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Good Impressions

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Finally! Oral Health Centre Opens

Hats Off – Open House March 11, 2006

We are thrilled to invite alumni and friends to explore first hand the expansive layout and leading-edge equipment of our new Oral Health Centre.

Saturday, March 11, 2006

Noon to 3:00 pm (light lunch)

UBC Faculty of Dentistry, Oral Health Centre entrance
2151 Wesbrook Mall, Vancouver

RSVP (604) 822-7993 or email: rsvp@interchange.ubc.ca

For more information visit our website at: www.dentistry.ubc.ca

At the Oral Health Centre's opening celebration for faculty, staff and students, Dental Undergraduate Society representatives Hedy Lam, Crystal Janicki, Nick Seddon, Arek Siwoski and Jordan Noftle surround the longest-serving clinic staff, Judy Willcox, George Whitfield and Shauna Catalano. Students are now using the new clinic for simulation classes. In the fall it will be open for our real patients.

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Construction of Innovation



Constant change has become the norm in our lives. Construction of the new Oral Health Centre brings the opportunity of innovation to the doorstep of British Columbia.

We hardly get a chance to understand and adopt a new technology or system when something new arrives and makes an impact on our past practices. Different needs today require a change in activities and new technologies help us to find new ways to achieve our mission: to advance oral health through outstanding education, research and community service.

Change in dental education, dental materials and therapeutics, practice management and even patient expectations have all occurred rapidly and continue to do so. The university is the natural arena to debate new ideas, experiment and test their implementation and transfer new paradigms to new adopters from all corners of the oral health care community.

The ability of the Faculty of Dentistry to maintain education at the leading

edge will depend upon our ability to introduce new advanced programs either as accredited specialty degrees and certificates or hands-on continuing education. Here the new OHC will provide an ergonomic, electronic learning environment for simulation and patient care.

Research in new areas that will require innovation to better resolve clinical problems and deliver services more effectively will also take advantage of the electronic support for clinic information and digital images.

We can enhance community service and explore new delivery models now that the new OHC can accommodate more special needs patients and support advance features such as implants and endodontics with technology like surgical microscopes and 3D cone CT radiology.

While we bask in the novelty of new clinic space and equipment, we must grasp the opportunity that this offers as a platform for introducing innovation continuously for years to come.

Edwin Yen
Dean, Faculty of Dentistry

Graduate Dean's Night

Graduate Dean's Night was celebrated on November 17, 2005. We welcomed our sponsors, newcomers and honoured the many achievements of our graduate students.

This academic year (2005/2006) we have 35 graduate students (16 PhD, 13 MSc, and 6 combined MSc/Dip Grad Perio). In addition to the graduate students, we have 16

postdoctoral fellows, eight general practice residents, three IDP's, three oral medicine/oral pathology residents, and one pediatric resident.

Everyone enjoyed another successful Dean's Night for graduate students, with dinner, good company and a presentation by Dean Yen on the impressive new Oral Health Centre.



Everyone enjoys a night off.



Mandana Nematollahi and Joe Tonzetich Jr.

Award Winners

S. Wah Leung Scholarship
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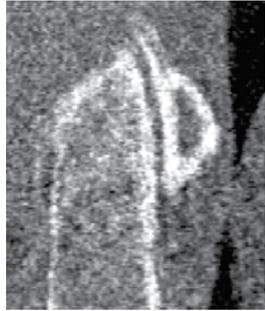
Kathleen McNulty Memorial Prize in Graduate Periodontics
Andrea Csiszar

Nobel Biocare Achievement
Andrea Csiszar

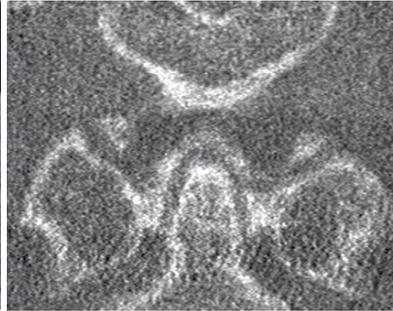
CBCT: Medicolegal Aspects



Axial section showing osteophytes arising from the arch.



