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President Message:

Dear Midwest Society of Periodontics Members,

As I put pen to paper for this message I am relieved by the cooler weather. It is actually 88 degrees in the shade. Compared to the 100 muggy degrees we have been having in the Midwest, this is a relief. Everything is relative.

Over the past few months I’ve had the opportunity to speak with a number of periodontists. Things are relative from their perspective also. Some are doing well, while others are quite concerned. What seems to be consistent is an air of uncertainty amongst periodontists in general. Those that are wiser and more experienced point to two aspects to dealing with the uncertainty. These are information and involvement.

On the information front, hardly a day goes by that we don’t hear something about the Affordable Care Act of 2010. Some laud it, some complain bitterly, yet most have not bothered to read any of it. Curious as to whether there was anything in the act about periodontics, I decided to read a little. http://housedocs.house.gov/energycommerce/ppacacon.pdf. I confess, I do not have the time nor stomach to read the whole thing. However, there was one section in particular that caught my attention. Section 5101, page 525 addresses the definition of the healthcare workforce. Not surprisingly, periodontists are not specifically cited. Rather, a general mention was made of “dentists, dental hygienists and other oral healthcare professionals”. The concept of “other oral healthcare professionals” is not defined. The paragraph concludes the definition of the workforce “and any other health professional that the Comptroller General of The United States determines appropriate.” What is considered “appropriate” by the governmental agencies remains a mystery to me. How that will impact periodontal care and our role in the delivery of that care is yet to be determined. We need to stay informed.

As far as involvement, we can look to the initiatives taken by the Illinois Society of Periodontists. In February of 2012, they wrote to the Commission on Dental Accreditation advocating for the team approach to comprehensive care with a strong involvement of the specialties. As stated in their newsletter, part of the mission of the Illinois Society of Periodontists is “Activism for Periodontists in Illinois.” It is in that spirit that I urge other district 4 Periodontal Societies to increase their involvement in all areas that impact our specialty. Whatever you are doing or contemplating on doing, share it with the board of the MSP so we can help support you and spread the word to all of our members.

Finally, make sure to mark your calendars for the 2013 MSP meeting in Chicago. Tim Walsh has put together a world class program that you should not miss.

I conclude my message with best wishes for all MSP members and their loved ones.

Peter Cabrera, DDS
Chicago, IL
Events to Attend at the AAP Meeting in Los Angeles

**District 4 Forum**
Sunday, September 30, 2012 - 12:45 - 2:15pm
Los Angeles Convention Center - Level 5 - Room 304C

The District forum provides you an opportunity to have dialogue with trustees about initiatives that the Academy is planning, and learn about issues that are being addressed by the Board of Trustees. An agenda of forum topics will be posted on the AAP website prior to the Annual Meeting.

**L.A. LIVE**
Sunday, September 30, 2012 - 5:30 - 7:00 pm
JW Marriott - Room Gold 3

AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced as well as all AAP Awards.

**General Assembly Business Meeting**
Monday, October 1, 2012 - 5:15 - 6:15 pm
Los Angeles Convention Center - Level 4 - Room 408A

Voting members are encouraged to attend the General Assembly Business Session. This is the session at which the Academy’s budget for the coming year will be proposed, new and re-elected trustees will be installed and outgoing trustees will be recognized. AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced.

**Additional Meeting Information in December**

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Reserve These Dates!!

**Midwest Society of Periodontology**

56th Annual Meeting
February 22 – February 24, 2013

**AAP Elections & Awards**

- **Dr. Nancy L. Newhouse** - President
- **Dr. Martin Kolinski** - President-Elect
- **Dr. Joan Otomo-Corgel** - Vice President
- **Dr. Wayne Aldridge** - Secretary/Treasurer

**A hearty congratulations to Dr. Nancy Newhouse from District 4 who will become President of the AAP.**

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February 22–February 24, 2013

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(Additional Fee and Limited Attendance)

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  - Dr. Ziv Mazor will discuss reconstruction of the posterior maxilla using minimally invasive innovative techniques (Balloon Sinus Approach) and materials.

**Saturday Morning**

- **Immediate vs. Delayed Implant Placement in Extraction Sockets - What we know, what we think we know and what we don’t know**
  - Dr. Dennis Tarnow

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Another year has passed and it gives me great pleasure in sending you this update regarding our Program at UMKC.

Residents
This year we had 2 residents complete the program: Dr. Nabil Beaini who has entered private practice in Texas, and Dr. Michael Umaki who has returned to Hawaii to enter private practice with his father. We wish them both well as they start their careers. We welcome 2 new residents in July 2012, Dr. Trey Holt and Dr. McClain Woolsey, both graduates of UMKC.

Faculty
This year we said goodbye to Dr. Dan Shin who was a dynamic addition to our faculty and worked tirelessly with the residents in case presentations and clinic. He has assumed the position of Pre-doctoral Director for the Department of Periodontology at Indiana University, and we wish him well in his new role.

Clinical
Our third year residents Drs. Mike Cady and Adam McClellan are well into the program performing numerous advanced techniques, and our second year residents, Drs. Sara Walls and Mike Norouzim are progressing well, learning to balance clinic and didactic requirements.

Research/Publications Submitted
1. Dr. Nancy Newhouse, one of our long serving part-time faculty members will be installed as the AAP President at the annual meeting in Los Angeles in September.
2. Dr. Mike Cady is working with pharmacists on a publication evaluating concentrations of an antibiotic following pill cutting.
3. Our graduate periodontics hygienists have completed their Masters degrees and have submitted articles based upon their Theses.
4. One awardee is selected each year), and he will receive this award at the meeting in September.

Kudos
1. Dr. Nancy Newhouse, one of our long serving part-time faculty members will be installed as the AAP President at the annual meeting in Los Angeles in September.
2. Dr. Charles Cobb received the Outstanding Periodontal Educator Award, one of the highest honors bestowed by the AAP (only one awardee is selected each year), and he will receive this award at the meeting in September.
3. Dr. Doug Walters, graduating class of ‘03 successfully challenged the American Board of Periodontology examination this year, and we congratulate him on his success. Our 3 most recent graduates are working toward this goal.

Please congratulate these individuals when you see them, we are so proud of their accomplishments.

Case Western Reserve University
Our graduating class of 2012 are: Dr. Anh Nguyen who already started his private practice in Boston, MA. Drs. Sarah Feteih and Ahmed Alzahrani who will return back to Saudi Arabia to start teaching and private practice.

To keep the total number of graduate students (9 residents) the same in our program, we accepted only one resident this year; Dr. John Estemalik who earned his DDS from Ain Shams University, Egypt 2007.

