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Royal College Welcomes New Registrar

COLLEGE ALUMNUS TAPPED FOR PRESTIGIOUS POST

SPECIAL TO THE ALUMNI – FACULTY BULLETIN
FROM THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS OF CANADA

The executive council is delighted to announce the appointment of Dr. Keith Morley (69) as Registrar of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada, effective Wednesday, April 1, 2015.

The membership continues to grow, along with the solid reputation of the College in the professional and regulatory community. As we continue to evolve, the skills of the Registrar will be critical in navigating the College through a rapidly changing political, professional and regulatory environment that will require proactive and strategic stakeholder engagement to foster constructive dialogues.

Dr. Morley (Pictured Above, Right) brings the experience and expertise to meet these challenges through a proven record of operational leadership, strategy development, financial and relationship management.

He is a graduate of the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Manitoba, and completed his pediatric dental residency at the University of Toronto and Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto.

In addition, Dr. Morley recently completed the 18-month Executive Masters of Business Administration program at the Kellogg Schulich and Kellogg Northwestern Schools of Management in Toronto and Chicago, respectively. He obtained his joint MBA degree from these institutions in December, 2013.

Dr. Morley has authored a distinguished career, initially with the Canadian Armed Forces Dental Services, from which he was honourably discharged with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and more recently in private practice in pediatric dentistry.

He has held progressively senior leadership positions within organized dentistry in Canada and the United States, culminating with being the only Canadian to have served as President of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

He also has been active in health care with appointments as Chief of Dentistry and Deputy Chief of Surgery at the Royal Victoria Hospital Regional Health Centre in Barrie, Ontario.

In addition, Keith has been an active Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada holding the following positions: Examiner, Pediatric Dentistry (1987-1993), Chief Examiner, Pediatric Dentistry (1994-1999), and elected Council member, Pediatric Dentistry (2002-2004).

Dr. Morley’s solid experience comes with a strong belief in the role of regulatory bodies to serve and protect the public interest.

Given his enthusiasm for the College, he is eager to begin collaborating with the Council, staff and members with a view to delivering results which promote the high standards of practice of the recognized dental specialties. This includes examining qualified candidates for admission to Fellowship, and working with stakeholders to establish standards for dental specialty education, practice and certification.

Over the coming weeks, he will begin to reach out to introduce himself and will take advantage of various opportunities to meet with and learn more about College members.

As the College moves forward with a new Registrar, a special thank you must be expressed to Garnet Packota who has been our Acting Registrar and, as always, has demonstrated his unwavering commitment to professional excellence and to the College.

The executive leadership of the College is embarking upon a very exciting new phase of strategic growth and development.

Given Keith’s past leadership experience, the executive believes there is a great deal that we will be able to accomplish together to ensure our members and the public are well-served.

Please join us and the Council in extending your full support and a very warm College welcome to Dr. Keith Morley.
Big Picture Vision Earns Honour

FOCUS ON FUTURE OF THE PROFESSION EARN ACCOLADES FOR 2015 ALUMNI OF DISTINCTION

A firm focus on the future of the profession has earned a member of the College of Dentistry’s Class of 1977 one of the highest honours in Manitoba oral health. Dr. Melanie Wood has been named the 2015 recipient of the Alumni of Distinction honour. The announcement was confirmed in late May by the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association (UMDAA), who present the award in conjunction with the college at the university.

“Dr. Wood has had a long and very active career in many different aspects of our profession and has earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues in the process,” said Dr. Danielle Jobb, president of the UMDAA. “I am also very excited as she becomes the first female to be honoured with this prestigious award.”

Over the course of a career that has spanned well over four decades, Dr. Wood has been extensively involved in many different aspects of the profession, including education and administration. For almost the entire length of her 37-year career, Dr. Wood served as a part-time instructor at the College of Dentistry, where she had a pronounced influence on many future practitioners.

Dr. Wood joined the faculty shortly after graduating with honours as a member of the Class of 1970, the only female in the class. At the time, she also earned the John W. Clay Gold Medal (Western Canada Dental Society) awarded to the student with the highest cumulative Grade Point Average over the course of the four years of the dental program.

Also in education, Dr. Wood maintained extensive involvement with the National Dental Examining Board of Canada. The NDEB is the governing body for the national standard of competence for general practitioners in Canada. Since signing on with the NDEB in 1994, Dr. Wood now serves as Chief Examiner for the assessment of clinical skills. From 2001 - 2008, Dr. Wood served as the NDEB representative to the Canadian Commission on Accreditation, ensuring standards are consistently met by dental schools in Canada and the United States.

Dr. Wood holds memberships in no fewer than nine professional organizations including the International College of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy and the American College of Dentists, a rarity among Canadian practitioners.

Closer to home, Dr. Wood has also been extensively involved in the development and administration of the profession in Manitoba. This includes a one-year term as president of the Winnipeg Dental Society, after spending seven years as a member of the group’s board of directors.

Dr. Wood has also held many posts within the framework of the Manitoba Dental Association, the membership services and regulatory body in the province. With the Xi Psi Phi Dental Fraternity Alumni, Dr. Wood spent four years on the board of directors and later served as president in 1981.

Outside of the profession, Dr. Wood has served in a volunteer capacity for many different groups and organizations including the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Manitoba and the Manitoba Naturalists Society.

With the announcement of the honour, Dr. Wood also earns the unique distinction of becoming the first female recipient of the award in its 17-year history, as noted by Dr. Jobb.

Dr. Wood will be presented with the honour at the annual Alumni of Distinction Awards Evening, slated for October 2, at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg.
A partir de la Belle Provence: From the beautiful province of Quebec, faculty members of the Department of Preventive Dental Science attended the annual session of the Canadian Orthodontics Association. Joining Drs. Fabio Pinheiro, William Wiltshire and Robert Drummond (pictured left) was program resident Dr. Marc Aucoin who also presented at the event.

Through the years, alumni and faculty at the University of Manitoba’s College of Dentistry have established a history of traversing the globe to share their knowledge and expertise with cohorts and colleagues, wherever they may be.

Over the past number of months, Dr. William Wiltshire has truly put that reputation to the test. The long-standing head of orthodontics at the college recently wrapped up an extended tour appearing at various professional events, where he took part in delivering lectures and visiting alumni while also taking on active roles in governance of the oral health specialty. Stops included Halifax, NS, Montreal, PQ, Boston, MA and New Orleans, LA, where he was named president of the Society of Orthodontic Educators (SOE).

The SOE is affiliated to the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) and consists of both full-time and part-time orthodontic academics in the USA and Canada. The 180 SOE members who attended the meeting discussed issues such as accreditation standards, the MATCH program in resident selection and the number of cases residents should be expected to treat, among many other related topics.

In Boston, Dr. Wiltshire was part of the sizable University of Manitoba delegation that appeared for the American Dental Education Association’s annual meeting.

Closer to home, Dr. Wiltshire along with academic colleagues Drs. Fabio Pinheiro and Robert Drummond appeared at the Canadian Orthodontics Association’s annual meeting held this past fall in Montreal, PQ. The delegation also included Dr. Marc Aucoin, a third-year orthodontic resident, who proudly represented the University of Manitoba in presenting his research. The meeting featured presentations from residents of each of the six orthodontic programs in Canada.

Around the same time as the Montreal event, the orthodontics program director took time to visit colleagues and alumni at Dalhousie University in Halifax, NS where he delivered a continuing education course (see accompanying article, right).

Spreading the Word

College Department Head Tapped to Lead International Body During Travels in Support of Profession

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Catching Up with Alumni

 Former Residents Now at Home Out East

At Dalhousie University in Halifax, Dr. William ‘Billy’ Wiltshire provided a full continuing education orthodontics course this past autumn. While in town, the director of Graduate Orthodontics took the opportunity to catch up with some program alumni.

Getting together were (pictured, from left) Dr. Catherine McCleod (Class of 2010), Dr. Kathy Russell (Professor and Head of Orthodontics Dalhousie University), Dr. Billy Wiltshire (Professor and Head of Orthodontics, University of Manitoba), Dr. Magda Barnard (Class of 2008) and Mr. Todd Barnard, Magda’s husband.

