A golden celebration
School of Dental Hygiene marks 50 years
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The Faculty of Dentistry is interested in your suggestions for nominees. For more information, please email alumni.dentistry@dal.ca or call 902.494.1674.
Dean’s Message

As we begin our 101st year as a Faculty of Dentistry, it is only fitting that we begin our next 100 years with a celebration. 2013 marks the 50th anniversary of our School of Dental Hygiene’s first graduating class!

The amazing leadership, quality dental hygiene education, outreach initiatives and scholarly endeavors have allowed the School of Dental Hygiene to develop a well-deserved reputation in Canada.

The major celebratory events took place over April 26-27. These two days were filled with activities from continuing education programs with homegrown talent, an outstanding celebratory dinner and more than 40 class reunions. I believe our dental hygiene alumni had an amazing time.

I wish to congratulate Professor Nancy Neish, Director of the School of Dental Hygiene, and her colleagues on a job well done. Memories were created that will live on for many years to come!

Wouldn’t it be neat if we could interview our first Dean of Dentistry, Dr. Frank Woodbury (1908-1922)? I think he would be very satisfied that our Faculty of Dentistry, which for the most part he had nurtured and created, continues to raise the bar of success.

I think Dr. Oskar Sykora summed up Dr. Woodbury’s legacy quite nicely in his book Maritime College and Dalhousie Faculty of Dentistry – a History, when he wrote: “His impeccable honesty, his uncompromising devotion to all that was highest and best in civic, provincial and national endeavor, his unclouded vision based firmly upon the values that lie beyond, his philosophy of life, which led him to make a part of himself all the things that are honest, just and true and lovely, secured for him a memory that will be cherished by successive generations of dental students and dentists who have a better school and a better profession because of his influence.”

This is the legacy we have inherited, and as a Faculty we have maintained it to this day. In that same spirit, I believe we have an obligation to Dr. Woodbury and all the dedicated generations of our Faculty Family to continue with these same grounded values. They are now reflected in our Faculty’s mission statement, which you can find on our website at www.dal.ca/dentistry.

As we begin our next 100 years, I believe we have an opportunity to continue our outstanding legacy and build upon that amazing foundation. Please join us in making Dr. Woodbury proud!

In the words of John Quincy Adams, “If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.” A fitting dedication to all Faculty Family leaders. Here’s to our future together!

Most sincerely,

Thomas L. Boran (DDS’78)
Dean, Faculty of Dentistry

Letter to the editor:
Greetings from across the Atlantic

Dear Alumni Anchor,

So many congratulations on achieving the prestigious William J. Gies Award for Achievement. It makes me immensely proud to have been part of this same Dental School in the 1970s.

My best wishes also to Bruce Moxley for a happy and fulfilling retirement. He was a huge help to me in the Orthodontic workshops, pioneering video recordings of class work.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jenny Hall (DDS’77)
Londonderry, UK

Dentistry Alumni Committee update

The Dalhousie University Faculty of Dentistry Alumni Committee (DAC) recently revised its Terms of Reference and developed a new set of Procedural Guidelines. Please visit www.dal.ca/dentistry/alumni to view.

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A golden celebration

School of Dental Hygiene marks 50 years of graduates

By Haley Beaton

IN APRIL 2013, Dalhousie University’s School of Dental Hygiene marked an exciting milestone, commemorating the 50th anniversary of its first graduating class.

More than 300 alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends were a part of the DH50 festivities, held April 26-27 on the Dalhousie campus. More than 40 classes gathered for class reunions, with participation as far back as the class of 1966.

“DH50 was an excellent way to celebrate the past 50 years; to see how much we’ve grown,” says Prof. Heather Doucette (DipDH’94), Chair of the DH50 Committee. “I am so happy that I was able to be a part of this special event. I had an amazing time and spoke to many others who enjoyed themselves just as much!”

On the Friday evening, attendees were provided with a guided tour of the Dalhousie Art Gallery, as well as the opportunity to tour around their old stomping grounds at the Dentistry Building. The night was capped off by a “Live at 5” pub night in the student lounge, organized by the Class of 2013. The social was very well attended and was a great opportunity for alumni, students, faculty and staff to reconnect with friends from the past, and also to meet new people within their chosen profession.