Sagittal view.



A coronal CT section through the odontoid process, displaying an osteophytic 'cap' that arose from the anterior arch of the atlas (1st cervical vertebra).

By Dr. David MacDonald, Associate Professor and Division Chair, and Dr. Elaine Orpe, Clinical Assistant Professor, Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology.

Cone-beam CT (CBCT) has transformed imaging in dentistry by making it possible to achieve lower-dose high-resolution CT images taken on a unit with the foot-print similar to a standard panoramic radiographic unit.

Unfortunately CBCT, with the exception of the Accuitomo, comes with a major implication. Dental CBCT, also now marketed to otolaryngologists, covers areas outside the region of primary dental interest, such as the posterior and middle cranial fossa, orbits, middle and inner ear and the upper and middle cervical vertebrae. Although the dose for cone beam CT is much less than for spiral CT, it is significantly higher than for panoramic radiography and it is important that maximum benefit be derived from the scan to justify the radiation exposure. **This imposes a duty upon those who interpret these images to evaluate and report any pathology within the imaged region and take appropriate action.**

Having the first dental CBCT unit installed in an academic institution in Canada, we were not sure of the extent of this particular problem. Therefore, during the summer we hired Winnie Chan, a first-year dental student, to analyze patient records. Ninety-four percent of all patients were investigated

for implant placement, and the mean age was over 50 years.

Arthritic changes to the atlanto-odontoid joint were observed in 34% of 700 patients. Although these changes have been reported in the medical press, CBCT may be more likely to display them because of its resolution and field of view. Three patients were observed to have high jugular bulbs which also appear in the differential diagnosis of other significant lesions. Other findings included vascular, salivary, and lymphatic calcifications and cervical anomalies such as synostosis, hemivertebra, and arthritis of the zygapophyseal joints of the cervical vertebra. Although sinus pathology is particularly common, including mucous retention pseudocysts, mucositis, polyposis, fluid levels, and antroliths—and generally innocent—the subtle features of some of these on CBCT requires careful and expert evaluation to rule out more serious disease. Already one such lesion was diagnosed and confirmed to be a lymphoma.

Undoubtedly the dentists will require specialist assistance to evaluate these extragnathic areas fully. Such a specialist could be a local medical radiologist. The CBCT provides wonderful diagnostic advantages, but it is important to be aware of the broader results the images can provide.

This work had been supported by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Burroughs Wellcome Fund.

Patients Needed: Vancouver Implant Prosthesis (VIP) Trial

Despite great strides in the reduction of dental caries, there are close to four million Canadians without natural teeth (edentulous). Tooth loss is much more common among individuals with minimal education and low incomes. Oral implants are very successful but expensive. They are particularly helpful in the lower jaw where typically two implants are used to enhance the retention and stability of a complete denture.

Research at the UBC Faculty of Dentistry has demonstrated that patients are usually very satisfied with the outcome of prosthodontic treatment involving implants. However, only about one in a thousand individuals with tooth loss world-wide are able to benefit from oral implants.

VIP Trial

Consequently, we have focused our research on the possibility of reducing the cost of implant treatment by conducting a randomized clinical trial to test the success of one implant compared to the more conventional two implants for a lower complete denture. If successful, this treatment should have a major impact on the number of patients who will benefit from this prosthodontic treatment.

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Prof. Bonnie Craig and Tannis Morgan working on the Online Dental Hygiene Program.

Tannis Morgan, Educational Technology Course Developer

What do you do in the Faculty?

I work with Dentistry's TST (Technology Support Team) in helping faculty members look at how simple educational technologies can help their teaching, and the learning experience of the students.