Selected Publications by the Graduate Students and Faculty:


Presentations at National and International Meetings:
“Changes in Systemic Inflammatory Markers After Treatment of Chronic Gingivitis” AADR Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida - Dr. Ahmed Alzahrani

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Case Western Reserve University cont.

“Importance of Bone in Multidisciplinary Outcomes: Case Studies in Postmenopausal Women” Brazilian Society of Orthodontics – Dr. Leena Palomo

“Family First: Addressing Families, Risk Assessment and Interprofessional Education in a Clinical Experience” ADEA 2012, Orlando Fl – Dr. Leena Palomo

“Mechanism of Fusobacterium nucleatum pathogenesis and implication of oral bacteria in pregnancy complications” Indiana Chapter of American Association for Dental Research. Indianapolis, IN – Dr. Yiping Han

“Pathogenesis of Fusobacterium nucleatum and implication of oral bacteria in pregnancy complications” Seoul National University School of Dentistry – Dr. Yiping Han

“Identification and characterization of a novel endothelial cell receptor for Fusobacterium nucleatum” 4th Congress of European Microbiologists, Geneva, Switzerland – Dr. Yiping Han

Department News

Our recent graduates Drs. Paula Ortiz, Cecilia Perera, Ahmed Alzahrani and Ahmed El Halaby became Diplomates of the AAP. Congratulations!

Dr. Leena Palomo assistant professor has received the 2012 William Clark Award of the AADR.

Dr. Hui-Jin Lee assistant clinical professor in the department of periodontics received the 2012 AAP Award of Outstanding Periodontal Educator

Dr. Yiping Han – Received the title of Honorary Professor, West China College of Stomatology, Sichuan University, China

Dr. Nabil Bissada was selected as an Editor Board Member for the Journal of the Royal Medical Services, Jordan

Interviews and Media attention

Dr. Bissada gave several interviews:

“Oral bacteria could be culprit” – An article in the Cleveland Plain Dealer Newspaper; April 24, 2012

“Possible Link Between Gum Disease and Failed Joints” – WCPN Radio and TV interview, April 19, 2012

“Mouths and Knees” – an interview by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services HealthBeat (HHS)

New Faculty Appointments

Dr. Andre Paes will join our department on September, 2012 as assistant professor. Dr. Paes received DDS (1999) from Brazil, M.Sc.(2003) and PhD(2009) from the University of Toronto, Canada, MS in Oral Biology and Certificate in Periodontics (2012) from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Dr. Jason Streem started his appointment as a Clinical Assistant Professor on January 2012. Dr. Streem received DDS (2005) from University of Michigan and MSD (2011) from Virginia Commonwealth University.

University of Michigan School of Dentistry

This year we have accepted 5 exceptional students from the candidates we interviewed: Steven Davis, DDS from Michigan, Bruce Edwards, DDS from Canada, Jeff Li, DDM from China, Juan Rodriguez, DDS from Venezuela, Lindsey Steele, DDS from Illinois.

We have accepted 5 students in our Postdoctoral Scholar program: Rini Chudri, DDS from Indonesia, Vahid Khooshkam, DDS from Iran, Hazem Mustafa, DDS from Damascus, Hwei Sze Ong, DDS from Malaysia, Carlos Garciaoco, DDS from Ecuador. Two of our Postdoctoral students will be staying for another year: Alberto Monje, DDS from Spain and Fernando Suarez, DDS from Spain.

Dr. Manar Aljateeli was awarded the School of Dentistry Distinguished Periodontics Graduate Student Fellowship, and was also a finalist for the Richard J. Lazzara Fellowship In Advanced Implant Surgery for 2012.

We are saying farewell to Dr. Lauren Anderson who is going to practice in Michigan, Dr. Victor Mueller who is returning to Germany for a group practice and Dr. BiNa Oh who is thinking of practicing in her home of South Korea or in Chicago, and Dr. Aljateeli will be staying on at the University of Michigan as faculty to teach for the next year.

All students Drs. Albert Chan, Daylene Leong and Nikolas Tatarakis who took the ABP Diplomate Board Examination have passed and have become new Diplomates. Congratulations to all!!!

Saint Louis University

Our program welcomes three new residents. Dr. Tareq Beck graduated from Misr University for Science and Technology Faculty of Dentistry (Egypt) in 2006. Dr. Sergey Dolgov graduated from the People’s Friendship University of Russia in 2008 and subsequently completed an AEGD program at the same university. Dr. Seth Rush graduated from the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Dentistry in 2012.

Three residents graduated from the program this year. Drs. Azadeh Amin, Jeffrey Naylor and Mohamed Omran. They completed the following research projects as part of their Master’s degree: Can vitamin D protect and reduce periodontal bone loss? Evaluation of alveolar bone and inflammation in a periodontitis-induced and vitamin D depleted rat model; Bone support following surgical exposure and orthodontic treatment of maxillary impacted canines; A retrospective assessment of survival rates for short endosseous implants. Dr. Amin will continue her education as an orthodontic resident at Saint Louis University. Dr. Naylor will be entering private practice and will teach part-time at SIU. Dr. Omran will spent one year as an Implant Fellow at SIU.

Congratulations to all three of our 2011 graduates for successfully passing the American Board of Periodontology certification examination: Drs. Laura Capati, Hesham Abdulkarim and Edisson Abril.

Drs. Garcia and Miley participated in the National Institute of Health’s Human Microbiome Project. Reports from the project’s consortium members were published last month in Nature and Public Library of Science (PloS) journals, providing a first look at the five year effort to catalogue the normal microbial make-up of healthy adults.

We welcome Dr. Sara Whitener to our faculty. She has previous experience teaching at our school and we are pleased to have her return after retiring from private practice.
Dr. Monica Raina attended a 2-day course by Dr. Pat Allen on Alloderm grafting in Dallas, Texas this past May. The first day comprised the didactic component, where she learned about the various nuances involved in appropriate treatment planning of recession defects using Alloderm matrix and plasma rich protein. The second day involved a hands-on component running through each step of the Alloderm technique, from preparation of the graft to insertion and suturing. The course concluded with a live Alloderm surgery, in real-time, performed by Dr. Allen on one of his private practice patients.

Periodontal resident Leslie Mehalick (Dr. Phil Wertz, Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentors) is assessing the cytotoxicity of spingosine, phytophosphingosine, and dihydrosphingosine for immature human myeloid dendritic cells as well as their ability to attenuate the chemokine and cytokine response of immature human myeloid dendritic cells to a pro-inflammatory stimulus: the hemagglutinin B (HagB) of P. gingivalis. Little is known about the underlying mechanisms leading to attenuation of signal transduction pathways and periodontal resident Chris Poulson (Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentor) is assessing the effect of spingosine, phytophosphingosine, and dihydrosphingosine on the signaling pathways and transcription factors induced by a similar pro-inflammatory stimulus: the HagB of P. gingivalis.