Later that evening, the McInnes Room in the Dalhousie Student Union Building served as the venue for the closing Celebratory Dinner. The JP Ellis Trio provided a cool jazz introduction while many visited Dr. Garland for a final photo shoot. Prof. Nancy Neish (DipDH’74), Director of the School of Dental Hygiene and Prof. Denise Zwicker (DipDH’04, BDH’12) served as co-hosts, incorporating elements of audience participation and fun throughout the course of the decadent dinner.

Before dessert, former Directors Dr. Joanne Clovis and Margery Forgay (LLD’94) delivered a wonderful tribute to the Dental Hygiene Student Externship with the Labrador-Grenfell Health Authority, which marks its 25th anniversary in 2013. (see page 5 for details)

After dinner, guests danced the night away to the music of No Longer Hip, a group comprised of members of Dalhousie’s Department of Biomechanical Engineering. Their excellent rhythm was a great way to wrap up the fun-filled weekend.

“This was unquestionably the largest alumni event in the history of our School of Dental Hygiene,” says Alumni Officer Jon Bruhm. “One of the main keys to its success was the efforts of our dozens of class reunion coordinators, committee members and on-site volunteers. Thank you all for helping this dream become a reality!”

From its first graduating class of just four students in 1963 to more than 1,400 total alumni who live and work all across Canada and around the world, Dalhousie’s School of Dental Hygiene has flourished over the past 50 years. Moving forward, it will continue to find new and innovative techniques to educate future practitioners.
DH50 Scrapbook

Photo Booth Fun

DH50 photos courtesy of Dr. Wayne Garland

More DH50 photos available at www.flickr.com/60057309@N07/sets
School of Dental Hygiene celebrates partnership with Labrador-Grenfell Health

During the School of Dental Hygiene’s DH50 Celebratory Dinner, former Directors Dr. Margery Forgay and Dr. Joanne Clovis took to the stage to pay homage to the Dental Hygiene Externship with the Labrador-Grenfell Regional Health Authority (LGH). The partnership between the School of Dental Hygiene and LGH has seen more than 150 students hone their skills as part of the cooperative program in the four clinical sites operated by the health authority across Labrador and the northern peninsula of Newfoundland.

The program was established by Dr. James Messer, former Chief Dental Officer of Labrador-Grenfell Health (then called Grenfell Regional Health Service), and Dr. Margery Forgay, Director of the School of Dental Hygiene from 1985-1990.

“We realized that there was a unique opportunity for service and for learning between the School of Dental Hygiene and the Grenfell Regional Health Service,” remarks Dr. Forgay. “The program began in 1988 – it wasn’t just a success, it was a barnburner!”

The program continues under the leadership of Dr. Peter Hornett, Chief of Dental Services with LGH since 1993, and Dr. Joanne Clovis, Professor in the School of Dental Hygiene. Dr. Annie Hornett and many other clinical dentists in four communities have guided the students in their learning. Throughout the life of the program, Donna Parsons, Administrative Officer with LGH, has consistently gone above and beyond the call of duty to help organize the student placements.

Dr. Peter Hornett, was invited to the Dalhousie celebration as a special guest. During the Celebratory Dinner, he was presented with the following framed inscription:

“In appreciation for the 25-year educational partnership of the School of Dental Hygiene at Dalhousie University with Labrador-Grenfell Health, the commitment to its establishment by Dr. Jim Messer and Dr. Marnie Forgay, its continuation by Dr. Peter Hornett and Dr. Joanne Clovis, the extraordinary experiences of the Dental Hygiene students, and the improvements in the oral health of the patients and the communities.”