Many faculty members are already using Powerpoint slides to present lectures to students, or online quizzes to evaluate student learning. I try and lead instructors to move a step or two beyond that level, suggesting how teacher/learner or learner/learner interaction can be facilitated using the WebCT tools, how the existing structure of a face-to-face-course could change with the introduction of online activities, or how media could be developed to facilitate or enhance the presentation of content in their course, through digital audio, video, images, animation, etc. I can also provide guidance in how to facilitate or manage online discussions, and how to assess online activities.

I also work closely with the curriculum team in hosting Lunch and Learn sessions that showcase innovative educational uses of different technologies.

Our faculty isn't new to you?

Through the office of Distance Education and Technology, I have been working with Prof. Bonnie Craig and the Online Dental Hygiene Program for the last three years. We are in the process of developing the last three courses in the program for September, 2006.

Why is this important?

The use of educational technologies has been criticised for adding little to teaching and learning beyond glitz and glamour. Now that the novelty has worn off educators can select technologies based on their pedagogical value and are more critical as to what the use of these technologies bring to the teaching and learning experience. For example, we now question whether students actually

learn more if lectures use Powerpoint instead of overheads or paper handouts.

How do you do it?

My role involves a collaboration with the talented people in TST and the faculty members. Since the successful use of technology requires support, TST provides an important role in providing technological and pedagogical support to faculty.

What's your background?

My background is in language education, and I'm currently doing a PhD in educational technology. Before my current position I taught ESL at UBC, at ITESM in Mexico, and at Langara College. I have always used technology in my teaching, and have taught and designed online education courses for UTEM (in Chile) and currently teach an online course on Instructional Approaches for a higher education organization in Croatia.

Anything else?

While I'm currently working with some faculty members on pilot initiatives using educational technologies, I welcome anybody who has an idea that they would like to implement, or is seeking advice on a digital tool that might help their teaching or learning. I also regularly post information and resources about technology, teaching, and learning on the TST e-learning website at <http://weblogs.elearning.ubc.ca/tst/>.

Dr. Joanne Walton and Dr. Michael MacEntee from UBC Dentistry are conducting this clinical trial with volunteers who have conventional lower complete dentures, and they hope to have results from the trial within the next six months. The research is supported with grants from the CIHR, the Implant Team International Foundation, and Straumann Canada Ltd. Several other researchers, including Dr. Ross Bryant and Dr. Ian Matthew, and their graduate students at UBC, are involved in various aspects of this research program to provide a much deeper understanding of how oral implants help patients, and how more patients can be helped at a lower cost.

Patient criteria and process

The VIP trial is accepting patients who feel that they might benefit from this treatment. Potential participants must have no natural teeth, and use both upper and lower complete dentures. At the initial screening appointment, volunteers receive a complete clinical examination of the mouth and dentures, and fill-out a questionnaire relating to satisfaction with their dentures. Those who are accepted in the trial will receive at no cost either one or two implants to support and retain their lower denture, and they will be monitored carefully for one year by the researchers.

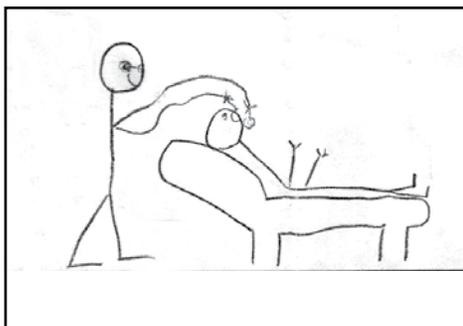
Anyone who would like to participate in the trial can make an appointment for the initial examination by contacting Tanja Majer at (604) 822-7832.

Dreams Come True



This is an excerpt of the speech that third year dental student Curtis Wight gave at the White Coat Ceremony.

I have the pleasure of addressing you as the representative of the Class of 2007. First I will discuss some history which I learned from the CDA website which I find interesting, second I will share my personal story, and third I will make some comments regarding tonight's occasion.



Top: Curtis Wight delivers his speech at the White Coat Ceremony.

Bottom: "My Future Dental Office," by Curtis Wight, age 7.