Matrix metalloproteinases are important host response in the pathogenesis of periodontal disease and Monica Raina (Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentor) is assessing the ability of HagB of P. gingivalis to induce MMP responses in immature human myeloid dendritic cells. She is also assessing the ability of a host beta defensin peptide (HBD3) to attenuate a MMP response of dendritic cells to exposure of HagB of P. gingivalis.

All of these studies are working to identify innate immune mechanisms that may be paramount in the pathogenesis of infection and inflammation of periodontal disease with the goal of finding new therapeutic avenues for treatment and prevention of the inflammatory response related to oral infections.

The C.M. Fraleigh Award was presented by Dr. Lewis Humbert to Dr. Ben Tingey, 3rd year periodontal resident. Ben is entering private practice in Mesa, New Mexico this summer. He, his wife and children are adapting to the new “warmer, dryer” climate and I think they have had more rain than we have had in Iowa this year.

The Frank Molsberry Award was presented to Mitch Gubler, D4 by Dr. Georgia Johnson. Mitch began the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at Iowa this summer.

The Dr. R. A. Greenawalt Scholarship was presented by Dr. Steve Clark to Hillary Guenther, D3. Hillary participated in a Periodontal Externship here July 9-13. Dr. Steve Clark mentored the summer externship and Hillary had a numerous surgical experiences which gave a variety of procedures for her to assess. She enjoyed the experience and may be one of our summer applicants to the program.

The American Academy of Periodontology Award was presented to Katie Motz, D4 by Dr. Paula Weistroffer. Katie will also begin the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at Iowa this summer.

The Department held a Teaching In-Service on May 1, 2012. Dr. Teresa Marshall, Preventive and Community Dentistry, presented a seminar to our faculty and residents on Experiential Learning in the predoctoral curriculum. Additionally faculty and residents held a teaching calibration session on periodontal diagnosis led by Drs. Gustavo Avila and Georgia Johnson. Dr. Lewis and Jolene Humbert (the graduate director and his wife) hosted the department at their home for a picnic in the evening.

The department had a graduation gathering for faculty, residents and staff at the Humbert’s on June 23rd for a “roast” and goodbye to Dr. Ben Tingey as he graduated and moved on to his new solo practice. Good luck Ben!

Weistroffer.  Katie will also begin the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at Iowa this summer.

Graduate Class of 2012:

We have recently bid farewell to three graduating students: Drs. Jason Au-Yeung, Adam Christman, and Mohamed Khaled. Dr. Jason Au-Yeung will be joining a practice in Indianapolis with Dr. Steve Towns and will be teaching 1 day per week at IU. Dr. Adam Christman is still in the process of finishing his research and plans to join a practice in Baltimore. Dr. Mohamed Khaled plans to enroll in the Advanced Standing Program at University of Detroit-Mercy to broaden his future opportunities. We wish all of our graduates the best in their future endeavors and look forward to future successful achievement of ABP Diplomate status.

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As of early-July, Drs. Au-Yeung and Khaled have successfully defended their research projects, submitted a manuscript for publication and were awarded their MSD degrees. Dr. Christman is still gathering data for his research projects. Dr. Au-Yeung’s research project explored the effects of niobium coating on titanium implants on osseointegration in a rabbit model. Dr. Khaled examined the ability of Resolvin D1 in blocking the effects of P. gingivalis on human gingival fibroblasts. Dr. Christman is exploring the use of a Delphi panel to determine essential steps in the placement of endosseous dental implants.

Incoming Graduate Students:

We now have five new graduate students who joined the program in July. Dr. Hamabindu Dukka completed her dental training at Rajiv Ghandi University in 2007 and recently received a M.PH from IUPUI (2012). Dr. Yusuke Hamada is a 2006 graduate of Kyushu Dental Colleges is the proud father of a new baby boy (Kite James) and was a former associate with Dr. Eji Funakoshi. Dr. Krithika Rajkumar completed her dental training from Sri Ramachandra University in 2008 and is the recent new mother of a beautiful baby girl (Srishi). Dr. David Rashidi is a 2012 DDS graduate of University of Michigan. Dr. Rana Shahi is a 2011 DDS graduate from University of Illinois-Chicago and completed a general practice residency in at Loyola University Medical Center. We are excited about them joining the program in light of their diverse training and backgrounds.

Student Awards:

The recipients of the Henry M. Swensen Awards for Clinical and Didactic Excellence in Graduate Periodontics for 2010-2011 was third year resident, Dr. Jason Au-Yeung and second year resident, Dr. Matthew Rowe. Dr. Samira Toloue (2011) was selected as the recipient of the Maynard K. Hine Award for Excellence in Dental Research for her recently published manuscript in the Journal of Periodontology on socket preservation comparing calcium sulfate with FDBA. The Maynard Hine Award was presented at the 2012 IUSD Research Day by the Indiana Section of the AADR and supported by Proctor & Gamble for the best research manuscript. Dr. Mohamed Khaled was a finalist in the Midwest Society of Periodontology Student Research Competition as well as the winner of the Shofu Graduate Student Award presented at the 2012 IUSD Research Day for his research on Resolvin D1 and human gingival fibroblasts. Congratulations to all student award recipients for all of their hard work and effort.

ABP Results:

Drs. Janice Kaeley, Seung-Jun (John) Lee, Erez Nosrati, Vikas Puri, and Samira Toloue (2011) and Erez Nosrati (2011) were all 2011 graduates and successfully passed the ABP Qualifying (Written) Examination given last September.

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Mayo Clinic

We experienced another busy year at Mayo Clinic. Every year seems to be busier than the previous year.

All of our postgraduate programs experience a bittersweet summer, graduating residents and welcoming new residents. With two residents in the periodontal program, no resident graduated this year. The orthodontics residency graduated one resident and welcomed an incoming orthodontics resident. The maxillofacial prosthodontics program is a four year program and like periodontics did not graduate or accept a resident this year.

The Mayo program welcomed two new Diplomates of the American Board of Periodontology. Drs. Aravind Buddula and Scott Adashek, both recent graduates, successfully challenged the oral examination given in Dallas in May of this year.

Dr. Eddie Morales, a graduate of Marquette is now the Chief Resident. Eddie is working out the details on a number of options for research projects. He has completed a very stimulating rotation in the Anesthesiology Department.