After reading the inscription, Dr. Clovis added: “For their constant and caring maintenance of this partnership, we express our thanks by presenting this certificate of appreciation which we hope will be placed in the clinic at St. Anthony. We also have six sets of dental hygiene instruments that have been donated to us by Hu-Friedy and we are passing these on to you for placement in various locations in Labrador-Grenfell Health.”
2013 Graduates
Doctor of Dental Surgery

M. Al Awadi  B. Almunajim  V. Amarnath  A. Atallah  S. Brenton  P. Brown  M. Bungay
D. Carmichael  A. El-Darahali  A. Frame  P. Gottapati  B. Griffin  M. Horne  A. Hussein  R. Jeffrey
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A. Oliver  N. Orrell  S. Orser  C. Papadopoulos  H. Park  D. Pond  A. Ranu  A. Richard
M. Safarpour  N. Sajadinia  N. Scott  S. Smith  S. Tosic  E. Tuma  C. White
As it turns out, Dr. Greenberg is the last surviving member of his class – and according to our records, is also the Faculty’s oldest living alumnus. I had the opportunity to contact him the following week and observed a remarkable zest from this centenarian. From the moment he picked up the phone, it was clear to me that we had to profile Dr. Greenberg in our annual alumni publication.

"The Anchor? I have every single copy and have read them all cover to cover," he says, in his thick Brooklyn accent. "I love hearing about what’s going on at Dalhousie. But I don’t know why anyone would want to read about me."

According to his birth certificate, Dr. Greenberg was born in Brooklyn, New York on May 27, 1912, making him now a spry 101 years of age. "I was really born on the 22nd but the doctor didn’t put the certificate in until five days later," he remarks. "I go by the certificate – nothing I can do about it." Either way, he was born just one month after the first Dalhousie Dentistry class graduated in April of 1912. As such, last year’s Centennial celebrations commemorated not only the Faculty’s 100th, but his as well!

Following some gentle persuasion, an interview after the holidays was arranged.
As I gave him another call at his northeastern Florida home in January, he had just completed a round of golf – which he tends to do two or three times per week.

“I’ve been doing nine holes now because the weather isn’t the best, but usually I try to do 18,” he says. “Incidentally, I walk, which is very, very good. We have a foursome and we have a tee-time, otherwise you’ve got to wait there an hour or two and I don’t like to wait.”

In 1936, Dr. Greenberg headed up to Halifax to attend Dalhousie. “Truthfully, I was going to go for medicine,” he recalls. “I forget how many they took in at the time and I didn’t qualify for it, but I stayed and went for dentistry thinking that maybe after two or three years I would switch over. But I enjoyed dentistry and I stayed with it.”

“I had a lot of friends who went there before me. One was Dr. Sidney Berkowitz (BSc’34, MD’38). What a wonderful man, but unfortunately he passed away at an early age. When I was at Dal, there was another fellow, Dr. Harry Goldberg (MD’41), who was in medicine and he played the violin. We used to play duets. We had an enjoyable time, no question about it!”

Although he has some difficulty remembering much about his time at the Faculty of Dentistry, Dr. Greenberg does recall the likes of former Deans Dr. William Woodbury and Dr. J. Stanley Bagnall, along with his classmate Dr. Arthur Smith (DDS’40). “He did a lot of boxing, if I’m not mistaken,” recalls Greenberg. He also remembers a few quips from his time in Halifax.

“It was a very enjoyable time,” he says. “It was cold there. We used to go into the restaurants and for 25 cents, you got a meal. 25 cents! I’ll never forget that, God almighty! We used to go to the Nova Scotian Hotel – we’d go there once in a while to get a good meal, and there it was 50 cents. No one believes that.”

After graduation, Dr. Greenberg returned home to New York. He lived and practiced in his native Brooklyn while wife Ida stayed at home to look after daughters Susan and Clare. “It worked out very nicely,” he says. “It was a medical building, parking was easy and things were good. I retired in 1982, that’s when we came down to Florida. One of the reasons was the climate. In winter, it was very, very cold – but not as bad as Halifax!”

“I always wanted to go back to Halifax, but we never got the chance for some reason. Now that I’m alone, I don’t know if I’ll ever make it, but I’m hoping that maybe one day I can get back. Dalhousie was a wonderful time in my life. The people there, everyone, the faculty… I wasn’t in the new building, but it must be beautiful and they’ve got the best equipment in it, I’m sure. Let me tell you, when I read about it, they have the best there. The teaching staff and the people they get in there, I think they’re doing a wonderful job, no question about it.”

