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ANOTHER GOOD YEAR FOR THE WDS

NATIONAL HONOUR FOR DR. COLIN DAWES
Save the Date!

Community Calendar

Continuing Education Lectures
FOR 2013 ~ 2014

The University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association, in partnership with the Winnipeg Dental Society invite you to:

Friday, September 20, 2013
Alumni of Distinction Weekend
Dr. Anastasia Cholakis
(Pedodontist)
Hard and Soft Tissue Dental
Implant Complications: Prevention
and Treatment

November 15, 2013
Dr. George Freedman (GP)
Adhesives, Composites, Cements and More

March 21, 2014
Dr. David Sarver (Orthodontist)
Theesthetic Vision Expanded

October 18, 2013
Dr. Winston Chee (Prosthodontist)
Decisions for the Extensively Damaged
Dentition — Treatment Planning in the Age
of Implants

November 15, 2013
Dr. George Freedman (GP)
Adhesives, Composites, Cements and More

April 25, 2014
Dr. Lesley David (Oral Surgeon)
Oral Surgery for General Practices
And Don’t Forget:
WDS Spring Golf Classic
June 7, 2013, Granite Hills Golf Club

WDS Fall Golf Classic
August 16, 2013, Larter’s at St. Andrew’s

WDS Wine Tasting
Oct. 19, 2013, Laboutique at Piazza de Nardi

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Continuing Education Lectures for 2013
All lectures will be held on Fridays
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Reunion & Event Calendar

August 23, 2013:
Sports Day
Time and Location TBA

August 29, 2013:
Professional Development Day
Frederic Gaspard Theatre, 8:30 am

August 29, 2013:
Faculty of Dentistry
Opening Assembly
Frederic Gaspard Theatre, 3:30 pm

September 20, 2013:
Alumni of Distinction
Awards Banquet & Celebration
Fort Garry Hotel, 6 pm

October 10, 2013:
Awards Night
Frederic Gaspard Theatre, 6 pm

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by sending an email to:
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Recent Events

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The School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba
Welcomes Alumni, Friends and Supporters to our
Golden Anniversary Celebration!

• CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH •
Saturday, September 21, 2013
Brodie Centre, Bannatyne Campus
Watch for further details!

The University of Manitoba Faculty of Dentistry
School of Dental Hygiene
Traditions of Excellence, Horizons of Change

University of Manitoba
50 Years 1963-2013
School of Dental Hygiene
What’s Inside

Salute To A 50 Year Career
One of the Faculty of Dentistry’s most successful and celebrated research scientists has received a major award from the Canadian Dental Association. This spring, Dr. Colin Dawes was in Ottawa to receive the Distinguished Service Award for 2012 in tribute to a career that has lasted almost five decades.

Society Steps Up
For many years, the Winnipeg Dental Society has quietly gone about the business of providing some of the best value in Continuing Dental Education for provincial practitioners. The venerable group has also maintained its strong support for the Faculty of Dentistry; support that was reaffirmed at their recent Annual General Meeting this past spring.

Man of the Hour
After a lengthy and thorough process, the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association is pleased to announce that Dr. Barry Rayter will be the recipient of the 2013 Alumni of Distinction award for the Faculty of Dentistry.

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Director, Dental Hygiene

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The Faculty of Dentistry’s Prof. Emeritus, Dr. Colin Dawes (right) was in Ottawa this spring where he was presented with the Canadian Dental Association Distinguished Service Award from Dr. Robert Sutherland, president of the CDA.

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Members of Australia's Indigenous population experience profound inequalities in oral health in comparison with their non-Indigenous counterparts. Indigenous adults have higher rates of edentulism, higher rates of poor oral health-related quality of life and lower rates of dental service utilization. Rates for receipt of dental care under a hospital general anaesthetic are much higher among Indigenous than non-Indigenous children, and dental caries levels are up to seven times as high among this vulnerable population.

On March 26, the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Dentistry and the Manitoba Institute of Child Health co-sponsored a special visiting speaker presentation by Dr. Lisa Jamieson of the University of Adelaide's Indigenous Oral Health Unit. The presentation was open to the entire University of Manitoba and Health Sciences Centre community and drew a sizeable audience as part of the Baby Teeth Talk Symposium hosted by Dr. Bob Schroth. (Read more about Dr. Jamieson's work on page 14.)

Some of those in attendance took the time for a photo with Dr. Jamieson (above, left second row, third from right).

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Exploring the Challenges of Indigenous Oral Health

MICHE SYMPOSIUM WELCOMES PARTNERING RESEARCHER

The Legacy of Dr. Harvey Spiegel

PTE PLAYERS CREATE MEMORIAL BURSARY

He was known as a good friend to all who knew him; a man who enjoyed life and was always willing to help out whenever and wherever he could.

Such was the legacy of Dr. Harvey Spiegel, a member of the Faculty of Dentistry’s Class of 1968, who recently and suddenly passed away in the spring of 2012. His loss was felt by many, not only in the Manitoba oral health community, but by the hundreds if not thousands of others he touched through the course of his life.

“I was a patient of Dr. Spiegel for over 40 years and always enjoyed his professionalism, consideration, and most importantly friendship,” said one of the good doctor’s former patients on a memorial message board. “My world is a better place because he was part of it.”

In addition to his professional work, Dr. Spiegel was also a noted philanthropist and volunteer in the community. He was a frequent and generous donor to many charitable causes and had a passion for many things, the performing arts among them.

In 2011, Dr. Spiegel played the part of shopkeeper Mr. Mushnik at the Prairie Theatre Exchange’s production of Little Shop of Horrors (inset image pictures Dr. Spiegel in character). As a tribute to their friend and cast colleague, half of the proceeds from the 2013 production of Guys and Dolls were directed towards Cancer Care Manitoba. As well, members of the all-dentist play banded together to create the Dr. Harvey Spiegel Memorial Bursary. Together, the cast raised over $13,000 in donations, an amount that was matched by the University of Manitoba, to create a total endowment of just over $26,000.

A certificate commemorating the creation of the award was presented to Dr. Spiegel’s family at the conclusion of the May 10 performance of Guys and Dolls at the downtown theatre.

“This is to certify the creation of the Dr. Harvey Spiegel Memorial Bursary,” said cast member Dr. Frank Hechter in making the announcement following the final curtain, “to be awarded to an incoming second-year student in undergraduate dentistry, with strong academic standing, who participates in extra-curricular activities and who demonstrates a financial need toward the successful completion of all studies in the undergraduate dental programme at the University of Manitoba.”

The bursary will likely be in effect as of the new academic year in 2013, pending final approval from university senate. For more on the play, see pages 10 and 11.
Dr. Colin Dawes Honoured by Canadian Dental Association

One of the longest serving, most successful and well-recognized professors at the University of Manitoba’s Faculty of Dentistry has received one of the premier awards in Canadian oral health. Dr. Colin Dawes BSc, BDS (Manc), PhD (Durh), has been named a recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for 2012 by the Canadian Dental Association.

The Distinguished Service Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the dental profession, the dental community and oral health of Canadians along with outstanding service over a number of years.

Dr. Dawes was presented with the award at the CDA Annual General Meeting, at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier Hotel in Ottawa, on April 19, 2013. Dr. Dawes, who has spent almost his entire career at the University of Manitoba’s Faculty of Dentistry, said “It’s extremely rare that this type of award is given for research, so this is quite an honour, indeed.”

For nearly 50 years, Dr. Dawes has been a leading research scientist within the Department of Oral Biology. He has conducted much-heralded research that has earned the attention and admiration of the profession throughout the world, and he has given invited lectures in 27 different countries. In particular, his work in the realm of salivary research has brought the University of Manitoba international renown and earned him several awards.

Dr. Dawes secured degrees in physiology and dentistry from Manchester University before earning his PhD at the University of Durham. He joined the Faculty in 1964 following a two-year post-doctoral fellowship at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine. He has since gone on to enjoy a long and illustrious career as one of the most celebrated researchers in his field. In addition, he was Editor of the Journal of Dental Research from 1983-93.

“Dr. Dawes is a shining example of consistent excellence at the Faculty, a role model for all students, scientists and academics to follow,” said Dr. Anthony Iacopino, Dean of Dentistry. “Dr. Dawes has indeed had a long and distinguished research career and has transformed the landscape in salivary research for all who follow. He is one of the top internationally-recognized people in the history of the Oral Biology Department at the University of Manitoba. We are proud to be linked with his name and reputation.”

Dr. Dawes joined the Faculty of Dentistry in 1964 as one of the founding professors in the newly created Oral Biology Department. This in itself was a landmark as the University of Manitoba was the first to create and launch a department solely focused on oral biology as a separate and dedicated discipline, one that has since been copied by many other dental schools around the world.

And while many of his early departmental colleagues would leave Canada to pursue their careers at other institutions, Dr. Dawes chose to remain at the U of M.

“We liked living in Winnipeg. It was a good place to raise a family,” explained Dr. Dawes, who was born and raised in Nelson, Lancashire, a small but picturesque community in the north of England. “I had a lab and all the equipment I needed right here, so the only thing holding me back was myself, which is a nice situation to be in.”

In addition to authoring over 220 research publications, Dr. Dawes is also an editor of, and contributor to, Saliva and Oral Health, a university text book that is now into its fourth edition.

