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ON THE COVER Penn Dental Medicine student Sok-Woong Han (D'07) reviews the importance of brushing with some children from the West Philadelphia community. Students provide oral health education in classrooms and at camps, after-school programs, and service agencies through the School's PennSmiles program.

# A Message

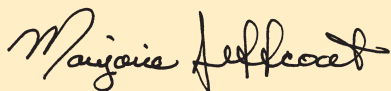
## FROM THE DEAN

**I**t is truly a special privilege to be part of the Penn Dental Medicine family, and as I begin this, my fourth academic year as Dean, I am grateful to be at home at such a wonderful institution with you — our alumni, faculty, students, and staff. The excellence and leadership of Penn Dental Medicine are a direct reflection of the commitment and achievements of each and every one of you, and I am most appreciative of all you do to support the School and advance the dental profession. I also want to extend my thanks for the many kind notes, calls, and visits from so many alumni, who made me feel a part of the Penn Dental Medicine community from the outset, and whose friendship and support continue to be invaluable to me and the School.

With the start of this new academic year, our Penn Dental Medicine family continues to grow. Naturally, it is always a great pleasure to welcome a new class of students, and the Class of 2010 once again reflects the academic excellence and diversity that continue to be hallmarks of Penn Dental Medicine students. With an outstanding overall GPA of 3.68, the 117-member class includes 70 women and 47 men, who represent 26 different states, seven foreign countries, and 42 different undergraduate majors.

And within our faculty, we have a number of exciting additions to report. First, I am pleased to announce new leadership in the Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences. In September, Dr. Markus Blatz joined the Department as Chair. Dr. Blatz comes to the School from Louisiana State University (LSU) Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry in New Orleans, where most recently he served as Chairman of the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials and Assistant Dean for Clinical Research. During his tenure at LSU, Dr. Blatz also directed the Masters of Science in Oral Biology Program (see story, page 17). Adding to the School's Division of Community Oral Health is Dr. Robert Collins (D'71), who we welcomed in July to the new role of Division Chief. Dr. Collins brings a wealth of experience in public health and administration to Penn Dental Medicine, having served as Deputy Executive Director of the IADR/AADR for 11 years and with the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps for 24 years (see story, page 5). In other new appointments, Dr. James A. Lipton has joined the School as the new Director of Faculty and Student Career Development (see story, page 18) and there are three new additions to the School's standing faculty (see story, page 18).

Finally, as stewards of this great home of ours, we are launching a significant capital campaign this year to ensure that our facilities and educational initiatives stay abreast with the latest advances in the dental field. The renovation of the School's grand Main Clinic — one we enter with a strong sense of history and tradition (see story, page 6) — is the centerpiece of this campaign; this exciting project will transform this vital clinical hub into a state-of-the-art environment for teaching, learning, and providing care. Through this and all our efforts, I look forward to your ongoing support as we work together to maintain Penn Dental Medicine's leadership in education, research, and patient care for the many generations to come.



MARJORIE K. JEFFCOAT, DMD  
Morton Amsterdam Dean







Feature

# Community Ties

*Students Learning and Serving on Many Fronts*

BY BETH ADAMS



*When Penn's founding father, Benjamin Franklin, laid out his vision for the University in 1749, he saw developing and applying knowledge in service to others as "the great Aim and End of all Learning." Today, more than 250 years later, Penn Dental Medicine continues to keep a keen eye on that goal through its Division of Community Oral Health.*

**W**ITH A FIRE ENGINE RED CAB and larger-than-life mural on all sides, the School's 40-foot PennSmiles van is impossible to miss as it makes its way around West Philadelphia streets. And, as a fully equipped dental clinic, it is having a strong impact wherever it goes. As are Penn Dental Medicine students — involved in this and the myriad outreach activities in the School's community service learning program.

Overseen by the Division of Community Oral Health, the community service program has grown to become an integral part of the School's curriculum, broadening students' educational experiences, while providing much needed services within the University's surrounding neighborhoods. Since its establishment in 1994, the program has engaged Penn Dental Medicine students in more than 2,100 outreach activities, serving nearly 150,000 individuals with oral health education, screenings, and dental care; in 2005–2006 alone, students made 427 site visits, serving 20,697. For some students, this is their first exposure to community service, for others, it builds upon past experiences, but for all, it is an integral part of their training at Penn Dental Medicine.

Eager to help take student interest in public health to even greater heights is Dr. Robert (Skip) Collins (D'71), who Penn Dental Medicine welcomed recently to the new role of Chief of the Division of Community Oral Health. Dr. Collins assumed this new part-time post July 1, and when you talk to him about it, you can hear the enthusiasm in his voice.

"I'm excited about having this opportunity to contribute to dental education, especially at my alma mater," says Dr. Collins, a 1971 Penn Dental Medicine graduate, who spent 11 years with the International and American Association for Dental Research (IADR/AADR), and 24 years in the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps (see sidebar, page 5). "I am especially looking forward to the interaction with students. The future of the dental profession rests with the students of today, so I can think of nothing more important than helping them be well prepared for that future."

Jay Kansal (D'07) and Dr. Varsha Gogate-Bhuyan, Clinical Associate of Restorative Dentistry, visit with a patient aboard the PennSmiles mobile clinic. Students provide dental care to children throughout West and Southwest Philadelphia on the PennSmiles van, which features two fully equipped dental operatories.

Jumping right in, Dr. Collins is quickly orienting himself to Penn Dental Medicine and the academic environment, excited by the depth and breadth of the existing community service program and eager to work with faculty and staff to help build upon it and the Division's other initiatives.

**A Model Program** From the outset, Penn Dental Medicine's community service program has been a leader in advancing service learning and the University's larger mission to engage in the local community. "Penn Dental was quick off the block with its community service program and has been a core partner in Penn's overall community outreach efforts," notes Dr. Ira Harkavy, Founding Director of Penn's Center for Community Partnerships (CCP). "Soon after our center was formed, Penn Dental was in line to work with us to help set up its service learning program, which has evolved successfully over time."

What started as a 35-hour community service requirement has grown to become a curriculum-based program with community service learning activities integrated into four different Penn Dental Medicine courses — one in each year of the curriculum. This academically based program was introduced in 2001–2002, and Dr. Harkavy calls it "an exemplary model. It is the only school I know of at Penn that has a required sequence of academically based service courses through all years of study. It is what other schools are working toward."

"From the very beginning, we felt that getting students outside the walls of the dental school to learn about their patients as people was a vital part of their education," recalls Dr. Herman Segal, Clinical Associate Professor of Restorative Dentistry, who was instrumental in the program's launch and continues to be involved, surprising students on the PennSmiles van. "It's been rewarding to see the program grow over the years and our students with it."

**A Natural Progression** Students now complete 70 hours of community service as part of their course work — eight hours their first year, six their second, 16 their third, and 40 hours their fourth year. With a student body that averages around 518, that means Penn Dental Medicine students are logging more than 9,600 hours in service activities each academic year through course requirements alone (last year, 55% of third-



and fourth-year students also did service work over and above the required hours, earning honors credits). How they are spending this time depends on their class. "The service activities build each year, progressing in line with students' dental training and skills," says Dr. Joan Gluch (GR'92), Director of Community Health, who worked in consultation with Penn's CCP to develop the service learning courses in 2000, explaining that community rotations in the first and second years involve oral health education, dental screening and care in the third year, and focus solely on treatment the fourth year.

Adds Dr. Gluch, "The community program is also helping students achieve two of the competency expectations defined for our graduates — improving the oral health of individuals and groups in the community and providing empathetic and culturally sensitive care."