Dr. McCleod competed a two-year stint working as an orthodontist in Sydney, Australia and has returned to Canada to settle in Bridgewater, NS where she recently bought a practice.

Dr. Barnard returned to Halifax following graduation and also purchased a practice. Not only that, Dr. Barnard has added two children to the family since graduation, including a new infant born only four weeks prior to this photo being taken! Congratulations to the family and best wishes to all alumni.
Funds Raised, Friends Made

WISH CLINIC THE BIG WINNER IN SECOND ANNUAL BANNATYNE CAMPUS CHARITY TOURNAMENT

Images courtesy of photographer Cleve Kim.

Does it get any more Canadian than this? Students throughout the Bannatyne Campus at the University of Manitoba banded together to take part in an intercollegiate charity event that involved three quintessentially Canadian things: a hockey tournament, a social evening and support for a noble community cause.

The second annual Banny Bowl hockey tournament scored a hat-trick this past February as students from throughout the Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) came together through our national passion, followed by the obligatory social, in support of the Winnipeg Interprofessional Student-Run Health (WISH) Clinic.

“We won the final game, but more importantly, we also raised $4,213 for the Wish Clinic!” said dental student Trent Lamarande, a member of the Banny Boys team (although side-lined due to injury) and one of the main driving forces behind the 2015 edition of the event. “Aside from the trophy, I’d say one of the highlights that gets overlooked is that this is the only event for which all the students at Bannatyne Campus come together. It’s a chance to get to meet the people you see on campus every day, but not necessarily talk to. This was one of the main goals the founder of the tournament (Todd Honcharik) had in mind.”

Last year, while in his senior year at the College of Dentistry, Dr. Honcharik came up with an idea to bring students from the colleges of medicine, dentistry, and pharmacy, and the School of Medical Rehabilitation together for a day of sports and community building.

And, as any good Manitoban knows, a social is pretty much mandatory after a hockey tournament, especially one that raises funds for a good cause.

In this case, it was the student-run health centre located at the Mount Carmel Clinic in Winnipeg’s Point Douglas district. Established by FHS students several years ago, WISH is Manitoba’s first interprofessional clinic dedicated to addressing the health and social needs of the inner-city community while facilitating an inter-professional learning environment for students.

“We sold out the social with 550 tickets and I think we had between 100 - 200 people at the game,” pharmacy student and co-organizer Alanna Doell reported. “We were very happy with the support for the event and I’m confident it will only grow in the years to come!”

The tournament itself was more of a mini-series that consisted of two games that pit a team of medical students against a combined team of students from pharmacy, medical rehabilitation and dentistry. The first of the two was a non-competitive, fun game; the second was for the Banny Bowl itself and (presumably) bragging rights for the next year.

The boisterous crowd at Wayne Fleming Arena carried signs and carried on all afternoon throughout the Max Bell Centre, setting the tone for the evening social at District Stop. Rumour has it that the final score of the championship game was 6 – 1, but that has yet to be confirmed as no one seemed too concerned about the outcome. What mattered most was the funds raised and the friends made.

“Next year, I expect to be heavily involved again,” Trent said, “because it was a LOT of fun!”
When it comes to plying the trade, College of Dentistry graduates have been known to traverse the globe in pursuit of practice and service opportunities. So it really shouldn’t come as any surprise to learn of those who have set up shop thousands of kilometres removed from the hallowed halls of 780 Bannatyne.

Such is the case for a pair of practitioners - Drs. Rhonda Switzer-Nadasdi and Arthur Anderson - who found their way down to Nashville, Tennessee, to establish successful careers in the Land of Dixie. Although the two took distinctly separate paths, both have become solidly entrenched in the community fabric of one of the largest cities in the southern US.

A native of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, Drs. Switzer-Nadasdi graduated in 1991 and has since moved to Music City where she oversees a pair of area dental care centres, including the Interfaith Dental Clinic (pictured above), targeting working poor families and the elderly.

In the late 1980’s, Dr. Anderson left his Kentucky home and came north to the University of Manitoba where he earned his Certificate of Orthodontics and Master of Science degree. In 1991, he set up practice in Nashville and has since added a second practice office in nearby Brentwood, TN.

And, wherever alumni go, you can be sure a visit from the Dean of Dentistry may not be far behind. Thanks to a fortuitous travel schedule, Dr. Anthony Iacopino (pictured above, inset with Dr. Switzer-Nadasdi) found himself in Nashville this past winter where he was warmly received by the two practitioners. The visits are part of the Dean’s Office Series, Dr. Iacopino’s pledge to visit as many alumni as possible during his tenure - wherever they may be. Since launching the series in 2008, the Dean has paid visits to more than 400 practitioners all over Canada and the United States. A visit to your office practice is only a phone call or email away.

Anyone interested in joining the series and receiving a personal visit from the Dean is invited to contact the College of Dentistry at 204.789.3631 or via email at dent_events@umanitoba.ca.
Professional events are always an important part of any academic’s annual schedule. So it’s no surprise that when invited to appear at a major conference or symposium, post-graduate residents often jump at the chance to participate.

Such was the case for a trio from the College of Dentistry’s Graduate Periodontics program. Drs. Maria Castro, Omonkhele ‘Trudy’ Nwachukwu and Nader Hamdan (pictured above, l-r, with program director Dr. Anastasia Cholakis, second from left) who were invited to present posters at the American Academy of Periodontology’s annual meeting last autumn. All three gladly accepted the invitation.

“My poster was: Microsurgical double papilla technique with vertically positioned connective tissue: A case report,” Dr. Castro said. “The authors were myself and Dr. Cholakis. I think it was received with great acceptance. We had a lot of good comments from many attendees. Overall I think the event was a great success.”

Dr. Nwachukwu went one better and presented a pair of posters: Successful surgical rehabilitation of a periodontically compromised dentition: A case report; and Management of peri-implantitis with a combined regenerative and soft tissue grafting approach: A case report.

The presentations apparently drew many questions and inquiries from periodontists attending, adding to the value the resident received from attending the sessions as both cases reportedly had very good outcomes from the surgeries.

“I found the AAP meeting very helpful. It was my first time attending the event,” Dr. Nwachukwu said. “There were lectures from well-respected clinicians and there was even a session for students specifically for board exam preparations. I learnt a lot and it was great connecting with periodontics residents and periodontists from all over North America.”

Dr. Hamdan presented: Surgical and antimicrobial management of marginal peri-implantitis: A 18-year follow-up case report.

The September meeting in San Francisco was also the 100th anniversary of the AAP, so organizers turned things up a bit with some extra programming. A number of sessions pertinent to the dental media and industry highlighted advancements in the specialty, including hotbed topics such as the perio-systemic link, tissue engineering and periodontal regeneration, and the dental industry’s impact on the overall health-care system.

“The specialty of periodontology has come a long way over the past 100 years,” said Dr. Stuart Froum, AAP president. “As trailblazers in research and technology, periodontists are committed to saving people’s teeth and, in turn, improving the overall health of patients. Our specialty is ever evolving.”

Dr. Froum noted that the past 100 years have brought a number of advancements in periodontal research and practice, including the introduction of dental implants, exploration of the relationship linking periodontal disease and systemic disease, the ability to regenerate tissue lost to periodontal disease, and a focus on a team approach to patient care.

**Kids Got Game!**

**College of Dentistry Side Fares Well at Intramurals**

The College of Dentistry indoor soccer team has been kicking up some dust during intramural play for the past two seasons. The co-ed side earned two second place finishes among teams from the Bannatyne Campus during the fall 2014 and winter 2015 seasons. The league included sides from medicine, pharmacy and physiotherapy.

