE TO OBSERVE PRACTICE IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

PICTURED AT WASHINGTON CENTER FOR DENTISTRY ON K STREET IN WASHINGTON, D.C., ARE, FROM LEFT: MICHAEL G. KATSAROS; ANDREW BURKE, '12; PETER RINALDI; DANIEL J. DEUTSCH; ADAM GOLDSTEIN, '12; AND MARC D. DOCTORS.

**H**ANDS-ON EXPERIENCE is the top priority in dental education. That's what Daniel Deutsch, '71, along with his colleague and fellow UB classmate Marc Doctors, '71, sought to provide for students at his alma mater by funding a program to allow two fourth-year dental students the chance to travel to Washington, D.C., and observe life in one of that city's most successful dental practices, located just a few blocks from the White House.

"I always felt that dental school is a wonderful beginning. A practice is an application of what is learned in school," Deutsch explains. "So I thought it was important for students getting ready to graduate from dental school to have the opportunity to observe what we do to better prepare them for their next steps."

Adam Goldstein, '12, and Andrew Burke, '12, were chosen by Donald Antonson, associate dean for academics, based on their letters of interest for general dentistry and their academic and clinical accomplishments.

"Both of these well-qualified students demonstrate the attributes necessary for becoming role models for future dental students," Antonson says.

For two days, Goldstein and Burke shadowed Deutsch and Doctors as they went to work at their practice, the Washington Center for Dentistry, on K Street in the District of Columbia. They also were treated to a Washington Nationals baseball game one evening.

"The Washington Center for Dentistry opened my eyes to what an elite group practice can be," says Burke. "I found nothing but caring, down-to-earth people who provide excellent dental care in a relaxing atmosphere. The practice as a whole values education and continual learning—every person, regardless of years in practice, was up to date on all the latest materials and techniques.

"I was most impressed with how UBSDM has prepared us for practice," he continues. "The latest techniques and materials I saw in practice at Washington Center for Dentistry I learned about and experienced firsthand at UBSDM."



Adds Deutsch, "As a dentist, you and your whole staff have to commit to learning new things. If you don't, then your life turns into a dental 'Groundhog Day'—everything is the same, day after day."

Based on this experience, Antonson would like to continue sending students to Washington and other areas where alumni are practicing general dentistry and other disciplines.

"Dean Glick and I are grateful to Dr. Deutsch for the opportunity he made possible for Adam and Andy to visit

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—ANDREW BURKE, '12

and experience his practice environment," Antonson says. "Successful alumni are a primary goal of our school, and what Dr. Deutsch and his team have developed in their practice is a showplace for how dentistry should be practiced."

The school currently has a number of programs allowing students the opportunity to be mentored by a practicing alumnus in the Buffalo area and some of the rural areas of Western New York. Alumni in other areas who might be interested in affording students the chance to shadow them can call or email Bob Van Wicklin, director of development, at 716-829-2935 or rvanwick@buffalo.edu.



DESIGN CONCEPT FOR NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL PRODUCED BY HOK

## 1 HOK to lead design of new medical school

HOK, one of the world's leading architectural firms, was selected in May to help produce the final design for the new UB School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus.

The selection of HOK comes after an international competition that focused the expertise of four elite architectural teams on design possibilities for the new school.

"This building will be a linchpin in our downtown campus, an anchor in the Buffalo health sciences community and a hub for excellence in medical research, education and patient care," UB President Satish K. Tripathi said. "And it will be a prominent new feature in the skyline of a city known worldwide for its architectural treasures."

The proposed \$375 million medical school, funded in part by NYSUNY 2020 legislation, is a key component of the UB 2020 plan for academic excellence, which is intended to benefit students, faculty, staff and the Western New York community.

Groundbreaking for the medical school is slated



Research Center (CTRC).

**CTRC** The \$291 million combined facility brings together Kaleida Health physicians and UB researchers in a collaborative effort to deliver state-of-the-art clinical care, produce major breakthroughs on the causes and treatment of a broad range of human disease, and spin-off new biotechnology businesses and jobs.

## 2 CTRC opens on medical campus

The effort to transform Buffalo into a world-class health care destination and expand UB's campus in downtown Buffalo took another major step forward in the spring as Kaleida Health and UB opened a new 10-story vascular institute and research building on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus.

A grand opening ceremony and ribbon-cutting was held May 24 for the Gates Vascular Institute (GVI) and UB's Clinical and Translational

## 6 UB Solar Strand opens

More than 250 people attended a ceremony in late April marking the opening of the UB Solar Strand, the new 3,200-panel solar array on the North Campus.

The Solar Strand, with a maximum rated capacity of 750 kilowatts, is one of the largest ground-mounted photovoltaic arrays in New York State. It is expected to produce enough power to meet the needs of hundreds of student apartments, cutting UB's greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 400 tons each year.