Dr. Pearl Lai, a graduate of the University of Colorado had completed a very successful year first year of the residency program. Pearl has been a welcomed addition to the department.

Both Eddie and Pearl recently attended a one week sedation didactic course given by Dr. Stanley Malamed and Dr. Ken Reed. Both raved about the quality of the lectures provided.

The Mayo postgraduate program, like all of the programs, is in the process of reviewing and interviewing prospective residents to start the program in June 2013. The Mayo program is different from most programs with two residents in the program. We will interview this year for a resident to start in 2013 and interview in 2013 or a resident to start the program in 2014 and then skip a year.

The graduate program is fortunate to have a close working relationship with both the Prosthodontic and Orthodontic programs. We learn from each other, and the residents gain invaluable clinical experience as a result of the close working relationship.

Dr. Phil Sheridan is going strong and has the busiest clinical practice in the Department of Dental Specialties. Phil was selected a number of years ago as a “Distinguished Mayo Clinician.” A very high honor at Mayo Clinic and to date the only non-physician ever selected.

University of Illinois

New Graduates: University of Illinois at Chicago started this academic year by welcoming our new residents. The post graduate program in Periodontics welcomed the following new residents:

- Dr. Rebecca Kibler: Dr. Kibler is joined us from University of Harvard School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2012).

- Dr. Andrew Carmosino: Dr. Carmosino received his dental degree from SUNY at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2009) followed with one year of GPR (2010) at Brigham & Women’s Hospital with Harvard School of Dental Medicine. He left his private practice at Erie, PA to join us.

- Dr. Panagiottis Dragonas: Dr. Dragonas comes from Greece, where he received his dental training at University of Athens, School of Dentistry, Greece (DDS-2010). Dr. Dragonas discontinued his private practice at the Naval based VA hospital, Greece for his perio residency here at UIC.

- Dr. Harrison Mackler: Dr. Mackler is joined us from University of Harvard School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2012).

Recent graduates: Our Class of 2012 had two residents that graduated this past May. Dr. Sonia Belani moved to St. Louis after her graduation and is working in private practice. Dr. Belani will be tying the knot on October 20th 2012. We wish her all the very best and a very happy & blissful married life. Dr. Fadi Masoud is working in private practice in Chicago and is planning to teach part time here at UIC. Both of them plan to be Board certified soon.

New Diplomates: All three graduates from our class of 2011 successfully challenged the American Board of Periodontology and are Diplomates now! Please join us in congratulating Dr. Sasha Ross, Dr. Robert Busan and Dr. Sangeetha Chandrasekhran for all their hard work & wish them many successes in their career.

Departmental news: While our search is going on for the new departmental head, Dr. Phillip Marucha is doing an excellent job in his role as an interim head of the department. Dr. Seema Ashrafi got appointed as our new predoctoral director. Dr. Ashrafi had an easy transition in this new role as she had been working very closely to Dr. John Crawford our former pre-doctoral director who elected retirement. Dr. Simona Katona joined our department as a full time faculty member and is enthusiastically helping in both predoctoral and post doctoral programs.
Graduate Class of 2012:

We said farewell to our sixth graduating class. We had three students’ graduating this year. Dr. Shayna Sanchez is moving back to Orange County, California to pursue private practice. Dr. Sasha Stasko is moving to Windsor, ON and Dr. Michael Vizirakis will be looking at private practice opportunities in Michigan and Canada.

Dr. Shayna Sanchez submitted the following article for publication:

Use of an Extracellular Matrix Membrane for Root Coverage: Case Series and Review of the Literature. Monish Bhola DDS, MSD,* Shayna Sanchez DDS,* Shilpa Kolhatkar DDS, MDS*. Accepted for Publication in Clinical Advances in Periodontics.

Dr. Michael Vizirakis submitted the following article for publication:


Faculty Publications:


Neely AL. Essential oil mouthwash (EOMW) may be equivalent to chlorhexidine(CHX) for long-term control of gingival inflammation but CHX appears to perform better than EOMW in plaque control. J Evid Based Dent Pract. 2011

Incoming Graduate Students:

We welcomed our first year graduate students. Dr. Kiran Agarwal is a dental graduate of the B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences in 2006, followed by a hospital residency in New Delhi, India prior to joining our program. Dr. Brandon Buskong graduated from Creighton University School of Dentistry, Omaha, NE, 2012. Dr. Natasha Kapur is a graduate of the dental school at Virginia Commonwealth University in 2010, followed by a two year GPR training program at Jamaica Hospital Medical Center, NY.

Faculty and Graduate Student News:

All the graduates of the class of 2011, Dr. Ana Janic, Dr. Syed Khalid and Dr. Tannika Thompson successfully passed the oral exam of the American Board of Periodontology.

We all wish the district IV graduate programs a successful year ahead.
Indiana University School of Dentistry cont.

Faculty News:

We wish to welcome our newest faculty member, Dr. Daniel Shin (2009) who will be assuming responsibilities as the new Pre-Doctoral Director of Periodontics. Dan has been on the faculty at UM-KC and in private practice since graduation and we welcome him back to IUSD. Dr. Jason Au-Yeung (2012) has accepted a part-time academic appointments at IUSD (1 day per week).

Dr. Liz Ramos (VA 2005) and Dr. Siva Prakasam (2009) have been selected as recipients of scholarships from the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Foundation to allow them to participate in the ADEA Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL). The scholarship award of $4,950 helps covers the costs of tuition for the ITL.

Dr. Vanchit John assumed the duties as Chair of the AAP Education Committee last November in Miami and will become Secretary/Treasurer of the AAP Foundation this September at the AAP meeting in Los Angeles. Vanchit will be stepping down as the IUSD Pre-Doctoral Periodontics Director in July after 13 years in this position as he hands the reins over to Dr. Dan Shin. Vanchit has trained over 1300 IUSD DDS graduates over this period. Thanks for a job well done!

Dr. Steve Blanchard has been named as the recipient of the 2012 AAP Humanitarian Award for his volunteer efforts in providing dental care to the underserved in Honduras and Haiti as well as locally at the Trinity Free Clinic. The award will be presented at the upcoming AAP meeting in Los Angeles.

Recent Publications:


Ryan Wolff - University of Minnesota

Dr. Wolff is comparing bi-cortically placed implants in the posterior maxilla to implants placed with either an indirect sinus lift or uni-cortically fixated implants. The implant stability and potential complications will be assessed at the one-year post restoration of implants placed in this study.