At one point in our conversation, he seemed to grasp why his fellow alumni might want to read about him: “My class was 1940,” he says with a gasp. “Wow. God almighty, that’s 60, 70…oh my God, that’s a lifetime! When you say 100, my God, to me it doesn’t sound like much. But when I think of it and I think of my friends, it really is something. It doesn’t happen every day, and you never know!”

“The main thing is, when you do get to be 100, it’s about quality of life. It’s not just sitting around and you can’t do anything. I still play the violin, I enjoy it, and as far as golf, I think it’s the exercise of course, and there’s something to it that you want to get better and better. I think that’s what keeps me going. I feel 50, 60 at the most! God almighty, I don’t know what it is. I think exercise, keep your mind going and live a clean life. That’s what it is.”

A few months after the profile interview, I connected with Dr. Greenberg to check some facts and to wish him a happy birthday. “I didn’t do anything spectacular,” he reiterates. “I’m 101 and I feel fine. Age doesn’t really mean anything if you suffer all your life. You have to be lucky and I think good genes have something to do with it. I really can’t complain!”
The Faculty of Dentistry is extremely grateful for the generosity of our alumni, friends, and organizations that have chosen to support our Faculty and Dalhousie University. The following is a list acknowledging those who have made financial contributions between April 2012 and March 2013. This is one small way for the Faculty of Dentistry to say “thank you.” We would also like to thank our donors who requested to remain anonymous.

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1941
Leonard S Goldberg

1943
Richard H Taylor

1950
Walter F Cook
T Edward Spracklin

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Larry Ramsay

1953
V Aunins-Butcher

1955
James H Peters

1957
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Sandy & Sandra Hoffman

1959
V Aunins-Butcher

1961
Kinji R Ashina
Larry Gaum
Roger J Paturel
Thomas H Raddall II

1962
Don Bonang
Doug Chaytor
James L Hale
Ian F Paul

1963
William O Adams
Melvin Brown
Garry W Condon
Charles P Daly

1964
Joseph E Grasso

1965
Robert Cooper
Dan Macintosh
G S Zwicker

1966
John F Miner
Brock H Rondeau

1967
Robert W Ernst
Allen L MacLean
John W McMullen

1968
Charlie B Chow
Donald Feeney
Jamie Levitz
Eckart G Schroeter

1969
Joseph P Elias
Stanley M Jacobson

1970
David S Precious
Vernon B Shaffner

1971
Leslie J Hudgins
Floyd V Jackson
Bill & Robin MacInnis

1972
John S Christie
David Crocker
Brian L MacDonald
Carl Tilley

1973
Eric G Easton
Harold F Johnson
Peter F Manson

1974
Ronald A Bannerman
Charles Cann
A Ernest Corrigan
Donald A Fitzpatrick
Mary M Hurst
Wayne & Peggy Mailet
William R Rector
Susan K Roberts

1975
Greg Baird
Ron Beaton
Gary R MacDonald
Ray Wenn

1976
Burton Comrod
Connie Comrod

1977
James Craft
Anil Joshi
John W Miller
Paul R Nauss
James C Roxborough
C Terrence Shaw

1978
Lynn Ellis
H Wayne Garland
Barbara B Harasany
J Gregg Hood
Jim Inglis
Donald C Libban
J Stephen O'Brien
Michael R Roda
Leigh G Smith
Andrew Thompson

1979
Tom Boran
Thomas H Boyle
Kwai-Leung H Chong
Alfred W Dean
Ian Doyle
Gary M Foshay
R Dwight Greene
Janet J Stewart
Richard A Vickerson