President Satish K. Tripathi discussed the value of green energy and thanked UB partners, including state officials and the New York Power Authority (NYPA), which funded the Solar Strand with more than \$7 million.

World renowned landscape architect Walter Hood spoke about his vision for the project. The array comprises groups of solar panels aligned in three parallel rows, each a quarter-mile long. Seen from above, the installation appears as "three stripes in the landscape," as Hood described it.

He achieved notable success in raising funds for programs at major universities, including the University of Mississippi and California State University-Fresno.

## 5 Zukoski named provost

Charles F. Zukoski was named UB provost and executive vice president for academic affairs in April following an international search.



ZUKOSKI

Zukoski comes to UB from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he was the Elio Eliakim Tarika Chair of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. During his 17-year administrative career at Illinois, he served in several key leadership positions—including a six-year tenure as vice chancellor for research.

As UB's chief academic and budget officer, Zukoski will be responsible for leading the development and implementation of the university's academic vision and providing leadership across the institution through the articulation and support of UB's academic priorities.

## 4 Pharmacy school's on the move

The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences began moving to John and Editha Kapoor Hall, its new home on the South Campus just behind Parker Hall along Winspear Avenue, on May 1.

The move was scheduled to continue until late June. The four-year, \$64 million renovation of the former Acheson Hall chemistry building was in the works for 11 years and involves relocating 600 scientists, staff members and students, and all of their stuff.

In early May, the school's administrative offices and support staff, as well as the pharmacy practice department and four laboratories, began moving out of Cooke and Hochstetter halls on the North Campus and into the 147,000-square-foot Kapoor Hall.

## 3 White succeeds Manuel as AD

Daniel J. "Danny" White was named the new director of UB's Division of Athletics on



WHITE

May 8. He succeeds Warde Manuel, who was named athletic

director at the University of Connecticut in February. White, a former Notre Dame basketball player and New Orleans native, has quickly ascended the ranks of college athletics leadership.



# ClassNotes

**Glenn J. Jividen Sr., '56**, was recently appointed to emeritus staff at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. After a 21-year career in the U.S. Air Force, Jividen served as a periodontal instructor for 33 years in the GPR Program at Miami Valley Hospital. He enjoys volunteering at the National Museum of the United States Air Force in Dayton and also likes working on his collectors' cars. Jividen and his wife Doris plan to remain in the Dayton area after retirement.

**Joseph P. Breloff, '75**, is now affiliated with Jim Kasper & Associates LLC, specializing in dental practice sales, appraisals and associateships.



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He serves as the firm's representative for Western New York. Breloff recently retired from his private practice in periodontics after 30 years in Lockport, N.Y., and Clarence/Williamsville.

The career of **Thomas J. Kepic, '75, MS in Dentistry, Certificate of Periodontics, '77, Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology (ABP), '82**, has always reflected an enthusiastic commitment both to his patients and to professional volunteerism. Having been in continual full-time clinical practice in Upland, Calif., since 1978, Kepic was elected in

2007 to become an Examiner for the ABP's certification of diplomates. A year later he was elected by his periodontal peers to become one of the 10 directors of the ABP, and is now in his fifth of a six-year term of service. He has been an influential force in California periodontics, both regionally and statewide, for 30 years, serving as president of the California Society of Periodontists in 2011 and ending in April 2012. Kepic is continuing his exploration of the potential



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for professional interrelationships that synergize optimum patient outcomes.

**Raymond G. Miller, '85**, was elected to a two-year term as program chair for the odontology section of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. Miller is a clinical associate professor in SDM's Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences.

**Mine Tezal (MS Oral Sciences '98, Certificate of Periodontics '04)** was elected treasurer of the Buffalo chapter of the American Association of Dental Research (AADR) for 2012. Tezal is assistant professor in SDM's Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences.



**Roger Triftshauer, '61**, received the American Student Dental Association's (ASDA) 2012 Paragon Award, the association's highest honor. The award was presented at the 42nd annual session on March 3. Triftshauer was nominated by Richard F. Andolina, '13, who was president of the UB ASDA chapter and 2011-12 ASDA member-at-large. Andolina describes Triftshauer as "a lifelong friend and mentor, a game-changer in dentistry."

"He has spent his life forging his own path through hard work, professionalism and dedication to his family, his community and the profession of dentistry," says Andolina. "We are very lucky to have Dr. Triftshauer not only as a mentor, but also as a great friend who through his life's journey has shown us the importance of giving back. I cannot think of anyone that is more deserving of ASDA's highest honor."

In addition to mentoring dental students and participating in dental organizations, Triftshauer has served in his own community as a member of the board of education, a county legislator and an adviser to former New York Gov. George Pataki.