The team members pictured here are (back, l-r) Jason Chan, Andrew Benga, Hussein Al-Mufti, Meghan McKee, Deokhyun Sung, Dohyun Sun, (front, l-r) Philipp Unruh, Angela Chen, Kari Hermann, Josh Kim, Zhendan Pan and keeper Roberto Gallardo.
On Saturday, April 25, a free oral cancer screening event was held in the Polo Park community booth. The presenting sponsor was Sirius Benefit Plans. The collaboration between the Manitoba Dental Association and the Never Alone Foundation was initiated two years ago for Oral Cancer Awareness Month. The MDA contacted and sourced the following suppliers: Henry Schein, Sinclair Dental, Central Dental Solutions and Central Displays. These suppliers provided the equipment and supplies necessary to facilitate the screening event (gloves, masks, disposable mirrors, dental chairs, etc). Patients provided feedback that the atmosphere felt like a dental clinic.

The oral cancer screening event was also made possible through the support of Polo Park and Cadillac Fairview. Dr. Igor Pesun made arrangements with the American College of Prosthodontists to show a video entitled, “Cancer Care and the Role of a Prosthodontist.” This event also coincided with National Prosthodontists Awareness week held every April.

Many volunteers from the Never Alone Foundation, as well as Blue Bomber alumni, joined in to make the event a success. The volunteers worked to register patients, triage patients, set up the operatories, and were very capable with assisting with disinfecting the operatories between patients. After the oral cancer screening, patients were provided with dental oral hygiene samples. Over the two years, 180 patients were seen. Of those, 21 patients were referred for follow-up examinations and several patients had biopsies performed.

Blue Bomber alumnus and former Canadian Football League executive Lyle Bauer, following his successful treatment for head and neck cancer, started the Never Alone Foundation in 2005. Lyle’s experience with the disease and the support he received from friends, family, and cancer service-providers inspire him to help other cancer patients and to let them know that they are Never Alone.

The Never Alone Foundation is a national registered charity committed to improving the lives of people affected by cancer. Over $1—million has been raised in support of many worthwhile agencies, projects and programs, including refurbishment of palliative care

Teamwork: Dr. Cecilia Dong and Dr. Igor Pesun along with former Canadian Football League executive and Winnipeg Blue Bomber Lyle Bauer join together in support of Oral Cancer Awareness Month this past April.
Volunteers Aplenty

From 10 am to 4 pm, on April 25, three dental chairs were available for dentists to carry out oral cancer screenings. The MDA had no trouble recruiting dentists to volunteer for one-hour shifts. The vast majority of those donating their time to this very worthy cause were also alumni of the College of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba. Special thanks go out to the following dentists and dental specialists representing orthodontics, periodontics, and prosthodontics:

- Dr. Jerry Abells (88)
- Dr. Nancy Auyeung (92)
- Dr. Jerry Baluta (87)
- Dr. Tom Colina (89)
- Dr. Roland DeBrouwere (85)
- Dr. Cecilia Dong (96)
- Dr. Frank Hechter (71)
- Dr. Gary Hyman (70)
- Dr. Sara Keating (13)
- Dr. Kira Kjear (14)
- Dr. Scott Leckie (90)
- Dr. Nita Mazurat (University of Alberta)
- Dr. Olva Odlum (London, UK)
- Dr. Igor Pesun (87)
- Dr. Karen Rosolowski (13)
- Dr. Carmine Scarpino (81)
- Dr. Mike Sullivan (83)

April is Oral Cancer Awareness Month

According to the Canadian Cancer Society, it is estimated that in 2014:
- 4,300 Canadians will be diagnosed with oral cavity cancer.
- 1,150 Canadians will die from oral cavity cancer.
- 2,900 men will be diagnosed with oral cavity cancer.
- 780 will die from it.
- 1,400 women will be diagnosed with oral cavity cancer.
- 380 will die from it.

Doing what needs to be done: Dr. Igor Pesun (left) and Dr. Roland DeBrouwere perform oral cancer screening tests at an open public event this past spring at Polo Park Shopping Centre as part of Oral Cancer Awareness Month.
Students Embrace Opportunity to Help

WORKING WITH CANU TO SHOW LOCAL KIDS ANOTHER WAY

Daniel is a Grade 7 student at Acadia School. He recently decided he wants to be a doctor when he grows up. He did try his hand at dentistry, even filled a cavity; and pharmacy, where he learned how to make sunscreen and label bottles, but ultimately he is most interested in studying medicine.

The 12-year-old is one of 44 kids who participated in a 14-week after school pilot project called CanU Reach, held weekly at the Bannatyne Campus. The Faculty of Health Sciences’ student-led initiative is an offshoot of the CanU program which runs out of the U of M’s Fort Garry Campus.

“It’s very good,” says Daniel, when asked what he thought of the program. “Last year I went to Dalhousie and some kids went through the program and I wanted to go too. I think this is really nice for me.”

The hands-on, interprofessional workshops were designed and facilitated by medical, dentistry, occupational therapy, and pharmacy students; over 100 Faculty of Health Sciences students volunteered throughout the 14 weeks. This included a healthy complement from the College of Dentistry and the School of Dental Hygiene.

“It’s been great,” second-year student Chris Ward said of the support from his classmates. “We approached the first-year dental class and it worked out really well because they have Thursday afternoons off. We asked them for an hour of their time and they were all in. Second-year dental students as well, they are in the lab till about five pm. So, as soon as we are out of the lab we can come and help out. Everyone here has been really great.”

During the session, Chris encouraged the kids to be proud of what they’ve learned; reminding them of the four different skills they covered during the dentistry sessions: mirroring and indirect vision; making impressions; polishing; and filling teeth.

“A lot of us students have long days and the opportunity to come and hang out with (the kids) after those long days was an opportunity to refresh and it’s because they showed such intent to learn and to be there,” he said.

CanU Reach is the result of a series of coincidences, says Roger Berrington, executive director for CanU. At the program windup party, the University of Manitoba alumnus recalled a conversation he had with Fatima, a Grade 6 student who wondered what she would do the following year as CanU is only offered to Grades 5 and 6.

“Fatima came up to me last year...she said ‘Roger, is there a CanU program for grade seven kids?’ It got me thinking, ‘Yeah, we need to get something going for the Grade 7 children,’” Berrington told the crowd of students and volunteers, adding: “You all owe Fatima an expression of gratitude.”

Students at the dental college and hygiene school have supported the work of CanU pretty much since the outreach group began staging events at the Bannatyne Campus a few years ago, because they understand the challenges faced by the kids and their families.

“Studies have shown that the main barrier to post-secondary education in Canada isn’t always finances; it’s having a parent who had experience with higher education,” Chris noted. “So if one of your parents went, chances are you are going to go post-secondary education too. So this program bridges this for the kids who didn’t have a parent who went to university. This shows them. It removes that barrier.”

Helping Hands: Dental Hygiene II students (top, from left) Kali Parry, and Bridget Major demonstrate the importance of keeping hands clean.

All Together Now: Volunteers show off the visual displays created for the program (bottom pic, back row, l - r) Kari Braun DH2, Candice Froese DH2, Erin Roloff D2, Trent Lamirande D1, Jihyun Han D1, Randy Mutchmor D1, Elizabeth Keeper D1, Julie Oryniak D1, Justin Silverstein D3, Angela Chen D2, Chris Ward D2 (front, l - r) Bridget Major D2, Carlin To D1, Dr. Rodrigo Franca (supervisor), Jennifer Bruinooge DH2, and Chantal Bryant DH2.
BRINGING HOME THE HARDWARE

COLLEGE ACCEPTS FIRST GIES AWARD AT PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORAL HEALTH EVENT

It could well stand as one of the crowning achievements in the history of oral health education in the Province of Manitoba. On March 9, the University of Manitoba’s College of Dentistry was presented with the 2015 Gies Award for Outstanding Innovation by an Academic Dental Institution.

The award was presented as part of the William J. Gies Awards evening held in conjunction with the American Dental Education Association’s (ADEA) 2015 annual session and exhibition in Boston, MA.

“The Gies Award makes this year really special for us,” said Dr. Anthony Iacopino, Dean of Dentistry. “When we started out eight years ago, we made a commitment to innovations in dental education, to ADEA as an organization and to our alumni and colleagues who attend each year, to pursue improvement and progress in dental education.”

