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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

This is a time of great anticipation for UMKC and for the School of Dentistry. In June we welcomed a new chancellor, Dr. C. Mauli Agrawal. There is much excitement about what his leadership holds for the future of UMKC. With a background in engineering, he hails from the University of Texas at San Antonio where he served as interim Provost. You can read about the new chancellor's background and thoughts about joining us in this issue of the Explorer.

We continue on a journey, a pathway, to focus our efforts for a great future at the School of Dentistry. Last fall, we had a successful accreditation site visit and as we move forward, we have initiated a re-envisioning of our strategic plan. With the many external pressures on higher education and dental education, we look forward to a laser-sharp focus on our essential work, on ever improving the work we do and developing opportunities that advance our efforts in educating students, creating new knowledge essential for the advancement of our professions and in serving our community. Our faculty and staff have been working on the possibilities for our future!

Supporting our ongoing journey are the strong outcomes our program continues to achieve. Our faculty are remarkable! Leaders in our profession, they facilitate those outstanding outcomes our School continues to achieve. Our students continue their successes in both national boards and in the results of the clinical licensure examinations. These national and regional measures represent opportunities for us to know how well we are achieving our goals compared to other programs and how well our students are prepared. This last year, we made significant gains in how our students performed on national boards. Congratulations to our students who achieved high marks on tests that were more difficult to pass. Our students' performance on the clinical licensure examination is among the best in the nation! That is something to celebrate! Through a strong tradition of how we accomplish our clinical training, our faculty take great pride in how well we prepare students for the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene. I continue to hear from external stakeholders about how well UMKC prepares students for their careers in the dental profession.

As we anticipate the future, we continue our partnership on Hospital Hill with our Health Sciences Schools and institutions. Each of the essential institutions has joined together in what we call the Health Sciences District with the goal to advance us all. Working together, we hope to create better health outcomes for the community and achieve new goals for collaboration in training, research and service. I know we will achieve great things via this new initiative. This initiative couldn't be more timely as we compete for limited resources, advance collaboration and envision the future of the health of our communities. This work will help us all envision and create the future through collaboration!

We have much to celebrate on the pathway to our student, faculty, staff and alumni success! Thank you for your ongoing support of our journey to achieving and accomplishing our goals.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marsha Pyle". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Marsha Pyle, DDS, MED
Dean, UMKC School of Dentistry

With Change Comes Opportunity

The words above are especially relevant to the UMKC School of Dentistry as new leaders assume their duties at a variety of levels, within and outside the school. Last year, the University of Missouri System welcomed a new president. In June 2018, the University of Missouri-Kansas City welcomed its new chancellor. During the 2018 Midwest Dental Conference, the UMKC Dental and Dental Hygienists' Alumni Associations installed new presidents,

and the Dr. Roy J. Rinehart Memorial Foundation welcomed its new chairperson. The unique backgrounds and talents of these new leaders make them a perfect fit for our unique UM System, UMKC and School of Dentistry puzzle. With renewed vision and fresh insights they will lead their constituencies into a future of boundless opportunity.



UMKC Welcomes New Chancellor

C. Mauli Agrawal, Ph.D., assumed his duties as the new chancellor of the University of Missouri-Kansas City on June 20, 2018. Agrawal was appointed UMKC chancellor following the retirement of Leo E. Morton, who held the post for nine years.

Agrawal holds a bachelor's degree of technology from the Indian Institute of Technology-Kanpur, India, a master's degree from Clemson University awarded in 1985, and a doctorate from Duke University in 1989. He worked in the automobile industry and was a professor of orthopedics and bioengineering at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. Agrawal served as vice president for research and dean of the UTSA College of Engineering then as interim provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA).

"I'm very excited to be chosen to help lead this great university. The potential for the University of Missouri-Kansas City is immense and exciting," Agrawal said. "UMKC has all the elements necessary to make a great university. With strengths in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, business, engineering, arts and theater, the university is an exceptional anchor for economic development in the Kansas City region. I'm looking forward to working with UMKC's faculty and staff as well as Kansas City's civic leaders who are passionate about higher education and are constantly working to make Kansas City a great place to live, learn and work."



Mun Y. Choi Assumes Presidency of UM System

Following an in-depth national search, the University of Missouri Board of Curators appointed Mun Y. Choi, Ph.D., as the 24th president of the University of Missouri System. The former provost and executive vice president of the University of Connecticut (UConn), Choi succeeded interim president Michael Middleton in March 2017.

Choi's 24-year career in higher education includes his previous position as provost and executive vice president at UConn, one of the nation's top 20 public universities in the latest U.S. News rankings. At UConn, he oversaw a \$700 million budget while working with 1,500 full-time faculty, 31,000 students and 2,000 staff across 12 schools and colleges including Schools of Medicine, Dental Medicine and Law. Under his leadership, UConn developed several innovative new programs that have resulted in enrollment growth, increased faculty hiring, innovative research and new and expanded industry partnerships.

Choi graduated from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign with a bachelor's degree in general engineering in 1989. He later earned a master's degree and doctorate in mechanical and aerospace engineering from Princeton University.

"Becoming president of the University of Missouri System is unquestionably the pinnacle of my professional career," said Choi. "As a product of and passionate champion for

public higher education, I will advocate tirelessly on behalf of our exceptional institutions with state and national business, political and civic leaders to achieve excellence in all that we do, and make sure our great campuses realize their full potential."

In "Reviving Rural Missouri," a guest column Choi wrote for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, he described how the School of Dentistry serves as an important resource for Missouri. "The University of Missouri-Kansas City houses the UMKC School of Dentistry, which, as the only public dental school in Missouri, includes courses that deploy students to provide dental care in underserved areas. For some, wellness means planting a garden where there was an empty lot. And just as that garden serves as a symbol of the will to change lives for the better, our hope is that the University of Missouri is more than a system of brick-and-mortar institutions. It is an ethic, and we are striving to ensure that ethic continues to spread across Missouri in all its forms."