His influential body of work culminated in 2005 with the Salivary Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) presenting Dr. Dawes with the Salivary Researcher of the Year Award, recognizing his many years of dedication and expertise in the field.

That same year, Dr. Dawes was named Prof. Emeritus at the University of Manitoba.

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A Strong Finish

STUDENT RESEARCH GROUP CLOSES OUT YEAR WITH STRONG SHOWING AT MID-WEST RESEARCH CONFERENCE

A nyone can tell you, be it in academics, work or sports, that it is always great to end a year on a positive note. Such was the case for a quartet of the cohort of the Student Research Group here at the Faculty of Dentistry.

Third-year undergraduate students Jill Gudmandson, George Loewen, Saba Naghipur and Alycia Sam all enjoyed an eventful visit to the 2013 Midwest Regional Student Research Conference held in mid-April at the College of Dentistry and Dental Clinics at the University of Iowa.

Each of the group was an active participant in this annual gathering of student researchers. Alycia Sam delivered one of the six oral presentations heard at the event: A Comparison of Attractive Faces with Ideal and Non-Ideal Smiles.

“For the most part, dental students and professionals alike have been immersed in a dental education that encourages them to think like scientists; where beauty is believed to be inborn and measurable,” Alycia said in explaining the goals of the project. “However, it is necessary to juxtapose this with the humanities belief that beauty is an intertwining of exposure to culture, music and the arts. We hope that this research will provide a gateway accessible to all dental providers to use in evaluating their own perceptions of beauty and building upon them, with aims to implement those well-informed ideas in treatment planning, for the aesthetic needs of their patients.”

Classmates Jill Gudmandson, George Loewen and Saba Naghipur each had posters accepted at the event that featured a total of 39 presented.

Jill Gudmandson presented scientific evidence on the efficacy of irrigants on smear layer removal, an important topic in endodontics. Saba Naghipur looked at associations between third molar presence and mandibular fractures, covering interesting information in oral surgery. George Loewen’s entry examined the presence of hyaline cartilage in the mandible of the elderly, which clarifies mandibular growth occurring in adults.

“Each poster demonstrated the excellent research performed by all of the students through the BSc (Dent) program,” said Dr. German Ramirez, faculty advisor for the student group.

The group was among the more than 50 students who gathered from universities in Iowa, Minnesota and Illinois for what has become something of a fixture event for undergraduate researchers in the mid-west.

“During the meeting the students had the opportunity to present the research they are doing at our school, as well as exchange ideas with students from other schools,” explained Dr. Ramirez. “We had also the opportunity of visiting the Procter and Gamble factory in Iowa City, where they manufacture toothbrushes for the North American market.”

The Manitoba crew was also invited to join their colleagues at a closing evening of fellowship.

The conference was the last official event for the SRG for this academic year. The SRG would like to acknowledge and thank the Dean’s Office for supporting this event.

Champagne Brunches & Anniversary Dreams

C alling all alumni of the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba. It is on, so save the date! On Saturday, September 21, the School of Dental Hygiene has confirmed it will be hosting a champagne brunch in celebration of their 50-year anniversary at the Bannatyne Campus. As expected, the event will be held as part of Alumni of Distinction weekend with the awards banquet being held at the Fort Garry Hotel the previous night. The local planning committee is asking that all alumni and friends of the school save the date while they work through the many details that will surround the event.

“We will be releasing more details as soon as possible, once we have everything worked out. So we ask that everyone please be patient,” said Dr. Joanna Asadoorian, Director of the School of Dental Hygiene. “One thing is certain, though, this will be a great event for our school and our alumni community.”
A trio of Faculty of Dentistry alumni is hoping for your help for a service outreach mission to Haiti this summer. Drs. Melvin Lee, Woonha Kang and Dan Seungmo Kim have joined a team of roughly 100 for a mission to Haiti this coming August. The trio from the Class of 2002 is now soliciting donations in order to secure the dental equipment needed for the trip.

“We are hoping to raise $30,000 in order to procure and donate two portable dental units to Global Assistance Partners (GAP), the missionary organization that we will be partnering with in Haiti,” Dr. Lee said. “Although many non-government organizations have supported Haiti with medical care services, the provision of dental care has not been as readily available to much of the Haitian population.”

Those who may be interested in supporting the group’s effort are invited to make a donation on-line at www.canadahelps.org. From the home page, simply click on the ‘Giving Pages’ link and key in ‘Melvin Lee’ in the search bar.

A CRA-claimable tax receipt will be sent to your email address immediately after the donation is processed.

“The short-term objective of our mission team is to donate the procured mobile dental units to GAP Haiti,” explains Dr. Lee, “so that they can be used by other dental mission teams in the future.”

Donations will be welcomed up until July 31, 2013.
Faculty of Dentistry academics (l - r) Drs. Raj Bhullar and William Christie are joined by Dr. Greg Hammond, executive director of the MMSF and Barb Shay from the School of Medical Rehabilitation at the foundation's annual awards night.

MMSF MARKS ANOTHER YEAR BACKING HEALTH-CARE RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

This past year alone, the MMSF funded 64% of the grant applications received in the Competition for Funds. Since the MMSF was established in 1971, over $18-million has been awarded to health research and education in Manitoba.

The awardees are acknowledged each spring at an annual reception hosted by the MMSF.

More information and 2013 application forms are available at the Manitoba Medical Service Foundation website: www.mmsf.ca.

Call for Applications

BUDDING RESEARCH SCIENTISTS NOW WELCOME TO APPLY

Current and budding researchers now have until August 15, 2013 to submit an application to the Manitoba Medical Service Foundation.

MMSF is particularly interested in young scientists early in their careers. Researchers in the area of health are encouraged to apply for funding, including those in basic health research, clinical research and population health.

Research applications are welcome from medical and scientific researchers and allied professionals, such as social workers, nurses, epidemiologists and any other health workers involved in preventive, therapeutic, or rehabilitative care.

Projects promoting scientific, educational and other activities to maintain and improve the health and welfare of Manitobans will be considered.

The deadline for submissions is August 15 for funding in the subsequent year. Those interested can download an application form on the MMSF website: www.mmsf.ca.

Important Notice: The MMSF has a new application form #1.13, and only this application form will be accepted for eligibility into the MMSF 2013 Competition for Funds.

Those who will be considered for funding will be asked to present their projects in person to a panel of board members where they are given the opportunity to demonstrate the command of their subject by a verbal and visual presentation.
### A Kind and Gentle Soul

**DR. ROBERT GLENN REMEMBERED BY MANY**

**Fond memories flowed like a river** for many of the Faculty of Dentistry and School of Dental Hygiene family upon hearing word of the recent passing of Dr. Robert (Bob) Glenn earlier this spring.

Close to 200 people reportedly crammed into the Westworth United Church in Winnipeg’s River Heights neighbourhood at the May 13 memorial service to pay their respects to the long-serving instructor at the Faculty and practitioner in the province. Many others offered tributes at the memorial message board set up by the family, including one from the head of the department of Restorative Dentistry here at the Faculty.

“Dr. Glenn was one of my instructors at the Faculty of Dentistry,” Dr. Igor Pesun wrote. “His quiet, kind manner ensured that we always did the best for our patients. I learnt so much from him, not only dentistry but how to be a kind and caring person.”

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that gifts made in Bob’s memory be directed to the Dr. Robert D. Glenn Trust in Dentistry. For more, see the In Memoriam section on page 31.

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### Mentor, Mingle & Munch

**DENTAL HYGIENE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME STRIKES ANOTHER GREAT YEAR**

It is often said that it takes a community to raise a child. The thought behind that truism is that progeny will be afforded the best chance of success and happiness in their lives through the guidance and friendship of all of those who surround them.

That principle would seem the Golden Rule when it comes to the Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association/School of Dental Hygiene Mentorship Program that wrapped up another academic year in style with a huge off-site social event this past February.

In what is becoming something of an annual tradition, the group of dental hygiene mentors treated their second-year scholastic protégés (through their membership fees) to an evening of interactive bowling that was more about getting together than any type of competition.

“We all let loose, have fun, no pressure. It’s a great event for everyone to eat, mingle and chat,” said Deanna Mackay, who is part of the MDHA mentorship committee which organizes these evening events. “This evening is very informal and the goal is to have fun! It’s great for students and great for the mentors, too.”

The evening at Academy Lanes was the last of several events held throughout the academic year that brings together mentors and mentees for an opportunity to network and to learn from each other.

All gatherings are named Mentor, Mingle and Munch and feature a variety of different activities. Each comes complete with dinner and beverages kindly provided by the Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association, who sponsor each and every event.

And while the primary purpose of these occasions is to provide guidance and stewardship for the students, Deanna notes that the mentors themselves also enjoy networking with each other at the many gatherings throughout the year.

“Everyone leaves with huge smiles on their faces,” Deanna said. New professionals are always wanted and welcome as mentors and the MDHA has issued a call for those looking to take part in the upcoming academic year starting this autumn.

To get involved contact the MDHA Mentorship Committee by email at: mentorship@mdha.ca or call and leave a message for them at 204-981-7327.