1980
Peter Baltzer
Carl F Canning
Reg Goodday
Peter F Halford
Kenneth J McKenna
Gary Samson
Brien W Stackhouse

1981
Val Biskupski
Brian S Budovitch
Richard A Copeland
Claude J Dube
Marlene E Mader
Robert K Snow
Michael J Taylor

1982
Lee Erickson
Randall B Morean

1983
Michael F Bonner
Ronald Buckley & Janet Bailey Buckley

1984
Paul J Coady
Archie Morrison
Graeme D Usher
Larry R White
Anne Young
Mary A Yurchesyn

1985
Janet Bailey Buckley & Ronald Buckley
Paul J Bourque
Michael G Cormier
Robert C Dunphy
Gerry Fong
Gary M Henderson
Michael R McCarville
Doug & Kathryn Musseau
Brian H Smith
Deborah N Stymiest

1986
Chris Cottle
Judith Flecknell
James Francis
Eric Hatfield
Shane Holt
Ursula H Lowowski
Vincent L McMaster
Ken Nga
Lary Trites
Jeff Williams

1987
Jeffrey M Bonang
Martin Bourgeois
John Laureij
Ronald Eric McGillivary
Caroline Pavlin

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Carol Nicholson

1967
Judiann Stern Thomas

1968
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Merla Gerrior

1969
Glenda M Butt
Brenda M Ziener

1970
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1971
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1972
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1977
Carolyn Bourque

1978
Mary J MacLeod
Donna E Pascher

1979
Karen Wolfe

1980
Kim Haslam
Laura L Leadbetter-Fuoco

1981
Janice A Mailman

1982
Vicky Garland
Corinna C Recker

1983
Mary Anne McRobbie

1984
Sharon R Hearn

1985
Pamela R Brown

1986
Angela Hynes
Janice Irving
Susan Keating-Bekkers

1987
Joanne M Clark
Jackie White
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Lovely leaving a legacy

Dr. Frank Lovely supports the future of Dal Dentistry with a bequest in his will

By Mark Campbell

For nearly six decades, Dr. Frank Lovely (DDS’59) has maintained a tight connection to Dalhousie University. He’s been a student, Professor and the Head of the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery program. He served on the 1818 Society, was Alumni Association President, and a member of the Development Committee of the Board of Governors when it merged with the Technical University of Nova Scotia (TUNS).

It’s a connection that will endure for generations to come, thanks to a bequest in Dr. Lovely’s will to the Faculty of Dentistry.

“Legacy planning is a time when gratitude for our educational opportunity and enhanced quality of life should come to the forefront,” says Dr. Lovely. “Many things will have contributed to our successes – our church affiliations, families, communities and friends. Most important of all will be our education.”

Dr. Lovely recalls with fondness the small classes and attention each student received at Dalhousie. “Everyone seemed to be motivated for you to get all you could out of your education.” In fact, it was the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry who encouraged him to study Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Michigan so he could come back and start a graduate program at the University.

A firm believer that estate planning should be culmination of a lifetime of gifting, Dr. Lovely has made generous contributions to the University over the years through capital campaigns and the 1818 Society. With this bequest, he wants to inspire fellow alumni to make a gift of their own.

“Dalhousie and the foundation education I obtained there and built on provided me and my family with such an enriched and bountiful life. I would hope other alumni would draw the same conclusion I have and make a wish through their will to provide potential students the same opportunity we have richly enjoyed.”

As for his bequest, he says “my hope is that it helps enhance the student experience, such as the buildings, clinics and educational programs they are exposed to.”

To find out more about legacy giving at the Faculty of Dentistry, contact Victoria Colpitts at (902) 494-6170 or victoria.colpitts@dal.ca.
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Dean’s Office News

Faculty of Dentistry welcomes new Development Officer
In June, Dalhousie University welcomed Victoria Colpitts as its new Development Officer for the health faculties. In her new role, Victoria will work closely with Dean Boran and the Faculty of Dentistry team on its strategic major gifts, fundraising and stewardship plans.

Victoria obtained a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Saint Mary’s University, specializing in marketing. She was most recently an Account Development Representative for the Atlantic region with Hallmark Canada, and previously worked at the TESL Centre at Saint Mary’s.