With Change Comes Opportunity



Dr. Joseph Spalitto to lead Dental Alumni Association

Joseph Spalitto (DDS '72) was a man in demand at the 2018 Midwest Dental Conference. Not only was he celebrated as the Dental Alumnus of the Year, he also was installed as the 2018–2019 president of the Dental Alumni Association (pictured). Dr. Spalitto brings a wealth of experience and insight to the position from his long associations with UMKC, the School of Dentistry, and Kansas City. Dr. Spalitto has dedicated untold hours to the UMKC Dental Alumni Association and the Rinehart Foundation, serving on both boards and holding a variety of offices. Since its inception 19 years ago, he has been the sole chair of the Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament, which distributed 17 scholarship awards in 2017. Along with maintaining his own practice, he has spent many years serving the dental school once a week in the Emergency Clinic helping students and patients. He also serves as a sponsor for Xi Psi Phi Dental Fraternity.

“As president of the UMKC School of Dentistry Alumni Association, my chief goal is to achieve better communication among our peers”, he says. “I would like to keep close ties especially with the recent graduates and offer assistance and advice. Also, I would like to see some continuing education courses held in conjunction with football or basketball games at the Columbia, Missouri campus. I will send out surveys to gather ideas of events that would be of interest to the alumni. Hopefully we will get feedback so that we can maintain interest in this professional organization.”



Angelika Skulavik Brown Assumes DHAA Leadership

Angelika Skulavik Brown graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degree from UMKC in 2009. She has worked full-time in private practice with a periodontal specialist for over five years. She has served on the UMKC Dental Hygienists' Alumni Association board as an executive member since 2014, first as secretary and now as president.

“The DHAA board is a wonderful organization for alumni to network and make lifelong friends, along with making a real difference in the lives of the dental hygiene students by assisting them with scholarships and grants,” she says, “I’m looking forward to working with DHAA to assist with the Midwest Dental Conference. DHAA has made a point to revamp some events, like the Dental Hygiene Alumni (and now Friends) Luncheon, and to select a broad range of speaker topics. We’ll also continue to recruit diverse board members as we have done over the past few years. The upcoming 2018-2019 year is looking bright with new board members, and I look forward to supporting our students and alumni!”



Dr. David Moore's Rinehart Cabinet

In the late 60s, as the UMKC School of Dentistry transitioned from its 10th and Troost location to 25th and Cherry, Professor Emeritus David Moore (DDS '55, MA Ed. '65) managed to salvage a bit of the school's history.

While exploring the attic of a condemned annex of the old dental school building, Dr. Moore, a faculty member at the time, unearthed a rather impressive dental cabinet. He then discovered that the abandoned piece of furniture had belonged to Dr. Roy J. Rinehart, who served as dean from 1928 to 1957. The cabinet actually came from Dr. Rinehart's first practice and was used in his offices at the School. Like many at the School of Dentistry, Dr. Moore held Dr. Rinehart in the highest regard. He still remembers to this day Dr. Rinehart shaking his hand at graduation.

The cabinet has been a fixture in the Moore household ever since, sitting prominently in their living room. It began its days with the Moores in the happy couple's first apartment, holding their dishware and silverware. As a child, Dr. Moore's son, Andrew (DDS '99) fondly remembers his fascination with all the small drawers and what treasures may lay inside. Now that Andrew is becoming the new chair of the Rinehart Foundation, the cabinet has taken on even greater meaning. "This cabinet really has come full circle," said Andrew.



Dr. Andrew Moore Named Chair of Rinehart Foundation

Andrew Moore (DDS '99) has been practicing restorative dentistry in Kansas City for 19 years. After graduating from the UMKC School of Dentistry, he started his practice in Shawnee, Kan. Dr. Moore is a member of the AGD, ADA, KDA, and Fifth District Dental Society (past president, Dentist of the Year 2017). He has served as a director-at-large for the UMKC Alumni Association and is involved in several dental study clubs. He loves spending time with his wife, Christen, and their three teenagers, Jack, Katie, and Eli. In his spare time, Dr. Moore can be seen playing the drums around Kansas City with his band Perpetual Change.

"It is such an honor to serve as the chair of the Rinehart Board, whose roots run deep in my family," said Dr. Moore. "My mother, Janell (DH '62) and father, David (DDS '55) UMKC Professor Emeritus, met at the UMKC School of Dentistry 58 years ago. It is my goal as chair of the Rinehart Foundation to honor the great legacy of the Rinehart Board and to continue the momentum of growth. During the time I have been serving on the Rinehart Board, I have had the pleasure of seeing firsthand, the students who are directly impacted by the generous giving of our wonderful alumni. The UMKC School of Dentistry is a world-class institution, graduating some of the future's greatest dentists. If it has been a while since you have visited the School, I encourage you to stop in. I'm sure it will bring back some great memories and an appreciation of what is being accomplished today and for a bright future tomorrow."

MDC In Review – 2018 Midwest Dental Conference

At the 2018 Midwest Dental Conference, education met celebration and brought together over 3,500 alumni, friends, students and exhibitors. The annual conference was held April 5–8 and was full of scientific sessions, class reunions, exhibit hall happenings, donor recognition, and socializing.





POURING *from the* HEART 2018

Thursday evening's Pouring from the Heart gala helped raise desperately needed funds for special patients who can't afford care on their own. The celebration overflowed with attendees who were treated to five courses of exquisite eats professionally paired with sensational wines, once in a lifetime live auction packages like a rooftop experience at Wrigley Field, and some fun and games to win a wine fridge and designer purse. Together with Goetze Dental and event sponsors, the UMKC School of Dentistry's Rinehart Foundation raised over \$45,000 to help indigent patients that come through the UMKC clinic doors who cannot afford the critical dental treatments they need. Guests at Pouring from the Heart were impacted by a story of how these dollars changed a patient's life – a patient that at one time hid in the shadows fraught with severe dental anxiety. She presented to the emergency clinic and left with a comprehensive treatment plan and new outlook. She is now thriving in her new life with a new job, thankful for the funds and her student doctor.