Class of 2015

Micah Chan - University of Montreal, Canada

George Kotsakis - University of Athens, Greece

Alejandro Kovaes - University of Caraeus,Venezuela, has completed a MS in Prosthodontics at the University of Minnesota

Class of 2014

Sophia Karadimitriou - University of Athens, Greece

Dr. Karadimitriou's research is whole exome sequencing for the identification of the gene in autosomal dominant mesomandibular fibro-osseous dysplasia. They will try to find the gene/genes that might induce this dysplasia in newly born infants that tends to integrate with the surrounding bone and become of normal appearance with age.

Popi Stylianou - Aristotle University, Greece

Dr. Stylianou is doing her research project on whole exome sequencing for the identification of the gene in autosomal dominant focal palmoplantar and gingival hyperkeratosis.

Graduate Students

Class of 2015

Dr. Jerod Klava (2011) passed the American Board of Periodontology to become a diplomat.
Faculty News:

We wish to welcome our newest faculty member, Dr. Daniel Shin (2009) who will be assuming responsibilities as the new Pre-Doctoral Director of Periodontics. Dan has been on the faculty at UM-KC and in private practice since graduation and we welcome him back to IUSD. Dr. Jason Au-Yeung (2012) has accepted a part-time academic appointments at IUSD (1 day per week).

Dr. Liz Ramos (VA 2005) and Dr. Siva Prakasam (2009) have been selected as recipients of scholarships from the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Foundation to allow them to participate in the ADEA Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL). The scholarship award of $4,950 helps covers the costs of tuition for the ITL.

Dr. Vanchit John assumed the duties as Chair of the AAP Education Committee last November in Miami and will become Secretary/Treasurer of the AAP Foundation this September at the AAP meeting in Los Angeles. Vanchit will be stepping down as the IUSD Pre-Doctoral Periodontics Director in July after 13 years in this position as he hands the reins over to Dr. Dan Shin. Vanchit has trained over 1300 IUSD DDS graduates over this period. Thanks for a job well done!

Dr. Steve Blanchard has been named as the recipient of the 2012 AAP Humanitarian Award for his volunteer efforts in providing dental care to the underserved in Honduras and Haiti as well as locally at the Trinity Free Clinic. The award will be presented at the upcoming AAP meeting in Los Angeles.

Recent Publications:


University Of Detroit Mercy

Graduate Class of 2012:

We said farewell to our sixth graduating class. We had three students’ graduating this year. Dr. Shanya Sanchez is moving back to Orange County, California to pursue private practice. Dr. Sasha Stasko is moving to Windsor, ON and Dr. Michael Vizinakis will be looking at private practice opportunities in Michigan and Canada.

Dr. Shanya Sanchez submitted the following article for publication:


Dr. Michael Vizinakis submitted the following article for publication:


Faculty Publications:


Neely AL. Essential oil mouthwash (EOMW) may be equivalent to chlorhexidine(CHX) for long-term control of gingival inflammation but CHX appears to perform better than EOMW in plaque control. J Evid Based Dent Pract. 2011

Incoming Graduate Students:

We welcomed our first year graduate students. Dr. Kiran Agarwal is a dental graduate of the B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences in 2006, followed by a hospital residency in New Delhi, India prior to joining our program. Dr. Brandon Bushong graduated from Creighton University School of Dentistry, Omaha, NE, 2012. Dr. Natasha Kapur is a graduate of the dental school at Virginia Commonwealth University in 2010, followed by a two year GPR training program at Jamaica Hospital Medical Center, NY.

Faculty and Graduate Student News:

All the graduates of the class of 2011, Dr. Ana Janic, Dr. Syed Khalid and Dr. Tarnika Thompson successfully passed the oral exam of the American Board of Periodontology.

We all wish the district IV graduate programs a successful year ahead.

Ohio State University

At The Ohio State University (OSU) Graduate Program, we celebrated the graduation of the class of 2012 in early June. Dr. Holly McKnight, our 2011-2012 Chief Resident, whose MS thesis was on “Proteomic analysis of membrane bound and associated proteins of human gingival fibroblasts and periodontal ligament fibroblasts”, is in private practice in Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Connie Lee, whose MS research was on “Site-specific characteristics of peri-implant wound”, is in private practice in Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Samir Shah, whose MS research was on “The effect of smoking on host-bacterial interaction”, is in private practice in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Dr. Ioanna Tsolaki, recipient of an AAP Educator Scholarship from the AAP Foundation, defended her MS thesis on “Connective tissue grafts and surgical delay: clinical and biochemical characterization” and will be continuing her academic career as faculty. Congratulations to our 2012 graduates for their achievements!

We recently welcomed the newest members of our Buckeye Periodontal family, the class of 2015: Dr. Pin-Chuang “Patrick” Lai (Taipei Medical University; Taiwan), Dr. Chris Ludden (Marquette University; Wisconsin), Dr. Dimitris Malamis (University of Athens; Greece), and Dr. Nicolas Robitaille (University of Montreal; Canada).

Congratulations to Drs. Eric Anderson (’11), Pinar Emeecen-Huja (’11), and Nidhi Jain (’11), for attaining ABP Diplomate status! Dr. Emeecen-Huja, recipient of the 2011 IADR/Implant Research Group Young Investigator Award in Clinical Sciences, proudly represented OSU as Orban Prize finalist (clinical research) during the 2011 AAP meeting in Miami!

Residents, alumni and faculty had the opportunity to attend lectures and presentations by several speakers, including Drs. Panos Papapanou, Bryan Michalowicz, and Mark Silberg, as well as alumni Drs. Aron Saffer (’90) and Patrick Kelsey (’09). Dr. Papapanou, Professor and Chair, Section of Oral and Diagnostic Sciences, College of Dental Medicine, Columbia University, delivered the Finley Lecture at OSU; Ohio State was the recipient of the 2011 Charles W. Finley Visiting Scholar Education Grant by the AAP Foundation. Dr. Michalowitz, Professor and Erwin Schaffer Chair in Periodontal Research, Division of Periodontology, School of Dentistry, University of Minnesota, was a Distinguished Lecture series speaker for the College of Dentistry. Dr. Aron Saffer, Director, Izun Pharmaceuticals Corp, was the keynote speaker for the 2012 OSU Periodontal Research Day.

We look forward to seeing all OSU alumni and friends at our annual Buckeye Reception, which will be held on Monday, October 1, 2012, at 6:30 pm, during the upcoming AAP annual meeting in Los Angeles, CA. The reception will be held at the Platinum I Ballroom of the JW Marriott LA Live Hotel (Headquarters Hotel).
Mayo Clinic

We experienced another busy year at Mayo Clinic. Every year seems to be busier than the previous year.