**Serving on Many Fronts** The School's community outreach activities are focused predominantly in West and Southwest Philadelphia, however, the programs and populations served are many and varied — during 2005–2006, students visited 155 different sites through their community service.

Penn Dental Medicine students have their most visible community presence through PennSmiles, a minority oral health outreach initiative in partnership with the Philadelphia School District. Launched by the School in 2002 and funded by the Health Resources Services Administration and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PennSmiles provides oral health education, screening, and referral services to children, their families, and school personnel in elementary, middle, and high schools throughout West Philadelphia. And since 2003, students have also been taking comprehensive care to the streets, providing treatment to children aboard the PennSmiles van, a fully equipped mobile clinic that features two dental operatories.

Students participate in the PennSmiles program at some level all four years of study, with fourth-year students completing the full 40 hours of their course-based service

requirement providing care on the PennSmiles van. In the community 12 months a year, the van also serves area camps over the summer. In 2005–2006, the PennSmiles van traveled to 14 schools/centers for a total of 174 visits, completing 927 patient visits.

PennSmiles is the only service program in which students treat patients, but they are out providing oral health education, referral, and in many cases, screening services as well, through the host of others. Among them:

- An HIV/AIDS oral health outreach program, which takes students to community agencies throughout Philadelphia to serve individuals affected by HIV/AIDS. It focuses on increasing dental care visits and works in conjunction with

treatment programs at the School's Oral Medicine Clinic. Students visited 35 service agencies in 2005–2006, seeing 535 clients.

- The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) Homeless Health Initiative that teams Penn Dental Medicine students with pediatric medical and postdoctoral dental residents from CHOP to serve children at three homeless shelters in West and Southwest Philadelphia. Students made 27 visits in 2005–2006, serving 552 individuals.

- The church-based University City Hospitality Coalition (UCHC), a long-time provider of meals and services to the homeless of West Philadelphia, where students join other Penn

health sciences students as part of an interdisciplinary health care clinic. In 2005–2006, students went to UCHC 26 times, serving 915 individuals.

- The Bridging the Gaps Community Health Internship, a seven-week summer program in which Penn Dental Medicine students partner with medical, nursing, or social work students to develop health promotion activities at one of 22 sites in West Philadelphia. Settings range from summer camps and shelters to youth and recreational centers. An academic component with weekly discussions on public health issues is also part of this elective program. Twenty students participated in Bridging the Gaps this summer.



Pictured by the PennSmiles van at a community site are (front row, left to right) Dr. Robert Collins (D'71), Division Chief of Community Oral Health; Dr. Joan Gluch (GR'92), Director of Community Health; Jay Kansal (D'07); (back row, left to right) Nima Hajibaik (D'07); Dr. Varsha Gogate-Bhuyan; Sok-Woong Han (D'07); and Jacquelyn Taylor-Powell, RDH, PennSmiles Program Coordinator.

And the list goes on — senior centers as part of a community-based research program examining oral health perceptions of African American elders, after-school programs, the Special Olympics, and a multitude of community health fairs. Fourth-year student Kristy Wisniewski (D'07) views the diversity of service opportunities as a great educational plus of the School's program. "There are so many options available, enabling us to work with people from all types of backgrounds and that gets you to step out of your normal boundaries," she says. Ms. Wisniewski came to Penn Dental Medicine with a strong interest in community service, and while she volunteers as much as she can, she sees the curriculum-based program especially valuable for it involves those students who wouldn't seek out community work on their own. "It's important that everyone gets to see the needs that exist in various communities. Plus, it makes you much more culturally sensitive, which will make us all better professionals."

**Making the Connection** When he talks about his experience as part of the Bridging the Gaps internship this past summer, Matt Joosse (D'09) says he came away inspired and humbled. "While we were there to teach, we learned as much from the kids as they did from us," says Mr. Joosse, who partnered with a Penn social work student as part of a summer camp at Traveler's Aid homeless shelter. "I felt I got a true understanding of the challenges these families face day-to-day. For me, much of this experience was about instilling a sense of hope with these kids, but I know it also prepared me to better serve and relate to this population should they become my patients."

Fourth-year student Sarah Yoon (D'07) believes one of the most important practices she has taken away from all of her community activities is an emphasis on patient education and oral health promotion. "In the clinic, I focus on prevention with all my patients, going over brushing and flossing and educating them on oral health care products and techniques, and I know that has a direct correlation to my community work," says Ms. Yoon, one of five current Penn Dental Medicine students who are National Health Service Corps scholars, each of whom will work in underserved areas upon graduation.

**Looking Beyond** Looking beyond her time at Penn Dental Medicine, Ms. Wisniewski stresses that her community experiences here have confirmed that service activities will continue to be part of her professional career. "Even if I

don't make nonprofit dentistry my full-time work, these experiences have opened up ideas about how to get involved wherever you practice," she notes. "And the impact you can have through those efforts."

Mr. Joosse agrees: "In the future, I would like to be able to devote 10% of my work to pro bono cases, serving populations not getting appropriate care. My experience this summer has definitely made me more sensitive to that need. The community program is actually one of the main reasons I wanted to come to Penn," he adds. "I think the School is doing a lot to meet the needs of the underserved, and it's rewarding to be part of that process." **PDJ**

#### Dr. Robert Collins Joins the Call to Inspire Student Service

"To mature into true professionals, I believe that dental students need to understand that they have a role in helping those who may not be patients in a dental practice," says Dr. Robert (Skip) Collins, who is eagerly working with the faculty and staff of the School's Division of Community Oral Health in taking up that task. Dr. Collins joined Penn Dental Medicine in the new role of Division Chief July 1, bringing a wealth of experience in public health and administration to this new post and hoping to help "translate students' exposure to public health into careers in community service, research, and academia."

Dr. Robert Collins (D'71)



Dr. Collins comes to Penn Dental Medicine after 11 years with the IADR/AADR, where he was Deputy Executive Director. Prior to that, he served for 24 years in the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, rising to Chief, Dental Services Branch, of the Indian Health Service and U.S. Chief Dental Officer (1991-1995). He retired from the Corps in 1995 at the rank of Rear Admiral (Assistant Surgeon General). Dr. Collins is a 1971 graduate of Penn Dental Medicine and also holds a Master of Public Health from Johns Hopkins University. As he looks ahead, his goals in this new position include:

- Assisting students in pursuing research projects involving community programs.
- Increasing student awareness of dental public health and alternative careers in community service at the local, state, and federal levels.
- Expanding relationships with state and local governments, interested community organizations, and the constituent and component dental societies.
- Identifying ways to facilitate training for students interested in public health careers.
- Exploring ways to strengthen and expand international programs.

For more information, Dr. Collins can be reached at [rcollins@dental.upenn.edu](mailto:rcollins@dental.upenn.edu).



A photograph of a historic building's entrance. The architecture features a large, ornate arched doorway with multiple layers of arches. Above the arch, there are four small, decorative stained-glass windows. A person in a white lab coat is blurred in the foreground, walking past a framed portrait of a man on the wall. The word "Feature" is written in red at the top.

Feature

# Writing the Next Chapter:

*Exploring the Past and the Future of Penn Dental Medicine's Storied Main Clinic*

BY JULIANA DELANY



On February 22, 1915, the entire dental student body, 651 members in all, gathered excitedly for the dedication of a new building at 40th and Spruce Streets that would deliver the most advanced dental education available anywhere. The centerpiece of the new Thomas Evans Building was the Main Clinic, 200 feet long, 48 feet wide, and 30 feet high, with a stunning wall of windows facing north. The room was furnished with 135 chairs, each equipped with gas, compressed air, and water service. As the crowd entered the new clinic, the sense of pride, wonder, and anticipation was palpable. Few had ever seen anything like it.