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*On a roll: Protégés and their mentors (from left) Zoe Von Riesen, DH Class of 2014, Ms. Heather Sirkovsky (Zoe’s mentor), Gwendla Griggs (SDH instructor) Ms. Gina Fleury and Lindsay Chartand (mentor and protégée).*
A LIFETIME OF DEDICATED SERVICE

DR. BARRY RAYTER CAPS FIVE DECADE CAREER WITH PRESTIGIOUS ALUMNI OF DISTINCTION AWARD

A lifetime of dedicated service to the profession has earned a provincial practitioner one of the highest honours in Manitoba oral health. Dr. Barry Rayter has been named the Alumni of Distinction recipient of 2013 for the Faculty of Dentistry and the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association (UMDAA).

“Dr. Rayter truly personifies the word professional,” said Dr. Kyle Gauthier, president of the UMDAA. “He has touched the lives of thousands of people, both inside the profession and out, throughout a career that has spanned close to five decades. We would be hard pressed to find a more deserving recipient of this great award.”

Since graduating as a member of the Class of 1964, Dr. Rayter (inset, right) served the community as a general practitioner for more than 45 years, all the while being actively involved in the administration of the profession through its provincial association.

Upon leaving private practice, Dr. Rayter joined the academic staff at the University of Manitoba’s Faculty of Dentistry, assisting and teaching in several areas including the Emergency Clinic. He became a mentor and confidant to many students who would go on to become practitioners in the field.

Underscoring his voluntary commitment to the university, Dr. Rayter has also lent his generous support to several capital campaigns and is the benefactor behind a student bursary. He maintains his involvement to this day, as a member of many committees, councils and advisory boards at the institution.

“Dr. Rayter’s wisdom, guidance and experience are all tremendous assets to our Faculty,” said Dr. Anthony Iacopino, Dean of Dentistry. “He has been a great contributor to our ongoing goal of becoming among the top oral health academies in North America.”

Noting his surprise with the honour, Dr. Rayter said he never considered that his career path would lead to such unexpected destinations.

“I feel very rewarded that I was thought of in good way by my patients and so many others,” Dr. Rayter said. “It’s nice to be recognized for something that you love to do."

Dr. Rayter will be presented with the award at the Alumni of Distinction Awards banquet slated for September in Winnipeg.

Tickets for the annual salute to oral health excellence in Manitoba are now available by contacting the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba.
Thunderous applause echoed through the main stage room at Prairie Theatre Exchange as the curtain came down Sunday, May 12, the final performance of the all-dentist musical, Guys and Dolls. Leaping to their feet to deliver a standing ovation, the audience cheered, hooted and whistled their appreciation of what was yet another outstanding performance.

“Judging by the standing ovations the cast received, I would say that the audiences really enjoyed the performances,” says Haanita Seval, Director of Marketing at Prairie Theatre Exchange. “One sponsor actually said, ‘They raised the bar this year!’ ”

“Audiences were uniformly welcoming and appreciative,” says Dr. Chris Cottick, who played multiple roles in the musical, including gambler Joey Biltmore and the Master of Ceremonies in scenes at the Hot Box nightclub. “It is such a great musical that the material warmed even a non-musical appreciator’s heart.”

The four performances of Guys and Dolls, running over as many successive nights, were the culmination of eight months of planning, hard work and grueling rehearsals for the entire cast of 18 players. There were script and musical lines to memorize, dance moves to master and scenes to practice. It wasn’t always easy.

“It became tougher and tougher once we had to let go of our scripts and have everything memorized,” says Dr. Tricia Magsino-Barnabé, who was cast in the role of the quirky nightclub singer, Adelaide. “For me, when I lost my voice to laryngitis, the stress of being unable to sing or run lines with everyone became frustrating, scary and emotional.”

One of the highlights of the four-show run was the Gala Night performance - a tribute to the late Dr. Harvey Spiegel, a valued dental colleague and a performer in Little Shop of Horrors, the first all-dentist musical that was produced in 2011.

“We paid tribute (to Harvey) by raising money for head and neck cancer patients,” says Dr. Magsino-Barnabé. “Dr. Dhali Dhaliwal (President and CEO of CancerCare Manitoba) and Ms. Annitta Stenning (Executive Director, CancerCare Manitoba Foundation) gave heartfelt speeches of gratitude.”

For more on the group’s fund-raising efforts, see page four. Ticket sales to Guys and Dolls approached 90 percent of house capacity at Prairie Theatre Exchange — an excellent showing in the theatre world — meaning more than 1,100 people saw the show.

The final numbers were not in as of press time, but it’s expected this second all-dentist musical production raised approximately $25,000 in support of Prairie Theatre Exchange and CancerCare Manitoba Foundation.
Yet Another Good Year

Winnipeg Dental Society Puts a Wrap on 2012 at Annual General Meeting

Generous donations, life memberships, top quality continuing education, fellowship and camaraderie: Just business as usual for the Winnipeg Dental Society that wrapped up another good year with their annual general meeting this past spring.

Capping this year’s annual event was the awarding of life memberships to four members of the venerable organization. Dr. Martin (Marty) Dveris, Dr. Allan Finkleman, Dr. Ken Skinner and Dr. Mitchell B. Vodrey, who were each awarded lifetime status in one of the province’s longest standing oral health organizations, one that has been active in the city since 1902.

Each year the WDS hands out lifetime memberships to those who meet the eligibility criteria.

Of the four new lifetime members, only Dr. Skinner was able to appear at the AGM where he was presented with a plaque to mark the occasion.

“The WDS is quite proud to partner with the Faculty of Dentistry; to contribute and help out wherever we can.” - Dr. Cory Sul, WDS past president.

“Past president of Manitoba Dental Association and incoming regent for the International College of Dentists and newly retired, Dr. Skinner is now an associate at the Assiniboine Dental Group,” noted Dr. Cory Sul, out-going president of the WDS. “Dr. Skinner is also an avid athlete, marathon runner, sculler; anything that involves endurance and strength, has been his passion for many years.”

During the AGM, the WDS also made a pair of donations to the Faculty of Dentistry: The group donated $2,100 to the Neil John MacLean Library fund and also added an additional $3,655 in support for the WDS Scholarship Fund.

Dr. Anthony Iacopino said support from the WDS goes a long way to ensuring the library at the Bannatyne Campus remains a vital, accessible and versatile resource for the entire oral health community in the province.

“Your investment in the Faculty is always stewarded very well,” the Dean of Dentistry said. “We use this money well and we couldn’t do it without you.”

The donations are the latest in a long history of support the WDS has shown towards the Faculty over the years that includes their generous support of the Alumni of Distinction awards banquet.

Dr. Sul said the membership understands that running an oral health unit in a post-secondary institution can often be a daunting task.

“I think life is all about perspective, I can certainly appreciate some of the challenges that Dean Iacopino and the rest of the faculty have to face,” he said. “The WDS is quite proud to be able to partner with the Faculty of Dentistry; to be able to contribute and help out wherever we can.”

Awarding the life memberships and donations to the Faculty also marked one of the last official duties of Dr. Sul as WDS president.

Shortly thereafter, the new slate of officers was released at the AGM.

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FACULTY OF DENTISTRY’S

Annual Alumni Reception

The boys are back in town: In BC for the conference and hanging out at the alumni reception were long-time colleagues (from left) Doug Galan (85), Gord Huff (73), Howie Ullett (73) Greg James (87) and Stuart Maslove (76).

New crew: Recent Faculty graduates (l-r) Drs. Smaranda Danesca, Stephan Kosowski and Lucy Yan, from the Class of 2010, enjoy spending some time together at the Faculty of Dentistry Alumni Reception in Vancouver.

Welcome back: Dr. Kevin Harney (93) who is now located in Devonshire, Bermuda is welcomed back to Canada by colleagues Dr. Mike Pauls (left) and Dr. Michael Numerow (right), each of the Class of 93.

AT THE PACIFIC DENTAL CONFERENCE, VANCOUVER

Dr. Howard Ullett (73) now of Surrey, meets up with Dr. Al Gerretson (81) now in Maple Ridge, at the Faculty of Dentistry Alumni Reception. Once again, the reception drew a packed house of alumni and friends for another evening of high spirited fellowship for those attending the Pacific Dental Conference in Vancouver.

The Faculty of Dentistry wishes to thank Henry Schein for its generous and gracious support of this annual event.
The nations may be more than a half a world apart, but the mere matter of a million miles hasn’t stopped an ambitious group of researchers from banding together to address a common problem.

Oral health researchers in Australia and New Zealand are partnering with their counterparts at the University of Manitoba in Canada in an attempt to address the preponderance of oral health problems amongst their respective Indigenous populations.

“This is what we call our tri-nation collaboration, between Australia, Canada and New Zealand. The idea was to try to reduce inequality among Aboriginal populations in Australia, the Maori populations in New Zealand and First Nations populations in Canada,” said Dr. Lisa Jamieson, Associate Professor and director of the Indigenous Oral Health Research Unit at the University of Adelaide. “So we took focus on oral health inequality and broke it down even further by focusing on children, specifically those with Early Childhood Caries (ECC). Regrettably all of those indigenous childhood populations have far worse situations than those populations that are not Indigenous.”

Dr. Jamieson’s team is in the midst of running a series of randomized controlled trials focusing on indigenous oral health.