Dentistry has progressed over many years and continues to progress. We have come a long way since Canada's first blood-letting barber-surgeon during the mid-1600s and the ivory-based, cadaverically implanted dentures of the mid-1800s. Discoveries led to improvements like vulcanized rubber to replace the ivory, and nitrous oxide and ether for "painless dentistry". By the mid-1800s dentistry was being practiced by four different groups of people:

1. Physicians who preformed emergency dental treatment
2. Medical school graduates who took apprenticeship training in dentistry
3. Men who served as apprentices to dentists
4. People who advertised widely, made excessive claims and left town in a hurry.

The fourth group gave necessity to regulation and the first dental act in the world became law in Ontario.

Today we live in a world of technological advancement and preventative dentistry where aspiring dentists fight for the opportunity to empty their pockets in the hopes of educating themselves to become licensed to serve their community, reducing pain and brightening smiles.

My dream began when I was seven, when my father suggested that I be-

come a dentist and my imagination resulted in drawings of dentists and a curiosity. As years passed I explored other avenues but the yearning to become a dentist kept returning to me. I committed to the thought four years after I graduated from high school when I went to college. That was the beginning of five long years of undergrad as I clawed my way academically into interviews to show the faculty that there was a soul behind the transcript they held in their hands.

Remember the exhilaration as we discovered our acceptance into dental school? Remember our frustration as we got kicked in the teeth academically during the first two years? Remember our impatience as we longed for the day to treat real people? Today is the day where we are vested with a symbol of competence, a symbol of professionalism, a symbol of trust from the faculty and also the public. That symbol is the "white coat."

With responsibility bestowed upon us, we promise to remain humble and teachable, for the betterment of our patients. We promise to practice ethically sound judgement. We promise to be respectful to our colleagues, namely the faculty, senior clerks, each other, and let's not forget the clinic support staff. We promise to help, support and encourage one another. We promise to be examples to the younger years of this program and impart to them knowledge just as the seniors have done for us.

As we make this step today let us be proud of our accomplishment. We have all worked very hard to get here. Thank you, faculty members, for helping us to get here. Thank you to our families, friends and loved ones who have supported our efforts. May we all realize the importance of this step in our lives.

The Summer Student Practitioner Program

The UBC Faculty of Dentistry, in partnership with the CDSBC, has begun its 24th year of coordinating the Summer Student Practitioner Program (SSPP). This mutually beneficial program has connected dental practitioners in both urban and rural areas of B.C. with students who have been promoted to fourth year of the DMD program.

What's in it for dental practitioners?

Having a student participate in their practice gives dentists the opportunity to share their experiences, while dental students are able to obtain a first-hand look at the daily operation and management of a dental practice. Dentists who have participated in the program have reported many rewarding experiences, including getting a chance to see what it might be like to have an associate, clearing up a backlog and reducing the length of time a patient has to wait between bookings, and learning about the current philosophies and techniques taught at UBC.

What's in it for students?

Students gain experience under the direct supervision of a dentist, and are able to perform dental procedures at the comfort level of both the student and the dental practitioner, keeping in mind the level of professional development of the dental student and the protection of the public. Dr. Joanne Walton, Associate Dean Academic and Summer Student Practitioner Program Coordinator, notes that, "The opportunity to put dental school learning into real-world practice helps students develop by leaps and bounds – we really see a difference in their confidence and efficiency after a summer in a well-supervised practice. We also hear from our practitioner colleagues that they have learned

and benefited from their interactions with our students as well."