“I have heard great things about Dal’s Faculty of Dentistry, and I look forward to building relationships with alumni, faculty, staff, students, donors and friends,” she says. “On the heels of the very successful Centennial and Dental Hygiene 50-year celebrations, I am eager to learn how we can continue to serve our Faculty Family!”

Bruhm recognized as CCAE Rising Star
Also in June, the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAE) presented its Rising Star Award to the Faculty of Dentistry’s Alumni Officer Jon Bruhm. This is a distinction for professionals who have demonstrated achievements, accomplishments and commitment to the field of educational advancement early in their careers.

Jon has been with Dalhousie since July 2010 and has played a significant role in the Faculty’s communications, student relations and social activities. He has organized more than 60 alumni events – including the Centennial in 2012 and the Dental Hygiene 50-year celebrations earlier this spring.

“His knowledge, skills and enthusiasm made an immediate and dramatically positive impact,” says Dr. John Christie (DDS’71), Chair of the Dentistry Alumni Committee and one of Jon’s supporting nominators. “From day one he was a major driving force in all aspects of our alumni activities.”

“IT really makes a difference when you love what you do, where you work, and the people you work with,” says Bruhm.

“I am so proud to be a part of the Faculty Family at Dalhousie Dentistry. Most people don’t know this, but I first met the Dean, Dr. Boran, at a CCAE conference in January 2010. He delivered the most inspiring presentation on being a university administrator who understands and values the importance of alumni relations – a rarity in this business. When I saw this job posted shortly thereafter, I knew it was the place for me. Three years later, I still feel exactly the same way!”

Alumni

*denotes alumni who are also faculty members

Dr. Thomas Raddall II (DDS’61) was granted an Honorary Doctor of Science from Acadia University in May 2013 for his dedication to his community, profession support of the university and to the literary life of the Atlantic region.

*Dr. George Zwicker (DDS’65) received the Dr. Gorman Doyle Award from the DDS Class of 2013 at the Graduation Dinner in May 2013. This award is presented to the full-time clinical instructor who has contributed the most to student education in clinical dentistry.

*Dr. David Precious, OC (DDS’69, MSc’72, pictured right) received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal at Government House in Halifax in September 2012 alongside other Members and Officers of the Order of Canada. Dr. Precious was also received the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons' Humanitarian Award in April 2013, and delivered the keynote address at the Austrian Cleft Palate Craniofacial Association Congress earlier that month.

The Faculty of Dentistry is pleased to announce that Dr. Precious will receive an honorary degree from Dalhousie in October 2013.
Dr. John Christie (DDS’72) was recognized with an INSPIRE Leadership Award from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Halifax in October 2012. Dr. Christie also received the Part-Time Clinical Instructor Award from the DDS Class of 2013 at the Graduation Dinner in May 2013. This award is presented to the part-time clinical instructor who has contributed the most to student education in clinical dentistry.

Anne Clift (DipDH’74) delivered a presentation on a resource manual for parents of newborn children with cleft lip & palate issues at the 12th International Congress on Cleft Lip & Palate and Related Craniofacial Anomalies in Florida in May 2013.

Dr. Mervyn Creighton (DDS’74) received the Dr. Wayne Garland Award from the DDS Class of 2013 at the Graduation Dinner in May 2013. This award is presented to a faculty or staff member for outstanding dedication and commitment to providing a quality pre-clinical education.

Dr. John Miller (DDS’76) received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in recognition of his involvement with the army reserves, the Corps of Commissionaires and dentistry at various levels in October 2012.

Dr. Reginald Goodday (DDS’79, MSc’88) has been invited to represent Canada on the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery’s Research Committee. He is a member of the strategic planning Committee for the Canadian Pediatric Dental Sleep Apnea network, as well as a member of the organizing committee for the Canadian Sleep Society Annual Scientific meeting to be held in Halifax in September 2013.

Dr. Terrie Logue (DDS’85) was inducted into the International College of Dentists in May 2013.

Dr. Richard Price (DDS’88) has received funding from Innovacorp’s Early Stage Commercialization Fund.

