



## Tzu Chi Buddhist Compassion Relief Foundation Donates \$100,000



Dean Edwin Yen (bottom right) at the Tzu Chi Foundation Canada's volunteer recognition and cheque presentation ceremony. Dean Yen is in good company, surrounded by representatives of other organizations that receive support from the Tzu Chi Foundation.

The Faculty of Dentistry is pleased to announce a donation of \$100,000 from the Tzu Chi Buddhist Compassion Relief Foundation to support pediatric and geriatric community service programs. Through these programs UBC can provide free or low cost dental care to pediatric and geriatric populations in British Columbia while giving our students solid experience working with children and seniors.

### Pediatric program

The pediatric program offers free basic dental and preventive services to low-income school children in the Lower Mainland who do not qualify for the current government programs. The program is offered during the academic year at the UBC and Douglas College dental clinics.

### Geriatric program

The geriatric program provides dental services to nearly 1,500 seniors in residential care hospitals. The Faculty of Dentistry is the organizing centre of this program and its satellite clinics. If the care that is needed is too complex to handle at a satellite clinic, the residents are transported to the UBC Specialty Clinic. The program also provides a research environment to investigate geriatric oral health, the prevention of oral diseases, and the provision of dental services. By participating in this program, undergraduate

dental students and General Practice Residents learn about dental care for this vulnerable segment of our aging population.

"These community service programs are the cornerstone of a high-profile, global community development program at UBC," said Dean Edwin Yen. "It is our role as an educational institution to develop innovative models of health care delivery that will be cost effective. We want to develop role models for our students who aspire to work with populations that suffer from oral health disparity."

In addition to their outstanding donation, volunteers from the Tzu Chi Buddhist Compassion Relief Foundation will assist in the programs. The Faculty of Dentistry is proud to partner with the foundation on these important programs. There are few partnership investments that can show such dramatic results, or that can be so readily used by the populations that need them.

For more information on these programs please contact:  
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*Founded in 1966 by Master Cheng Yen, the Tzu Chi Buddhist Compassion Relief Foundation was established to provide relief and assistance to the poor. Today the organization provides assistance around the world.*





## Student Recognition

By Dr. Edwin Yen, Dean

Two recent annual student recognition events cannot pass without special mention.

One has become an annual fixture although it is a relatively recent creation: **Dean's Night for Graduate Students**. Our graduate students, postgraduate students and supervisors participate in this special event. Donors and sponsors of scholarships and achievement prizes attend to present the awards and to meet the students whose success has been facilitated by these generous donations.

A new event is the **White Coat Ceremony** for third-year DMD students as they transition from simulation and clinic preparation training to actual patient management and care in the clinic environment. While new at UBC, this ceremony is an old tradition in many schools in North America, emphasizing the significance that clinicians attach to their responsibilities and obligations as health care professionals. Clinical faculty, staff and professional societies attended our event to share in this major milestone and to add a sense of commitment to ethics and professionalism.

These **students are in the pipeline of talent, creativity and leadership** that will guide dental academia and professional practice in the future. Recognition while they are students instills a sense of the criteria that the faculty and practitioners feel are critical for success. Recognition embeds the values that will provide the quality assurance for tomorrow. It is an essential element in the self-evaluation and peer recognition culture of our profession.

Well done and congratulations once more, UBC Dentistry students!

## The Case *We invite dental practitioners to submit intriguing cases.*

# Iatrogenic Bone Loss and Gingival Recession in a Child

By Peter Y.K. Chan, DDS, Dip Ped Dent, MSD, FRCD (Canada)

and Young Tze Kuah, DMD, Dip Ped Dent, MDSc, Dip Ortho, FRCD (Canada)

**This case is a cautionary tale involving a child and a well-meaning practitioner who chose a creative but inappropriate treatment that led to unexpected difficulties.**

A 7-year-old female presented for an emergency consultation at a pediatric dental clinic. The child's mother was concerned that her daughter would lose her maxillary central incisors, which were extremely mobile. The initial

clinical impression was of apparent extrusion of teeth #11 and #21. These teeth were in anterior crossbite and traumatic occlusion. Relevant periodontal findings related to #11 and #21 were:

- severely inflamed, large hyperplastic and hypertrophic lesion of the interdental papillae between the incisors (Figures 1 & 2)
- alveolar bone and attachment loss with 6-9 mm pockets
- Grade II mobility.