During the night's festivities, the 4th annual John Haynes Leadership through Service Award was presented to Dr. Jack Nelson (pictured right with Dean Marsha Pyle) for his selfless giving and dedication to the School and students. The award is given to someone who possesses the qualities the late Dr. Haynes exemplified and Dr. Nelson is a shining example of this.

Thank you to all of those who supported such a wonderful cause. We look forward to another great event next year.



Welcome Party



(The Toothpickers (R-L): Ashley Johnson (D4) - guitar & red boots; David Dumbauch (D2) - drum box; Samuel Zimmer (D4) - mandolin; Calvin Eastwood (D3) - fiddle; Samantha Ackerman (D2) - wash tub.)

Another highlight of the conference from year-to-year is the Friday night Welcome Party. New this year, attendees were greeted with bluegrass sounds of the all-dental-student band The Toothpickers. They added to the festive atmosphere and brought up memories of more student bands from past classes. As always, all attendees enjoyed good food and good fun.

Following the Welcome Party many of the attendees participated in their class reunions. Classes celebrating big milestones were the Class of 1968 celebrating 50 years in the profession, and all class years ending in “3” or “8.”

Recognition Breakfast



Class of 1968 reunion attendees

It was such a treat to see a large turnout of the Class of 1968 at the Rinehart Foundation Recognition breakfast on Saturday morning. With a whopping 28 members and their guests in attendance, it was a room full of great stories and memories! Also honored at the breakfast were alumni who have made significant gifts to the foundation with \$10,000+ lifetime giving, \$25,000+ lifetime giving, \$50,000+ lifetime giving, and \$100,000+ lifetime giving.

It was a pleasure to have them all in one room and recognize them for their efforts. Alumni with such a strong connection to the School is why the Foundation is able to support so many projects that are important and vital to the students, faculty, and school.



Be sure to visit the School's Facebook page and the Dental Alumni Facebook page to relive or discover what you may have missed at the Midwest Dental Conference.

One Special Guest

Victor Wood (DDS '43) (pictured with former Rinehart chair Dr. Jerry Ogilvie) joined us for the Recognition Breakfast in April at the Midwest Dental Conference to celebrate his 75th reunion. He was honored by the breakfast

attendees for his long history in dentistry. He made the trip with his wife, Lavenia, and his son and daughter-in-law. What a pleasure and an honor it was to have him with us.



Victor Wood from his 1943 graduation photograph

Exhibit Hall

The Exhibit Hall was humming with activity this year. Over 100 companies filled the aisles with everything from equipment and financing options, to supplies and marketing solutions. Over 75 product categories were represented. Attendees also enjoyed over 80 table clinics presented by

students. New this year was an Exhibit Hall Happy Hour on Friday night. This gave attendees a chance to network with company representatives while also enjoying a beverage on us. Thank you to the participating exhibitors!



As always, the Midwest Dental Conference was a great time to celebrate and refresh. Don't miss next year's conference, **March 21-24, 2019. Don't forget to mark it on your calendars as we've moved up to March for 2019.**



Pictured (R-L): DDS Class of 2021 students Vincent Markovitz and Timothy Albright.

KC Royals 50; UMKC SOD 30

The Royals may be celebrating their 50th season of baseball, but the UMKC School of Dentistry isn't far behind. This year's opening day outing marked the 30th anniversary of the tradition the late John Haynes (BS '56, DDS '60, MA '71) lovingly began in 1988. UMKC faculty, staff, students, alumni, and their families and friends turned out for the KC Royals' opening-day game, Thursday, March 29, 2018. The faithful UMKC fans enjoyed a pre-game BBQ picnic hosted by the UMKC Dental Alumni Association. Even though the Royals fell to the Chicago White Sox 14-7, the day was a big win for the UMKC contingent.

A Fantastic day “Fore” golf!



Golfers enjoyed a warm, but beautiful day on the course Friday, June 1, at Shoal Creek Golf Course for the 19th Annual UMKC Dental Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament. Attendees were treated to food, fun, and some antics including wingspan drawings, putting contests, and a few mulligans.

Since its inception, the Golf Tournament has raised over \$260,000 for student scholarships. Thank you to the steering

committee lead by Dr. Joe Spalitto that included Dr. Chad Barth, Dr. Wes Christian, Dr. Reese Graue, Dr. Phillip Gravino, Dr. Juliana Harmon, Brian LaForge, Dr. Michael McCunniff, Joel Piper, Dr. Josh Piper, Dr. Paul Riddle, and Dr. Paula Rodriguez. Thank you to all of the players and sponsors for a great day of golf raising money for student scholarships!



Visit the UMKC Dental Alumni Facebook page to enjoy more photos of this event

Class Notes

Classes of the 1960s

Charles M. Cobb (DDS '64), Professor Emeritus at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, has become an Honorary Member of the American Laser Study Club (ALSC).

Terrel R. Myers (DDS '69) has been named a 2017 Top Doctor in Dallas, Texas.

Classes of the 1970s

Stephen K. Young (DDS '71) retired in January after 41 years at the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry.



Charles McGinty (DDS '77) was honored with the 2017 Missouri Dental Association (MDA) Distinguished Service Award on Nov. 3, 2017, at the MDA House of Delegates in Jefferson City. The award is presented to a member with a long history of exemplary service and dedication to the dental profession and organized dentistry. Dr. McGinty's commitment and dedication to the dental profession and organized dentistry is evidenced by his service in a number of roles in his 41 years of membership. He continues to practice at Associates of Dentistry in Joplin, Mo.

Douglas Arnett (DDS '78) is retired and living the "beach life!"

Classes of the 1980s



Vincent Rapini (DDS '80) was installed as the 149th president of the MDA on November 4, 2017 at the MDA House of Delegates in Jefferson City. Dr. Rapini maintained a private dental practice in Webster Groves, Mo., until the summer of 2017, when he became a full-time assistant clinical professor at the Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville School of Dental Medicine, a position he began on a part-time basis in 2008.