Announced this past autumn, the College received the honour for its new curriculum project: Oral-Systemic Health Education for Non-Dental Healthcare Providers. The project was first conceived, developed and launched by the International Centre for Oral-Systemic Health (ICOSH), an affiliate arm of the College of Dentistry. As the name implies, the curriculum targets non-dental health-care personnel in the teaching of basic oral health care, such as how to screen for, recognize, and co-manage diseases and conditions of the oral cavity.

It was a project that was over six years in the making. Ironically, however, the subject matter embraced a theme addressed by the famed Dr. Gies almost a century ago. In 1926, the renowned biochemist and academic at Columbia University noted that dental faculties should show the need in medical schools for integrated instruction in the general principles of clinical dentistry and its correlations with clinical medicine. The notation was contained in the Gies Report on Dental Education in the United States and Canada, published that year. This now-landmark report stressed the importance of dentistry as a healing science and an essential component of higher education in the health professions.

In a commemorative video shown in advance of the presentation, the ADEA Foundation lauded the efforts of the University of Manitoba team in fulfilling this aspect of Dr. Gies’ vision.

“Today, the University of Manitoba has followed Dr. Gies’ petition and has stepped up as a leader in health sciences education with the launch of an innovative curriculum created by dental experts,” the narrator explained to the packed house that filled the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Boston Hotel.

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As most in oral health academia are likely aware, the Gies Award is among the highest honours an individual or school can achieve. So being named as a member of this elite order has to be considered a rare and significant occurrence in and of itself.

The Gies Awards, named after education pioneer William J. Gies, PhD, debuted in 2008 to honour individuals and organizations that exemplify the highest standards in oral health and dental education, research and leadership.

This past spring, the University of Manitoba’s College of Dentistry entered the oral health educational elite earning the honour for Outstanding Innovation by an Academic Dental Institution. On top of the award itself, the college can now claim to be the first in Canada to win this particular Gies Award and only the second in the entire nation to earn such an honour.

It also galvanizes another of the Nine Pillars of Excellence, the strategic plan launched in 2008, designed to bring the institution to the elite level in the dental education realm.

These many achievements were formally marked at the ADEA annual session and exhibition this past March in Boston. While at the conference, the Dean of the College of Dentistry noted the accolades the college receives are ones that must be shared amongst all stakeholders of the institution.

“We probably have, by percentage, the largest attendance of faculty and staff at this meeting every year because we have made a commitment to this organization and to dental education,” Dr. Anthony Iacopino said. “This is very important to our institution, our alumni and our colleagues. So all of these people, in one way or another, have been instrumental in all of these accomplishments.”
THE FEW, THE EXHAUSTED . . . THE ALUMNI

Submitted by Chris ‘Psy’ Cottick

It turned out to be a most auspicious occasion. Saturday, March 28, marked the decisive game of this year’s Alumni–Student Hockey Challenge, held at St James Civic Centre. After tying the series at one win each this past January, the alumni were hoping to snatch the championship cup back from the students.

Shortly after the series-tying game, the wily veteran management team of the students, Jeff Bassey and Shawn Corbett, assured alumni management that they would book the third and decisive game in fairly short order to resolve the 2015 edition of this classic series.

As days dragged to weeks, and board exams got in the way, it turned out to be quite a length of time and anticipation. After almost writing the students off as too afraid of the ultimate rematch, the alumni were finally notified of the March 28 puck drop. Sadly, the date of the game came a scant eight days before the start of primary school spring break and recreation league playoffs for the heavily family and hockey-oriented alumni squad.

Well, never ones to be shy of mere dental student antics, the alumni accepted, trusting the depth of their talent pool would carry them through once again.

However, between league playoffs and spring break (along with some mysterious gastrointestinal ailments), the alumni hit the ice in this deciding contest minus the core of their team. Missing in action at game time included clutch goal scorers like Brian ‘Mad Dog’ Maddaford, Stephan ‘The Slavic Rocket’ Kosowski, Murad ‘Zoom Zoom’ Zaman, Jared ‘Bend This Wire’ Rykiss and Kurt ‘Draw to the Button’ Scherle.

Despite the light bench, alumni hopes were brightened by the return of Chris ‘The Flash’ Donald from a two-year absence.

Round up the side was a bench full of regulars like Jordan ‘Whirling Top’ Pang, Brett ‘The fore-checking Machine’ Luschinski, Jon ‘Quiver full of Goals’ Archer, Kevin ‘Surgical Strike’ Vint, Steve ‘Pride of Dutton Arena’ Chown, Chris ‘The Angry Pylon’ Cottick. This plucky side was supplemented by a blast from the past with the return of David ‘King of Morden’ Goertz (ALL PICTURED BELOW).

Somehow managing to field a team almost entirely made up of players who normally play defence, the alumni hoped that good fellowship and experience would lead them to victory and they were almost right.

This game started as a tight, seesaw battle that saw the alumni jump out to leads of 1-0, 2-1, 3-2 and 4-3. ‘Flash’ Donald led the alumni’s early assault with a pair of markers with singles coming from ‘Whirling Top’ Pang and ‘Fore-checking Machine’ Luschinski.

Despite icing yet another quick and talented team, the students were seemingly on the ropes by the middle of the third period. This seemed almost incredible as the student squad boasted the likes of Tristan ‘Bulldog’ Thomas, Jay ‘Nitrous’ Patel, Shawn ‘Quiet Efficiency’ Corbett, Lindsey ‘Jen Jones’ Robertson, Zach ‘Attack’ Goldberg, ‘Great’ Nate Vercaigne and Randy ‘Too’ Mutchmore.

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In Tune with the Times

COLLEGE TO EXPAND OFFERINGS FOR PRACTITIONERS, PUBLIC TO MEET GROWING DEMAND

As modern practice continues to evolve, it is important - if not essential - that institutes of higher learning stay on the leading edge of the curve when it comes to innovation, technology and teaching.

At our College of Dentistry, this has always been our pledge, our mandate and our promise to our alumni, students, patients and the many other stakeholders who matter to us. And, make no mistake, the challenges to uphold these pillars of our program have been many and, in some cases, quite formidable. Much of this is due to the reality of our situation.

Oral health programming is amongst the most expensive of any post-secondary institution. Materials and technology continue to carry considerable (if not ever expanding) costs as does the maintenance and upkeep of our many clinics. As you all are likely aware, the main clinic at our College of Dentistry is the largest public-access oral health facility in the province.

Compounding our challenge is the gathering storm of financial cutbacks which we are told are only going to be the norm rather than the exception for the foreseeable future.

All of this creates considerable strain on our resources - both financial and human - as we seem almost constantly engaged in shoring up areas that are adversely impacted by the challenges before us.

Yet as any good investor or entrepreneur will tell you, challenge makes room for change. It directs us to look at new ways of doing things; to find new solutions to age-old problems. And therein lies our solution and our salvation.

For the past few years now, we have been looking at ways to increase efficiencies while still maintaining and enhancing our core operations. Interestingly enough, there is often a convergence of these priorities that answers these challenges: it is that of opportunity.

Take for example, our new digital imaging centre. Identified as a major priority for our institution several years ago, it has since become a reality, thanks in large part to the vision, caring and participation of so many of you within our community.

Indeed, the Ross McIntyre Digital Imaging Centre stands as a testament to the belief and faith in our institution shown by so many of you in our local and broader community.

But rather than simply rely on this tremendous asset as only an internal resource, we instead have always believed that our entire community should share in what the centre is able to offer. To that end, we are pleased to reaffirm that this centre is now open to the practicing public for you to access in support of your patients and your practice.

The centre is now ready, willing and able to provide a full suite of digital imaging services, all under the guidance and direction of our own Dr. Meredith Brownlee, the only certified Oral and Maxillofacial Radiologist in the province of Manitoba today.

As some of you may be aware, Dr. Brownlee is an alumna of our college and we are delighted that she has chosen to return to her alma mater and provide her expertise to both our student cohort as well as the practicing community here.

We have complete confidence that this combination of expertise and technology can be of benefit to practitioners wherever they may be, just as they have already been for our students. Patient appointments are now being accepted, and for those who have similar equipment in place, Dr. Brownlee will provide interpretations and reports for those who wish to forward their images for review and consultation.