Radiographs revealed attachment and bone loss, predominantly on the distal surfaces of teeth #11 and #21. Root formation of these two teeth was incomplete (Figure 3).

According to the dental history, #11 and #21 were recently moved "orthodontically" by the child's dentist using elastics bands (Ormco brand "Bear" 4.5 oz. ¼" orthodontic elastic) to "squeeze the teeth together." In addition, a wooden tongue

depressor was recommended to and used by the patient to correct her anterior crossbite. The diastema did close; however, the elastics penetrated the gingival cuff of the teeth and continued apically leading to the situation described.

What would you do?

*See page 8 for the conclusion of this case.*



Fig. 1 Pre-treatment anterior.



Fig. 2 Pre-treatment occlusal.



Fig. 3 Pre-treatment radiograph.

## Inaugural White Coat Ceremony

By Dr. Lex MacNeil, Associate Dean, Clinical Affairs

October 21, 2003 marked a dignified, emotional and fun evening at the University Golf Club on the occasion of the first White Coat Ceremony for the UBC Faculty of Dentistry. Third and fourth-year students attended, joined by approximately 70 guests from the faculty and staff ranks.

White Coat Ceremonies have a relatively long tradition in medicine and, more recently, in some U.S. and Canadian dental schools. The ceremony is dedicated to recognizing student achievement in advancing to patient care activity and affirming a commitment to professionalism. The event also provides a venue to promote collegiality on the occasion of welcoming a new cohort of care providers to the clinical domain.

This was an opportune year to inaugurate the ceremony at UBC. The group practice format is now well established, whereby students are assigned to one of five large group practices which facilitate the comprehensive care for our patients. Within these group practices, third-year students are paired with fourth-years. The members of the classes of '04 and '05 were equally interested in recognizing the beginning of each third-year student's participation in the clinical team, and joined in making the idea a reality.

At the ceremony, each group manager introduced the conferring fourth-year student and the recipient third-year counterpart. Each stepped forward, with the senior student proceeding to bestow the symbolic white coat on the junior student counterpart. Those of you familiar with the annual donning of the green jacket on the winner of the Masters' Golf Tournament will be able to visualize the process. It was a touching affair, sometimes made humorous by student improvisation.

During the social gathering that followed, there were numerous expressions among our clinical faculty as to the value of this kind of recognition within our profession. There's a feeling that we don't do enough of this type of thing in Dentistry. Certainly the faculty is committed to

making the event an annual affair. Already, a prestigious national dental organization has come forward with an offer to help with sponsorship. The only proviso is that the speeches continue to be as short as they were this year!

The enthusiasm is there, which I think reflects the widespread pride and commitment that prevails among our clinical teachers and support staff. I would like to extend a note of gratitude to Dean Ed Yen, Associate Dean Joanne Walton and the many staff members who made this special evening possible. We're already planning for 2004. In fact, next year's White Coat Ceremony is already scheduled for October 19, at the same location.



Third-year Mark Casafrancisco receives his white coat from fourth-year Preet Bhatti. Jordan Catherall, Jeannette Glass-Brudzinski and Azita Harati look on.



# Graduate Dean's Night



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The annual Graduate Dean's Night was held at the UBC Golf Club in November. The evening was a great success with the highlight being the presentation of graduate student awards for outstanding academic achievement. Faculty, staff and graduate students mingled and learned a little more about each other and their academic interests. We extend a special thank you to the generous donors who support the awards and attended the evening. Heartfelt congratulations to all!



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## Graduate Student Awards

### 1. J. Tonzetich Scholarships

Sarah Johnston  
Marissa Garcia  
Joe Tonzetich Jr.\*

### 2. GPR Teaching and Service Appreciation Award

Robert Conklin  
Chris Zed\*



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### 3. Bisco Dental Products Graduate Scholarship

Eduardo Ghaname  
Chris Chung (Bisco)\*

### 4. Kathleen McNulty Memorial Prize in Graduate Periodontics

Tara Habijanac  
Hannu Lajava\*



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### 6. J. Tonzetich Fellowship

Min Li  
Heather Szabo  
Joe Tonzetich Jr.\*

### 7. George S. Beagrie Scholarship

Matana Pruksapong  
Edwin Yen\*



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### 8. PhD Summer Seminar Series

Heather Szabo  
Don Brunette\*

### 9. MSc Summer Seminar Series

Tara Habijanac  
Don Brunette\*



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### 10. William W. Wood Scholarship

Maryam Sharifzadeh-Amin  
Don Brunette\*

\*Presenter

# Crowns Triumph



The Crowns, UBC Dentistry's intramural hockey team, won the Tier II championship in November.