Similar studies are also underway in New Zealand and here in Manitoba through the Faculty of Dentistry and the Manitoba Institute of Child Health. It’s all part of a five-year project designed to understand the challenges each society faces and how best to address them through the development of public policy. The results thus far were the subject of a special presentation by Dr. Jamieson who appeared at the Bannatyne Campus in late March to discuss their progress to date.

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To gather data, a team of eight health-care professionals were assembled, including two paediatricians, a nutritional epidemiologist, behavioural scientist, dentist and an Aboriginal health worker, who set out to the northern reaches of the southern continent to recruit participants among the target group.

Their initial aim was to assess the prevalence and severity of dental caries and periodontal disease, and the variations in these conditions, among the participants. They were also looking to analyze how social and behavioural risk factors influenced their findings.

They succeeded in recruiting 638 patients to their cohort, including 55 percent of babies born between 1987 and 1990 to Aboriginal mothers at a northern Australian health-care centre. That, Dr. Jamieson said, was the easy part. From then on, things got increasingly difficult.

Following the recruitment process, the team had hoped to track each of the participants to validate four intervention methods that are currently considered best practices in the prevention of ECC: providing dental care to expectant mothers; the application of fluoride varnish on infant children in early life stages; motivational interviewing and anticipatory guidance.

However, the team soon encountered major stumbling blocks that severely hampered their progress.

“This group is a highly vulnerable, highly mobile population,” Dr. Jamieson explained, “and despite our best efforts at contact, they just appear to have vanished off the face of the earth. It’s a challenge.”

Dr. Jamieson said that presented a real problem for the study.

“What we are struggling with now in Australia is that we are at the point where children are reaching the age of three years,” she said. “At three years is where you start to do the clinical examination to see if the intervention had any effect or not. And we can’t find them.”

Dr. Jamieson commended her team who worked diligently to try and track down the participants.

Many staff would encounter difficult and sometimes hostile, to the point of dangerous, situations in trying to make contact with the families. Workers would often come into environments where there was apparent drug use, domestic violence and myriad other issues that made it difficult if not impossible for the interventions to take place. These conditions also had unfortunate side effects on the team itself.

“I had not anticipated how much we would struggle to follow up with them,” Dr. Jamieson said. “We’ve gone through a lot of staff because it takes its toll when they make visits and encounter these situations. We’ve had to make counseling services available to all of our staff. It has surprised me how hard it has been.”

The team succeeded in implementing the interventions on roughly 440 of the cohort. And the team is committed to pressing on, determined to see the study through to its conclusion. At this point, however, Dr. Jamieson noted that they aren’t exactly sure just where it will lead them to in the end.

“To be honest with you, I’m not sure we’re going to get the results that we want because we can’t implement the intervention the way it was meant to be,” she said. “We are not sitting in a lab or in any controlled environment here. We are out in the field; out in the community doing real life stuff.”

And it is exactly those real-life conditions that appear to be playing havoc with the research team’s progress. Indigenous groups in Australia suffer many of the same socio-economic problems as those in Canada, rampant poverty chief among them. Dr. Jamieson said that for families struggling through so many challenges, good oral health becomes less than their main concern.

“This is a very poor and very vulnerable population,” she said. “It could be that our intervention has not worked, but not because our staff has not done their job. It’s just because there’s so much else going on.”

The one thing about research is that it almost always yields results, including those that were not anticipated. Dr. Jamieson said what they have discovered along the way may still help lead to their ultimate destination.

“We may not get the results we want, but we certainly have learned a lot along the way,” she said. “I think that these lessons will become valuable in terms of public policy as well. We are pouring all of our staff and resources into this, trying to get this to work, which is certainly a gold standard in Australia and New Zealand. It really encapsulates our drive to improve health conditions of this group.”

Below are a series of images taken from the Australian team’s venture to study the oral health of Aboriginals in the northern part of the country.
Fast Forward
TO THE Future

FACULTY TEAM MOVING QUICKLY TO BECOME BETTER THAN EVER

I don’t know about you, but over the years I have come to appreciate that there is one thing about life at an institute of higher learning that is notably different than in other walks of life. You see it every time you pass through these doors; when you step into a clinic or a lecture theatre; when you walk down the hallways or pass through the labs.

It’s that unmistakable and undeniable energy and vibrancy that emulates from our cadre of students who are the essence of our Faculty of Dentistry and our School of Dental Hygiene. These young women and men are our best and our brightest; and they carry with them a sense of optimistic ambition that is often as altruistic as it is entirely authentic.

The French have a term for it, referred to as ‘joie de vivre,’ the joy of life. And it’s as palpable and as infectious as anyone could ever imagine; unmistakable in its energy and its power to affect even the most distant soul for the better.

I hear it all the time from our many part-time, volunteer instructors; those who so graciously and generously donate their time, energy and skills in support of our academic imperative to develop the best practitioners on the planet. Each and every one it seems makes note of our high calibre cohort and how their driven intelligence and spirited good nature rubs off on them, leaving them refreshed, energized and optimistic about the future.

It’s a culture of community that is reinforced by a capable, competent and committed team that guides and supports them. Our administrators, our support staff, our instructors, our technicians: all of us play a key role in creating and maintaining this atmosphere to the best of our collective ability.

And doing just that is the main objective in our Outstanding Workplace Initiative that is now hitting its stride here at the Faculty of Dentistry. In late May, our entire Faculty team gathered together for a collective discussion on how we can get better as a group: What’s good, what can be done better, what we still need to do.

Throughout the day, we engaged in a variety of discussions and exercises, each designed to identify areas that require attention and to develop new and better pathways towards solutions. And I am delighted to say that what we saw take place was proactive, thoughtful dialogue and an exchange of ideas, each with the intent of addressing our central issues and reinforcing our core values.

We are aware that issues exist, that challenges remain, that certain things need to improve. We are equally aware that we have an extremely talented group of individuals at all levels of the organization and that properly leveraging this knowledge and expertise is the best, if not the only way to derive solutions to the challenges we face.

Our faith is quickly being justified.

Throughout the course of our sessions, several commonalities were identified, many originating from completely different perspectives. This, in turn, led to some often frank discussions on any variety of matters.

And here, my friends, is where we start down the road to where we all want to be.

It has become apparent that to function better as a team, we must perform better as a team. For a very long time, we went about things in certain ways, if only because that was the way things were always done. That was then, this is now. Things have changed. So it is up to us to move in tempo with the times.

And in many ways, that process has long since begun. We have undergone a host of improvements to our facility here that have and will provide immediate and tangible benefits to all staff.

Technology for our programming is near – if not at - the cutting edge and is still improving.

Student satisfaction is near an all-time high; alumni engagement is also sky high and has never been better.

When it comes to our core deliverables, we are more than making the grade - we are succeeding royally.

We are the only unit in this university that is going to such lengths to achieve our goals and we are convinced that this is the right thing to do. We are equally certain that given our broad base of talented and committed professionals at all levels of the organization, this can and will happen.

We are all keenly aware of the dividends that such a dynamic is sure to create: a harmonious, hard-working, staff moving in lock-step with our bright and vibrant student body, guided by talented and experienced professionals who reflect and revel in the commitment and energy that is so prevalent around them.

In so doing, we will have created an environment of exuberance and success; an atmosphere of optimism and ambition; a reality of fulfillment for all.

We will continue to move forward down this path, ever accelerating, ever achieving.

I look forward to engaging further with any and all who share our collective vision of moving our Faculty forward, to preserve and enhance this rare and marvelous place for as long as humanly possible, if only because it is one of the best places in the world to be.

Grazie.
In yet another pioneering initiative stemming from the University of Manitoba’s Bannatyne Campus, a new inter-professional education curriculum is moving closer to reality.

The curriculum, ‘Oral-Systemic Health Education for Non-Dental Healthcare Providers,’ that targets health-care providers outside the dental health field, has been in development for close to three years. Curriculum subject matter is composed of 25-30 individual courses running roughly one hour each. The courses will appear in journal grade publications of the University of Manitoba, and in addition, reformatted as multi-media digital courses for online delivery.

A blueprint for the curriculum was developed by an advisory board of experts from a broad range of disciplines, both internal and external to the University of Manitoba, including physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, occupational therapists, physician assistants, psychologists, dentists, and dental hygienists. The board was charged with ensuring only the most relevant aspects of oral health were covered, with particular attention to inter-professional interventions in the oral care of patients from underserved populations.

A joint project of the Faculty of Dentistry and the Faculty of Medicine, the courses are designed to assist non-dental health-care providers in screening, and appropriately referring patients at risk for oral diseases and conditions, as well as co-managing patients in high risk categories.

“There is compelling evidence that overall health may be directly related to controlling infection and inflammation within the oral cavity and that establishing a healthy oral environment is conducive to the overall health and the well-being of the patient,” said Casey Hein who is leading the project as the Director of Interprofessional Continuing Development at the Bannatyne Campus.

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Community Service Earns Accolade

DENTAL HYGIENIST’S COMMITMENT TO UNDERSERVED RESULTS IN 2013 ALUMNI HONOUR

A long-time practitioner in community oral health has been named the recipient of the 2013 Alumni of Distinction award for the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba.

Ms. Pattie Moore (nee Délubbio), of the Class of 1971, has spent a career dedicated to community oral health and public service and, because of these efforts, has been selected for one of highest accolades in Manitoba oral health.