Rita Burnett (DDS '83) closed her private practice in Kansas City, Kan., in 2014 and was the dental director for Swope Health Services until 2016. She then started serving patient populations at assisted living and memory care facilities through Mobile Dental LLC with KC Mobile Dental in Johnson County, Kan., and continues to do so today.

Edward Cantrell (DDS '88) started working part-time at UMKC School of Dentistry in 2015 and continues to work there two days a week in Restorative Clinical Sciences in Team 1.

Michelle B. Deutch's (DDS '88) son, Sam, completed his PhD and internship in psychology and has joined his dad, Neal, in private practice. Deutch's daughter, Emily, is working at Cargill as a lab manager and food safety quality regulator supervisor and is also working on her Master's Degree in molecular and cell biology at UMKC.

Jay W. H. Cook (DDS '88) has been married for 32 years to Laura. Their daughter is married and has moved to Charleston, S.C. Their son is graduating and going into law enforcement, and their other son is in seventh grade. Dr. Cook moved to a new location after his old office was flooded. He is happy to report he has many of his dental school patients with him still!

Guy Resch (DDS '89) has joined Tony Nichols (DDS '09) and William Rasband (DDS '09) at El Dorado Family Dentistry in El Dorado, Kan.

Classes of the 1990s



Clarence E. Simmons (DDS '96, Ortho '98) was presented the (School of Dentistry) Health Care Provider Diversity Award by Chanelle Roberts (DDS Class of '20) at the fourth annual Health Sciences Diversity Scholarship Dinner and Dance. The UMKC Hospital Hill Diversity Council hosted the event, Sat., Feb. 10, 2018, at the UMKC Student Union. The goal of the gala is to raise funds to support an endowed scholarship dedicated to attracting and retaining students of color in the four UMKC health professions schools (Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy).

Class Notes (Cont.)

Classes of the 2000s

David Thome (DDS '01) has completed a pediatric residency at Nova Southeastern University and is a Pediatric Specialist at NC Pediatric Dentistry in Locust, N.C.

Cabel McDonald (DDS '07) purchased Longview Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery in Longview, Wash.

Melissa Smith (DDS '07) was named the 2018 Missouri Small Business Person of the Year. She is the owner and managing dentist of Washington Smile Complete Health Dentistry in Washington, Mo.



John Copeland (DDS '09) was named an **ADA "10 Under 10."** After reviewing more than 200 nominations, the ADA selected Dr. Copeland of Wildwood, Mo., as one of 10 all-stars in dentistry. ADA's 10 Under 10 award honors dentistry's rising stars: dentists who are making an impact on the profession less than 10 years after graduating from dental school. These winners are making a difference and inspiring their colleagues through their work in science, research and education, practice excellence, philanthropy, leadership and advocacy. He was an active student leader while at UMKC, helping to establish the Dr. John Killip Student Leadership Award when he

was president of the SOD Student Council. He is an active leader in the Missouri Dental Association as well as local civic organizations and has been instrumental in securing donations for charities he supports. He is a key organizer of the MDA's annual Connect4Success Conference for new dentists and colleagues say he, "elicits hope for the future of organized dentistry."

Classes of the 2010s

Matthew (DDS '11) and **Robin Hildebrand** (DDS '11) opened a third Hildebrand Dental location in Weston, Mo., in January. They also recently completed a large renovation of their Smithville, Mo., location.

Kyle Shull (DDS '11) opened Bear Creek Family Dental in Columbia, Mo., in June 2018.

Jeff Kohlmeier (DDS '12) and his wife Lora welcomed their third child in November 2017.



Daniel Riordan (DDS '10) was honored as the **2017 MDA Outstanding New Dental Leader** on November 3, 2017, at the MDA House of Delegates in Jefferson City. The award is designed to recognize a member of the MDA who has been in practice 10 years or fewer and

has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities, professional and ethical conduct, and volunteer activities in their community and organized dentistry. After dental school, Dr. Riordan began practicing with her father, Mark Zust (DDS '74) at Family Dentistry of St. Peters.

Chris G'Sell (DDS '13) and **Emily Johnson** (DDS '11) were married June 30, 2018.

Ben Hechler (DDS '13) married Courtney Cooper in Gastonia, N.C., on November 11, 2017.

Andrea Rice (DDS '14) has purchased Alan Marcotte's (DDS '88) long established practice in Winfield, Kan., while also completing her commitment with the National Health Service Corp. She, her husband, Jonathon, and her two children, Alexis and Riley, reside in Winfield, Kan.

Paul Hechler (DDS '17) and **Elizabeth Wilkinson** (DDS '17) were married March 10, 2018, in Leawood, Kan.

Josh Kiene (DDS '17) has joined the practice that his late grandfather, James Kiene (DDS '56), started and has continued with Josh's father, Pete Kiene (DDS '86). The family practice has been in Shawnee, Kan., for over 60 years.

Class notes can be submitted online at dentistry.umkc.edu/asset/forms/classnotes.asp



Upcoming 2018 Continuing Dental Education Programs

To register, call 816-235-2142 or visit our website:
dentistry.umkc.edu.

In Memoriam

Ronald C. Albright (DDS '66,
ORTHO '71)
W. Wesley Allai (DDS '80)
Sandra D. Anderson (BSDH '83)
Bruce K. Barrow (DDS '81)
Penelope E. Copeland (BSDH '70)
Harley D. Crowder (DDS '53)
Victor Davis (BSDH '76)
John E. Dietrich (DDS '53)
William B. Evans (DDS '68)
Jon M. Finley (DDS '72)
C. Mike Gibson (ORTHO '67)
Larry Good (DDS '67)
Anthony Greenwood (DDS '76)
Corey H. Holmes (DDS '49)
Douglas H. Irwin, Jr. (DDS '51)
David T. Kyle (DDS '61)
Ginger J. Moran (BSDH '59)
Richard Mosier (DDS '54)
Dennis Myers (DDS '70)
Maurice C. Nickell (DDS '63)
Erby R. Oglesby (DDS '71)
Robert Oliver (DDS '53)
M. Joseph Olk (DDS '76)
Robert Orr (DDS '44)
William L. D. Rogers (DDS '52)
Al O. Rueb (DDS '43)
Walter F. Schuman (DDS '63)
Jack E. Taylor (DDS '61)
Ronald D. Todd (DDS '59)
Patrick J. Vezeau (DDS '84)
Henry G. Watson (DDS '71)
Zarilyn Ruth Wedsl (BSDH '62)
John H. Wilson (DDS '55)
Timothy Joseph Wilson (DDS '78)
W. Victor Wood (DDS '43)
Robert O. Yendes, Jr. (DDS '54)