Dr. Michael MacEntee with Shafik Dharamsi.

## PhD First

**Shafik Dharamsi** is UBC Dentistry's first interdisciplinary PhD graduate. **Dr. Michael MacEntee** was his supervisor along with Dr. Dan Pratt from Education, Dr. Arminee Kazanjian from Medicine, and Dr. Elvi Whittaker from Arts. Shafik earned his MSc from UBC Dentistry in 1996 with **Dr. Chris Clark** as his supervisor. Besides his newly minted PhD and his MSc, Shafik is a dental hygienist with two bachelor degrees (Arts and Education), and a BScDH from the Medical College of Georgia. Working in Kenya for the last few years, Shafik hopes to return to UBC Dentistry to extend his research and his academic career.

## Graduate/Postgraduate Studies

Applications are invited for admission to the following programs:

### MSc and PhD in Dental Science

These programs are research-oriented and do not include clinical training. The MSc degree normally requires two years full-time study, and can also be taken part-time. The PhD degree requires a minimum of three years. Both offer research training in various oral and dental sciences. Deadline: March 1.

### Combined MSc (Dental Science) and Diploma Program in Periodontics

This program offers an MSc degree and a diploma in graduate periodontics. The three-year program is recognized by the American Dental Association. Deadline: October 1.

### Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology Postgraduate Program

This postgraduate residency training in oral medicine and oral pathology is offered in conjunction with university-affiliated teaching hospitals. It consists of a three or four-year hospital-based, stipended residency in one of three pathways: oral medicine, oral pathology, or both specialties combined. Deadline: November 30.

### General Practice Residency Program

This one-year dental residency program is offered in conjunction with university-affiliated teaching hospitals. These residency positions include one opening in pediatric dentistry. Deadline: November 1.

For more information visit [www.dentistry.ubc.ca](http://www.dentistry.ubc.ca) or contact:

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# Research Impress

## Faculty Profile: Dr. Hannu Larjava

Dr. Hannu Larjava is a professor in the Faculty of Dentistry. He has strong interest in both undergraduate and graduate education in the area of periodontics. He is the Chair of the Division of Periodontics and Dental Hygiene and the Director of the Graduate Periodontics program.

Dr. Larjava graduated with a DDS from the University of Turku, Finland in 1978, completed his PhD in 1984, and finished the specialty training in periodontics in 1987. He then received an International NIH Fellowship to further his research training as a postdoctoral fellow at NIH between 1987-1988. Dr. Larjava was then invited to the University of Alabama at Birmingham to become an Associate Professor in Periodontics. He then returned back to his home country for three years to teach periodontics and do research. Dr. Larjava joined UBC in 1993 as the Chair in the Division of Periodontics and Dental Hygiene and as the Director of Graduate Periodontics. In 1994 he successfully passed the B.C. specialty examination in periodontics and has continued to practice periodontics. He has published over 100 reports on various topics in the area of periodontics and wound healing.

Dr. Larjava's research program is focused on the cell biology of wound healing. Various wound healing models are used in the laboratory from scratching layers of cultured cells to experimental wounds in the masticatory mucosa and gingiva in humans. In collaboration with Dr. Wiebe and Dr. Hart's laboratory in Calgary, the laboratory is also developing an oral and skin wound healing model using pigs (whose tissues closely resemble human tissues). Over the last few years the research has focused on the role of epithelial cell surface receptors in regulation of connective tissue formation during wound healing.

His laboratory has discovered a key signaling molecule (called GSK-3) in a pathway that is essential for epithelial cell migration during wound healing. Recently a transcript profiling technique was used to identify genes in human mucosal wounds specific

## Wound Healer

to wound healing. Based on this work it was discovered that the expression of thousands of genes change during wound healing and among these there are some novel genes that had not previously been linked to wound healing. The work continues to dissect this information for better understanding of scarless oral wound healing.