“This kind of dedication speaks volumes and really sets a great example for those who will soon become members of our profession,” said Dr. Joanna Asadoorian, Director of the School of Dental Hygiene, located on the Bannatyne Campus of the university. “Dental hygiene is far more than just cleaning teeth; it’s about a long-term commitment to promoting health for the public we serve.”

This year’s recipient has spent over 30 years in the field as a full-time public health dental hygienist with the City of Winnipeg Health Department and the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. In that capacity, she has worked on many first-of-its-kind outreach initiatives, including the Machray School Project that reduced decay in at-risk, inner-city children from 90% to under 10%. Ms. Moore has also worked as a speaker and researcher on oral health care for disadvantaged communities.

“Pattie’s career is an excellent example of the impact that a dental hygienist can have on a community,” said Cindy Isaak-Ploegman, president of the University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association. “It goes beyond the operatory and the clinic and reaches into the lives of those who are in need of help.”

Ms. Moore (pictured centre) will be formally presented with the award at the Faculty’s annual Alumni of Distinction awards banquet and celebration, September 20 at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg.

A co-production of the Faculty of Dentistry and School of Dental Hygiene and their respective alumni associations, the annual autumn event is a salute to oral health excellence in Manitoba. The event will be part of Alumni of Distinction weekend that will feature a number of events at the Bannatyne Campus.

SDH @ the PDC!

Don’t look now, but the School of Dental Hygiene is moving in on the Pacific Dental Conference. Well, moving in at the University of Manitoba Alumni Reception, at least!

This year’s edition of Canada’s largest professional event always draws a big crowd from the prairies and this year was no exception. And this year, the numbers for dental hygiene were better than ever at the Faculty’s annual welcome reception for alumni, students and other friends of the institution, held in conjunction with the annual event.

And, in yet another first, the 2013 edition marked the first official appearance of the University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association. Association president, Ms. Cindy Isaak-Ploegman had the chance to discuss the benefits of membership in the young organization with those attending.

A ton of fun: Long-time dental hygienists (below, from left) Holly McDonald and Yvonne Smith, both from the School of Dental Hygiene’s Class of 1970, were among the many alumni who dropped in at the annual welcome reception held during the PDC this past spring.

Enjoying life on the West Coast: Recent School of Dental Hygiene graduates (pictured top) Monika Fetke and Andrea Driedger (right) stopped by to meet and mingle with colleagues and friends at the Faculty of Dentistry Welcome Reception. Monika has since taken the time to offer some reflections of her years at the school (see page 20).
recently read an article in the Wall Street Journal that ranked the top 200 jobs from best to worst for 2013. And I was pretty thrilled to learn that Dental Hygiene came in ranked at number six! The results were based on five measurement criteria: physical demands, work environment, income, stress and the hiring outlook. The only other health-related career that came in higher than dental hygiene was audiologist, which came in at number four. Actuaries placed number one.

I found this information to be validating because, despite a recent softening in the availability of dental hygiene positions on a national level, I am confident that dental hygiene will be experiencing a major upswing in employment opportunities over the next several years. I further believe this will translate to a larger applicant pool for our dental hygiene programs as well.

I attribute this for a number of reasons: population growth in our communities, both locally and in other provinces; the fact that more and more of our baby boomers are retaining and maintaining their natural teeth; and because of the new, emerging opportunities now becoming available for dental hygienists.

What I was particularly interested in, however, was the all-round appeal of the dental hygiene profession recognized in this ranking. This has been reported by others in similar polls in Canada and the US — that dental hygienists are typically happy and satisfied with their career choice. I believe this appeal will increase as more non-traditional opportunities emerge and as the interprofessional health-care model continues to develop in the US and Canada, a model that includes oral health-care providers, including dental hygienists, in increasing numbers.

Here at the School of Dental Hygiene, we are preparing to meet this expansion of a trained oral health-care workforce. We are fully committed to participating with all other health-care professions at the University of Manitoba through inter-professional education. We are also making modifications so that our BScDH degree completion program can take a much larger cohort.

These changes, among others, will permit more Manitoba-trained dental hygienists to take on both traditional and novel health-care opportunities as they arise.

It is imperative that we ensure that our graduates are ready to take on new challenges and opportunities as they come forth in our communities, and that they can work within innovative systems and organizations. We have to prepare students for a future that we can only predict and imagine; something that is exciting yet equally unsettling at the same time.

By the way, if you want to know where some other great oral health care professions came in on the job ranking, you can find it by visiting CareerCast.com. No spoiler alert needed here, but I will say that you should pay attention to the top 50!

If you are not already aware, on Saturday, September 21, right here at the Bannatyne campus, the University of Manitoba, School of Dental Hygiene will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary as a School within the institution.

To mark this milestone, we will be hosting a beautiful champagne brunch the morning after the Alumni of Distinction gala where we will celebrate our past achievements while looking positively to the future. I sincerely hope that you will be able to join us for this momentous event!

Simultaneously, the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association is celebrating its 50th anniversary and the College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba is celebrating its five-year anniversary as well. Dental hygiene has lots to be proud of. Sometimes it takes an outside perspective, like this Wall Street Journal poll, to see all of the wonderful things our profession has to offer.
Boomer Seminar A Blast!

UMSDHAA HOSTS FIRST PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT

Submitted by Cindy Isaak-Ploegman, President, UMSDHAA

The University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association has had a productive and exciting 2013. On April 13, we had our first annual professional development course with Prof. Salme Lavigne presenting: Looking into the Crystal Ball — Aging Baby Boomers and Oral Health Issues, and Dr. Anthony Iacopino presenting Oral-systemic Science Update. The lectures were held in the Fredric Gaspard Theatre.

These courses book-ended a luncheon in the Buhler Atrium that featured guest speakers bringing greetings: Dr. Christopher Cottick, past-president of the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association; Dr. Iacopino, Dean of Faculty of Dentistry; Dr. Joanna Asadoorian, Director of School of Dental Hygiene; and Ms. Stephanie Gordon, Executive Director/Registrar College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba.

Also, our vice-president, Kyle Conrad, presented Ms. Diane Girardin, with the Alumni of Distinction plaque for 2012. We are pleased that our Masters of Ceremonies were our dental hygiene student representatives: David Forde (DH2) and Larissa Bubnowicz (DH3).

Our event was supported by 59 participants, primarily UMSDHAA members and guests, some of whom are pictured right (see opposite page for photo legend). Feedback was positive and encouraging enough that similar, future endeavours would be well supported by the oral health community.

One Happy Hygienist

RECENT GRADUATE SHARES REFLECTIONS ON SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

Submitted by Monika Fetke, DH Class of 2012

Since graduating as a member of the Class of 2012 from the University of Manitoba, School of Dental Hygiene, my experiences have ranged from the simplest of situations to more difficult client cases. As a newer graduate, and one who still has quite a bit of learning to do within the profession, I am confident enough to say that what we were taught in school, and the experiences we were put through as part of the curriculum, have prepared me well to begin a career as an oral health professional.

Although the two-year course of studies was tough and at times frustrating, I can honestly say there is nothing I would change about it. Working as a professional out in the field really helps you realize the importance of all that was implemented in school.

Also, when compared to other schools, such as private colleges, it is almost impossible not to notice how much more prepared we are when it comes to dealing with the difficult situations we often encounter in the field. This is thanks to in-school experiences that took us into long-term care homes, Siloam Mission and many other locations outside of school to work with people in need.

Speaking to graduates from other schools, many if not most have not had the opportunities that we did in working with different types of people and interesting cases. Fortunately, this type of experience gives School of Dental Hygiene graduates a real advantage when it comes to dealing with more challenging cases. Our Class of 2012 recorded one of the highest scores in the national board exam. This underscores our dedication and competency from the program itself.

I strongly believe that our school is committed to producing successful and well-prepared dental hygienists. And to sum up, I am very proud to be a graduate of the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Manitoba; very thankful for the experiences I have been through.
Yet Another Alumni First

FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING YET ANOTHER MILESTONE FOR DENTAL HYGIENE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Submitted by Cindy Isaak-Ploegman,
President, UMSDHAA, on behalf of the executive committee

Our first annual general meeting was held May 2 in the Schwarz Lecture Theatre, Faculty of Dentistry and was well attended. We began with a president’s report, which I tabled to the group, followed by a finance report by treasurer Lorraine Glassford, and membership report by Marcia Rushka.

We then presented the DH2 class with a $100 cheque from UMSDHAA towards the Class of 2014’s graduation fund raising campaign. They were the winners in a competition forged between the two dental hygiene student years to support our association with student memberships.

We were also able to disperse pledge forms for donors to support our annual University of Manitoba School of Dental Hygiene Alumni Association Diploma and Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Student Award. This award will provide a student with $500 in funds to present a poster of their learning at a professional, scientific or educational conference starting June, 2014. For copies of this pledge form, and more information, please contact kyla.denisuik@ad.umanitoba.ca.

We were excited to announce that the Alumni of Distinction nomination selection committee’s choice for the 2013 Alumni of Distinction is Ms. Pattie Moore. We look forward to celebrating her accomplishments and contributions to the Dental Hygiene profession and community Friday, September 20 at the Alumni of Distinction gala.

We invite our members and the dental community to join us for what will surely be a fun evening.