Kenneth Frick, DDS, MS



Liz Kaz, RDH, EdD



Robert Schneider, DDS

Local Anesthesia for Dental Hygienists
Summer Session Only
Hands-on course. Class size is limited.
Liz Kaz, RDH, EdD, and Ken Frick, DDS
Friday–Sunday, July 27–29

**Current Treatment Concepts for
Head and Neck Cancer Treatment**
Robert Schneider, DDS
Friday, September 7



Cindy Amyot, RDH, EdD



Kylie Austin, RDH, MSDH

**Practicing Dental Hygiene Public Health
Safety Net**
Online Only
**Cindy Amyot, RDH, EdD, and Kylie Austin,
RDH, MSDH**
Fall Semester: August – December 2018
Deadline to Enroll: Aug. 30

**Dental Options for Successful
Treatment of Obstructive Sleep
Apnea (OSA)**
Robert Schneider, DDS
Friday, September 7

**Nitrous Oxide for the Dentist,
Dental Hygienist and Dental
Assistant**
Hands-on course. (Class is full,
but a waiting list is available.)
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 12
and 13



Maryjane Bruning, RDH, MS

Infection Control in the Oral Healthcare Setting
Maryjane Bruning, RDH, MS
Friday, November 2

School News

Meet our newest faculty members



Dr. Timothy M. Barry has joined the faculty as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences. Dr. Barry earned a BA in biology from the University of Missouri-Columbia and Doctor of Dental Surgery degree ('80) from UMKC School of Dentistry.



Dr. Erin Ealba Bumann has joined the faculty as an assistant professor in the Department of Oral and Craniofacial Sciences. Dr. Bumann earned her BS ('04), DDS ('08), MS ('17), and certificate in Pediatric Dentistry ('17) from the University of Michigan. She earned her PhD ('13) from the University of California, San Francisco.



Dr. Susan K. Kessler has joined the faculty as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences. Dr. Kessler earned her bachelor of science in Dental Hygiene degree ('80) and DDS degree ('90) from the UMKC School of Dentistry.



Dr. Owen S. Lonergan has joined the faculty as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry. Dr. Lonergan holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from the University of California, San Diego, Revelle College; a Masters in Public Health from the Arizona School of Health Sciences; and a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health, AT Still University. Dr. Lonergan received his MD from UMKC School of Medicine and a certificate from the UMKC Advanced Education in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery program.



Dr. Linda Seabaugh has joined the faculty as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences. Dr. Seabaugh earned Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from UMKC in 1988 and then completed a General Practice Residency at the VA Medical Center in Leavenworth, Kan. Before joining the dental faculty, Dr. Seabaugh was in private practice in Prairie Village, Kan., for 26 years.



Dr. Edward Shamieh has joined the faculty as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences and Emergency Dentistry. Dr. Shamieh earned his BS degree in Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior from the University of California, Davis, and his DDS degree ('12) from Columbia University College of Dental Medicine.

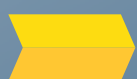
Rock Your Socks



The UMKC SOD community participated in "Rock Your Socks," Wednesday, March 21, to support World Down Syndrome Day by wearing their craziest socks. When people asked about their socks, participants were encouraged to help bring awareness of all the incredible individuals born with Down's Syndrome.



Visit the **UMKC Dental Alumni** Facebook page to enjoy more photos of this event



Transition Ceremony

Taking a Big Step

Members of the DDS Class of 2020 and the DH Class of 2019 Transition into the Profession

Members of the DDS Class of 2020 and the DH Class of 2019 were welcomed to the clinical phase of their educational programs during the annual Transitioning into the Profession Ceremony, held Friday, June 1, 2018, at the Folly Theater. Dr. Simon MacNeill, Professor, Department of Periodontics, welcomed everyone before introducing the keynote speaker, Dr. Emily Day, UMKC SOD alumna and

owner of Sunny Day Pediatric Dentistry. Representatives of the DH Class of 2019 and the DDS Class of 2020 took turns reading their respective Code of Ethics, which were then signed by each class member as they crossed the stage to be presented with a white coat (DDS students) or scrubs (DH students). Following the ceremony, participants and well-wishers adjourned to the School of Dentistry for a reception.

Faculty News of Note



Dr. Carole McArthur, a professor in the Department Oral and Craniofacial Sciences, is performing a large HIV clinical study in Congo, Africa, funded again by Abbott Labs. This is the largest HIV clinical study carried out by a UMKC faculty member in Africa

with the exception of a previous study her team carried out between 1998-2004 to develop and evaluate HIV diagnostic tools. At the recent Conference for Retroviral and Opportunistic Infections in Boston, Mass., the CEO of Abbott Laboratories, Dr. John Hackett, described Dr. McArthur's and her colleagues' 2017 findings on HIV diversity as, "incredible." "Thus we are funded for another year for this high impact research," says McArthur. "We have 34 clinical sites set up in the greater Kinshasa area in one of the most difficult environments in the world to carry out research successfully! In March I traveled to Africa to review these sites. I have been invited to Panzi Hospital on the eastern border of Rwanda to initiate a further HIV collaboration and evaluate their dental clinic infectious disease program. Panzi Hospital is notable for the program associated with the survivors of the shocking Tutsi genocide in early 2000s and with the International Criminal trials which followed for many years."