Several graduate students, including many of the graduate periodontics residents, are involved in these projects. The basic aims for these studies are to understand how epithelial cells migrate and close the wound, how they regulate the later stages of wound healing, and why gingival tissue heals without scars while the skin does

### *design better therapies for periodontal healing and regeneration*

not. These studies are important for many reasons. Alterations in wound repair, such as non-healing wounds and fibroproliferative disorders (hypertrophic scarring and keloids) are serious pathologic disorders that compromise skin biomechanical properties, resulting in tissue dysfunction. Interestingly, even the normal wound healing process in skin produces scars that can cause not only cosmetic concerns but also reduced function, while in oral mucosal tissue, specifically in the gingiva, wound healing results in minimal or no scarring.

Scar-free healing of oral mucosa has been explained by the moist environment, growth factors and cytokines in saliva, and the cell types present in the tissue itself. There is, however, no detailed information describing the differences in gene expression in normal healing of oral mucosa compared to skin or fibroproliferative disorders. A number of cytokines and growth factors known to play key roles in wound repair and an imbalance in the synthesis and release of these cytokines, chemokines and growth factors at the wound site interfere with normal healing, as is seen in chronic diabetic ulcers, or in over-scarring wounds. Thus, understanding the overall temporal and spatial relationship in the induction of key cytokines/growth factors, and their receptors is essential to improve current therapies for wound treatment.

The hypothesis is that the cell phenotypes and the expression pattern of the wound healing-related cytokines, chemokines and growth factors and their receptors are responsible for the scarless healing of oral mucosa. Future experiments will also address the specific features of healing in the tooth-gingiva interphase. The results from those studies will help us to design better therapies for periodontal healing and regeneration.

Dr. Larjava could not do all of this alone. At UBC, he collaborates

extensively with Assistant Professor Dr. Hakkinen on studies in wound healing. The following investigators are working on various projects in the laboratory: Cristian Sperantia (laboratory technician), Dr. Guoqiao Jiang (research associate), Dr. Charles Lim (postdoctoral fellow), Leeni Koivisto (PhD student), Heidar Alimohamad (PhD student), Ameneh Eslami (PhD student), Dr. Salwa Al-

Dahlawi (MSc periodontics student), Dr. Tara Habijanac (MSc periodontics student), Dr. Marissa Garcia (MSc periodontics student), Dr. Giorgio Petricca (MSc periodontics student), Dr. Sarah Johnston (MSc periodontics student). In addition, Dr. Larjava's laboratory joins forces with several national and international laboratories that work on wound healing. Dr. Larjava's laboratory has been

supported since 1994 by continuous grants from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research.

Dr. Larjava's wife Kirsi is also a dentist and they have two lovely little girls, Milla and Nelli. The family lives in North Vancouver where they enjoy the outdoors with their two dogs. The daily commute has become an enjoyable scenic drive with a breakfast sandwich, daily news, music and brainstorming.



Dr. Hannu Larjava with his pal, Peppi.

### *His laboratory has discovered a key signaling molecule.*



## The Case *(Continued)* Discussion / Conclusion



Fig. 4 Removable mandibular bite-plane.



Fig 5. Ten-month follow up.

It appeared that too rapid movement of immature teeth #11 and #21 resulted in iatrogenic bone loss and loss of attachment. Therefore, the patient was immediately referred for consultation to both an orthodontist and a periodontist. Teeth #11 and #21 were stabilized using an extra-coronal bonded lingual splint, along with full-time wear of a mandibular removable posterior bite-plane with anterior disclusion to prevent traumatic occlusion of #11 and #21 (Figure 4). The patient was instructed to eat with the appliance in place. Meticulous oral hygiene was emphasized and a chlorohexidine rinse was applied topically to the interdental papilla of #11 and #21 three times a day. The overall prognosis was guarded.

Within six weeks, the swelling of the interdental papilla had improved with spontaneous correction of the anterior crossbite. Teeth #11 and #21 were no longer in traumatic occlusion. The periodontal pocket depths had decreased to 3 to 5 mm. Mobility was still at Grade Class II; therefore, the splint was left in place (Figure 5).