For the past 91 years, the Main Clinic has continued to

graduation. "My most vivid memory of the Main Clinic as a student was of the overwhelming space that included so many chairs," he says. "I can still picture the activity of the dental students, the patients, and the clinical doctors. The Main Clinic was an integral part of my clinical education, and I still have fond memories of seeing my first patients there."

Over time, the vast, impressive space has changed its look and feel, but never its importance to the School. Since its opening in 1915, more than 11,000 dental students and 2,500 dental hygiene students (1923–1985) have walked through its doors and received instruction from the School's faculty. Students and faculty have greeted and treated countless



~1915~

GRAND OPENING OF THE THOMAS EVANS BUILDING AT 40TH AND SPRUCE STREETS, INCLUDING THE MAIN CLINIC



~1931~

FIRST MAJOR RENOVATION OF THE MAIN CLINIC, INCLUDING THE ADDITION OF ELECTRIC UNITS AND NEW CHAIRS

make a significant and lasting impression on those who enter its doors. Although it has been altered and updated through several major renovations since 1915, it has remained the clinical hub for the students who pass through Penn Dental Medicine. Whatever paths their careers have taken, all of the School's graduates have spent hours in the Main Clinic – probably some of the most important hours of their professional lives.

"The Main Clinic has been the primary site for the clinical education of thousands of dentists over the years. There is a lot of dental history within those walls," says Dean Emeritus D. Walter Cohen (C'47, D'50), who as a member of the Penn Dental Medicine community for more than 60 years, has spent even more time there than most.

To alumnus Dr. Jireh Chao (ME'74, D'79), impressions of the Main Clinic are still strong more than 25 years after

patients, more than 5,500 in 2005–2006 alone.

Dental technology is continually changing and improving, and every 20 years or so, the Main Clinic has received a major overhaul. As time has passed, new considerations such as privacy, accessibility, and regulatory changes have created the need for further renovation. Now, after nearly a century of service to the Penn Dental Medicine community, the Main Clinic is preparing for the latest chapter in its illustrious career.

"A world-class dental school needs state-of-the-art facilities so that students may learn, faculty may teach, and the community may be served – all to the very best of our ability," says Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat.

As the School looks ahead to this next transformation, it is fitting to look back on the clinic that shaped the professional lives of so many.

**“Sufficient and Suitable Buildings...of Artistic and Refined Beauty”**

In a document dated June 15, 1912, the University of Pennsylvania Board of Trustees agreed to use funds and property bequeathed by Dr. Thomas Evans for the creation of a dental institute at 40th and Spruce Streets. Evans, a colorful Philadelphia native who had earned a reputation as a brilliant personal dentist to royalty throughout Europe, including Napoleon III, had long admired the University’s mission and practice of dental education.

The Thomas Evans Museum and Dental Institute was to be built on the site of Evans’ family home and, in the words of the agreement, would feature “sufficient and suitable

**Alumni Foster New Growth** As the latest technology of the mid-century began to age, a campaign was begun to raise money for another renovation that would bring the clinic up to date with the rapidly changing world of dental education. According to *100 Years of Dentistry*, the campaign was highly successful, with donations from more than 3,000 alumni, and in the early 1960s, enabled the clinic to be “completely renovated with new ceiling and flooring...and the installation of 131 operating chairs and units. Each custom-designed unit was air-powered and adjustable to both high and low speed.” These state-of-the-art dental units, called Ritter units and often referred to as “Penn units,” were designed by Dr.



~1964~

MAJOR CAMPAIGN AND RENOVATION, WHICH ADDED “PENN UNITS”  
DESIGNED BY DR. MORTON AMSTERDAM (C’43, D’45) AND A DROP CEILING



~1983~

NUMBER OF SEATS IN MAIN CLINIC IS REDUCED BY ALMOST HALF,  
INDIVIDUAL BAYS ADDED FOR PRIVACY

buildings, fireproof and burglarproof, of artistic and refined beauty.” When completed a few years later, the majestic stairwell of the dramatic, Gothic-style building led directly to the doors of its most impressive space, the Main Clinic.

For all of its physical grandeur, however, the furnishings and equipment of the clinic soon became outdated, and in 1931 underwent the first of several major renovations: “The operative clinic was completely re-equipped with electric engines, Bunsen burners, spiral flushing spittoons, and with stands for the student’s kits adjacent to them. For the first time, the students’ working area simulated a practitioner’s office, with arms-length control of water, gas, electric power, and compressed air,” notes that late Milton B. Asbell (GD’54, G’81) in his book, *100 Years of Dentistry: A History of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine*.

Morton Amsterdam (C’43, D’45), and represented “the most modern technical advances in versatility and utilization.”

In addition, the great space was divided with bays to address growing privacy concerns, and in the fashion of the times, the ceilings were lowered and the chandeliers replaced with modern lighting that was flush with the ceiling. The biggest visual change was in the soaring northern wall of windows, which was vastly reduced in size and impact when many sections were bricked up. In addition, the skylight extension of the windows was removed altogether when the ceiling was dropped. The modernized clinic was dedicated on February 19, 1964.

As the 1970s drew to a close, the Penn Dental Medicine community began to plan another transformation for the Main Clinic. Despite its imposing size, one fact was impossi-



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ble to ignore: the clinic was too crowded. Dean Emeritus Cohen remembers, "It was very congested, certainly not the ideal atmosphere for the practice of dentistry." Penn Dental Medicine made a critical decision to reduce the number of chairs by almost half, and to change the scheduling system for juniors and seniors accordingly. In 1983, the clinic reopened with 76 chairs and individual state-of-the-art bays that could accommodate a student, a faculty member, and a patient.

**Preparing Students for a Changing World** Now, once again, the Main Clinic must change to keep up with an evolving world. It is with a strong sense of history and tradition that Penn

clinic are projected to take shape by the end of this academic year, and following the Main Clinic, the Endodontic clinic will be renovated.

**Updated Technology, Privacy, Accessibility** The remodeled Main Clinic will feature from 70 to 76 individual operatories, designed to maximize comfort and privacy and utilize state-of-the-art units that offer the latest in dental technology. Each operatory will also be outfitted with a computer and the Dentrax Practice Management System. One of the foremost dental practice management softwares in use today, Dentrax effectively eliminates traditional paper charting and also

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DEAN EMERITUS D. WALTER COHEN, C'47, D'50



~2006~

LAUNCH OF CAMPAIGN FOR LATEST RENOVATION, WHICH WILL CONVERT THE MAIN CLINIC TO A PAPERLESS CHART, WIRELESS ENVIRONMENT

Dental Medicine launches a new campaign for renovation of the Main Clinic, which will be the largest construction project at Penn Dental Medicine since the Robert Schattner Center was completed in 2002.

"We want our students to be ready for the changing world beyond Penn Dental Medicine," says Dean Jeffcoat. "This renovation will change the way our students experience dental education, and the way they put it to work when they graduate." In keeping with the Dean's vision of school-wide, state-of-the-art dental education, the Main Clinic is just one of the facilities projects slated for the historic Evans Building — plans call for the renovation of each of the building's major clinics. Already completed are the Pediatric and Orthodontic clinics, which received a thorough update in 2002 and 2006, respectively. Construction plans for the Periodontic

streamlines a host of other operations. Through the new system, daily responsibilities of grading, billing, insurance claim, and scheduling all will be handled at chairside with the aid of new wireless computer equipment. In addition, students and faculty will be able to access files and research cases from remote locations. Digital radiography will also be introduced to the Main Clinic, greatly increasing the ease and speed with which students and faculty can take and view x-rays. In all, the changes will make the Main Clinic more efficient and more convenient for everyone involved, including patients.