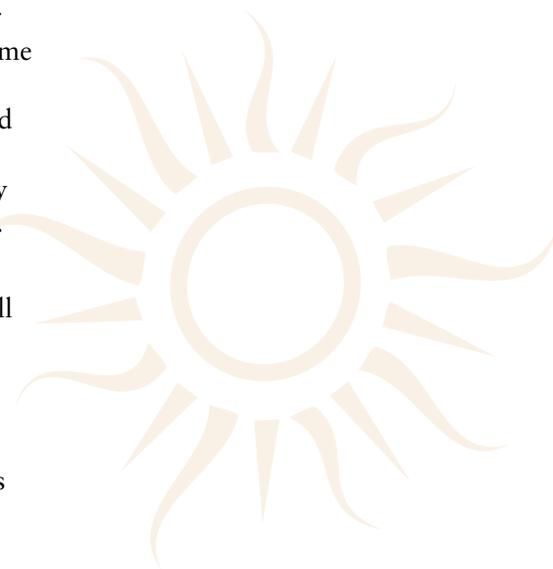
How it works

If a student is eligible to participate in the program, they obtain a temporary permit issued by the CDSBC. Dental procedures are performed under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist. Students who have participated in the program in the past have noted how helpful it was for them when practitioners, particularly in smaller communities in BC, have offered some type of accommodation as part of remuneration, but it should be noted that all practice and remuneration arrangements are negotiated directly between the student and the dentist.

As there are shortages of dentists in rural areas of the province, UBC will assist in matching incoming fourth year dental students with dentists who practice outside of the Lower Mainland, Kelowna or Greater Victoria. It is our hope that students participating in the SSPP in a rural community will gain exposure and a greater understanding of life in a

smaller community, perhaps leading them to contemplate returning to that community to practice after graduation; something they might not otherwise have considered.

For more information about the Summer Student Practitioner Program, please contact Alex Augustyn, Manager of Student Services at alexaug@interchange.ubc.ca or (604) 822-0326.



Graduate/Postgraduate Studies

Applications are invited for admission to the following programs:

General Practice Residency Program

This one-year dental residency program is offered in conjunction with university-affiliated teaching hospitals. There are 10 GPR positions including community residency positions, one geriatric residency and one pediatric residency position.

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 Oncology Community Residency

This one-year non-rotating dental residency is offered in collaboration with the BC Cancer Agency Division of Oral Oncology. The position offers clinical, educational and research training including the opportunity to participate in numerous

affiliated initiatives including Oral Oncology Clinics, Oral Mucosal Disease Program, Portland Community Clinic, BC Leukemia/Bone Marrow Transplant Program and Maxillofacial Prosthodontics Clinics. Deadline: November 1.

Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology (OMOP) 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 1.

For more information visit www.dentistry.ubc.ca or contact:

Graduate Periodontics

MSc and PhD in Dental Science

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CDE Update

By Donna Dainius, Director of CDE

Fall 2005 was busy for Continuing Dental Education and the course evaluations were extremely positive. The feedback is appreciated and very important, as this assists with future programming.

In September, the **Annual Local Anaesthesia Course for Registered Dental Hygienists** was offered for hygienists from out of the province who require the program to complete their licensure in B.C. The first part of this program was also open to hygienists who wanted a review of local anaesthesia techniques. Several of the instructors have participated in this program for years, and their dedication is appreciated. We thank the following for teaching this year: **Ruth Lunn, Dr. Doug Nann, Dr. Teri Lee Norfolk, Dr. Francis Tavares, Nancy Baily, Denise Beerwald, Penny Hatzimanolakis, Debbie McCloy, Annette Nelson, Alma Pauw, Susan Schmitz, Ellen Stradiotti-Gould, and Linda Talbot.**

The 2nd Okanagan Golf and Wine Weekend was held in conjunction with the Annual Okanagan Wine Festival in Penticton. **Dr. Lou Graham** from Chicago presented two periodontal programs. Bisco Dental Products (Canada) was a sponsor once again and we were pleased to also have Dentsply Canada, Scotiabank, and Fine Arts Dental Labs. **Mark your calendar: September 30 to October 1, 2006, when Dr. David Isen** will be our guest speaker, sponsored by Septodont of Canada.

Dr. Richard V. Tucker Symposium 2005, sponsored by International Education, attracted close to 400 registrants and 14 exhibitors. The world-class speakers were definitely appreciated by all. We are planning to offer this symposium in honor of Dr. Richard V. Tucker every two years.



Dr. Richard V. Tucker and Dr. Frank Berger (from Sechelt) at the Dr. Richard V. Tucker Symposium.