We finished off the meeting with an excellent presentation by the DH3 student representative on our committee, Larissa Bubnowicz, on her summer research project titled: Physicochemical Surface Characterization of Dental Enamel: Nano-level Effect of Fluoridation with Topical Gel Agents. Larissa presented her research at the ConsEuro International Dental Research Conference in Paris this past May. The principal investigator of this project was Dr. Rodrigo França of the Faculty of Dentistry. We were grateful to Larissa for sharing her findings with our participants and wish her the best of success in her career.

We especially look forward to planning our next year’s events and supporting the School of Dental Hygiene in planning the 50th anniversary of the SDH. Please plan to join us on September 21 at the Champagne Brunch as we would love to meet you.

In my president’s message I gave a historical perspective of our first meeting back in May 2011 at Moxies with myself, Dr. Asadoorian, and Deanna Mackay, to discuss forming an association. Our membership has now blossomed to 113 active, affiliate, supporting, and student members as of May, 2013. On behalf of our executive committee, I wish to thank our members for their financial support and participation in our events and we look forward to a productive future.

We would like to thank our sponsors for providing door prizes and favors for our events: Dentsply Canada; Hu-Friedy Manufacturing Company; and Sunstar America’s Incorporator.

Congratulations to door prize winners: Vera Nikoulina, Margo Nohlgren, Joanne Kosowan, and Pam Simpson.

We are especially grateful to Dentsply Canada who donated four cavitron tips for student use at the School of Dental Hygiene. This is fabulous as the UMSDHAA’s mandate is to support the School of Dental Hygiene as well as involve alumni, engage current students, recognize alumni achievements, communicate with alumni, and provide alumni with benefits and services.

The best is yet to come!
Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association/School of Dental Hygiene Mentorship Program
IS SENDING A CALL OUT TO ALL DENTAL HYGIENISTS WITHIN WINNIPEG!

MISSION STATEMENT

The Manitoba Dental Hygienists Association (MDHA)/School of Dental Hygiene Mentorship Program is a partnership that supports the transition of dental hygiene students into the profession through open communications, guidance, and inspiration that benefits both parties.

HOW CAN THIS BE ACHIEVED?

Only YOU can help us achieve this statement. Your commitment makes OUR profession stronger. YOU are the MDHA and as we always state “We are only as strong as our members” and with your commitment you are an example of this sentiment.

WHAT CAN THE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM OFFER?

- A rare opportunity for all participants to grow and develop together; to share experiences and to work as one for the benefit of OUR profession
- The mentee is provided with a connection to OUR profession that can not be attained through formal education. YOUR relationship with YOUR mentee will provide insight and will ease their transition from a “student” to a “professional”
- Participants develop stronger ties with the School of Dental Hygiene and the MDHA. This, in turn, can lead to valuable networking opportunities and/or new career paths
- Participation is recognized by the College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba (CDHM) and can be used to fulfill your annual Professional Activity Record (PAR) requirement
- WE are life long students; both the mentors and the mentees benefit from our program

INTERESTED? CONSIDERING? LET’S TALK!

Contact the MDHA Mentorship Committee
email: mentorship@mdha.ca or call and leave a message for us at : 204-981-7327
More Than Just Peanuts

ORTHODONTIC RESIDENT PRESENTS MASTER’S RESEARCH AT PRESTIGIOUS, BY INVITATION ONLY, PROFESSIONAL EVENT

Graduate residents are well aware that the opportunity to be invited to present at a major professional event doesn’t happen all too often. That’s why most jump at the chance to share their work with their more experienced colleagues, especially when a major prize is up for grabs.

Such was the case for third-year orthodontic resident, Dr. Randeep Chana, who had the chance to present his work and vie for the Charlie Schultz Resident Scholar Award at the same time.

Dr. Chana (pictured above right) presented his MSc research work on the evaluation of the Crossbow appliance at the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) annual meeting this past spring in Philadelphia. His study sample was a retrospective group of patients whose orthodontic records were studied from the practice of Dr. Tim Dumore, a part-time assistant professor in orthodontics at the University of Manitoba.

“I was honoured to be one of only two Canadian schools in this prestigious competition of PhD and MSc thesis projects against those from 25 of America’s top schools including the Harvard School of Dental Medicine, Boston University and the University of North Carolina,” Dr. Chana said. “It was an honour to partake in a competition recognized by countries from all over the world and represent the University of Manitoba as a leader amongst Canadian orthodontic programmes.”

The Charlie Schultz Resident Scholar Award offers an opportunity for graduate students/residents to present clinical science and basic science research at the AAO’s annual meetings each year. Scholarship awards vary from $500 to $1,000 and are presented in each of two categories: clinical science and basic science. Presentations are judged on originality, relevance, research design validity and results.

There is no connection between the award and Charles M. Schultz, the celebrated cartoonist, best known for the comic strip Peanuts.

And indeed, the prizes, in addition to the opportunity to present at a major industry event, could hardly be considered peanuts. Dr. Chana was provided with a $750 research award by the AAO to travel to Philadelphia to appear at the event.

“To have Manitoba consistently represented at these large conferences speaks highly of the strength of our programme,” said Dr. Chana, who also discussed the topic: Cephalometric evaluation of dental Class II correction using the Xbow™ appliance in different facial patterns.

The head of Graduate Orthodontics noted the significance of the achievement.

“I can proudly say that Dr. Chana was an outstanding ambassador for our orthodontic programme in Manitoba,” Dr. William ‘Billy’ Wiltshire said. “Our residents consistently take part in student research presentations around the world and they make our presence felt at the most prestigious orthodontic conferences around the world. In the past three years, we have had a presence at events in the USA, Japan, Turkey, Argentina, Spain and Australia.”

Dr. Chana was in good company over the event that ran in May at the ‘City of Brotherly Love.’ Fellow third-year resident Dr. Nicholas Playfair was also in Philadelphia. He and Dr. Chana presented cases at the display forum held by the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics. Several other residents also attended as delegates, gaining information on new and emerging directions in the field.

The University of Manitoba was well represented by instructors, both presenting at and attending the meeting. Dr. Wiltshire presented papers and also chaired at the Society of Orthodontic Educators session while also attending the biannual meeting of the Canadian Council on Graduate Orthodontic Program Directors (CCGPOD).

Dr. Milos Lekic, part-time, assistant professor and lecturer Dr. Osmar Baretto also attended the Society of Educators meeting that ran in concurrence with the annual session.

WDS Year-End Wrap
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Dr. Jeff Hein takes the reins as president, with Dr. Cory Sul moving to past president. Dr. Roberta Krawat becomes philanthropic chair and vice-president with Dr. Peter Kowal as clinic chair and Dr. Carmine Scarpino as assistant clinic chair. Dr. Don Dziewit will administer sports and special events with Dr. Christie Laberge now serving as secretary.

Each of the officers of the society will hold their office for one year and, after one year each executive member will move up the progressive executive committee system to the next office.

And, last but certainly not least, the WDS officially tabled its list of Continuing Dental Education programming for the coming year.

Long considered one of the mainstays of CDE in Manitoba, the list again includes a series of five events staggered throughout the year.

The WDS has also confirmed they will begin the autumn season with a special session to be held in conjunction with Alumni of Distinction Weekend at the Faculty, September 20, 2013.

Faculty alumna and periodontist, Dr. Anastasia Cholakis, will discuss prevention and treatment of hard and soft tissue dental implant complications.

The lecture will be held at the Victoria Inn near the aiport in Winnipeg.
New Academics On Board

DRS. ERALDO BATISTA AND FABIO PINHEIRO WELCOMED TO FACULTY FOLD

Following a lengthy and thorough search, Dr. Adnan Shah is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Eraldo L. Batista Jr. (pictured right) as one of two new staff members for the department of Dental Diagnostic and Surgical Sciences.

Dr. Batista, DDS, MSC, DSC, received his degree in Periodontics from the University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1997 and his DSc in Oral Biology from Boston University in 2005. Since 1998, Dr. Batista has been with the University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil as Assistant Professor, Periodontics.

Among his research interests are inflammatory events and modulation of periodontal disease progression; bone biology and pharmacological strategies to control periodontal disease-mediated tissue destruction; oral and systemic diseases connection and gene-related modulation of implant osseointegration. At the University of Manitoba, Dr. Batista (pictured right) will focus on undergraduate periodontics and will also be involved in the graduate programme as well, particularly in clinical teaching, seminars and research.

A Fellow of the International Team for Implantology (ITI) based in Bern, Switzerland and a member of the International Association for Dental Research, Dr. Batista began his new assignment here at the Faculty as of January 1, 2013.

He joins Dr. Reem Atout as the second academic appointment in DDSS. Dr. Atout formally started this position effective July 1, 2012.

The Department of Preventive Dental Science is pleased to welcome Dr. Fabio Pinheiro as assistant professor in the Division of Orthodontics.

A native of Brazil, Dr. Pinheiro (pictured left) completed a four-year orthodontic residence combining the delivery of clinical services at the Hospital for Rehabilitation of Craniofacial Anomalies and a Master’s degree in Orthodontics at Sao Paulo University.

As well, Dr. Pinheiro holds a Master's degree in biomaterials from the University of Michigan and earned his PhD in orthodontics from the University of Manchester, England.