As we are all aware, digital imaging provides for improved diagnostics, especially with regard to implant procedures, temporomandibular joint disorders, orthognathic reconstruction, and oral cancer.

All of these are areas of significant and growing concern for our profession these days, oral cancer in particular.

In fact, according to the American Society of Clinical Oncology, rates of oropharyngeal cancer (a type of oral cancer) have increased dramatically since 1984. In a 2011 study published in the Journal of Clinical Oncology, clinical diagnosis of the condition has skyrocketed in those who tested positive for human papillomavirus (HPV).

That oral cancer is becoming an increasingly common condition (in addition to being a very serious one) has become a reality in our world today. So it is incumbent on oral health professionals to take note. Many of you have already taken action in this regard, as reflected in the pages of this publication.

As an aside, I would like to commend many practitioners and alumni who participated in a public screening event held in April (Oral Cancer Month) in conjunction with the Never Alone Foundation, in support of oral cancer treatment and care.

Here at the college, we are now also in the formative stages of taking steps to address this growing concern through the development and deployment of clinical space and resources dedicated to oral cancer screening, detection and patient care. We will be sharing more information with you on this topic in the weeks ahead, but rest assured that any resources developed will include a community component for the benefit of our practicing partners.

We hope that you will continue to look well upon our efforts in these and many other fronts as we continue to expand and modernize our programming and facilities. And, by accessing the services we have to offer, you are not only benefitting your patients and your practice, but you are also helping us sustain and develop these areas of practice that will only grow in significance and relevance in the years ahead.

As always, I welcome your input and feedback as we move forward together to ensure our College of Dentistry remains a source of pride and accomplishment for all.

Grazie.
News Item: In November, 2013, Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful tropical storms on record, made landfall in the Philippines, inflicting incredible damage and devastation. The storm, the most powerful ever to make landfall, destroyed many of the country’s low-lying coastal farming and fishing communities – already among the nation’s poorest. More than 6,000 people were killed. Thousands of homes were destroyed. Over 14 million Filipinos, including nearly six–million children, were affected.

The disaster struck very close to home for Dr. Thomas Colina. The birthplace and former home of a member of the College of Dentistry’s Class of 1989 was devastated by the carnage. Even today, the nation continues to struggle with clean-up, recovery and rebuilding efforts.

Seeing his homeland besieged in such horrific fashion spurred Dr. Colina into action. The following is a recounting of how Dr. Colina assembled an oral health-care team that included Dr. Cecilia Dong, Dr. Benjamin Yue and Ms. Sonia Matwyczuk (dental hygienist), and moved in response to the devastation and destruction to help his compatriots and to be part of the wave of hope that had been all but lost to the people of the western Pacific nation.
THE MAKING OF A MISSION

ALUMNUS ASSEMBLES TEAM FOR MISSION TO HOMELAND IN WAKE OF FRIGHTFUL DEVASTATION

The following is a recap of the Typhoon Haiyan Humanitarian Outreach Mission, as provided by Dr. Thomas Colina: The College of Dentistry alumnus explains how the team was assembled, the challenges they faced and what they hoped would come from their collective efforts.

Images on previous page show Typhoon Haiyan at peak intensity and approaching the Philippines on November 7, 2013 as provided by NASA; below is the make-shift public clinic set up by the team.

Submitted by Dr. Thomas Colina (Class of 1989)

MOTIVATION:

Typhoon Haiyan, also called Yolanda, a Category Five hurricane, had smashed through the central islands of the Philippines on November 8, 2013. News and images of the damage caused by the strongest storm to ever hit landfall came through various media — the news networks and social media. The damage to the Visayas Islands was severe, and the death toll was announced and updated daily after the typhoon passed. Thousands of people had perished. The island of Leyte was one of the worst hit by the typhoon.

I was born in the Philippines but had no family or direct acquaintances in the most affected areas. Friends here in Winnipeg worried for their relatives who lived in the affected area. These same friends shared their relief and joy of hearing news of their relatives surviving, and the even better news that their relatives had managed to arrange transport for their children to neighboring islands less affected by the storm.

Leyte was a disaster zone. Food, clean water, shelter and medical supplies were lacking immediately after the storm and for weeks after. Canada and the rest of the world responded with monetary donations to aid the many in need.

Viewing the damage on the Internet and the television screen, looking at posts in Facebook related to missing persons, it was difficult not to be moved. One of the humanitarian organizations working on the ground was a group known as Answering the Cry of the Poor (ANCOP). I am familiar with this organization as in 2007, I had led a Kindness in Action (KIA) team which collaborated with ANCOP on a dental mission held in the slums of Quezon City and Marikina in the main northern island of Luzon, Philippines.

In January, 2014, an initiative to send a dental mission team to the recovering area was discussed with ANCOP and KIA. It would take several more months before the facilities in Ormoc, Leyte were deemed by ANCOP to be both adequate and safe enough to host the dental mission.

THE TEAM:

Initial support for the project was provided by my wife Sharon, who along with my son Nick and daughter Alana were essentially the first members of the team. We were together during the mission trip to the Philippines in 2007.

Jackie Newton, a dental assistant and Sonia Matwyczuk, my long time hygienist, who were team members of the KIA dental team to Guatemala City, Guatemala, in 2013, also lent their support.

Dr. Ben Yue, a partner in our private practice, and his wife Tran were involved right from the planning stages of the mission. Dr. Cecilia Dong, faculty member of the College of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba, indicated her desire to help when I mentioned our plans to send a mission to the Philippines. I had shared the idea with Dr. Dong while at the provincial association conference in January, 2014.

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The rest of the Winnipeg crew consisted of Jackie Newton and her family — she had recruited her husband, Brian Anderson and daughters Quinn, Ryleigh, and Megan. Megan’s husband Jeremiah Fitzpatrick also joined the team. So, in total, there were 14 volunteers from Winnipeg.

The remaining team members signed up through Kindness in Action. These fantastic team members included two dental students from University of Alberta, Jameel Popatia and Muhamed Jomha and Dr. Jungsoo Kim, a dentist from Calgary. We were also pleased to be joined by an entire dental family from Castlegar, BC. Dr. Don Ellis brought his wife Margaret, who works in his office as a dental assistant, along with his two kids, Cheryll and Dan, who are both hygienists.

LOGISTICS:
The transportation of 21 team members posed a logistical challenge. There were two work locations: the first in Caloocan, near Quezon City, and the second Ormoc, Leyte. Travel between the two locations involved both land and air travel.

The only predictable thing was that the airline we used for the inter-island flight was often late: late in arriving, and late in departure. This actually proved to be somewhat comforting.

When we finished our second work week in Ormoc, we tried to make our way towards Tacloban Airport to head back to Manila and then home. However, Tropical Storm Seniang went through Leyte during our second week, causing land-slides, flooding and road damage along the normal route to the airport. The necessary detour took us literally all the way around the perimeter of the island.

After a five-plus hour van ride, where the vehicles were turned back several times due to flooded roads, and it seemed unlikely we would ever arrive at our destination, we arrived only slightly late. And, as expected, our plane had been delayed and departed much later than scheduled. So we were able to make the flight.

Equipment issues were difficult but still dealt with. The compressors that powered our portable dental units proved to be a challenge as they could not withstand a full day of operation. There is a difference between Canadian and Philippines electric voltage. So while there were several step-down voltage transformers that were provided by our host partner, they could not sustain continuous operation over the first two days. Eventually, a new transformer was purchased from our contingency fund. This one was able to handle operation of two compressors for the rest of the work days.

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Local Winnipeg performing dentists reportedly had a monstrously good time as cast members in the Mel Brooks Musical, Young Frankenstein. The production, which ran from April 9-12 at the Shaw Performing Arts Centre (Manitoba Theatre for Young People) at The Forks, is the third all-dentist theatrical production staged in Manitoba.

“The show was a lot of goofy fun,” said Dr. Chris Cottick, Section Head, Adult Dentistry HSC, Director WRHA Oral Health Program, and the Monster in Young Frankenstein, “running around the stage and the songs are funny so that’s always a lot of fun.”