Professor Julie Sutton recently submitted her research to the *Journal of Dental Hygiene* on blood pressure and presented a poster session in Columbus, Ohio, at the American Dental Hygiene Association Annual session in June 2018. Professor Sutton will also present a continuing education program on environmental tobacco smoke and periodontitis in Vancouver, British

Columbia, Canada, in October 2018 at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology.



Professor Marsha Voelker published in February *Journal of Dental Hygiene*: *Effectiveness of an Antigen-Specific Streptococcus mutans Chairside Test as Compared to a Culture-Based S. mutans Test.*



Connie White (DDS '81), assistant dean of community relations and communication, director of patient relations, was elected in November of 2017 as the new vice president of the Academy of General Dentistry. "I will move to the role of president-elect in November of 2018 and president of AGD in November of 2019."



Pictured: (L-R, front row) Yvonne Graf (Hu-Friedy), Becky Ackman (Ultradent), Dr. Kelly Suchman (Interim Director, Dr. Dunlap Innovation Center UMKC), Dr. John Park (Interim Director, Dr. Dunlap Innovation Center UMKC); (L-R, back row) two corporate representatives, Mia Cassell (Executive Director CRET), Mark Rohon (Arcton), and Jeff Frivas (UMKC). Participants not pictured: Betsy Ashworth (Chair, CRET-UMKC Advisory Council & Dentaply Sirona), Mike Csikos (Dental EZ), Carlos Martinez (Dental EZ), Dr. Linda White (UMKC), and Dr. David Thein (UMKC).

The UMKC School of Dentistry hosted the advisory council meeting of the Center for Research & Education in Technology (CRET) in March 2018. CRET supports the Dr. Charles Dunlap Innovation Clinic at UMKC School of Dentistry, which enables dental and dental hygiene students to experience cutting edge materials, technology, and dental equipment in a private practice environment.



ADA "Dentist and Student Lobby Day" on Capitol Hill

Pictured: A delegation from Missouri poses before meeting with a member of Sen. Roy Blunt's (R-MO) staff. From left, Dr. Jon Copeland, dental student Lisa Bosch, Dr. Theodore Rechten, dental student Jessica Sliger (DDS Class of '18), Dr. Bob Butler, Dr. Charles McQuay, Dr. David Hickey (front in blue), Missouri Dental Association executive director Vicki Wilbers, Dr. Elwood Rice, Dr. Emily Mattingly, Missouri Dental Association legislative and regulatory director Shante Smith.

Jessica Sliger (DDS Class of '18) was among the dental professionals and dental students attending hundreds of meetings on Capitol Hill with legislators and their staffs on April 10 as part of ADA Dentist and Student Lobby Day to advocate for oral health-related issues.



Progress into Your Future

The Greater Kansas City Dental Society (GKCDS) hosted an engaging "Progress Into Your Future" dental office tours event on Thursday, March 15, with 20 UMKC SOD students. A bus transported them to three Lee's Summit private practices: Dr. Micah Snyder's, Drs. John Flucke & Jack Huebner's, and Drs. Nunemaker, Jungmeyer, & Suresh's offices. The students enjoyed a progressive dinner while learning about the ins and outs of life after graduation in private practice. Sponsors of the event included the Missouri Dental Association, MDIS, Goetze Dental, & Hinrichs + Pesavento, CPAs.



Dental Research Students Present at AADR Conference

Six DDS students from the UMKC School of Dentistry participated in this year's 2018 American Association for Dental Research (AADR) Conference held in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., from March 21–24. The students previously participated in the 2017–18 UMKC SOD Summer Scholars Program, a nine-week research program. Each student had to submit an abstract of their research project in order to be invited to present at the 2018 AADR Conference. Summer Scholar poster presenters included: Matt Bryant, Henry Hoffman, Veeshesh Patel, Tyler Stanley, Kaitlyn Tom, and Erin Yoshida. All of the students demonstrated confidence and professionalism, not only in their presentations, but in their handling of challenging questions from top scientists in the field of dental research. The success of all our DDS students at the AADR conference is due in part to the efforts of the Summer Scholars Program director, Dr. Mary P. Walker, and the participation of the research mentors, who provide invaluable guidance for the students. Mentors included: Dr. Bonnie Branson, Dr. Sarah Dallas, Mark Dallas, Dr. Jeff Gorski, Dr. Laura Iwasaki, Dr. Mizuho Kittaka, Dr. Vandana Kumar, Dr. Jeff Nickel, Dr. LeAnn Tiede-Lewis, Dr. Yasuyoshi Ueki, Dr. Shankar Rengasamy Venugopalan, Dr. Yong Wang, and Dr. Anita Xie. The annual conference is a highpoint in the Summer Scholars Program, providing a forum for excellence in original oral health and dental research.

Student News

Student News of Note



Holly Houck, graduate Dental Hygiene student, presented her research poster, “Use of Technology to Facilitate Patient Motivation for Improving Oral Health,” at the American Dental Hygienists Annual Session, Dentsply Graduate Research competition.

Student Organization News



A Whopper of a Win

UMKC SOD **Bass Fishing Club** competitors Coleton Caldwell (Class of 2018) and Chandler Robertson (Class of 2021), report that, “We were stoked to win the collegiate B.A.S.S. state qualifier tournament. We fished on Table Rock Lake, Saturday, March 31, and placed first, among 25 other boats, with 14.6 pounds of small mouth bass. We received \$350 dollars, and we qualified for the national championship this summer on Tenkiller Lake in Oklahoma (with a live-streaming weigh-in airing on ESPN)”.

Last year the UMKC School of Dentistry Fishing Team cofounders, Coleton Caldwell and Grant Oserowsky, placed 69th among 140 teams in the UMKC Fishing Team’s first event, the Carhartt Bassmaster College Midwest Conference Regional at Osage Beach, Mo., in the Lake of the Ozarks, March 29–31.



Guest speakers (L-R): Dr. Barry, Dr. Ball, Dr. Edwards, Dr. Pearson, Dr. Seabaugh share their stories and insights on ethics in private practice.