Having worked in Japan as a research fellow as well as a clinical orthodontist in Brazil and Sweden, Dr. Pinheiro, along with his wife Tatiana and his son Daniel, now look forward to permanently settling in Winnipeg.

Dr. Pinheiro's areas of interest are, but not limited to, cleft lip and palate, evaluation of orthodontic techniques and clinical outcomes, and inter-centre comparisons.

He enjoys supervising undergraduate and graduate students in the clinic and is currently accepting students for research supervision. He is also very open to interdepartmental research collaboration. Dr. Pinheiro is very enthusiastic about his new position and looks forward to contributing to the orthodontic team at the University of Manitoba.

The Faculty of Dentistry is pleased to welcome these talented academics to their new roles at the institution.

Changing Directions

DEPARTMENT HEAD ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

Submitted by Dr. Igor J. Pesun, DMD, MS, FACP, FRCD(C)
Associate Professor and Head, Department of Restorative Dentistry

Beginning this summer, I will be taking administrative leave to complete the necessary paper work to begin a new Graduate Prosthodontics programme here at the Faculty of Dentistry. I would like to thank everyone for their support over the last seven years as Head of the Department of Restorative Dentistry. I have a wonderful group in the department with which to work. When I arrived, the department was at the cusp of a significant change with the imminent retirement of half of the academic staff.

Our recruitment efforts have resulted in exceptional new faculty members who continue to improve the quality of the education we provide for our graduates. Our dedicated faculty have improved the NDEB scores and exposed students to digital dentistry with CAD/CAM. We continue to implement new and exciting changes to improve the student experience.

I would like to welcome Dr. Rodrigo Cunha into his new position as Acting Head of the Department of Restorative Dentistry. Dr. Cunha’s previous experience as a department head will serve restorative staff and students well.

I look forward to returning to the Faculty on July 1, 2014.
Wild, Wild West

ALUMNI, ACADEMICS MAKE IMPACT AT TRIO OF PACIFIC COAST PROFESSIONAL EVENTS

Go west, young man, and seek your fortune!

Such was the call to the early pioneers in North America. The phrase was popularized mostly in the United States as the government of the day encouraged westward expansion by offering homesteads and parcels of land to those intrepid souls who took up the challenge and helped open the then-unexplored American mainland.

So perhaps it was an echo of those earlier times that led a large contingent of Faculty of Dentistry alumni and academics westward to a trio of major professional conferences this past spring.

Once again, the Pacific Dental Conference (PDC), the Annual Session and Exhibition of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA), and the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) shared the attention of the profession drawing large contingents from the prairies for each of the annual events. The PDC was held in Vancouver with the other events taking place in Seattle, Washington.

With over 12,000 participants, the PDC celebrated its highest attendance record to date and continues to be one of the largest dental conferences in North America. The event, sponsored by the British Columbia Dental Association, featured over 150 sessions and hands-on courses in addition to a massive trade show that occupied the entire lower level of the new Vancouver Convention Centre.

Conference delegates saw the usual array of product displays and were also able to test numerous products such as the Zeiss Cinemizer which allows patients to watch 3D videos with superior sound while in the dental chair. A main stage was also constructed in the area where live oral surgeries were conducted along with Botox demonstrations.

All this was in addition to the many seminars held throughout each day of the conference featuring a diverse range of topics: from oral surgery to social media awareness.

And, as always, the event drew a large contingent of Manitoba practitioners, academics and alumni from both dentistry and dental hygiene as participants and presenters.

Faculty academics presenting included Drs. Joanna Asadoorian and Anthony Iacopino with several alumni also making appearances. The list here includes Dr. Paresh Shah, Dr. Les Rykiss and Ms. Nancy Adair.

While the event was as big and bold as ever, the highlight for many was the annual University of Manitoba Alumni Reception that drew another packed house to the beautiful Pan Pacific Hotel on the edge of the Vancouver harbourfront.

In amongst all the fellowship and camaraderie were brief addresses from the Dean of Dentistry along with executive members of the school’s two alumni associations: Dr. Chris Cottick of the University of Manitoba Dental Alumni Association and Ms. Cindy Isaak-Ploegman making her first visit to BC as head of the new alumni association at the School of Dental Hygiene.

In his remarks, Dr. Anthony Iacopino noted how the University of Manitoba remains unique among North American dental schools.

“We provide a great clinical and technical education. We do things other dental schools in North America simply don’t do,” the Dean said. “Our graduates have the most implant experience of any dental school in North America. Our graduates have the best, most comprehensive dental practice management programme of any dental school in North America. We have the most students active in student research, representing our school at international and national meetings in North America, based on our size. As I like to say, I think we are among the best dental schools in North America.”

From there it was down the road, about 200 kilometres south, to Seattle for the ADEA annual exhibition.

Similar to the PDC, this annual event also draws a strong contingent from this prairie province, many of whom are repeat presenters, including Faculty academics Drs. Cecilia Dong and Dieter Schönwetter.

The theme for 2013 was ‘Landscape of Learning’ to address key issues and future-oriented concepts in dental education. Among the educational sessions were: curricular change with a focus on inter-professional education, and various pedagogical approaches related to learning how to teach, inspire and motivate students as learners and future professionals.

Shortly thereafter was the 37th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association for Dental Research (CADR) that was held in conjunction with the 91st General Session and Exhibition of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) March 20-23, 2013, also in Seattle.

The meeting attracted nearly 6,000 people from 75 countries, including 179 delegates from Canada.

Those attending the meeting could choose from among 3,897 scientific presentations, including 2,929 posters, 902 oral presentations, 40 poster discussion presentations, 27 Lunch & Learning topics, 25 symposia, 10 hands-on workshops and four plenary sessions.

Dr. Rodrigo França and Dr. Igor Pesun led a Faculty of Dentistry group and were joined by Osmar Barreto, Victor Gong, Lindsay Roberston and Justin Silverstein in presenting posters from the dental biomaterial research laboratory at the event.

The Faculty of Dentistry and School of Dental Hygiene would also like to extend thanks and gratitude to their friends at Henry Schein and Phillips for their gracious support of the alumni events at the PDC and ADEA, respectively.
Amazing Support Continues On

The enthusiastic support from the Alumni of the Faculty of Dentistry and School of Dental Hygiene continues to astound me! There are so many exciting developments in the Faculty right now, including the revamped Dr. Donald B. Proctor Fund. This is an exciting initiative that promises to be a huge benefit to students while assisting patients from our community.

The School of Dental Hygiene has begun plans to celebrate the school’s 50th anniversary this fall. As details are confirmed information will be circulated. Also, the Hygiene Alumni Association is finalizing terms of reference for an annual award in the Diploma and Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene program. Pledge forms were distributed at the AGM. Feel free to contact me if you would like further information.

The Dr. Taras Snihurowycz Campaign has proven to be a huge success. We are very close to reaching the goal of $93,000 for this project. The committee is discussing the possibility of establishing an award in his honour as well to help preserve his legacy here at the Faculty.

The Dr. Sam Borden Periodontology Clinic Campaign is in its final stages. An event to celebrate Dr. Borden and the success of this project are in the works. Finalized details will be circulated to all donors soon.

The Dean and I have had the pleasure of visiting with many of you in Vancouver, Ottawa and Toronto over the past few months. It is wonderful to see so many of our alumni staying connected to the University.

If it has been some time since you visited the Faculty of Dentistry or the School of Dental Hygiene and are planning to be in Winnipeg, please contact me and we’ll arrange a visit for you. I can be reached at 204-789-3537 or Kyla.Denisuik@ad.umanitoba.ca or call 204.789.3537.

Helping Students In A New Way

REVAMPED DR. DONALD B. PROCTOR FUND MATCHES STUDENTS WITH PATIENTS TO CREATE WIN-WIN DENTAL WORK.

In the 1980’s, the Dr. Donald B. Proctor Memorial Loan Fund proved itself invaluable to students in need of emergency funds. The maximum loan was $500 and it was granted without interest or guarantor. Repayment was expected within one year of graduation.

“His students were so important to him,” says Dr. Proctor’s daughter Pam Proctor. “He loved teaching and he loved his students, and it was important to him that if they needed financial help they had somewhere to turn.”

Dr. Proctor was a professor in the Department of Stomatology and Director of Patient Care. He received the Professor of the Year Award in 1980 and was awarded fellowship in the International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists. Dr. Proctor passed away in 1984.

In recent years, the fund has been largely dormant. The Faculty collaborated with the Proctor family to determine viable options for the endowed fund. The result is an innovative, community-centred solution that solves two problems at once. The revamped Dr. Donald B. Proctor Fund matches Winnipeggers who aren’t able to pay for dental procedures with students who have to complete specific clinical procedures required for graduation.

Many patients want to have treatment done here, but they can’t afford it. And from the Faculty’s perspective, students have the chance to comprehensively treat a patient and provide continuity of care,” says Dr. Mel Sawyer, Associate Dean, Clinics. “We are excited because this is a win-win arrangement for patients and students.”

The terms of the Fund are largely open to allow for flexibility and efficiency. Priority will be given to funding requests for exceptional cases and will be processed on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration both the patients’ and students’ needs.