The play centers on Dr. Frankenstein’s grandson, Frederick who, not unlike many descendants of infamous deviants, longs to dissociate himself from his legacy. After inheriting his Transylvanian property and discovering his grandfather’s laboratory, he meets the hunchbacked servant, Igor; blonde bombshell assistant with a twisted side, Inga; and somewhat terrifying Frau Blücher.

The production of Young Frankenstein really comes alive with the madcap humour, crazy antics, and a lot of grunting and groaning!

Submitted by Holly Bochurka

Meet the Cast:

- Jerry Abells
- Becky Antel
- Cheryl Bacala
- Chris Cottick
- Kristin Cuthbert
- Katie Davidson
- Tom Dobbs
- Frank Hechter
- Kiranpal Kaur Sroay
- Sarah Keating
- Billy Kettner
- Trish Magsino Barnabé
- Patrick Mao
- Michael Porco
- George Stolarskyj
- Robin Szadylya
- Randall Warkentin
- Chris Yue
Based on the 1974 movie, the stage play was created by Brooks and premiered in 2007. Like the film, the production is a parody of the horror film genre, specifically the 1931 Universal Pictures adaptation of Mary Shelley’s Frankenstein.

Dr. Cottick jokingly said he was awarded the audition for the Monster due to his considerable 6’3” height. He vehemently denies that the highly convincing loud growling and guttural grunts requisite to the role came naturally. Dr. Cottick has been in two previous performances for the Winnipeg Studio Theatre, breaking free of the bounds of his first stint as a plant puppet (Little Shop of Horrors) and all too easily morphing into the role of a more monstrous nature.

“This is more of a role, front and centre,” explained Dr. Cottick. “It is interesting to see how it all comes together, how choreography works with various songs and with the professional staff who put this all together in a logical fashion.”

The dedicated group met up to four times a week to practice the oftentimes-complicated choreography and placements. With the hilarious nature of the production, professional coaching staff and the well-coordinated team effort, the show was able to breathe a new life of its own while creating wicked success all around.

Dr. Frank Hechter, Professor of Orthodontics, College of Dentistry and now a hunchbacked Igor, agreed and added that being a part of the production has provided him with the opportunity to spend time collaborating with other dentists, something that he normally doesn’t get to do. The Igor character, however, collaborates, manipulates and convinces the grandson to take on the family business of bringing people back to life but in very different forms. Dr. Hechter reluctantly admitted that he might have somewhat of a disturbing connection to Igor.

“I have been a facilitator for sure, and in some ways, an enabler; so perhaps it is fitting, I’m not sure,” he laughed.

Dr. Hechter explained that the productions never felt like work. More importantly, the show was staged in support of a great cause, with funds going to Variety, the Children’s Charity of Manitoba and the Winnipeg Studio Theatre’s scholarship program.

“One of the things we do as dentists is that we are solo practitioners and we work with our in-house team and assistants. We don’t get enough chance to collaborate so it’s a great opportunity to be a team player again,” said Dr. Hechter.

“Getting the impression of a billion dollar production with the small-scale budget was the job of White Rabbit Productions Artistic Director, Simon Miron, and his team. Faced with taking a big budget Broadway show and scaling it to smaller proportions, while creating devilish, mad cap fun, is part of their expertise.”

“I met with the designer and tried to keep it simple as possible,” said Miron, “more theatrical and inventive.”

Instead of having giant expensive machines that flare, spark and flame, he had actors doing fun and goofy things on stage with weird props.

“There’s a lot of silly, goofy things all the time with a Mel Brooks show and it does get quite crass at times,” said Miron. “It’s interesting watching the dentists try to safely navigate those waters.”

Creating new life becomes a theme, not just for Frederick, but also for this group of dentists who successfully created an exciting, fun-filled production without the Star Wars special effects. They made this show diabolically believable, piece by piece.

“It’s a whole lot of fun to watch people who have a kind of serious, normal job experience turn to something frivolous, reckless and frightening and put themselves out there and really have fun doing it,” described Miron.

Audiences responded with big numbers turning out on each of the four night run; all of which were reportedly very raucous and supportive of the efforts of these amateur thespians. And here’s the best news: producers report the show closed with box office and fundraising estimated over $17,000 with the proceeds going towards the charities.

“We are thrilled about that,” producer Kayla Gordon said.
It took a while, but their persistence paid off. Members of the College of Dentistry’s Class of 1990 had the opportunity to hold a reunion this past spring with several members of the group gathering in beautiful Vancouver, BC.

The first stop was at the Cypress Room of the gorgeous Pan Pacific Hotel on the historic Vancouver waterfront, where nine members of the class met for the first time in quite a number of years. Spurred by the Pacific Dental Conference being held that weekend, the first port of call was the annual Alumni Reception, presented by the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association in conjunction with the College of Dentistry.

The next day, class members reconvened for a dinner that included generous portions of good times and fellowship. Certainly, there was a fair amount of catching up to do. The 2015 reunion – one that marked 15 years since graduation – was the first time the class had managed to reconvene since their 10-year event in 2004. Event organizer, Dr. Chris Cottick, said trying to get everyone together is difficult since so many members of the class maintain very busy careers and personal schedules, making logistics a bit of a challenge. Things worked out a better this year as many attendees were in town to attend the PDC.

Getting Together: Class of 1990 members (l - r) Drs. Alan Marguliss, Chris Cottick, Leo Fung, Greg Brittain, Scott Leckie, Derek Wilden and Les Rykiss at the Alumni Reception. Also turning up for the event (not in photo) were Drs. Janice Okamura and Elizabeth Wong.
A
other capacity crowd jammed the Cypress Room at the Pan Pacific Hotel in Vancouver for the 2015 edition of the Alumni Reception. Among those turning out this year were (clockwise from top) Dr. Ralph Crawford (64) and George Cadigan (front), father of alumnus Dr. James Cadigan (09); (l-r) Drs. Bill Prokopishin, David Jones, Lyn Stephenson, Gord Hunter and Harry Sperber of the Class of 1965; Drs. Jerome Bergerman (66) and Todd Jones (UBC); Drs. Vincent Chan (2000), Anna Preis (2000), Walter Sol (2004), Jeremy Chung (2001), Christine Attellah (2000) and Dr. Rakesh ‘Rick’ Mehta (2001). Drs. Ben Yakiwchuk and Ashley Dykun of the Class of 2009. Drs. Glen Wilson, Joe Fast and Gene Salmondson from the Class of 1966; Drs. Phil Kim and Jaz Pahal of the Class of 2010. The College of Dentistry and the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association wish to thank event sponsors Bisco, Henry Schein and Designs for Vision Inc.
A passion for promoting healthy living for all has earned a member of the School of Dental Hygiene’s Class of 1970 one of the highest honours in the profession in Manitoba.

Ms. Gladys Stewart has been named the recipient of the 2015 Alumni of Distinction award from the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba. The announcement was confirmed by the University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association (UMSDHAA) in late May.

“The nomination was absolutely glowing, citing positive contributions and commitment to the dental hygiene profession” noted Ms. Cindy Isaak-Ploegman, UMSDHAA president. “As you may be aware, this is one of the highest honours any alumna can receive.”

Since graduating as the Gold Medal winning member of the School of Dental Hygiene’s Class of 1970, Ms. Stewart (pictured above) has since gone on to enjoy a broad-based and impactful career in the service of public health.

In pursuing her master’s degree in Community Health Sciences in the late 1990’s, her thesis focused on the use of helmets for cyclists. The results would support and lead to safety legislation recently put in place by the government of Manitoba.

Prior to her work in community health, Ms. Stewart held a variety of teaching positions within the School of Dental Hygiene and the College of Dentistry and also provided oral health care in general, periodontic, and pedodontic practice offices.

In addition, Ms. Stewart also served on many professional organizations related to dental hygiene, including a term as president of the Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association (MDHA) and as a member of the board of directors of the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association. In 1999, she served as Conference Program Chair for the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association annual meeting hosted by the MDHA.

As an academic, Ms. Stewart has contributed to several research publications and presented at many conferences and symposia and went on to become highly regarded for her contributions in teaching, curriculum-planning, and interprofessional collaboration.