All of our postgraduate programs experience a bittersweet summer, graduating residents and welcoming new residents. With two residents in the periodontal program, no resident graduated this year. The orthodontics residency graduated one resident and welcomed an incoming orthodontics resident. The maxillofacial prosthodontics program is a four year program and like periodontics did not graduate or accept a resident this year.

The Mayo program welcomed two new Diplomates of the American Board of Periodontology. Drs. Aravind Buddula and Scott Adashek, both recent graduates, successfully challenged the oral examination given in Dallas in May of this year.

Dr. Eddie Morales, a graduate of Marquette is now the Chief Resident. Eddie is working out the details on a number of options for research projects. He has completed a very stimulating rotation in the Anesthesiology Department.

Dr. Pearl Lai, a graduate of the University of Colorado had completed a very successful year first year of the residency program. Pearl has been a welcomed addition to the department.

Both Eddie and Pearl recently attended a one week sedation didactic course given by Dr. Stanley Malamed and Dr. Ken Reed. Both raved about the quality of the lectures provided.

The Mayo postgraduate program, like all of the programs, is in the process of reviewing and interviewing prospective residents to start the program in June 2013. The Mayo program is different from most programs with two residents in the program. We will interview this year for a resident to start in 2013 and interview in 2013 or a resident to start the program in 2014 and then skip a year.

The graduate program is fortunate to have a close working relationship with both the Prosthodontic and Orthodontic programs. We learn from each other, and the residents gain invaluable clinical experience as a result of the close working relationship.

Dr. Phil Sheridan is going strong and has the busiest clinical practice in the Department of Dental Specialties. Phil was selected a number of years ago as a “Distinguished Mayo Clinician.” A very high honor at Mayo Clinic and to date the only non-physician ever selected.

University of Illinois

New Graduates: University of Illinois at Chicago started this academic year by welcoming our new residents. The post graduate program in Periodontics welcomed the following new residents:

- Dr. Rebecca Kibler: Dr. Kibler is joined us from University of Harvard School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2012).
- Dr. Andrew Carmosino: Dr. Carmosino received his dental degree from SUNY at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2009) followed with one year of GPR (2010) at Brigham & Women’s Hospital with Harvard School of Dental Medicine. He left his private practice at Erie, PA to join us.
- Dr. Panagiotis Dragonas: Dr. Dragonas comes from Greece, where he received his dental training at University of Athens, School of Dentistry, Greece (DDS-2010). Dr. Dragonas discontinued his private practice at the Naval based VA hospital, Greece for his perio residency here at UIC.
- Dr. Harrison Mackler: Dr. Mackler is joined us from University of Harvard School of Dental Medicine (DMD-2012).

Recent graduates: Our Class of 2012 had two residents that graduated this past May. Dr. Sonia Belani moved to St. Louis after her graduation and is working in private practice. Dr. Belani will be tying the knot on October 20th 2012. We wish her all the very best and a very happy & blissful married life. Dr. Fadi Masoud is working in private practice in Chicago and is planning to teach part time here at UIC. Both of them plan to be Board certified soon.

New Diplomates: All three graduates from our class of 2011 successfully challenged the American Board of Periodontology and are Diplomates now! Please join us in congratulating Dr. Sasha Ross, Dr. Robert Busan and Dr. Sangeetha Chandrasekhran for all their hard work & wish them many successes in their career.

Departmental news: While our search is going on for the new departmental head, Dr. Phillip Marucha is doing an excellent job in his role as an interim head of the department. Dr. Seema Ashrafi got appointed as our new predoctoral director. Dr. Ashrafi had an easy transition in this new role as she had been working very closely to Dr. John Crawford our former pre-doctoral director who elected retirement. Dr. Simona Katona joined our department as a full time faculty member and is enthusiastically helping in both predoctoral and post doctoral programs.
Dr. Monica Raina attended a 2-day course by Dr. Pat Allen on Alloderm grafting in Dallas, Texas this past May. The first day comprised the didactic component, where she learned about the various nuances involved in appropriate treatment planning of recession defects using Alloderm matrix and plasma rich protein. The second day involved a hands-on component running through each step of the Alloderm technique, from preparation of the graft to insertion and suturing. The course concluded with a live Alloderm surgery, in real-time, performed by Dr. Allen on one of his private practice patients.

Periodontal resident Leslie Mehalkic (Dr. Phil Wertz, Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentors) is assessing the cytotoxicity of spingosine, phytothiosphinogine, and dihydrosphinogine for immature human myeloid dendritic cells as well as their ability to attenuate the chemokine and cytokine response of immature human myeloid dendritic cells to a pro-inflammatory stimulus: the hemagglutinin B (HagB) of P. gingivalis. Little is known about the underlying mechanisms leading to attenuation of signal transduction pathways and periodontal resident Chris Poulsen (Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentor) is assessing the effect of spingosine, phytothiosphinogine, and dihydrosphinogine on the signaling pathways and transcription factors induced by a similar pro-inflammatory stimulus: the HagB of P. gingivalis.

Matrix metalloproteinases are important host response in the pathogenesis of periodontal disease and Monica Raina (Dr. Kim A, Brogden, mentor) is assessing the ability of HagB of P. gingivalis to induce MMP responses in immature human myeloid dendritic cells. She is also assessing the ability of a host beta defensin peptide (HBD3) to attenuate a MMP response of dendritic cells to exposure of HagB of P. gingivalis.

All of these studies are working to identify innate immune mechanisms that may be paramount in the pathogenesis of infection and inflammation of periodontal disease with the goal of finding new therapeutic avenues for treatment and prevention of the inflammatory response related to oral infections.

The C.M. Fraleigh Award was presented by Dr. Lewis Humbert to Dr. Ben Tingey, 3rd year periodontal resident. Ben is entering private practice in Mesa, New Mexico this summer. He, his wife and children are adapting to the new “warmer, dryer” climate and I think they have had more rain than we have had in Iowa this year.

The Frank Molsberry Award was presented to Mitch Gubler, D4 by Dr. Georgia Johnson. Mitch began the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at Iowa this summer.

The American Academy of Periodontology Award was presented to Katie Motz, D4 by Dr. Paula Weistroffer. Katie will also begin the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at Iowa this summer.

The Department held a Teaching In-Service on May 1, 2012. Dr. Teresa Marshall, Preventive and Community Dentistry, presented a seminar to our faculty and residents on Experiential Learning in the predoctoral curriculum. Additionally faculty and residents held a teaching calibration session on periodontal diagnosis led by Drs. Gustavo Avila and Georgia Johnson. Dr. Lewis and Jolene Humbert (the graduate director and his wife) hosted the department at their home for a picnic in the evening.