Student Professionalism and Ethics Association (SPEA)

SPEA is a national organization that serves as a resource for ethics education and professional development for students. It fosters an open-forum environment for ethics communication and promotes awareness of ethics standards and related issues within dentistry. In their last meeting, 60+ students listened to a faculty panel that discussed tough ethical questions, such as:

- What would you do if your friend or neighbor who is not a patient asks you to prescribe them pain medication or antibiotics for something that is not dental related?
- What do you do when a patient changes his/her mind about going through with ortho (or any similar procedure) after you have paid a large lab fee?
- You’re an associate, and your owner doctor is a bit older, and seems to be missing a lot of diagnosis. Your team notices and brings it up to you. What do you do?

American Association of Public Health Dentistry Student Chapter

The UMKC School of Dentistry American Association of Public Health Dentistry Student Chapter hosted its kickoff event with a Lunch and Learn sponsored by Missouri Coalition of Oral Health and guest speaker Dr. Nathan Suter discussing teledentistry. The AAPHD Student Chapter is being lead by Olga Shakhnovich and Rachel Carpino. The attendance, presentation, and lunch were all fantastic!



Pediatric Dental Club

Pictured L-R): DDS Class of 2018 students Anna McKee and Jessica Sliger (both of whom will be co-residents next year in the Children's Mercy Pediatric Dental Residency Program), Dr. Eileen Cocjin (pedo faculty), and DDS Class of 2019 students Samantha Mayes, and Katie Dumbell.

The Pediatric Dental Club provides community service opportunities for members to give back to children and their families. The club hosts "lunch and learns" for SOD students highlighting areas of interest for the pediatric community such as endodontics, orthodontics, and oral healthcare initiatives. Each December, the club adopts a family and provides a beautiful Christmas for them.

Members volunteered at Sheffield Place, the only treatment and transitional living center in Kansas City that focuses exclusively on empowering homeless mothers to overcome the trauma of their lives and become self-sufficient. The UMKC volunteers taught oral health lessons to the kids and mothers, performed screenings, and shared in fellowship over lunch with the families.



Pictured: At the annual ADEA conference in Orlando, Fla., UMKC DDS Class of 2019 students Graham Naasz (center of back row) and Angelyn Rosenberger (2nd from right) pose with students from the Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health at A.T. Still University in Kirksville, Mo. Angelyn was appointed as the District 8 Commissioner for the 2018-2019 school year!

District 8, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Student Chapter

Formed in January 2018, the purpose of this fledgling organization is to increase awareness and interest for academic careers in dentistry. The group also serves as the voice for all things related to dental education, including curriculum, licensure exams, and advanced programs. Their first event, "Why I Teach," hosted six professors who spoke about why they went into teaching and the benefits of being an educator. More than 200 students attended! The group also has sponsored two students to attend the Annual ADEA national conference in Orlando, Fla., March 16-18, 2018.



Pictured: SCADHA volunteers cook meals for Ronald McDonald House to help support and relieve guardian(s)/family members.

Student Chapter of American Dental Hygienist's Association (SCADHA)

SCADHA is a student extension of the American Dental Hygienists' Association whose purpose is to serve our communities by improving oral health and our profession. Members receive discounts on National Board Exam Study Guides, an online National Board Exam Review, and the opportunity to apply for award programs and leadership opportunities. The group also volunteers at Harvesters events. Each year members participate in a collection drive for Operation Breakthrough. They collect and recycle old toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and packaging for the Colgate Oral Care Recycling Program to help raise funds for the Rinehart Foundation. They aid students through scholarship opportunities, online education (CES), patient education resources, job placement, and licensure practice. Annually, a delegation of second-year students attend Lobby Day in Jefferson City, Mo., to lobby for dental hygiene legislation.

➡ Congratulations, 2018 Graduates!



The UMKC School of Dentistry celebrated its 2018 graduates with plenty of pomp and circumstance during the commencement ceremony held Friday, May 11.

Graduates and well-wishers alike were moved to tears and cheers as students crossed the stage at Swinney Recreation Center to receive their diplomas and certificates. The School conferred 110 Doctor of Dental Surgery degrees, 29 Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene degrees (including one BSDH degree completion student), and 17 Advanced

Education Dental Certificates. The Department of Oral and Craniofacial Sciences conferred five Master of Science degrees and the Division of Dental Hygiene conferred one MS degrees in Dental Hygiene Education. Two graduates received military commissions.



Visit the UMKC Dental Alumni Facebook page to enjoy more photos of this event

Record Number of AEP Students Graduate



The graduating DDS Class of 2018 includes a record nine students who participated in the School's Admissions Enhancement Program (AEP).

The School's Admissions Enhancement Program (AEP) was established in 2011 to develop culturally diverse candidates to the UMKC School of Dentistry by strengthening their foundational knowledge, academic skills, and interactions with individuals across the dental profession. Since its inception, 86 students have successfully completed the AEP. During the 2017-2018 school year, 30 students were former AEP participants.

Anna Jobe, DDS
Paula Rodriguez, DDS
Maggie Heiman, DDS
Justin Fox, DDS
Adrian Gomez, DDS
Anthony Garcia, DDS
Andrew Sandoval, DDS
Jessica Sliger, DDS
Heather Wilson, DDS

DDS Graduates:

Tareq Ahmad Abdulrasoul
 Sophia Aramoon
 Martin Gregory Bailey
 Lindsay Marie Biggs
 Brittany Ann Bingesser
 Shawn Boehm
 Todd Christian Brueckner
 Matthew Lee Buswell
 Coleton Allen Caldwell
 Rachel Marie Carpino
 Joshua Craig Carr
 David Bradley Casteel
 Emily Marie Chastain
 Christopher Cook
 Haylea N. Craigmiles
 Juliette R. Dennis
 Daniel Doherty
 Jonathan M. Drewett
 Jeff Drissell
 Kevin James Dulin
 Shea Durington
 John J. Ebeling, III
 Justin K. Fox
 Matthew Shannon Fry
 Anthony A. Garcia
 Anderson Mark Gilberto
 Adrian Gomez
 Wesley Ross Hanchett
 Julianna Kathleen Harman
 Andrea Marie Harris
 Daniel James Hawley
 Sarah A. Heeter