Assessment after nine months revealed significant resolution of the hyperplastic lesion in the interdental region and normal probing depths. A 19-month evaluation demonstrated an improving periodontal condition and decreased mobility of #11 and #21.

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# Dr. Richard V. Tucker Symposium: A Tribute to Excellence

By Jane Wong, Director of International Education



Symposium presenters Dr. Winston Chee and Dr. Richard D. Tucker.



Dr. Mike Oltean, Dr. Dennis Miya, Dr. Peter Kearney, Dr. Richard V. Tucker, Dr. Ted Kanamori were a few of the friends and colleagues in attendance.

Music, outstanding speakers, and superb weather combined to make the Dr. Richard V. Tucker Symposium a resounding success. Family, friends and colleagues gathered at the Chan Centre on Thursday, September 25 to celebrate Dr. Tucker's contribution to dentistry. The UBC Symphony Orchestra, directed by Jesse Read and singers from the Opera Workshop, directed by Nancy Hermiston, presented an outstanding concert featuring music from Dr. Tucker's favorite composers. There were 130 performers on stage for the grand finale, *Bruderlein*, from Johann Strauss' operetta, *Die Fledermaus*. This finale and a gourmet dessert reception made a perfect ending to a most memorable evening.

"The calibre and ability of the speakers," and "the up to date-ness of it all" were among the comments on the participant's evaluations of the two-day scientific program at the Westin Bayshore. All of the presenters took time from their busy schedules to share their expertise and to honor this exceptional individual.

The following sponsors contributed generously to help make the symposium a success.

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Bronze: Aurum, Brasseler USA, Jensen, 3M ESPE, Kerr, Suter, Septodont and Straumann.

Delegates enjoyed a fabulous evening of dining and dancing at the Gala on Saturday evening. Scotiabank generously sponsored the Champagne Reception and the Champagne Orchestra provided great dance music for the Black Tie Event.



## Dentsply Canada Supports Clinic Equipment Fund

The UBC Faculty of Dentistry received a generous cheque of \$27,458.79 for the Clinic Equipment Fund from Dentsply Canada Inc. The money will be used to purchase much needed equipment for the clinic and supplies for our dental students. We extend a heartfelt thank you to our friends at Dentsply Canada for their continued support of the faculty and our students. We are proud to partner with Dentsply!



Dentsply cheque presentation with Tom Robinson (Dentsply), Andrea Wink, Michelle Bedard (Dentsply), Dr. Andrea Esteves, Jenny Chung, John Smith (Dentsply) and Dean Edwin Yen.



Dr. Kenneth Chow

## Oral Surgeon Establishes Bursary

Dr. Kenneth Chow, a Vancouver oral and maxillofacial surgeon, has generously established a new bursary in the Faculty of Dentistry. Bursaries are monetary gifts to students; financial need is the primary consideration in the selection of recipients.

With Dr. Chow's gift, two bursaries of \$2,000 each will be available to students in the DMD program, every year. One bursary will be offered to support a student entering first-year and the other to a student entering third-year.

While Dr. Chow is a graduate of the University of Southern California School of Dentistry, he has been a devoted UBC Dentistry part-time clinical faculty member since 1986 and clearly shares his allegiances. He believes that giving back to dental schools is integral to the development of high quality oral health professionals.

With the rising cost of tuition, financial aid in the form of awards and bursaries is increasingly important to ensure that UBC continues to attract the best and brightest students – not necessarily the wealthiest. Dr. Chow's new bursary is another step in the right direction for providing financial support to our students.

The faculty wishes to thank Dr. Chow for his generous support of the UBC Dentistry students: his future colleagues. For more information on awards, scholarships and bursaries at UBC please visit [students.ubc.ca/finance/awards/list.cfm](http://students.ubc.ca/finance/awards/list.cfm).



The CCDSBC fundraising committee celebrates after the concert.

## CCDSBC Concert Raises the Roof and Money

The Chinese Canadian Dental Society of B.C. (CCDSBC) and the B.C. Chamber Orchestra teamed up to present a special fundraising concert on November 22 at the Chan Centre. Proceeds from the concert were donated to establish the CCDSBC Bursary Endowment Fund. This fund will be used to provide bursaries to first-year UBC dental students who need financial assistance.