**Floor to Ceiling, and Everything in Between** Both phases of the renovation, the physical and the technological, will offer countless benefits to students, patients, and faculty alike.

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Aesthetics, privacy, and comfort will all be greatly improved. Waiting and consultation areas will be updated. A new climate control system will be installed throughout the clinic. While the grand stairwell leading to the clinic and its entrance from the Robert Schattner Center will remain unchanged, the interior of the Main Clinic will be completely transformed.

"The renovation will include everything from floor to ceiling," explains Tom Freitag (WG'76), Associate Dean for Administration and Finance. Even as Penn Dental Medicine looks to the future as it considers technology, materials, and equipment, the plan will be certain to respect the history and tradition of the Main Clinic, and will hopefully restore some

### **Alumni: Write the Next Chapter of Penn Dental Medicine History!**

When he talks about the campaign for the Main Clinic renovation, Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations, is full of optimism. "Our goal is to be the top dental school in the world," he says. "We have an incredible reputation globally for excellence in dental education, and we plan to build on that reputation through the renovation of our Main Clinic."

The School's fundraising goal is \$4 million, and there are opportunities large and small for alumni to get involved, including the chance to name a specific aspect of the Main Clinic and its surroundings through a naming gift, which

## ~ NAME A PART OF THE RENOVATED MAIN CLINIC ~

WHEN YOU GIVE A NAMING GIFT, YOU BECOME A PART OF PENN DENTAL MEDICINE HISTORY. YOUR NAME — AND YOUR FAMILY'S — WILL GRACE A SPECIFIC PART OF THE NEWLY REMODELED MAIN CLINIC FOR YEARS TO COME. CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NAMING OPPORTUNITIES:

MAIN CLINIC	\$1,500,000
MARBLE STAIRWELL TO THE MAIN CLINIC	100,000
RECEPTION AREA	100,000
OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR CLINICAL AFFAIRS	75,000
CONSULTATION ROOM (2 AVAILABLE)	50,000
DIGITAL IMAGING CENTER	50,000
OPERATORY	25,000

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of its beloved original features. For instance, Mr. Freitag says, "every effort will be made to use the existing natural light to the best advantage," which could mean a return to the sparkling glass window wall enjoyed by generations of students, faculty, and patients. As the specific architectural plans for the Main Clinic are developed, Dean Jeffcoat stresses that the welfare of the Evans Building will be top a priority: "We are stewards of this building for the next generation, and that knowledge and responsibility affects every aspect of this restoration."

some alumni have already done. (For more information on naming opportunities, see sidebar, above.) Mr. Garvey hopes that alumni will view this campaign as a way to participate in the unfolding history of the Main Clinic, and of Penn Dental Medicine.

"For each of the Main Clinic's renovations over the years, a critical group of alumni has come forward to help bear the financial burden," he says. "We are now calling on alumni to do their part for the next generation of Penn Dental Medicine students." **PDJ**



# On Campus

NEWS

## White Coat Ceremony, Orientation Welcome Class of 2010

The School's White Coat Ceremony marks the start of a new academic year as a new freshman class is welcomed to Penn Dental Medicine. This year's ceremony was held Monday, August 21, at the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, where nearly 400 family, friends, alumni, faculty, and staff gathered to celebrate with the Class of 2010 as they began their study of dental medicine.

Sponsored by the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society, this annual tradition, now in its third year, holds symbolic significance for the incoming class as they declare their commitment to assume the responsibilities and obligations of the dental profession. The program included remarks by Tara Sexton (D'88), President of the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society; Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations; and Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat. Linda Himmelberger (D'79), President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association, presented the keynote address, and Dr. D. Walter Cohen (C'47, D'50), Dean Emeritus, also spoke on the history of Penn Dental Medicine.

The presentation of the white coats was conducted by members of the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society Executive Committee along with family members of the class's legacy students. There are four students in the Class of 2010 who have relatives who are Penn Dental Medicine alumni (see legacy student photo and listing, page 35). The ceremony concluded with the reciting of the Penn Dental Medicine Professional Pledge and was followed by a reception for all attendees.



### CLASS OF 2010

The Class of 2010 reflects the diversity and academic excellence that continue to be hallmarks of Penn Dental Medicine students. The class includes:

- 117 members — 70 women and 47 men
- Residents of 26 different states and seven foreign countries — Canada, Ecuador, Indonesia, Korea, Singapore, Syria, and Trinidad
- Students from 68 colleges and universities with 42 different undergraduate majors
- Overall GPA of 3.68

The White Coat Ceremony was among the many activities held during the five-day freshman orientation, which ran from August 21 through 25. The orientation program features a full schedule of presentations and events designed to give students an overview of the academic program and expectations, introduce them to the services and resources available within the school and University, and provide a variety of social activities so they can get to know each other and those second-year students who serve as orientation volunteers.

New aspects to this year's orientation included two presentations that were planned for the first day of orientation so parents on campus to attend

The Class of 2010 recites the Penn Dental Medicine Professional Pledge during the White Coat Ceremony, held August 21 at the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology.

the White Coat Ceremony could also participate in them; they included *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* Penn Dental Medicine, the *Suessical*, an entertaining introduction to Penn Dental Medicine and the dental profession by Dr. Scott DeRossi (D'95), Assistant Dean for Admissions, and "A to Z" *Financial Management and Resources*, presented by the University's Associate Director of Student Financial Services. Other new additions included a presentation titled *Dental Medicine — Profession or Occupation?*, by Dr. Howard Rosenberg, Associate Professor of Pediatric Dentistry; small group discussions with faculty members on "Junk Science: Appearances Can be Deceiving," a *Journal of the American Dental Association* article written by Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat; and an expanded review of the curriculum by Dr. Thomas Sollecito (D'89, GD'91), Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Uri Hangorsky, Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs.

## Faculty Member Receives Lindback Teaching Award

For the 19th time in the history of the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Awards for Distinguished Teaching, a member of the Penn Dental Medicine faculty has been recognized with this



Dr. Thomas Sollecito  
(D'89, GD'91)

University-wide honor for excellence in teaching. Since 1961, the University of Pennsylvania has been presenting the awards annually to eight faculty members – four within the

University's health schools and four within its non-health schools. **Dr. Thomas Sollecito (D'89, GD'91)**, Associate Professor/Clinician Educator of Oral Medicine and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at Penn Dental Medicine, was one of the 2006 recipients, recognized at a special reception held April 20, 2006.

Dr. Sollecito, who completed his DMD and postgraduate training at Penn Dental Medicine, has been part of the School's faculty since 1993. First serving as an Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Oral Medicine, Dr. Sollecito has held his current position as Associate Professor/Clinician Educator since 2003 and was named Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in 2005. During his time with Penn Dental Medicine, he has also served as Director (1998–2003) and Associate Director (1993–1998) of the Oral Medicine Residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP), Director of Hospital Dental Education for the Oral Medicine Service at HUP (1993–2002), and Director of Penn Dental Medicine's Oral Medicine Clinic (2001–2004). From 2002 to 2004, Dr. Sollecito was also Chief of Penn Dental Medicine's Oral Medicine Service. Teaching both predoctoral dental students as well as postgraduate Oral Medicine residents, Dr. Sollecito's teaching is multifaceted,

including instruction in the classroom as well as the clinic, the operating room, and through grand rounds.