The **Thursday Evening Lecture Series for Dental Hygienists** covered a wide range of topics: residential care by **Leeann Donnelly** and **Dr. Chris Wyatt**, facial esthetics in orthodontics by **Dr. Linda Taylor**, current research on herbal medicines by **Rola Khalil-Priatel**, and endo/perio by **Dr. Lee Colfer** and **Dr. Hugh Maguire**.

Dr. Charles Slonecker presented a multi-day head and neck anatomy course in the beautiful new Life Sciences Building on campus. Participants enjoyed studying anatomy, not as dental students, but as dentists. Some of Dr. Slonecker's former students attended just to have an opportunity to study with him again!

Tim Paziuk, author of **Professional Corporations: The Secret to Success**, lectured in October. Our Annual CDA Day was led by: **Dr. Sonia Leziy** (implants), **Dr. Eli Whitney** (facial pain), **Sandy Chernoff** (communication) and **Michelle Labelle** (relaxation). **Dr. Douglas Terry** from Houston presented a very unique and passionate lecture and workshop on composite resins, sponsored by Heraeus Kulzer and Dentsply Canada.

Dr. John Svirsky an oral and maxillofacial pathologist from Richmond, Virginia offered a course

dealing with unusual cases, diagnostic challenges and providing practical clinical information for the entire dental team. His presentation style was entertaining and informative. **Dr. Jeff Coil** and **Dr. Bob Augsburger** presented the rotary nickel titanium instrument participation course, thoroughly enjoyed by all, and sponsored by Tulsa Dental Products.

The renowned **Dr. John Molinari** presented an update on scientific and clinical information on infection control, which was well attended by the entire dental team. **Dr. Fred Abeles** presented a lecture on the true cosmetic practice and the future of dentistry, sponsored by Aurum Ceramic Dental Laboratories and Ivoclar Vivadent.

Don't miss out on a hands-on course, **Cast Gold Restoration** with **Dr. Richard D. Tucker** and **Dr. Margaret Webb**, from July 10 – 14, 2006 at UBC. Call (604) 822-2627 for an information package. This is a limited enrolment course, so please register early!

To register for upcoming courses, please go to www.dentistry.ubc.ca/cde. If you have any comments or suggestions, please e-mail us at: cde@interchange.ubc.ca.

What Are They Doing Now?

By Mike Melo, DMD '03

WASHINGTON, DC – Since graduating from UBC I have kept busy as an oral and maxillofacial surgery resident at Washington Hospital Center. I'm now in my third year and will complete my training in June, 2007.

The residency has been a great experience and has allowed me to pursue both my surgical and research interests. Recently, I was invited to speak at the joint meeting of the Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons in Halifax, where I gave a talk on bisphosphonate-induced osteonecrosis of the jaws, a newly recognized and potentially devastating consequence of bisphosphonate therapy. I have also authored two papers on the topic, with a case report in JCDA (February, 2005) and a more current



Mike Melo, DMD '03, with his wife Naomi and children Jenna and Mark.

manuscript with recommendations for recognition and management in JADA (December, 2005).

I attribute much of the success I've had as a resident to the solid education I received at UBC, and I look forward to visiting the new clinic some day soon—it looks impressive from the website images. (Dr. Rucker, is it an ergonomically balanced design?)

Away from the hospital, Naomi and I try to keep up with our son Mark, age 3, and his little sister Jenna, age 1.

Now and again I think back to when I first decided to pursue dentistry. It was when I was having my wisdom teeth pulled under I.V. sedation in the JBM clinic. I was so comfortable with the procedure and impressed by the professionalism of the students that I wanted to learn more about dentistry – just how much sedation did they give me? I later went on to be a patient in the ortho clinic and I am grateful to Cia Harms, who always seemed to provide encouragement when I'd ask about applying to dental school. By the time I applied I was nearly done with my ortho treatment and convinced I would find a career in dentistry very rewarding.

I look forward to returning to BC and hope to catch up with many of you.