The department had a graduation gathering for faculty, residents and staff at the Humbert’s on June 23rd for a “roast” and goodbye to Dr. Ben Tingey as he graduated and moved on to his new solo practice. Good luck Ben!
Dr. Jason Streem

Dr. Streem received DDS in Periodontics (2012) from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Dr. Andre Paes

Dr. Paes will join our department on September, 2012 as assistant professor.

Dr. Bissada

Dr. Bissada gave several interviews:

- “Oral bacteria could be culprit”– An article in the Cleveland Plain Dealer Newspaper, April 24, 2012
- “Possible Link Between Gum Disease and Failed Joints”– WCPN Radio and TV interview, April 19, 2012
- “Mouths and Knees”– an interview by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services HealthBeat (HHS)

New Faculty Appointments

Dr. Andre Paes will join our department on September, 2012 as assistant professor. Dr. Paes received DDS (1999) from Brazil, M.Sc.(2003) and PhD(2009) from the University of Toronto, Canada, MS in Oral Biology and Certificate in Periodontics (2012) from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Dr. Jason Streem started his appointment as a Clinical Assistant Professor on January 2012. Dr. Streem received DDS (2005) from University of Michigan and MSD (2011) from Virginia Commonwealth University.

We welcome Dr. Sara Whitener to our faculty. She has previous experience teaching at our school and we are pleased to have her return after retiring from private practice.

Drs. Garcia and Miley participated in the National Institute of Health’s Human Microbiome Project. Reports from the project’s consortium members were published last month in Nature and Science.

Saint Louis University

This year we have accepted 5 exceptional students from the candidates we interviewed: Steven Davis, DDS from Michigan, Bruce Edwards, DDS from Canada, Jeff Li, DDM from China, Juan Rodriguez, DDS from Venezuela, Lindsey Steele, DDS from Illinois.

We have accepted 5 students in our Postdoctoral Scholar program: Rini Chudri, DDS from Indonesia, Vahid Khoshkam, DDS from Iran, Hazem Mustafa, DDS from Damascus, Carlos Garaicoa, DDS from Ecuador. Two of our Postdoctoral students will be staying for another year: Alberto Monje, DDS from Spain and Fernando Suarez, DDS from Spain.

Dr. Manar Aljateeli was awarded the School of Dentistry Distinguished Periodontics Graduate Student Fellowship, and was also a finalist for the Richard J. Lazzara Fellowship In Advanced Implant Surgery for 2012.

We are saying farewell to Dr. Lauren Anderson who is going to practice in Michigan, Dr. Victor Mueller who is returning to Germany for a group practice and Dr. BiNa Oh who is thinking of practicing in her home of South Korea or in Chicago, and Dr. Aljateeli will be staying on at the University of Michigan as faculty to teach for the next year.

All students Drs. Albert Chan, Daylene Leong and Nikolaz Tatarakis who took the ABP Diplomate Board Examination have passed and have become new Diplomates. Congratulations to all!!!

University of Michigan School of Dentistry

Our program welcomes three new residents. Dr. Tareq Beck graduated from Misr University for Science and Technology Faculty of Dentistry (Egypt) in 2006. Dr. Sergey Dolgov graduated from the People’s Friendship University of Russia in 2008 and subsequently completed an AEGD program at the same university. Dr. Seth Rush graduated from the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Dentistry in 2012.

Three residents graduated from the program this year. Drs. Azadeh Amin, Jeffrey Naylor and Mohamed Omran. They completed the following research projects as part of their Master’s degree: Can vitamin D protect and reduce periodontal bone loss? Evaluation of alveolar bone and inflammation in a periodontitis-induced and vitamin D depleted rat model; Bone support following surgical exposure and orthodontic treatment of maxillary impacted canines; A retrospective assessment of survival rates for short endosseous implants. Dr. Amin will continue her education as an orthodontic resident at Saint Louis University. Dr. Naylor will be entering private practice and will teach part-time at SIU. Dr. Omran will spent one year as an Implant Fellow at SIU.

Congratulations to all three of our 2011 graduates for successfully passing the American Board of Periodontology certification examination: Drs. Laura Capati, Hesham Abdulkarim and Edson Abril.

Dreams Garcia and Miley participated in the National Institute of Health’s Human Microbiome Project. Reports from the project’s consortium members were published last month in Nature and Public Library of Science (PLoS) journals, providing a first look at the five year effort to catalogue the normal microbial make-up of healthy adults.

We welcome Dr. Sara Whitener to our faculty. She has previous experience teaching at our school and we are pleased to have her return after retiring from private practice.
Another year has passed and it gives me great pleasure in sending you this update regarding our Program at UMKC.

Residents
This year we had 2 residents complete the program: Dr. Nabil Beaini who has entered private practice in Texas, and Dr. Michael Umaki who has returned to Hawaii to enter private practice with his father. We wish them both well as they start their careers. We welcome 2 new residents in July 2012, Dr. Troy Holt and Dr. McClain Woolsey, both graduates of UMKC.

Faculty
This year we said goodbye to Dr. Dan Shin who was a dynamic addition to our faculty and worked tirelessly with the residents in case presentations and clinic. He has assumed the position of Pre-doctoral Director for the Department of Periodontology at Indiana University, and we wish him well in his new role.

Clinic
Our third year residents Drs. Mike Cady and Adam McClellan are well into the program performing numerous advanced techniques, and our second year residents, Drs. Sara Walls and Mike Norouzinha are progressing well, learning to balance clinic and didactic requirements.

Research/Publications Submitted
1. Dr. Mike Norouzinha is working on his Master’s Thesis evaluating the healing of extraction sockets, and Dr. Keerthana Saethesh is Chair of his Thesis Committee.
2. Dr. Mike Cady is working with pharmacists on a publication evaluating concentrations of an antibiotic following pill cutting.
3. Dr. Adam McClellan is working on an article on the treatment of multiple hemangiomias of the lip.

Recent Publications (accepted or in press) - Authors from the grad perio department are bolded.

Case Western Reserve University
Our graduating class of 2012 are: Dr. Anh Nguyen who already started his private practice in Boston, MA. Drs. Sarah Feteih and Ahmed Alzahrani who will return back to Saudi Arabia to start teaching and private practice.

To keep the total number of graduate students (9 residents) the same in our program, we accepted only one resident this year; Dr. John Estemalik who earned his DDS from Ain Shams University, Egypt 2007.