She spent 14 years with the College of Medicine’s Department of Community Health Sciences as an instructor, education coordinator and in course development.

The award will be presented as part of the annual Alumni of Distinction Evening that will be held October 2, once again at the Fort Garry Hotel.

Tickets are now available for the annual event that features Alumni of Distinction recipients from the College of Dentistry and the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba.

Alumni members of the school are reminded that there will be series of special events surrounding Alumni of Distinction Weekend this coming October. Included this list will the the Spirit of ‘65, an open reunion for all graduates of the program.

The event marks the 50-year anniversary of the very first graduating class of the School of Dental Hygiene in 1965. Additional details will be released as they become available.
We have just wound up another successful year with the UMSDHAA and have many ‘good news’ items to share with you. For starters, we have raised three years’ worth of funding for our scholarship to provide a $500 annual award for a potential dental hygiene student candidate to travel and present a poster at a professional conference.

You may recall we first discussed this offer at our professional development sessions in January; on ergonomics in the oral health profession, including the Fit to Sit seminar, and when we hosted our first wine and cheese event. The latter - for the few of you who did not attend - featured the WISH Clinic table displays from the dental hygiene third year students, developed in response to their community health course requirements.

We are especially grateful to the School of Dental Hygiene’s director, Prof. Mary Bertone, Ms. Stephanie Gordon, executive director of the College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba, and Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association’s president Ms. Larissa Bubnowicz for their support and promotion of our events and for appearing in person as part of our welcoming program this past winter.

We hosted a great turnout for our second-ever Annual General Meeting this past May 7 at the College of Dentistry's Schwarz lecture theatre. During the meeting, we were delighted to hear a pair of presentations featuring two of our alumni who shared the results of their research with our gathering.

Gladys Stewart (MSc, BA, Dip. DH) titled her research presentation: Who are you? Who am I? Building a satisfying and fulfilling career!

With the graduation season now here, one could hardly think of a timelier topic to share with our student members and those who recently completed the program.

Deanna Mackay (BS, DH, Dip DH) was welcomed back to discuss her proposed Masters of Science research project: Understanding the meaning of the Manitoban head and neck cancer patients’ oral/dental lived experiences: A hermeneutic phenomenological inquiry.

The UMSDHAA is proud to announce that the recipient of the Alumni of Distinction award for 2015 is Ms. Gladys Stewart. This very worthy honoree will be celebrated for her contribution to the dental hygiene profession as a community health curriculum coordinator at the College of Medicine, including a history of teaching at the College of Dentistry, School of Dental Hygiene, and clinical work in general, periodontal and pedodontic practices. Gladys has experience as a researcher and has made considerable contributions to the community with her volunteer and professional service. She is a most notable role model for all dental hygiene graduates. We hope you will join us in celebrating her career achievements on Friday evening October 2, 2015 at the Fort Garry Hotel at our Alumni of Distinction Awards Evening.

We are excited to announce our next fundraising event will be held at Rumor’s Comedy Club the evening of Tuesday, June 9. We sincerely hope you will join us that day. Tickets are $12 each available upon request at UMSDHAA@outlook.com. Come out and enjoy another great fellowship event and the great comedy that Rumor’s always delivers.

A special ‘thank you’ to all those who supported us throughout this year and those who paid a visit to our booth at the Manitoba Dental Association convention in Brandon this past April 17. A big ‘thank you’ as well to Diane Girardin, of the UMSDHAA executive committee, for addressing the attendees of the MDHA breakfast meeting.

Also, a sincere ‘thank you’ to the other executive committee members for their ongoing diligence in making the UMSDHAA events successful: Florina Atienza, Amanda Bridges, Corinne Cutler, David Forde, Lorraine Glassford, Simone Jamon, Kali Parry, Marcia Rushka and Aaron Szucsik.

Please continue to support us through your annual membership fees — $30 active, support, and affiliate, $10 student — so we can continue to offer you future networking events. Anyone looking to renew their memberships, take out a new one, or learn more about our organization is welcome to drop us a line via email at: umsahaa@outlook.com. Remember: the best is yet to come!
New Inductees Welcomed to the Order

ALUMNI WELCOMED TO CHAPTER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Submitted by Diane Girardin (rdh)
Chapter president

The purpose of Sigma Phi Alpha, our Honour Society, is to promote, recognize, and honour scholarship, leadership and service among dental hygiene graduates.

On Wednesday, May 27, we inducted three newly-graduated students into our Delta Eta Chapter. The ceremony took place at Resto Gare, at Des Meurons and Provencher in St. Boniface.

Last year’s inductees have done us proud and taken positions on various dental hygiene committees. David Forde is the secretary of the University of Manitoba Dental Hygiene Alumni Association. Holly Spencer and Jessica Cyr are co-president-elect of our Delta Eta Chapter of Sigma Phi Alpha.

They continue — like so many of our members — to provide service to others and to be professional role models. Please join us in welcoming our new inductees and congratulating the recommended recipient of the DH II Book Scholarship.

A reminder that the deadline for membership dues is June 1, 2015. As well, for those who attended the May 27 Annual General Meeting, you are reminded that this time can be used towards your Professional Activity Record (PAR).

For those interested, the society has a website up and running. Take some time and pay a visit to: sigma-phi-alpha.org.

Raising Funds to Spur Research

CDHA LAUNCHES PARTNERSHIP TO SPUR DEVELOPMENT

The Canadian Dental Hygienists Association (CDHA) is thrilled to announce an exciting partnership with LISTERINE® and the LISTERINE® Challenge to help improve Canadians’ oral health. The partnership, announced in late April, provides CDHA with an opportunity to raise up to $10,000 for the Canadian Foundation for Dental Hygiene Research and Education (CFDHRE), its associated charity, by inviting its members to encourage their dental hygiene clients to participate.

“The CFDHRE is a newer charity, so $10,000 will go a long way to provide funding support for dental hygiene research and education in Canada,” said Mandy Hayre, CDHA president. “But most importantly, the partnership with LISTERINE® will help us to promote the CFDHRE among our members and clients, broadening the reach of the work that we do — it’s a win, win, win.”

The LISTERINE® Challenge encourages Canadians to add LISTERINE® to their daily oral care routine for two weeks. Research has shown that two weeks is the time it takes to form a habit, and the goal is to help Canadians form this healthy habit and feel the difference in their mouths.

The interactive challenge website allows consumers to track their progress, with daily prizes, and gives them the chance to take home $20,000 — on top of a healthier mouth. With each client referral from a dental professional to take the Challenge, LISTERINE® will donate $1 to the CFDHRE to a maximum donation of $10,000.

The CFDHRE exists to provide funding to support dental hygiene research and education in Canada. The Foundation is associated with CDHA, a national organization that has been serving the profession of dental hygiene since 1963.

For more information on the foundation visit http://www.cfdhre.ca and for more information on oral health, visit www.dentalhygienecanada.ca. For more information on the LISTERINE® Challenge please visit https://www.listerinechallenge.ca.
recently had the good fortune of attending a two-day workshop on developing and enhancing leadership potential. The sessions were hosted by the University of Manitoba and the Centre for Higher Education, Research and Development. Among the varied concepts explored at this workshop was one idea that particularly resonated with me as we approach the end of our academic year. It was the concept of people and the unique importance that people play in academic institutions such as our own.

In the world of business, the goods and services that organizations produce are usually tangible and identifiable. A restaurant produces food. A foundry produces steel. A salon produces fabulous hairstyles. We know what these businesses are supposed to produce, and it is easy for us to identify the outcome and assess their success.

But have you ever stopped to consider what a post secondary school produces? I think we all understand that, at their core, educational institutions, such as the School of Dental Hygiene, develop service providers. Our product is the education that we provide to our customers, the students.

However, our society also entrusts post-secondary institutions not just to teach our students, but with the privilege and duty to prepare our students to take on expanded societal roles. For example, the Faculty of Engineering chooses a student, adds value, and produces a professional engineer. The value we add is the growth of personal knowledge and development, targeted so graduates can take on work or causes that serve society.

In that light, a school such as ours doesn’t just deliver education, it produces prepared people, confident in their knowledge and abilities.