Faculty Supports Kidsmiles

The recent campaign to increase awareness about the worrisome issue of early childhood tooth decay in our province is the result of the determined efforts of the B.C. Dental Association with funding from the provincial Ministry of Health. You may have seen the prime-time TV commercials that pose the question: “think sucking on a bottle of milk is any better?” juxtaposed with a happy baby sucking on a lollipop in his crib.

Other components of the awareness program have included workshops for those who influence parents and caregivers of young children, tip sheets, pamphlets, advertorials, seminars for dentists and dental assistants, development of an online CE course about early childhood tooth decay, and newsletter articles. Several full-time and part-time UBC faculty members have been closely involved in the development and implementation of various aspects of the campaign: Rosamund Harrison, Teri-Lee Norfolk, Pam Glassby, Alan Milnes, Reza Nouri, Peter Chan, and Carl Cramer. Their efforts to improve the oral health of children in our communities have been in partnership with staff from the BCDA.

For more information about the continuing awareness campaign, take a look at www.kidsmiles.ca.



Powerful image from the Kidsmiles campaign.



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Annual Alumni Reception at the Pacific Dental Conference

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, wine and conversation
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Friday, March 10, 2006
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

No RSVP Required

We will be honouring graduates of the following
years with commemorative anniversary photos:

6:00 pm	DMD & BDS Sc 2005
6:10 pm	DMD & BDS Sc 2001
6:20 pm	DMD 1996 & BDS Sc 1996
6:30 pm	DMD 1991
6:40 pm	DMD & DH Dip 1986
6:50 pm	DMD & DH Dip 1981
7:00 pm	DMD & DH Dip 1976
7:10 pm	DMD & DH Dip 1971

Visit Our Booth

When you are at the Pacific Dental Conference,
please drop by our booth. Come and pick up
your alumni sticker!



Adopt an Op

With the opening of the new Oral Health Centre comes an opportunity for alumni to participate in a Class Challenge to name an open operatory in the new clinic. Currently, 19 of the 37 DMD classes are participating in the challenge. A celebration gala for all donors to the Oral Health Centre is planned for March and class plaques will be unveiled. If you have not heard from your class leader and would like more information on how to be part of this historic project, please contact Jane Merling, Development Coordinator at merling@interchange.ubc.ca or (604) 822-5886.



Dental students try out the new equipment in the Oral Health Centre.

Calling Graduates of the Class of 1981

DMD and Hygiene Diploma graduates of 1981,
this year marks your 25th anniversary!

Do you think back to the “good old days” and
wonder what your classmates are up to? Having a
class reunion gives you an opportunity to reacquaint

yourself with your classmates and expand your
professional network. Dentistry’s Alumni Services
is here to support you in organizing your reunion.
If you would like to learn more about how we can
support your reunion, please contact dentalum@interchange.ubc.ca or (604) 822-6751.

Class of 1980 Silver Anniversary

Congratulations to the DMD class of 1980 on the occasion of their 25th Anniversary which was celebrated on Saturday, October 29, 2005 at Brock House. Special thank you goes to Ingrid Emanuels and Nancy Scott for all their assistance to ensure such a successful and well attended class reunion. The class is campaigning to name an open operatory in the new Oral Health Centre as part of a class challenge.



1-Brian Henry, 2-Nancy Scott, 3-Bruce Senini, 4-Mark Antosz, 5-Bill Lea, 6-Jim McDonald, 7-Richard Chan, 8-John Webb, 9-Alex McLean, 10-Pat Manders, 11-Ken Leung, 12-David Baird, 13-Allan Hovan, 14-Anne Yen, 15-Cathy McGregor, 16-Ingrid Emanuels, 17-Lorraine Machell, 18-Klaus Jennerman, 19-Mike Drance, 20-Gavin Chu, 21-Andy Jordan-Knox, 22-Rosalina Liu, 23-Kevin Doyle, 24-Jeff Davis, 25-Cheuk Cheung, 26-Gary Chilbeck, 27-Stewart Rohrer
Missing: George Au-Yeung, Alex Chan, Peter Chu, Stephen Hardy, Linda Heppenstall, Nick Konopada, Ted Laver

Spring 2006

Welcome



Tannis Morgan joined Dentistry as an Educational Technology Course Developer. She divides her time between Dentistry and the Office of Learning Technologies-Distance

Education and is working closely with Prof. Bonnie Craig to develop the Online Dental Hygiene Program. She's an avid ultimate frisbee player in the Vancouver Ultimate League. Please read more about Tannis' work on page 5.