◀ **ROGER TRIFTSHAUER, '61, SPEAKS AFTER RECEIVING THE 2012 PARAGON AWARD, THE AMERICAN STUDENT DENTAL ASSOCIATION'S HIGHEST HONOR, IN MARCH 2012.**

## InMemoriam

**Nick Porcello, '04**, has built a state-of-the-art dental office in his hometown of Allegany, N.Y., bringing such modern technology as CEREC, digital imaging and the paperless office to the Southern Tier. He would like to grow the practice into a group, bringing comprehensive dentistry under one roof in the Olean area and providing patients with care equal to that available in any metropolitan area.

Porcello married Brandi Zimmerman, also of Allegany, Feb. 24 in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.



PORCELLO



**Patrick L. Anders, '86**; **Nour Musa**, TMD '98, oral pathology '01, MS oral sciences '01, GPR '05); **Ngozi Nwizu**, oral pathology '11; **Khalid Shaikhi**, oral pathology '12; and **Nora Townsend**, '81, successfully passed the qualifying examination for fellowship in the American Academy of Oral Medicine. The awards will be presented at a formal ceremony during the next academy meeting in 2013. The School of Dental Medicine now has seven fellows in the academy, more than any other dental school in the U.S.

**Joseph M. Kramer, '36**, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., died April 5, 2012. He was 99. Kramer served as a captain in the U.S. Army during World War II and received four battle stars for his service in the European, African and Middle Eastern theaters. He was a member of the Eighth District Dental Society and the UB Dental School Alumni Association, and was a 32nd Degree Mason.

**William Stahr Muehleck, '37**, of Martinsville, Va., died Jan. 15, 2012. He was 98.

**William Jesse (Bill) Trolley, '44**, died March 27, 2012. He was 92. He practiced dentistry for 45 years. Trolley served as the dental director at Ernest Harmon Air Force Base in Newfoundland from 1953-55. He was past president of Monroe County Dental Society, past president of Seventh District Dental Society and past dental director of BlueCross BlueShield. Additionally, Trolley was a life member of the American Dental Association, a recipient of the George D. Greenwood Award and a member of the International College of Dentistry, American College of Dentistry, Delta Sigma Delta Dental Fraternity, and Medina F and AM.

**Walter Bartnikowski, '47**, of Winston-Salem, N.C., died March 29, 2012. He was 88. Bartnikowski retired from the U.S. Army with the rank of colonel. He enlisted in the Army in 1942 and was commissioned in 1950. He operated a private practice in Baldwinsville, N.Y. Bartnikowski was a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. He was a past president of the DAV in Canandaigua, N.Y. Bartnikowski was an avid gardener who loved to share the fruit of his labor with his neighbors and friends.

**Sidney Morris Jacobson, '47**, of Portland, Maine, died March 9, 2012, at age 91. He practiced dentistry in South Portland. Jacobson was stationed in a MASH unit during the Korean War. He loved fishing during the summer at his lakeside cottage on Little Sebago Lake.

**May Florence Kummer Woods, '48**, of DeWitt, N.Y., died Feb. 7, 2012 at age 87. She attended Nazareth Academy, Nazareth College and the University of Michigan. She then graduated

from the University of Buffalo School of Dentistry in 1948 as the only woman in her class. She was the first permanent female dentist in Onondaga County. She was a member of the American Society of Dentistry for Children, an executive council member of the New York State Society of Dentistry for Children, a member of the Fifth District Dental Society of New York and the Syracuse District Dental Auxiliary.

**James J. Passero, '56**, died March 22, 2012. He was 79. Passero served as a captain in the U.S. Army. He practiced dentistry and was an oral and maxillofacial surgeon for more than 30 years.

**William C. Anderson, '57**, of Geneseo, died May 15, 2012. He was 80. Anderson practiced orthodontics for 48 years in Syracuse, Geneseo and Dansville. Intellectually curious and determined, in 2010 he received both a Master of Science in Orthodontics from UB and Doctor of Medicine from the University of Health Sciences Antigua School of Medicine, West Indies. He also enjoyed traveling, fly fishing, piloting vintage World War II airplanes and scuba diving.

**Anthony L. Pantera, '58**, died March 25, 2012. Pantera was a member of the National Dental Honor Society, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU), Eighth District Dental Society and a fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry. He practiced family dentistry for almost 40 years.

**John J. "Jack" Aber, '59**, formerly of Elmira, N.Y., died March 31, 2012, in Destin, Fla. He was 83. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in September 1946, training with the Underwater Demolition Team, known today as the Navy Seals. Aber received the Navy Commendation Medal for Valor while serving during the Korean War. He was past president of the Chemung County Dental Society, chairman for Children's Dental Health Month and chairman of the Sixth District Dental Society. He also was a member of the Flying Dentist Association, American Dental Association and the New York State Dental Association. He received his fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry in 1980.

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