“This fund is of special significance to me,” says Dr. Sawyer. “When I was a student here in the mid-seventies, Dr. Proctor was both an instructor and my class advisor. We could always count on him for his kindness, guidance and support, as well as his superb instruction.”

Pam, who still has people introducing themselves to her as former students of Dr. Proctor, says she is thrilled with the newly revamped fund.

“The students meant the world to my father, so we wanted this to be something that could help them directly,” she says. “And of course, it’s not fun when you need dental work and you can’t afford it. That we can benefit both communities is really fantastic. I think he would be pleased.”

If you would like to contribute to the Dr. Donald B. Proctor Fund, send an email to Kyla.Denisuik@ad.umanitoba.ca or call 204.789.3537.
Sharing Some Suds  
IN THE ‘Big Smoke’

Expanding on the list of always-popular alumni reception events, the Faculty of Dentistry held its first such gathering in style in the city of Toronto.

On May 3, the Faculty of Dentistry and Dentsply hosted an alumni reception at The Real Sports Bar in Toronto, which coincided with the Ontario Dental Association Spring Meetings.

About 25 Faculty of Dentistry alumni attended, including (pictured at right, from left) Dr. Dave McDermid (Class of 1983) and Dr. Arvid Hakala (Class of 1982), and all had a great time. Plans are underway to make this an annual get-together.

The Faculty of Dentistry would like to thank Dentsply for supporting this event.

Fun on tap: (from left) Dr. Dave McDermid (Class of 1983) and Dr. Arvid Hakala (Class of 1982) share a pint at The Real Sports Bar in Toronto at the Faculty of Dentistry’s first alumni reception in the city.

Education Innovation
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“A recent survey showed that 88 percent of physicians, and 92 percent of pharmacists believe they do not have enough information on oral-systemic interrelationships. So even though physicians may be aware of periodontal-systemic links, the majority do not collaborate with their colleagues in dentistry. That’s the challenge.”

To help bridge the gap between health-care practitioners, the University has partnered with Manitoba Health to assist in project development. The Deputy Minister of Health, Milton Sussman, noted that the goals of the initiative are consistent with those of the provincial government.

“The whole idea of linking professionals across the whole spectrum is an important priority of the government. This really is an excellent opportunity to advance that. So I’m very pleased with what I have seen and I look forward to seeing the curriculum as it evolves,” Mr. Sussman said. “Hopefully we can spread the learning that it offers to physicians, nurses, and other non-dental health-care professionals. We think this novel initiative will serve Manitobans and all Canadians very well.”

Of particular note, Mr. Sussman pointed to the potential of the course, Empowering Physicians and Nurses in the Early Detection of Oral and Oropharyngeal Cancer, to improve the statistics on later stage oral cancer rates in Manitoba, adding that pooling of the expertise of all health-care practitioners seems a more effective method of service delivery.

“It’s very clear that we can no longer rely on a silo approach to providing care — this approach does not provide the best quality of care, nor does it achieve the best patient outcomes,” he said. “We are very committed to promoting inter-professional education and collaboration in healthcare and I think this is an excellent vehicle to support that.”

CDA Honours Dr. Dawes
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Since then, Dr. Dawes has remained a fixture at the Faculty, a highly respected and well-regarded academic who maintains an active interest and presence in departmental research activities. And today, just shy of the incredible milestone of 50 years’ service at the University of Manitoba, he continues on with some collaborative research and has been invited, in August of this year, to present a CE course on saliva in Brisbane, Australia.

“I also spend quite a bit of time reviewing manuscripts from many different journals,” he said. “I enjoy keeping up with the literature.”

In 2006, Dr. Dawes kindly consented to join the editorial board of the Alumni-Faculty Bulletin, where he serves as Senior Copy Editor and Chief Editorial Advisor. His keen eye for detail and remarkable grasp of English language and grammar continues to serve the Faculty and its constituents well by ensuring that the highest possible academic and journalistic standards are well maintained.

His reputation as a skilled academic and scientist is matched only by the high regard held for him by his peers and colleagues for his kind demeanor, gentle good nature and razor sharp wit.

The Faculty of Dentistry family wishes to offer most sincere congratulations to Dr. Colin Dawes on this wonderful achievement and his remarkable career.
Around Bannatyne

ACTIVITIES OF ALUMNI, FACULTY, AND STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY AND THE SCHOOL OF DENTAL HYGIENE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

Presentations:


Lavigne SE: Dental hygiene education in Canada and the University of Manitoba. Swiss Smile Campus, Zurich, Switzerland, April 26, 2013.


Sam A (UM Class of 2014): A comparison of attractive faces with ideal and non-ideal smiles. Midwest Student Research Group meeting, University of Iowa Faculty of Dentistry, April 13, 2013.


Poster Presentations:

Poster presentations from University of Manitoba Dental Biomaterial Research Laboratory were:


Gong V, Robertson L, Pesun IJ, França R: Comparison of the atomic concentrations of four pulp-capping material surfaces. IADR meeting, Seattle, WA, USA, March 20-23, 2013.


Periodicals:


Congratulations:

Dr. Colin Dawes who was recently named recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for 2012 by the Canadian Dental Association.

Dr. Rodrigo Cunha, Reda Elgazzar, Isabel Mello, and Charlene Solomon who have all successfully passed the written portion (Part 1) of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada Specialty exam. The oral portion (part two) of the exam is scheduled for June, 2013.

Dr. Randeep Chana, a resident of graduate orthodontics (G3), University of Manitoba, was selected as the 2013 Charlie Schultz research scholar and presented his work at the American Association of Orthodontists annual meeting this past May.
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George Loewen: The mandibular condylar cartilage in elderly humans: Evaluation in cadavers.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS:

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In addition, the Alumni - Faculty Bulletin welcomes word of any and all other activities undertaken by alumni, faculty and students of the Faculty of Dentistry and School of Dental Hygiene. This includes class reunions, birth announcements, offshore travel and other items that may be of interest to the broader community. Submissions are welcomed on an ongoing basis via email @: dent_events@umanitoba.ca.
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In Memoriam

DR. ROBERT (BOB) GLENN
March 1, 1917 — May 1, 2013

Dr. Robert (Bob) Glenn, 96, longtime resident of River Heights in Winnipeg, passed away on May 1, 2013. Beloved husband of the late Jean (1992); father of Judy Paterson (Gordon), Kim Saull (Robert), Marcia Glenn (James Hoag), and David Glenn (Darlene); brother of Ted and the late May Norman and Peggy Battersby, all of Vancouver; proud grandfather of Lyndsey and Alex Paterson, Allison Zegar (Saull), Lia and Ellie Hoag, Kristal and Amy Glenn.

Bob was born in Montreal, but moved to Winnipeg at a young age - growing up in the Brooklands area. He worked as a dental technician for many years including as a Corpsman in the Royal Canadian Navy.

In 1941, he married Jean Florence, and in 1950, graduated from the University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry. After practicing in Souris for several years, Bob and Jean moved to Winnipeg and raised their four children.

Bob practiced dentistry in downtown Winnipeg and taught at the University of Manitoba, Faculty of Dentistry.

He served as President of the Manitoba Dental Association and he was elected to the International College of Dentists.

Bob’s hobbies included rebuilding and flying a single engine airplane in which he spent many hours flying locally and on distant trips. Upon retiring from active practice, he spent summers on his grain farm near Cardale, Manitoba.

During the winter, Bob returned to the staff at the University of Manitoba, Faculty of Dentistry and also worked in northern Manitoba and rural communities.

Bob stayed in his River Heights home up until a few months ago and passed away peacefully after a brief stay at Deer Lodge Centre.

The family offers thanks to his personal staff and the staff of Tower 6 at Deer Lodge for their care and compassion in his final days.

A Memorial Service was held on May 13 at the Westworth United Church in Winnipeg.

In lieu of flowers, gifts made in Bob’s memory may be directed to the Dr. Robert D. Glenn Trust in Dentistry.

Cheques should be made payable to the University of Manitoba and mailed to Donor Relations, Room 179 Extended Education, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2N2.

Gifts may also be made on-line at umanitoba.ca/giving.

Baby Talk Draws A Crowd
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Dr. Jamieson is an Associate Professor and director of the University of Adelaide’s Indigenous Oral Health Unit, embedded within the Australian Research Centre for Population Oral Health (http://www.arcpoh.adelaide.edu.au/iohu/) and is currently leading three randomized controlled trials involving Indigenous oral health.

Dr. Jamieson is also a public health dentist with a keen interest in oral health research of Indigenous populations, both in Australia and internationally.

The goal of the session was to help those in attendance; understand the unique oral health challenges and inequalities faced by Indigenous Australians; understand the burden of dental caries among young Australian children; increase awareness of promising pediatric Indigenous oral health research endeavours in Australia; and to learn how research can assist in advocating for and shaping oral health policy for Indigenous Australians.

At the University of Adelaide’s Indigenous Oral Health Unit, four Indigenous dental public health interventions are currently being undertaken; these interventions range from motivational interviewing during pregnancy, to fluoride varnish application in early childhood, to oral health literacy interventions among Indigenous adults and periodontal interventions in a bid to improve risk factors for cardiovascular disease.

The presentation outlined these interventions and described some of the advocacy work and challenges faced with policy translation of the Indigenous Oral Health Unit.

For more on Dr. Jamieson’s research, see article on page 14.
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