Palmer Nelson (Diph’89) will be presented with the Canadian Dental Hygienists Association’s 2013 Distinguished Service Award at the CDHA’s 50th anniversary celebration and national conference in Toronto in October 2013.

Dr. Debra Carter (DDS’90) received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in December 2012 for her contribution to dentistry in the military and with Soldiers on Group, December 18, 2012.

Dr. Kathy Russell (DDS’90) will become a Fellow of the American College of Dentists in October 2013.

Dr. Martin Gillis (DDS’91) was appointed Registrar of the Provincial Dental Board of Nova Scotia, effective July 1, 2013.

Dr. Cynthia Andrews (DDS’92) successfully procured Tier One Funding from the Health Innovation Research Fund as part of the Health Mentors “Assessing Student Outcomes” Research Team.

Dr. Mary McNally (DDS’92) was awarded funding through a Dalhousie-directed Canadian network of oral health researchers, and will co-investigate innovative research strategies to reduce the serious oral health issues facing Canadian Aboriginal people. She was also awarded a Positive Aging Grant from Nova Scotia’s Department of Seniors.

Drs. Matt Evans (DDS’02) and Dawn Webster (DDS’03, pictured above) welcomed baby Sarah into the world on September 11 2012, a new little sister for two year-old Amelia. Matt and Dawn made the news in May when their patients donated $10,000 of melted down gold from extracted dental prostheses to the Children’s Health Foundation of Vancouver Island’s Jeneece Place. For more of the story, visit www.bit.ly/16DLjFu.

Dr. Chad Robertson (MSc’03) has been appointed President of the Atlantic Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

Drs. Ferne Kraglund and Chris Lee (both DDS’04) have received a grant from International College of Dentists to support our outreach initiative at the North End Community Health Clinic. Dr. Lee also obtained successful approval of the Faculty’s new General Practice Residency Program, which began in June 2013.

We recently received word that Dr. John Roach (DDS’66), Dr. Gordon Chisholm (DDS’59) and Dr. Bill Brymer (DDS’67) continue to teach at the University of British Columbia’s Faculty of Dentistry. “Bill and Gordie have been teaching for years while I am in part time practice still with some teaching at UBC for the last eight years,” says Dr. Roach. “I practiced in downtown Vancouver for 35 years until 2001. Bill and I play golf all year, plus I swim, hike, and ski in West Vancouver.”

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Faculty

Dr. Daniel Boyd (Assistant Professor, Applied Oral Sciences) and ABK Biomedical Inc. have received $1.3 million in funding from numerous sources, which will employ at least seven people in 2013 in the areas of business development, device development and biomaterials.

Dr. Blaine Cleghorn (Assistant Dean, Clinics) received a 2012 Dalhousie University Environmental Health and Safety Award for his support of several programs in response to health, safety and environmental issues related to the teaching, research and clinical activities of the Faculty of Dentistry.

Dr. Jack Gerrow (Retired, Dental Clinical Sciences) was appointed to the position of Professor Emeritus with the Faculty of Dentistry, effective January 1, 2013. He will be presented with the W.W. Wood Award for excellence in dental education in September 2013.

Dr. Yung-Hua Li (Associate Professor, Applied Oral Sciences) has received funding from the Faculty Research Fund for the research project “The Killing Mechanisms of Pheromone – Guided Anti-Microbial Peptides Against Streptococcus Mutants.”

Dr. Song Lee (Professor, Applied Oral Sciences) was successful in his application for a NSERC Discovery Grant for Functional Analysis of Thiol-Disulfide Oxidoreductases in Streptococcus Gordenic. He was also awarded a Faculty Research Fund Grant for his project “Further Characterization of a Single Chain Variable Fragment Antibody Library Against Fusolactarius Nucleatum.”

Dr. Robert Loney (Professor, Dental Clinical Sciences) had his Removable Partial Denture Manual (2011) translated into Farsi and circulated to Iranian dental students by the Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences in October 2012. He was also a participant in the external review of the University of Toronto’s undergraduate and graduate prosthodontics curricula.