The concert featured classical western and Chinese music. Highlights included the performance of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No.1 in B flat minor by renowned piano soloist Chen-Zong Yin, and The Butterfly Dream for dizi (Chinese flute) and orchestra featuring dizi soloist Chai-Man Cheng.

The Faculty of Dentistry would like to thank all those who contributed to the CCDSBC Endowment Fund through this fundraiser. We would also like to extend a special thank you to Howard Chu, Drs. Christopher Chung, Anthony Li, Hwee Lim, Carter Ng, George Ng, Theresa Wong and Allen Yu for their generous contribution of time in organizing this successful fundraiser. Your support is greatly appreciated.

For further information on the concert and a complete list of donors please visit [www.ccdsbc.ca](http://www.ccdsbc.ca).

# Alumni Impressions



*Treating patients in the field out of the back of the mobile 6-wheel drive dental trucks.*



*De-coupling the mobile dental clinic vehicles.*



*Sunny, receiving the Top Field Candidate Trophy.*

## Top Field Candidate

Dr. Sunny Tatra (DMD '03) was the top Field Candidate in the Basic Dental Officer Field Course in September. His hard work paid off and he brought home the Royal Canadian Dental Corp Field Trophy for UBC. Alma mater pride runs strong in these events and even though Sunny graduated last year, the trophy is considered a victory for UBC.

The four-week Basic Dental Officer Field Course involves three-weeks of classroom instruction covering: operational/functional dentistry from the military perspective, trauma treatment, comprehensive treatment planning, military dental practice management and regulations, staff management, and biohazard management.

During the week of field exercises participants learn about setting-up a mobile dental clinic, setting-up and maintaining portable generators and compressors, treating patients in a field/operational setting (they each treated six patients for fillings, recalls and surgery), movement and set-up in day and night situations, camouflage and concealment of the mobile dental facility, and lastly, command and control of the mobile dental facility.

It was the mid '80s the last time a UBC grad, Colonel James Taylor won this coveted trophy. The name plate for Dr. Joanne Walton, Associate Dean of Academic and Student Affairs also appears on the trophy for her University of Manitoba triumph.



Mark and Dr. Kenji Shimizu.



Dr. Evelyn McNee and Jordan Millar.



Baby Amber Wight.



Don Craig, his wife Bonnie, daughter-in-law Katrina, and son Gavin.

## Our Dental Family

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### Welcome

**Dr. Fay Patel** has been appointed Curriculum and Faculty Development Manager. Fay came from the University of Windsor where she coordinated the International Curriculum Development program for the AVP Academic, the Writing Across the Curriculum program, and taught English and Communication Studies. She has international experience in higher education from South Africa, the United States, and Canada. Fay completed her doctoral degree in mass communication in the United States. Her PhD was in international development communication with special focus on the diffusion of innovations and the use of the Internet and email in organizations. Fay lives on the UBC campus with her son Farhaan and husband Feisal.

**Dr. David MacDonald** has been appointed Associate Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology. He is a Scot, and has retained his characteristic accent despite extensive travel around the world. David trained in the United Kingdom, and upon completion of his specialist training was appointed to the Prince Philip Dental School and Hospital in Hong Kong as Head of the Oral Radiology Unit. He has since served in the universities of Edinburgh and Bergen. David has published extensively (under MacDonald-Jankowski), principally on the radiological aspects of the epidemiology of dental disease amongst the Hong Kong Chinese. Interests include hiking with his family, history (has just had a book published on the Scottish Jacobite heroine, Flora MacDonald) and certain aspects of law (has a law degree).

### Achievements

The Foundation of the Pierre Fauchard Academy awarded its annual scholarship to **Jordan Millar** from the DMD Class of 2004. The award was presented by Dr. Evelyn McNee, British Columbia Section Chair for the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

**Dr. Gary Derkson** was inducted into UBC's Quarter Century Club, which honours faculty members with 25 or more years of service. Dr. Derkson is Associate Professor and Head, Department of Dentistry of B.C.'s Children's Hospital.

Part-time clinical faculty member, actor and judo instructor **Dr. Kenji Shimizu** shared the news that his 17-year-old son Mark earned his first-degree black belt in judo. It was a proud moment for Dr. Shimizu, as he has instructed and coached Mark since he started training nine years ago. Mark won a silver medal at the Canadian National Judo Championships last year and his professional goal is to be an orthodontist; like father-like, son?