Maggie Leigh Heiman
 John R. Helling
 Eric Andrew Hoffman
 Jacob Carl Holtzman
 Patrick Christian Hooper
 Megan M. Jenisch
 Abby Elizabeth Jewell
 Anna Irene Jobe
 Ashley N. Johnson
 Taylor Nicole Jordan
 Sharon Rose Karanevich
 Burt Kenichi Kawamoto
 Teresa Day Kerbawy
 Brianne Lynn Koester
 Andrew Replogle Kutina
 Andrew Cittadino Link
 Michael John Lorenz, Jr.
 Bradley Steven Matthes
 Anna Jean McKee
 Derek Ryan Michael
 Casey Miller
 Sasha Mohammadi
 Patrick Michael Moran
 Tandi Glouse Mulherin
 Glen William Myers
 Tiffany Thanh Nguyen
 Ashton Leslie Nibert
 Nicole Phing Nong
 Drew Nuckolls
 Eilise M. O'Connor
 Grant Oserowsky
 Brett T. Parrott

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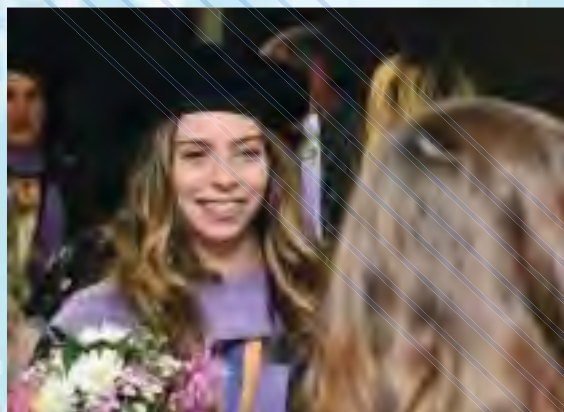


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Thomas Paul Patten
Joshua Ross Piper
Aubrie Plummer
Michael Francis Poppa
Devon Mathew Pucel
Alexis Ferrell Pugh
Caesie Rae Reynolds
Paul Riddle
Ryan Stanley Riggs
Luke Anthony Ristow
Paula Rodriguez
Hunter Dietrich Rolf
Brenton P. Ruopp
Andrew Audel Sandoval
Panagiota Sandoval

Collin M. Schlosser
Benjamin Carl Schremp
Auguste Charles Schwalenberg
Olga Shakhnovich
Hayley Beth Shenberger
Michael Alexander Silva
Jessica Stephanie Fay Sliger
Jesse Smith
Alexander Thaddeus Stanley
Cody Lee Sullivan
Kendall R. Tada
Camille Renee Tague
Kristen Chiemi Todoki
Matthew Daniel Waite
Jack Lambert Wellner

Gregory Scott Wells
Jodie Rochelle Werth
Allison R. Wexler
Jessica J. Whitford
Hattie N. Willard
Chase Williams
Abby Rose Willis
Heather Cort Wilson
Niki Denise Wright
Blake E. Wuthnow
Sangki Yang
Andrew Pete Ziegler
Samuel Reed Zimmer



BSDH-Clinical Entry:

Mary Elizabeth Akers	Chelsea Danielle-Brooke Lear
Raghdah Mohammed Alanazi	Haley Kristina McCall
Haylee Cooley	Natalie McFarland
Courtney Ann Dierkes	Rebecca Meats
Hunter Marie Frederick	Jenna Neuenswander
Carlie N. Gordan	Jessica Nichols
Emily Ann Grueter	Lindsey Ott
Crystal Michelle Guzman	Christyle Parrino
Morgan Taylor Harrison	Cassandra Elizabeth Rosner
Deborah Zelig Heger	Monica Sanders
Yebbune Kim Herrera	Sarah Leann Smith
Sally Ann Hootman	Erika Elizabeth Teson
Marissa Nicole Ibarra	Justin Velasquez
Jaaron Kassanavoid	
Audrey Marie King	

BSDH-Degree Completion:

Sally Graczyk

Advanced Education in General Dentistry Certificates:

Robert Carlson, D.D.S.³
 Josetta DeFrancisco, D.M.D.³
 Bailey Klein, D.M.D.³
 Farng Dana Loveland, D.D.S.³
 Nikita Shah, D.D.S.³

3-Graduates-Summer 2018

Graduation

Endodontics:

Jerad Divine, D.D.S.³

Charles Rogers Kendall, D.D.S.³

Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics Certificates:

Andrew William Eichholz, D.D.S.¹

Mark A. Greenburg, D.D.S.¹

Kelcey G. Loveland, D.M.D.¹

Periodontics:

Kirandeep K. Arora, D.D.S.¹

Jessica Scully Brunworth, D.D.S.¹

GRADUATE DEGREES

Oral and Craniofacial Sciences:

M.S. DEGREE

Jerad Divine, D.D.S., M.S.³

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Jessica Scully Brunworth, D.D.S., M.S.¹

Dental Hygiene Education:

M.S. DEGREE

Jillian Dzingler, M.S.²

1-Graduated-Fall 2017

2-Graduates-Spring 2018

3-Graduates-Summer 2018





Save the Date

For These Upcoming Alumni Events

<p>New Student Welcome Day at "The K" Tuesday, August 28, 2018</p>	<p>Rinehart/ Alumni Board Meetings Sunday, September 30, 2018</p>	<p>UMKC School of Dentistry Scholarship Banquet Monday, October 1, 2018</p>	<p>ADA Reception – Honolulu, HI Held in conjunction with the ADA Meeting Saturday, October 20, 2018</p>	<p>St. Louis Reception Held in conjunction with Mid-Continent Thursday, November 8, 2018</p>
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For more information about alumni events and news, visit dentistry.umkc.edu/alumni. You can also follow us on Facebook @UMKCDentalalumni, Twitter @UMKCDentalalum and instagram @UMKCDentalalumni.



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