The school’s recent Students’ Teacher Recognition Reception, an event that celebrates educators who have made lasting impacts on the education and lives of their students, was an inspiring reinforcement of these sentiments. Hearing first hand how influential an educator can be in the life of a student was both humbling and motivating, and a reminder of what we can accomplish when we care enough to care.

Being part of the University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association is rewarding in its own right. Our association is the culmination of colleagues who have all passed through the same halls and sat in the same clinic and classroom chairs, undertaking that same preparation for our shared goal of becoming dental hygienists. Our alumni association stands as a symbol of our collective preparation and our success for achieving these goals, both as individuals and as a profession. I urge everyone – students, alumni and our new graduates – to give serious consideration to joining the UMSDHAA. I am confident you will find it to be an enriching and enjoyable experience.

The School of Dental Hygiene recently completed its accreditation process. A strength of our school identified by the accreditation committee was that students leave our care having learned both the science and the art of dental hygiene. We are particularly proud of this characterization. After all, we are in the people-preparing business; your newest alumni are entering our profession not just with the skills, but with the mind, touch and the heart to match.

Congratulations to the graduating dentistry and dental hygiene Class of 2015! Congratulations to ourselves as well for being a part of their success!
Gies In the House
(from page 14)

Officially launched in 2012, the curriculum has two accredited continuing education courses now available with four more currently in development.

“We put into place infrastructure that is allowing us to change the health-care system by placing oral health front and centre in primary health care and prevention,” Dr. Iacopino said. “The Gies Award for innovation is a culmination of eight years of effort. In Manitoba now we have physicians, nurses and pharmacists co-managing patients with the dental team, with one care plan and with improved public health outcomes in mind.”

So while it has clearly taken a fair amount of time, the idea of interprofessional practice first broached by Dr. Gies is now picking up steam in both the United States and Canada. Dr. Iacopino noted that the unique health-care system in Canada lends itself to the interprofessional model of care, which, in turn, helped bring the project forward.

“The Canadian health-care system is a bit different; it supports initiatives like this to a great degree so we are fortunate to be located where we are in doing this,” said Dr. Iacopino, who was born, raised and educated on the American East Coast.

Inglorious End to 2015 Series (from page 15)

It almost seemed that maybe - just maybe - the alumni side was about to pull off the biggest surprise upset victories in challenge history.

(Spoiler alert!) Now, if you haven’t figured out that we are heading for (yet another) alumni loss after this kind of set up, here is where to stop reading the story.

Well, age and fatigue led to an alumni letdown or two, resulting in several quick student goals. The alumni collapse was complete with a final 7-4 score.

“No, no. No more failures like this,” alumni management was heard to lament following the game. “Even Glen Sather’s recent management mediocrity will seem stellar in comparison to this alumni shambles. Thank God for my lifetime contract!”

Funny, how dichotomous emotions such as deflated anguish and elated victory can still lead to warm and fraternal socializing at the conclusion of this storied challenge series, as was once again the case at the post-game party with both clubs.

And now, following the gut-wrenching emotion and herculean efforts expended by both teams, the good natured rivalry has been shelved until the fall when this age-old series will reignite in earnest. And, once again and as always, this intrepid reporter will bring all the action to the Bulletin’s eager readership.

As you know, Manitoba is a small school in one of the coldest cities in the world. So to keep warm, about eight years ago, we embarked on a strategic plan called the Drive for Top Five. The plan was based on Nine Pillars of Innovation, one of which was ICOSH. The vision was to become recognized as one of the top five dental schools in North America.”

The college received the award which was presented by Richard W. Valachovic, DMD, MPH, President of the ADEA Gies Foundation and President and CEO of ADEA.

“The Gies Awards are our chance to honor the women and men who have dedicated their careers to educating students, and to celebrate our partners working to create a new health-care norm where oral health is inextricably linked to overall health,” says Richard W. Valachovic. “The dental health professions are forever changed by the work and commitment of the 2015 award recipients, and we are so pleased to recognize them in Dr. Gies’ name.”

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I am thankful to have been part of a group that came together for a common purpose of helping the needy. The experience was very fulfilling. This is only possible with a wonderful team made up of committed individuals.

The team did experience some apprehension during the second week while working in Leyte as another tropical storm made its way to the Philippines. Fortunately, the brunt of Tropical Storm Seniang was south of our work site.

Still, we witnessed the havoc even a minor storm can cause and could only imagine how the people had to fight to survive Typhoon Haiyan when it came through those many months ago. Leyte and the areas affected by Haiyan continue to rebuild.

As oral health care providers, we have the capability of improving the quality of lives of those we treat. We hope that we have provided some comfort to those who have suffered and survived such a calamity.

For those who wish, donations are still being accepted towards the rebuilding efforts. Please visit the ANCOP or KIA websites for more details.

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- To become eligible as participants in this program, candidates must be prepared to commit to an extended treatment period of roughly 15 weeks, at least once per week for three hours.
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IAN McINTOSH ROLLO, PhD
In Ottawa, Ontario on Monday, February 16, 2015 at the age of 88. Devoted husband of 65 years to Ivy. Loving father of Christine (Michael Curry). Beloved grandpa of Sarah (Trent Krajewski).

Fondly remembered by nieces Carol and Diane and nephew Leslie. Dear brother-in-law to the late James McStraw and Violet Eccleston. Ian was born and raised in Aberdeen, Scotland. He attended Robert Gordon College and graduated with a BSc in Chemistry and Zoology from Aberdeen University.

He was a Research Fellow in the Department of Chemotherapy at the University of Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and worked as a Pharmacologist for the Welcome Laboratories of Tropical Medicine in London and Distillers Company Biochemicals in Liverpool. In 1961 he joined the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba where he earned his PhD in Pharmacology and Medical Microbiology and was a Professor until his retirement in 1993.

Ian was very involved with University of Manitoba governance. He directed the Graduate Program in the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, served on the University Senate and chaired its Planning and Priorities Committee and was a member of the University Government Committee. He was also President of the Association of Academic Staff at the University of Manitoba and chaired its Staff-Benefits Committee. Ian was also very involved in the wider medical and scientific community. He served on and chaired the Manitoba Environment Council, was a member of the Canadian Arthritis society Consumer Advisory Board and was a Member of the World Health Organization Scientific Group on Resistance of Malaria Parasites to Drugs.

He ran a health information service on the Manitoba Seniors’ website, was a glider pilot and instructor with the Red River Soaring Association and an avid ham radio operator (VE4MAC).

At Ian’s request there will be no funeral service. If desired, donations in Ian’s name may be made to the University of Manitoba or a charity of your choice.

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PRESENTATIONS:

Elgazzar R: Treatment modalities of Temporomandibular Joint Ankylosis (TMJ-A) – Which technique works better? Chart review of more than 100 patients from Egypt and Canada. 12th Makkah International Dental Conference, Makkah, Saudi Arabia, March 29 - April 3, 2015.


GRANTS RECEIVED:


AWARDS:


The College of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba was presented with the Gies Award for Outstanding Innovation by an Academic Dental Institution, at the American Dental Education Association annual meeting in Boston, MA, March 9, 2015.

DEFENSE:


Dr. Laura Duncan – MSc (Ortho): The proclination of mandibular incisors in non-extraction crowded Invisalign® cases. April 23, 2015.


ANNOUNCEMENTS / APPOINTMENTS:

Fellow Keith Morley of Shanty Bay, Ontario has graduated with an MBA degree from the Kellogg School of Management and the Schulich School of Business Executive MBA Program. The convocation was held at York University.

Dr. Keith Morley has been appointed as Registrar of The Royal College of Dentists of Canada, effective Wednesday, April 1, 2015. Congratulations to Dr. Morley.

Dr. Rodrigo Cunha, Dept. Head, Restorative Dentistry is pleased to announce that Dr. Rene Chu, Department of Restorative Dentistry, College of Dentistry, University of Manitoba, has passed the written portion of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada exam. Congratulations to Dr. Chu.

Dr. William ‘Billy’ Wiltshire has been appointed to the American Association of Orthodontists’ task force investigating: Medically Necessary Orthodontic Treatment.

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