"Dr. Sollecito has proven a dynamic teacher, with the ability to not only change the way students and residents view a particular subject, but more importantly to energize them and motivate them to learn it with an unparalleled zeal," read one of the award recommendations. Award winners are determined by recommendations and nominations made by faculty and students in December of each year and are selected by a committee consisting of previous award winners as well as students. The Lindback Awards for Distinguished Teaching at the University of Pennsylvania were established through the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation. Christian Lindback was president and principal of Abbotts Dairies, Inc., and the Foundation created the awards at colleges and universities throughout Abbotts Dairies, Inc.'s service area in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia.

Past Lindback Award recipients from Penn Dental Medicine include Dr. Phoebe Leboy, Professor of Biochemistry, 2005; Dr. Sherrill Adams, Professor of Biochemistry, 2002; Dr. Peter Quinn (D'74, GD'78), Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, 1994; Dr. Elliot Hersh, Associate Professor of Oral Surgery, 1993; Dr. Daniel Malamud, Professor of Biochemistry, 1992; Dr. Stephen A. Cooper (D'71), Associate Professor of Physiology and Pharmacology, 1987; Dr. Irving Shapiro, Professor of Biochemistry, 1985; Dr. Ronald L. Piddington, Associate Professor of Histology/Embryology, 1983; Dr. Morton Amsterdam (C'43, D'45), Professor of Periodontics, 1981; Dr. Herbert Graver (D'56, GR'72), Associate Professor of Restorative Dentistry, 1979; Dr. Harrison Berry, Professor of Roentgenology, 1978; Dr. Norton Taichman, Professor of Pathology, 1977; Dr. Jay S. Seibert (D'53),

Professor of Periodontics, 1976; Dr. Joseph Ashman (D'48, CGS'61, G'64), Associate Professor of Anatomy, 1974; Dr. Malcolm Lynch, Professor of Oral Medicine, 1973; Dr. Martin Greenberg (GD'68), Professor of Oral Medicine, 1971; Dr. Benjamin Hammond (GR'62), Associate Professor of Microbiology, 1969; and Dr. Norman Haig (D'19), Associate Professor of Operative Dentistry, 1965. (*Editor's note: All titles listed with the award winners are those held at the time of the award presentation.*)

## 2006 Student Research Winners

On April 20, the Oral Health Fair and Table Clinic, presented by the Vernon J. Brightman Student Research Society, celebrated its 15th year at Penn Dental Medicine. Held each spring, the event continues a longstanding tradition of excellence in student research as participants present posters of their projects to a team of faculty judges and the Penn Dental Medicine community. This year's Fair and Table Clinic, held in the Robert Schattner Center Henry Schein Atrium, featured 12 student poster presentations. Along with the naming of an overall grand prize, winners were selected in basic science, clinical science, and postgraduate categories; they included:

• **Grand Prize & 1st Place Basic Science** – Lindsay Pfeffer (D'08) for *Role of IGF-I Isoforms in Proliferation and Differentiation of Muscle Cells*, Dr. Elisabeth Barton, Assistant Professor of Anatomy and Cell Biology, preceptor. As the grand prize winner, Ms. Pfeffer will represent the School in the 2006 ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Program, held as part of the 147th American Dental Association (ADA) Annual Scientific Session in Las Vegas, October 16–19.

• **2nd Place Basic Science** – Dave Daniels (D'08) for *Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Syndrome*, Dr. Elisabeth Barton, Assistant Professor of Anatomy and Cell Biology, preceptor. Mr. Daniels will be representing Penn Dental Medicine in the 2006 Hinman Student Research Symposium, to be held in Memphis, October 27–29.



• **1st Place Clinical Science** – Trina Sengupta (D’08) for *Assessing Oral Health Conditions in the Elderly Population*, Dr. Ann Slaughter, Assistant Professor of Community Oral Health and Course Director of Geriatric Dentistry, preceptor, (students Ga Eun Lee (D’08) and Saehee Kim (D’08) assisted in data collection for the poster). Ms. Sengupta was also recognized for her research by the American Society for Geriatric Dentistry with a second place award in its 2006 Kamen Essay Contest. Titled *Making a Difference in the Senior Community*, her essay was drawn from her research experience in senior centers throughout West Philadelphia. The goal of the contest is to increase awareness among dental educators and students of the oral health needs of older adults and how to address them in innovative ways. “I wanted to write a paper that synthesized the work we did over the summer, visiting senior centers and examining their access to health care,” says Ms. Sengupta. “It was a great way to combine lab work and see first-hand the actual need in the community.”

• **2nd Place Clinical Science** – Ryan Serra (D’06) for *Root Specular Reflectivity Analysis*, Dr. Alan Polson, Professor of Periodontics and Dr. Linda Otis, former Associate Professor of Oral Medicine, preceptors.

• **Postgraduate** – Periodontics resident Semi Lee (D’03, GD’06) for *Assessment and Dynamics of Biologic Width of Implants in Humans*, Dr. Alan Polson (D’94), Professor of Periodontics, preceptor.

Participants in each year’s Table Clinic include those students involved in the previous summer’s Summer Research Program, as well as other interested student researchers, including postgraduate students. Dental hygiene students from Harcum College in Bryn Mawr, Pa., are also invited to participate in the event.

“We have consistently had very impressive research projects from our students,” adds Dr. Francis Mante (D’95), Associate Professor of Restorative Dentistry, who has overseen

the Fair and Table Clinic since it began in 1991. “Penn Dental Medicine students also continue to have great reviews of their presentations at the annual ADA meeting.”

### Symposium Marks 50 Years of Periodontics and Periodontal Prosthesis

Penn Dental Medicine celebrated the 50th anniversary of its periodontics and periodontal prosthesis program this year with the Ivy League Bone Symposium. Held June 1 through 3 in Philadelphia, this special continuing education event drew more than 400 attendees, many of whom were Penn Dental Medicine alumni. Along with presenting an extensive lecture program, the symposium paid special tribute to two pioneers in the field of periodontics and periodontal prosthesis – Dr. D. Walter Cohen (C’47, D’50), Dean Emeritus and the first Chair of the Department of Periodontics at Penn Dental Medicine, and Dr. Morton Amsterdam (C’43, D’45), who started Penn’s periodontal prosthesis program.

A series of five panel presentations with leading clinicians and educators from throughout the country was held over the three-day event. They included: *Aesthetics and Interdisciplinary Care* (moderated by Dr. Arnold Weisgold (GD’65), Adjunct Professor of Periodontics) with Drs. Gerard Chiche, John Kois (D’77), Dennis Tarnow, Stuart Froum, William Becker, and David Garber (GD’78, D’81); *Biology Behavior and Response to Tissue Engineering* (moderated by Dr. Cyril Evian (GD’79, D’81), Clinical Professor of Periodontics) with Drs. Myron Spector, Jeffery Hollinger, John Wozney, and William Giannobile; *Application of Tissue*

*Engineering to Jaw Reconstruction Dental Implants* (moderated by Dr. Edwin Rosenberg (GD’77, D’81), Clinical Professor of Periodontics) with Drs. Ole Jensen, Massimo Simion, R. Gil Triplett, Robert Marx, and Tomaso Vercellotti; *Application of Tissue Engineering to Periodontal Regeneration* (moderated by Dr. Samuel Lynch) with Drs. Michael McGuire, Myron Nevins (D’63), Dean Emeritus Jan Lindhe, Marc Nevins, and Joseph Fiorellini; and *Risk Factor for Periodontal Disease, Teeth, and Implants* (moderated by Dr. Louis Rose, Clinical Professor of Periodontics) with Drs. Ken Korman,

Ray Williams, Marjorie Jeffcoat, Robert Genco (D’67), and Brian Mealey.