Alex Augustyn is our new Manager of Student Services. She's been working at UBC in Career Services and was the coordinator of the Tri-Mentoring Program.



Achievements

Dr. Philip H. Lim, DMD '79, became a fellow of the International Congress of Oral Implantologists in Chicago after satisfactorily fulfilling requirements in

surgical implant placement and implant prosthodontics.

Dr. Catherine Poh became a diplomat of the American Board of Oral Maxillofacial Pathology in October 2005. She is now one of 12 oral pathologists who are dually qualified in both Canada and U.S.



Dr. Hannu Larjava's research group received highly competitive grant funding from NIH (\$1.5M) to study molecular mechanisms of periodontal disease caused by kindlin-1 mutations. His group also received funding from CIHR to continue their studies on integrins and wound healing.

Dr. David MacDonald, Chair of the Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, became the representative for the Canadian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology to the International Association of OMF Radiology.

Dr. Elaine Orpe, from the Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, earned an MSc (Dentistry) with a special interest in oral radiology from UBC. Her supervisors were Prof. Emeritus Dr. Colin Price and Dr. David MacDonald. Her thesis was on stent markers for implant tomography.

Marriages

Mona Sotelecan, DMD '02 and Ray Makortoff were married in Cuba on December 2, 2005. From the Class of 2002, Michelle Tao (below left) and Lila Nabi (below right) celebrated Mona's wedding. Mona is in private practice in Castlegar.



Births

Fourth year BDS student **Amanda Forrest** and fourth year DMD student **George Forrest** proudly announce the arrival of Carter William Forrest, born on November 24 to two very busy parents!



Correction

In the fall 2005 issue, we wrote that Marilyn Blondahl was from the DMD '05 class when in fact she's a BDS student '05 graduate.

Join Us

MARCH

- 2 CDE: Therapeutic Use of Antimicrobials, Marilyn Goulding. Sponsor: The National Board on Gingivitis and Pfizer Canada
- 8 Oral Health Centre Opening Gala Celebration (by invitation only)
- 9 - 10 Visit UBC Dentistry's booth at the Pacific Dental Conference
- 10 UBC Dentistry Alumni Reception at the Pacific Dental Conference
- 11 Open House at the new UBC Dentistry Oral Health Centre from Noon to 3:00 PM
- 31- April 2 CDE: Nitrous Oxide and Oral Sedation, Dr. David Donaldson, Dr. Mark Donaldson and Dr. Fred Quarnstrom*

APRIL

- 1 - 2 CDE: Posterior Tooth Coloured Restorations, Dr. Michael Racich*
Sponsor: Dentsply Canada
- 8 CDE: Substance Abusing Dental Patients, Dr. Lisa Adriance and Dr. Marie Sweeney
CDE: What Dental Professionals Need to Know About Allergies, Dr. Amin Kanani

JUNE

- 6 Part-Time Faculty Recognition Dinner

JULY

- 10 - 14 Cast Gold Restoration, Dr. Richard D. Tucker and Dr. Margaret Webb*

SEPTEMBER

- 12 UBC Dentistry Undergraduate Dean's Night
- 30 - Oct 1 CDE: 3rd Annual Okanagan Gold and Wine Weekend, Dr. David Isen
Sponsor: Septodont of Canada Inc.

To register for UBC Dentistry CDE courses, call (604) 822-2627 or visit www.dentistry.ubc.ca.

- * Limited Enrolment
This calendar is subject to change.



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