Selected Publications by the Graduate Students and Faculty:


Presentations at National and International Meetings:

“Changes in Systemic Inflammatory Markers After Treatment of Chronic Gingivitis” AADR Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida - Dr. Ahmed Alzahrani

“Response to Periodontal Therapy in Obese Subjects With and Without Bariatric Surgery” AADR Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida - Dr. Dima Lakakis

“Periodontal Outcomes in Postmenopausal Women” Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey – Dr. Leena Palomo

Kudos
1. Dr. Nancy Newhouse, one of our long serving part-time faculty members will be installed as the AAP President at the annual meeting in Los Angeles in September.
2. Dr. Charles Cobb received the Outstanding Periodontal Educator Award, one of the highest honors bestowed by the AAP (only one awardee is selected each year), and he will receive this award at the meeting in September.
3. Dr. Doug Walters, graduating class of ’03 successfully challenged the American Board of Periodontology examination this year, and we congratulate him on his success. Our 3 most recent graduates are working toward this goal.

Please congratulate these individuals when you see them, we are so proud of their accomplishments.

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To the Board of Commissioners:

On behalf of the Illinois Society of Periodontists, it has become increasingly apparent that new graduates of dental schools are entering the workforce without the appropriate training to work in a dental care team inclusive of the general dentist, the endodontist, the oral and maxillofacial pathologist, the oral and maxillofacial radiologist, the oral and maxillofacial surgeon, the orthodontist, the pediatric dentist, the periodontist, the prosthodontist, and the public health dentist to co-manage the best possible care for the patient.

With our primary focus on the public health of Americans, we urge the Commission on Dental Accreditation and the appropriate agencies to ensure undergraduate dental students are being appropriately trained in the concepts of team dentistry with exposure to the various providers from the dental specialties.

Particularly, we would like the Commission on Dental Accreditation to require comprehensive care in pre-doctoral dental education to include:

1. The knowledge and skills of how to interact with dental specialists to achieve the best possible care for patients.
2. An understanding in the pre-doctoral student for the difference between the advanced diagnostic and therapeutic knowledge, skills, and office protocols that exist between generalists and specialists.

We ask that the Commission on Dental Accreditation review the pre-doctoral educational requirements and advocate for the required exposure of undergraduate dental students to work as part of the dental care team inclusive of specialists so that upon graduation they are prepared to be integrated into a multidisciplinary team of providers in the best interest of the public health of the patients we all serve.

Respectfully submitted,

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2013 PROGRAM
February 22–February 24, 2013

SPEAKER for Friday
(Additional Fee and Limited Attendance)

"Minimally Invasive Approaches With Implants in the Posterior Maxilla"
Dr. Martin Kolinski will review treatment alternatives to the lateral window approach to sinus grafting
Dr. Ziv Mazor will discuss reconstruction of the posterior maxilla using minimally invasive innovative techniques (Balloon Sinus Approach) and materials.

Saturday Morning
Dr. Dennis Tarnow “Immediate vs. Delayed Implant Placement in Extraction Sockets - What we know, what we think we know and what we don’t know”

Saturday Afternoon
Dr. Burton Langer “A 25 Year Retrospective on Connective Tissue Grafting Around Teeth and Implants”

Sunday Morning
Ken Runkle
Title: “The Future of Periodontics”

AAP Elections & Awards

Reserve These Dates!!
Midwest Society of Periodontology
56nd Annual Meeting
February 22 – February 24, 2013

Dr. Nancy L. Newhouse - President
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Dr. Wayne Aldredge - Secretary/Treasurer
A hearty congratulations to Dr. Nancy Newhouse from District 4 who will become President of the AAP.

Events to Attend at the AAP Meeting in Los Angeles

District 4 Forum
Sunday, September 30, 2012 – 12:45 - 2:15pm
Los Angeles Convention Center – Level 5 – Room 304C
The District forum provides you an opportunity to have dialogue with trustees about initiatives that the Academy is planning, and learn about issues that are being addressed by the Board of Trustees. An agenda of forum topics will be posted on the AAP website prior to the Annual Meeting.

L.A. LIVE
Sunday, September 30, 2012 – 5:30 - 7:00 pm
JW Marriott - Room Gold 3
AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced as well as all AAP Awards

General Assembly Business Meeting
Monday, October 1, 2012 – 5:15 - 6:15 pm
Los Angeles Convention Center - Level 4 - Room 408A
Voting members are encouraged to attend the General Assembly Business Session. This is the session at which the Academy’s budget for the coming year will be proposed, new and re-elected trustees will be installed and outgoing trustees will be recognized. AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced.
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President Message:

Dear Midwest Society of Periodontics Members,

As I put pen to paper for this message I am relieved by the cooler weather. It is actually 88 degrees in the shade. Compared to the 100 muggy degrees we have been having in the Midwest, this is a relief. Everything is relative.

Over the past few months I’ve had the opportunity to speak with a number of periodontists. Things are relative from their perspective also. Some are doing well, while others are quite concerned. What seems to be consistent is an air of uncertainty amongst periodontists in general. Those that are wiser and more experienced point to two aspects to dealing with the uncertainty. These are information and involvement.

On the information front, hardly a day goes by that we don’t hear something about the Affordable Care Act of 2010. Some laud it, some complain bitterly, yet most have not bothered to read any of it. Curious as to whether there was anything in the act about periodontics, I decided to read a little. http://housedocs.house.gov/energycommerce/ppacacon.pdf. I confess, I do not have the time nor stomach to read the whole thing. However, there was one section in particular that caught my attention. Section 5101, page 525 addresses the definition of the healthcare workforce. Not surprisingly, periodontists are not specifically cited. Rather, a general mention was made of “dentists, dental hygienists and other oral healthcare professionals”. The concept of “other oral healthcare professionals” is not defined. The paragraph concludes the definition of the workforce “and any other health professional that the Comptroller General of The United States determines appropriate.” What is considered “appropriate” by the governmental agencies remains a mystery to me. How that will impact periodontal care and our role in the delivery of that care is yet to be determined. We need to stay informed.

As far as involvement, we can look to the initiatives taken by the Illinois Society of Periodontists. In February of 2012, they wrote to the Commission on Dental Accreditation advocating for the team approach to comprehensive care with a strong involvement of the specialties. As stated in their newsletter, part of the mission of the Illinois Society of Periodontists is “Activism for Periodontists in Illinois.” It is in that spirit that I urge other district 4 Periodontal Societies to increase their involvement in all areas that impact our specialty. Whatever you are doing or contemplating on doing, share it with the board of the MSP so we can help support you and spread the word to all of our members.

Finally, make sure to mark your calendars for the 2013 MSP meeting in Chicago. Tim Walsh has put together a world class program that you should not miss.

I conclude my message with best wishes for all MSP members and their loved ones.

Peter Cabrera, DDS
Chicago, IL