Over the 50-year history of Penn Dental Medicine’s Department of Periodontics there have been more than 400 graduates of the postgraduate program and a special reception and dinner was held the evening of June 2 to bring together all of the

alumni in attendance. “Along with the great exchange of knowledge that occurred over the three days, it was especially rewarding to connect with so many alumni from our program,” says Dr. Joseph Fiorellini, Chair of the Department of Periodontics. “The department has such a rich history and strong tradition to build upon as we look ahead together.”



Dr. D. Walter Cohen (C’47, D’50, left), Dean Emeritus and the first Chair of the School’s Department of Periodontics, and Dr. Morton Amsterdam (C’43, D’45, right), who started Penn’s periodontal prosthesis program, at the Ivy League Bone Symposium.

### Congratulations Class of 2006

The Class of 2006 became Penn Dental Medicine alumni on May 15, when the School held its 128th commencement, conferring 130 DMD and three MSc in Oral Biology degrees. Held in the historic Irvine Auditorium, the program included remarks by Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Dr. Thomas Sollecito (D'89, GD'91); and Class President Dr. Barrie Matthews (D'06) along with a keynote address by Dr. Dushanka V. Kleinman, Deputy Director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research and Chief Dental Officer of the United States Public Health Service.

Nine alumni were also part of the ceremony, presenting diplomas to family members who were members of the graduating class. They included Dr. Surendra Singh (D'88), father of Dr. Angeli Agarwal; Dr. Harvey Barbag (D'74), father of Dr. Adam Barbag; Dr. Francis G. Forwood (D'77, GD'79), father of Dr. Kimberly Forwood Christie; Dr. William R. Colite (D'75), father of Dr. Stephen William Colite; Dr. Alan H. Frankel (C'67, D'70), father of Dr. Joel Benjamin Frankel; Dr. Adriana Zayas (D'02), wife of Dr. Juan-Carlos Mora; Dr. Mogeh Mozaffarian (D'03, GD'04), sister of Dr. Mana Mozaffarian; Dr. Gary L. Nelson (D'71), father of Dr. Robert Martin Nelson; and Dr. Raj K. Shah (D'78), father of Dr. Shalin Raj Shah.

Participating in the ceremony as well was special guest Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley, Chief of Air Force Reserve, who presented Dr. Amy Schultz (D'06) with her diploma. Lt. Gen. Bradley helped Dr. Schultz navigate through the Air Force medical disability process during her recovery from a malignant brain tumor, which was diagnosed her second year at Penn Dental Medicine. She credits him with enabling her to stay on her career track, which presently has her on active duty at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, while also pursuing



Many of the Class of 2006's 130 members gathered in the Evans Building stairwell following commencement May 15.

specialty training in periodontics at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Prior to moving on from Penn Dental Medicine, the Class of 2006 made a special gift to the School, dedicating a commemorative plaque that recognizes the 125th anniversary of the graduation of Dr. James Brister. This 1881 alumnus was the first African American to graduate from the University of Pennsylvania. The plaque was hung in the Robert Schattner Center Henry Schein Atrium, creating a lasting memory of one of the School's earliest graduates as well as its most recent.

## 2006/2007

### PENN DENTAL MEDICINE YEARBOOKS

It is not too late to get a copy of Penn Dental Medicine's Class of 2006 yearbook or too early to place an order for the Class of 2007 edition, which will be published in the spring. The hardcover, full-color books include more than 100 pages of student photographs and School memories.

Copies of the 2006 yearbook are still available at a price of \$95. And, there is a discount on pre-orders for the 2007 yearbook placed now through December 2006 — \$75 for current Penn Dental Medicine students who are American Student Dental Association (ASDA) members and \$85 for all other individuals. Beginning in January 2007, the regular price of \$85 for ASDA members and \$95 for all others becomes effective.

To place an order, contact Kianna Simmons (D'07), Editor-in-Chief, at [kmichell@dental.upenn.edu](mailto:kmichell@dental.upenn.edu).

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## Special Events

### "Gingival Groove" Student Talent Show

Penn Dental Medicine students may excel in academics, but their talents go beyond the classroom and clinic as well. On April 20, their artistic and creative skills took center stage at the fourth annual "Gingival Groove" Talent Show, presented by the American Student Dental Association. Held in the School of Medicine's Dunlop Auditorium, the event drew a crowd of nearly 300 students, staff, and faculty, who enjoyed entries that ranged from a video production, hip-hop and traditional dances, and martial arts, to instrumental and vocal performances and fine arts.



Members of "Brown Sugar," the traditional Indian dance troupe, which tied for first place in the Gingival Groove student talent show.

Judged by School faculty and staff, awards for the best performances included: *1st Place* — A tie between "The Carbide Connection," a video spoof by Brad Podray (D'08) and "Brown Sugar," a traditional Indian dance troupe, featuring members of Classes 2007, 2008, and 2009. *3rd Place* — Sarmad Habboush (D'06) for "Life Changing," an original composition for the piano and keyboard.

The best art awards included: *1st Place* — T.J. Filip (D'08) for "On the Charles," photographs of rowers on the Charles River in Boston, Mass. *2nd Place* — Natasha Bramley (D'06) for "The Pianist," an acrylic painting on canvas. *3rd Place* — Amber Sabitus (D'07) for a multicolored afghan.

### 2006 STEP

Penn Dental Medicine's Department of Minority Affairs held its fifth annual Short-Term Enrichment Program (STEP) on June 27 and 28. This year, 38 students participated in STEP, which offers promising West Philadelphia high school students a hands-on, two-day immersion into the career of dentistry.

The program featured informal focus group discussions with Penn Dental Medicine faculty and students; a tour of the dental school; and hands-on experiences making molds and working in the School's virtual reality simulation lab. The program is overseen by Dr. Rose Wadenya (D'97), Director of Minority Affairs and Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Pediatric Dentistry, and coordinated by Pamela Beaty, Administrative Coordinator for Graduate Dental Education and Minority Affairs. Approximately 155 students have passed through the program since it began in 2002.



Dr. Rose Wadenya, Director of Minority Affairs, welcoming participants in this year's STEP program, an outreach initiative that introduces minority youth to dental career options.

### Faculty and Staff Summer Cookout

Penn Dental Medicine faculty and staff had an opportunity to relax and visit with each other, while enjoying a buffet of classic barbeque favorites at the School's first cookout, held August 1. The Foncesa Gardens provided the ideal setting for this special event, organized to bring faculty and staff together for a bit of R&R before the start of the new

academic year. The School's Associate and Assistant Deans and Department Chairs staffed the buffet table, serving a steady crowd of over 300 attendees. Despite a record-setting, August heat wave, a good time was had by all. Many thanks go out to Dr. Robert Schattner (D'48) and his wife, Kay, whose support funded the creation of the Gardens, a special gathering place for the entire Penn Dental Medicine community.



Left to right: Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations; Marge Lizotte, Assistant Dean for Administration; and Dr. Allan Olitsky, Director of the Dental Care Network, among those serving faculty and staff at the cookout buffet.

# On Campus

## PEOPLE

### New Chair Named to Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences

Penn Dental Medicine has named **Markus B. Blatz, DMD, PhD**, to head its Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences; his appointment as Chairman was effective September 1, 2006. Dr. Blatz comes to Penn Dental Medicine from Louisiana State University (LSU) Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry in New Orleans, where most recently he has served as Chairman of the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials and Assistant Dean for Clinical Research. During his tenure at LSU, Dr. Blatz also directed the

Masters of Science in Oral Biology Program.

Prior to joining LSU in 2000, he was a senior faculty member (1998-99) and assistant professor (1994-98) in the Department of



Dr. Markus Blatz

Prosthodontics at the University of Freiburg School of Dentistry, Freiburg, Germany. Dr. Blatz earned his DMD and PhD from the University of Freiburg in 1994 and 1998, respectively, and completed a residency in prosthodontics/perioprosthodontics there as well in 1997. Dr. Blatz is also a Diplomate in the German Society of Prosthodontics and Material Sciences.