Dr. Debora Matthews (Assistant Dean, Research) was inducted into the Pierre Fauchard Academy in May 2013. She has also been named Director of the Network for Canadian Oral Health Research, and a member of the Advisory Board for the Canadian Institute of Health Research’s Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis.

Dr. Pierre-Luc Michaud (Assistant Professor, Dental Clinical Sciences) has received funding from the Faculty Research Fund for his “Replacement Versus Repair of Composite Restorations” project.

Cara Tax (Assistant Professor, School of Dental Hygiene) was selected as the recipient of the 2012 Olav Alvares Award for Best Article Published in the Journal of Dental Education by a Junior Scholar. “I think I’ll be the oldest junior scholar,” she says. “I guess it’s never too late!”

Drs. Tammy Wright and Paula Yliheikkila (both Assistant Professors, Dental Clinical Sciences) were recognized in June 2013 with the Nova Scotia Dental Association’s T.D. Ingham Volunteer Award for their work on the new NSDA Code of Ethics.

Staff

Peter Gnemmi (Computer Lab) was the only technician in Canada to be accepted into the Apple Distinguished Educator Program in February 2013. Peter joins a select group of over 2,000 education professionals worldwide who are passionately committed to the promise of educational technology to improve teaching and learning.

Two staff members were honoured for their years of service to the Faculty of Dentistry at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon in June 2013: Michael Conrad (32 years, Dean’s Office) and Elaine Johnson (30 years, Dental Lab).

Lorna Fraser (Dean’s Office) was named the recipient of the Gladys Littler Award in June 2013. This annual award recognizes a staff member who exemplifies a high level of commitment, high standards of performance and outstanding service of the Faculty of Dentistry at Dalhousie University.
By Dr. Joanne Clovis

What’s our best bet for giving children a better beginning in oral health? Those of us in specialty practices who don’t normally see children, and others who may avoid some of the youngest children because they’re not easily managed, can still make a positive difference because we’re all in professional and personal situations where information is shared.

With Early Childhood Caries (ECC) and severe forms of it (S-ECC) on the rise, all oral health organizations recommend that infants be assessed by an oral health professional by age one for early intervention. These organizations also support community-based approaches to prevent and control the devastating effects of ECC. Despite the rising tide of ECC, the good news is that we now also have a growing body of readily available evidence-based resources to guide us.

So when and how do we start? Prenatal is critical; we can intervene on an individual level or assist in community programs. A comprehensive new training and resource site with free videos, chart forms, tables and guidelines is available at www.prenataloralhealth.org. Relevant literature, appropriate prenatal treatment, and oral health messages for expectant women and infant oral care are provided.

Early assessment of infant and child oral health status establishes the need for professional treatment and appropriate homecare regimen. The Canadian Dental Association and the Canadian Academy of Pediatric Dentistry recommend caries risk assessment that takes into account family social and cultural circumstances. A very useful downloadable tool for caries risk assessment for children aged 0 to 6 years is available at www.bit.ly/10D6gkL.

Anticipatory guidance is the oral health education that we provide based on our assessment of caries risk, family history and present circumstances. This role appears to be more complex in our increasingly multicultural and multilingual Canadian society. One size does not fit all! The growing field of health literacy is showing us the gaps in our communication even when we believe we are understood. Professional association websites and Health Canada offer current advice for children – an excellent guide is available at www.bit.ly/11QPcSa.

We must continue to rely on the preventive regimen that are time-tested and proven – fluorides and sealants. In the case of young children, fluoride varnishes at six month intervals or more frequently (depending on caries risk) are recommended, and sealants for newly erupted molars. Clinical recommendations can be found at the ADA Centre for Evidence-Based Dentistry (www.bit.ly/199y2c5). Note the difference between Canadian and American recommendations for fluoride supplements; in Canada the recommendation is not to use fluoride tablets or drop supplements unless they have been specifically recommended by a dental professional following an intensive needs assessment.

And remember: for every one dollar invested in adding fluoride to drinking water, $38 is saved in dental care. That’s a return on investment of 3,700 per cent!

Dr. Joanne Clovis is a Professor in the School of Dental Hygiene. She served as Director of the program from 1990-1994.
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