### Appointments

**Dr. Bruce Blasberg** was appointed Director of the Orofacial Pain Program in the Department of Dentistry for Vancouver General Hospital. Dr. Blasberg was previously a full-time member of the Faculty of Dentistry at UBC and chair of the Division of Oral Medicine and Pathology. He practices oral medicine privately in Vancouver and will continue his office practice as part of his professional activities.

### Media Mentions

A story in the Vancouver Sun on November 6 ran this headline: HIV-dementia breakthrough: UBC, U of Calgary researchers identify killer enzyme. The article featured Professor and Canada Research Chair in Metalloproteinase Biology **Chris Overall's** groundbreaking research.

### Births

**Curtis Wight**, 1st year DMD student, and his wife Bonny, are proud to announce the arrival of their second child, a baby sister for their two-year-old son, Kaleb. Baby Amber was born on November 1.

Clinical Associate Professor and Director of Implant Surgery **Dr. Ira Sy** and his wife Tammy are thrilled to

announce the birth of Rebecca Nicole, born on November 23, a little sister for Carissa.

On December 20, Assistant Professor **Dr. Ross Bryant**, wife Lynnette, and big brother Henry welcomed a new baby girl, Emily Janay (Jennie), into their family. She was born at 10:35 a.m.; the doctor arrived at 10:36 a.m.

### Marriages

**Rana Ghazala-Zoghbi**, DMD '02, completed her General Practice Residency in Charlotte, North Carolina in 2003, and married Eli Zoghbi on August 15. She is now practicing in High Point, North Carolina.

### In Memoriam

**Bonnie Craig's** husband, Donald Malcolm Craig (BComm '67), passed away on October 24, 2003. It is with profound sadness that the faculty acknowledges the unexpected passing of a kind and gentle man, dear husband and best friend, devoted father, caring brother, and friend to so many. Don will be greatly missed by his loving wife Bonnie, son Gavin and his wife Katrina, their extended family, and by his many special friends, colleagues and "Pender Pals". Bonnie Craig is Associate Professor and Director of the BDS program in Dental Hygiene.



Fay Patel, Curriculum and Faculty Development Manager.



Dr. Gary Derkson (right).



Dr. Rana Ghazala-Zoghbi and Eli Zoghbi.



Dr. David MacDonald.

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### Calendar

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- 3 UBC Dentistry Corporate Reception at the Pacific Dental Conference, Pan Pacific Hotel, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
- 5 UBC Dentistry Alumni Reception, Pan Pacific Hotel, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm
- 20 CDE: What's the Latest in Photography and Digital Imaging for Dentistry? James Clark\*
- 25 CDE: The Dentist and the Law: Dental Malpractice and Dental Issues in Personal Injury, Dr. Burton Goldstein, Guy Brown
- 27 - 28 CDE: Nitrous Oxide Oxygen Sedation, Dr. David Donaldson, Dr. Fred Quarnstrom, Dr. Mark Donaldson, Evan McAllister\*

#### APRIL

- 3 CDE: Achieving a Peak Performance Team, Dale Tucci

#### JUNE

- 2-16 CDE: Orthodontic Module for Certified Dental Assistants and Registered Dental Hygienists\*

\* Limited enrollment.

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This calendar is subject to change.



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## 2004 ALUMNI RECEPTION

You are invited to attend the  
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stimulating conversation!

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March 5, 2004  
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

This year the faculty will be honouring graduates of the following years with commemorative anniversary photos.

### Photos will be taken as follows:

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| 6:00 pm | DMD & BSc 2003    |
| 6:10 pm | DMD & BSc 1999    |
| 6:20 pm | DMD 1994          |
| 6:30 pm | DMD 1989          |
| 6:40 pm | DMD & DH Dip 1984 |
| 6:50 pm | DMD & DH Dip 1979 |
| 7:00 pm | DMD & DH Dip 1974 |

### Visit Our Booth

We invite you to drop by our booth at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre to see the exciting design-in-progress of the new dental clinic and integrated operator. We are also featuring some of our community development programs that serve the pediatric, geriatric and First Nations populations.

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