A widely published and internationally respected lecturer, Dr. Blatz's main focus within clinical practice and research is esthetic dentistry with an emphasis on implantology and dental materials, particularly ceramics and adhesion. Dr. Blatz holds editorial positions with numerous professional journals, serving as an associate editor for *Quintessence of Dental Technology* and *Quintessence International* and a section

editor for the *Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*. He is also a member of the scientific review boards for the *Journal of Esthetic and Restorative Dentistry*, the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry*, *Practical Procedures & Aesthetic Dentistry*, the *European Journal of Esthetic Dentistry*, *Dental Lab(or) International*, and *Clinica — International Journal of Brazilian Dentistry* and serves as a scientific reviewer for a number of other scientific dental journals.

An active member of many professional societies, including the European Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society, Dr. Blatz is the 2005-2006 President of the New Orleans Chapter of the American Association of Dental Research. Dr. Blatz has also been recognized for his commitment as a teacher and educator through multiple honors and teaching awards. "Dr. Blatz brings excellence as a clinician, researcher, and educator to this role," says Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat. "His skills and leadership will ensure that the School remains at the forefront of the latest advances in restorative dentistry."

### Penn Dental Medicine Names New Overseer, Recognizes Service of Another

Penn Dental Medicine has named a new member to its Board of Overseers, while another longtime member has stepped down. **Dr. Lewis E. Proffitt (D'73, WG'80)** was officially appointed to the Board at the June 16 meeting of the University's Board of Trustees, and in June, as well, **Adele K. Schaeffer (CW'55)** resigned her Board post after 26 years of service.

Dr. Proffitt, who earned a DMD at Penn Dental Medicine in 1973 and MBA from Wharton in 1980, brings extensive experience in dentistry and its related business operations to the Board. Since 2001, he has been



Dr. Lewis E. Proffitt  
(D'73, WG'80)

Director of Dental Services at Eastern Dental of Marlton, a multi-disciplinary dental enterprise in Marlton, N.J. From 1985 to 2001, Dr. Proffitt was also Director of Dental Services for Oracare Dental

Associates, Inc., a subsidiary of Protective Life Insurance Corporation. Active in civic leadership and community service activities, Dr. Proffitt is a member of Sigma Pi Phi, one of the largest and oldest African American fraternities in the nation, having held many planning, program development, and fundraising roles at the local, regional, and national levels.

Dr. Proffitt has maintained strong ties to Penn Dental Medicine as an alumnus, serving as President of the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society in 2002-2003 and receiving the Alumni Award of Merit in 2003. Dr. Proffitt is also a member of the Board of Trustees at Woodmere Art Museum in the Chestnut Hill neighborhood of Philadelphia.

Adele Schaeffer leaves the Board of Overseers after many years of service and leadership. Having joined the



Adele K. Schaeffer  
(CW'55)

Board in 1980, she served as Chair from 1987 to 1999. Active throughout the University, Mrs. Schaeffer is currently an Emeritus Trustee on Penn's Board of Trustees and a member of the

Board of Overseers for the Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts and the Board of Managers of the Wistar Institute.

In addition, she is a former Vice President of the Executive Committee of the General Alumni Society and served as a Director of the Society from 1979 to 1989. She served as President of the Society of the College (Alumni Board of Arts and Sciences) from 1981 to 1983 and as Chairperson of many of the Society's outreach programs from 1976 to 1985. Mrs. Schaeffer received an Alumni Award of Merit in 1987.

Mrs. Schaeffer is also a current member of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Academy of Music Committee and a Trustee of the Moore College of Art and Design, Philadelphia.

"Through sharing of their time and talents, the members of our Board of Overseers play an invaluable role for the school," notes Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie Jeffcoat. "We extend our appreciation to Adele for her tremendous support and leadership over the years and welcome Lew for all he brings to the Board."

#### Standing Faculty Appointments, Retirements

Effective July 1, Penn Dental Medicine welcomed three new members to its Standing Faculty – **Drs. Antonio Secchi (GD'03, D'05), Margrit Maggio (D'87), and Fernando Segade.** The School's clinical faculty continues to grow with the appointment of **Dr. Antonio Secchi (GD'03, D'05)** to the Paul V. Reid Department of Orthodontics as Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Orthodontics. Dr. Secchi earned his DDS in 1996 at the University of Valparaiso in Chile, and came to Penn Dental Medicine as a postdoctoral student in 2000, earning his Certificate in Orthodontics in 2003. He also holds a DMD and an MS in Oral Biology from Penn Dental Medicine, both awarded in 2005. Since 2004, Dr. Secchi has also been a visiting professor in the Departamento de Orthondoncia, Universidad de los Andes, Santiago, Chile.

**Dr. Margrit Maggio (D'87)** joins the Standing Faculty as Assistant

Professor/Clinician Educator of Restorative Dentistry. A 1987 graduate of Penn Dental Medicine and Past President (2001–2002) of the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society, Dr. Maggio has been with the School in various roles for 10 years, serving as Preclinical Instructor from 1996 to 1998, Preclinical Group Leader from 1998 to 2000, and Preclinical Laboratory Director from 2000 to 2003. Since 2003, Dr. Maggio has been Director of the Virtual Reality Simulation Laboratory and maintains this and her other administrative post of Director of Operative Dentistry.

Adding to the basic science faculty is **Dr. Fernando Segade** as Assistant Professor of Anatomy & Cell Biology. Dr. Segade comes to Penn Dental Medicine from Wake Forest University School of Medicine where, since 2002, he served as Assistant Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, Section of Endocrinology and Metabolism. Prior to that, he was with Washington University School of Medicine Department of Cell Biology and Physiology first as a Research Associate (1996–1997) and then as a Research Assistant Professor (1998 – 2002). Dr. Segade holds a MS and PhD from University of Santiago de Compostela, Santiago, Spain, awarded in 1986 and 1989, respectively. His areas of research expertise include extracellular matrix, cell-matrix interactions, gene structure, gene expression, and sequence analysis.

The retirements of two Standing Faculty members were also effective July 1 – both within the Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences.

**Dr. Peter Berthold (D'83)** is now Professor Emeritus of Restorative Dentistry. Dr. Berthold, who first came to Penn Dental Medicine as a postdoctoral fellow in periodontics in 1979, was part of the School's faculty for 27 years. Among his many posts, he served as Chair of the Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences, Associate Dean of International Relations, and Director of the WHO

Collaborating Center in Oral Infectious Disease.

Also retiring, was **Dr. Gerald S. Weintraub**, now Associate Professor Emeritus of Restorative Dentistry. Dr. Weintraub was a member of Penn Dental Medicine's faculty for 36 years. During that time, he served as Associate Dean for Clinical Sciences and as Chairman of the Department of Restorative Dentistry from 1990 until it merged with Pediatric Dentistry and Community Oral Health in the summer of 2004.

#### Penn Dental Medicine Names Career Development Director

Penn Dental Medicine welcomes **Dr. James A. Lipton** as the School's new Director of Faculty and Student Career Development; his appointment was effective September 1. Dr. Lipton comes to Penn Dental Medicine with over 30 years of experience in the U.S. Public Health Service, where he most recently served as Senior Advisor to the



Dr. James Lipton

Chief Dental Officer. Over the years, he has also held a variety of posts at the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR), including the Assistant Director

for Research Training and Career Development (1994–2001) and the Special Assistant to the NIDCR Director for Research Infrastructure and Curriculum Development (2002–2003).

Dr. Lipton's role at the School will be to assist students and faculty members in the development of their careers in academics, research, and public health. "I look forward to working with students and clinical faculty, especially to stimulate research interests and assist junior faculty members in applying for National Institutes of Health awards," Dr. Lipton says.

Among Dr. Lipton's previous faculty appointments, he served as



Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Sociomedical Sciences at Columbia University's School of Public Health from 1976 to 1998, and from 1971 to 1983, was Clinical Assistant Professor in the Facial Pain Clinic of Columbia's School of Dental and Oral Surgery. He earned his DDS and PhD from Columbia University in 1971 and 1980, respectively. "The potential of this new position is great," says Dr. Lipton. "I hope my contributions will help Penn Dental Medicine to enhance its already stellar reputation as one of the top dental institutions in the country."

#### **New Continuing Education Coordinator Joins Penn Dental Medicine**

Penn Dental Medicine welcomes **Lauren M. Rocca** as its new Continuing Education and Special Events Coordinator. Prior to joining the School in June, Ms. Rocca was Assistant Director of Development and Alumni Affairs at Temple University School of Dentistry.



Lauren M. Rocca

"There is such a passion for learning and education at Penn and I am happy to be part of that environment again," says Ms. Rocca. "I look forward to developing continuing education programs and special events that highlight the School's faculty members and its accomplishments." She can be reached at 215-573-9098 or [lmrocca@pobox.upenn.edu](mailto:lmrocca@pobox.upenn.edu).

#### **Penn Dental Medicine Names New Information Services Director**

**Jeffrey Fahnoe** has joined Penn Dental Medicine as the Director of Information Services. Named to the position in March, Mr. Fahnoe is an

alumnus of the University of Delaware, where he received a B.A. in Biology and a M.Ed. in Educational Technology. Previously, he served as Information Technology Associate and Educational Technology Instructor at his alma mater.

Mr. Fahnoe brings a strong technical background and a proven commitment to customer service to the School. "My job is to assist in the preparation and development of future dentists



Jeffrey Fahnoe

by simplifying everyday processes with the use of technology," says Mr. Fahnoe. "I am very excited about the growth of Penn Dental Medicine. Our department will be undertaking many major initiatives in the near future, coinciding with the clinic renovations, which will help sustain the School's pre-eminence in dental education."



# Thank You!

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# Scholarly Activity

## Awards & Achievements

**Dr. Alan M. Atlas (D'86)**, Clinical Assistant Professor of Restorative Dentistry

- Inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society, May 2006.
- Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Award of Merit, May 2006.
- Presented "Immediate Functional Loading of SLActive Implants in Posterior Partially Edentulous" and "Direct Posterior Composites" abstracts, IADR General Session and Exhibition, June 2006.

**Dr. Beverly Crawford**, Preclinical Lab Instructor and Staff Dentist

- Robert E. DeRevere Award for excellence in preclinical teaching by a part-time faculty member, presented by the Class of 2006.

**Dr. Harold A. DeHaven, Jr. (D'59)**, Clinical Associate Professor of Periodontics

- "Directors Award" for his contributions to the Penn Dental Medicine Postgraduate Periodontal-Prosthesis Program, June 2006.

**Dr. Martin S. Greenberg (GD'68)**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Oral Medicine

- Elected as a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, UK.

**Dr. Elliot Hersh**, Professor of Oral Surgery and Pharmacology and Director of the Division of Pharmacology and Therapeutics

- Basic Science Award for excellence in teaching within the basic sciences, presented by the Class of 2006.

**Dr. Arthur Kuperstein**, Clinical Associate of Oral Medicine and Acting Director of the Radiology Clinic

- Joseph L.T. Appleton Award for excellence in teaching by a part-time faculty member, presented by the Class of 2006.

**Dr. Rochelle Lindemeyer (GD'79)**, Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Pediatric Dentistry

- Elected President of the Philadelphia County Dental Society.
- Presented "Management of Soft Tissue Trauma in Neurologically Impaired Children," American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Annual Meeting, May 2006.

**Dr. M. Jeffrey Morton (D'76)**, Clinical Assistant Professor of Periodontics

- Presenter on periodontal and dental implant topics to Burlington County Institute of Technology Dental Program, May and June 2006.
- Elected President of New Jersey Society of Periodontists, May 2006.

**Dr. Eisa Mozaffari (GD'78, GD'80, D'04)**, former Director of the Radiology Clinic and lecturer of Oral Medicine

- Earle Bank Hoyt Award for teaching excellence by a Penn Dental Medicine graduate who is a full-time junior faculty member, presented posthumously by the Class of 2006.
- Senior Outstanding Teaching Award for a faculty member who has gone beyond his/her responsibilities to significantly impact the class's educational experience, presented posthumously by the Class of 2006.

**Dr. Peter D. Quinn (D'74, GD'78)**, Professor/Clinician Educator and Schoenleber Chair of the Department of Oral Surgery/Pharmacology

- Elected Secretary-Treasurer of the American Society of TMJ Surgeons, January 2006.

**Dr. Karl A. Rose (GD'80)**, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Periodontics

- Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Award of Merit, May 2006.

**Dr. Louis E. Rossman (D'75, GD'77)**, Clinical Professor of Endodontics

- Elected Vice President of the American Association of Endodontists, April 2006.

**Dr. Neil L. Starr (DG'79)**, Clinical Associate Professor of Periodontics

- Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Award of Merit, May 2006.

**Dr. Thomas P. Sollecito (D'89, GD'91)**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor/Clinician Educator of Oral Medicine

- Christian R. and Mary L. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, 2006.
- Voted Best Dentist *Main Line Today* 2006.
- World Workshop of Oral Medicine, co-author and reviewer of the salivary gland section, Puerto Rico, April 2006.

**Dr. Eric T. Stoopler (D'99, GD'02)**, Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Oral Medicine

- Achieved Diplomate status with the American Board of Special Care Dentistry.

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*Principal Investigator:* Dr. Robert Ricciardi, Professor of Microbiology

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### Department of Oral Medicine

**The Incidence of Amyloid Deposition in Abdominal and Oral Mucosal Tissue in Patients Initially Diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma**  
2/1/2006 – 1/31/2007  
*Funding Source:* Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation  
*Principal Investigator:* Dr. Eric Stoopler, Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Oral Medicine

**Treatment of Osteoradionecrosis with Bone Marrow Stromal Cells**  
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**Cerebral Blood Flow Changes Induced by Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen in Dental Surgery Patients**  
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*Principal Investigator:* Dr. Elliot V. Hersh, Professor of Oral Surgery/Pharmacology

### Department of Pathology

**Immunosuppressive Proteins Produced by Oral Pathogens**  
3/1/2006 – 2/28/2011  
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*Principal Investigator:* Dr. Bruce Shenker, Professor and Chair of Department of Pathology

### Department of Periodontics

**Measurement of the Stability of Immediately Non-Occlusally Loaded Non-Submerged-Titanium Implants with a New Sandblasted and Acid-Etched Surface (SLA®) in the Partially Edentulous Maxilla by Resonance Frequency Analysis: A Prospective Clinical Study**  
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**Standard Laboratory Toothbrush Testing #3, Whitening Labs**  
4/17/2006 – 6/30/2006  
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*Principal Investigator:* Samuel Yankell, Research Professor of Periodontics

### Department of Preventive and Restorative Sciences

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7/2006 – 7/2008  
*Funding Source:* Straumann, USA  
*Co-principal Investigator:* Dr. Alan Atlas, Clinical Assistant Professor of Restorative Dentistry

**Program Faculty: Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Training Program**  
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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Dr. Marshall and Harriet Goldin Endow Student Seminar Series

A new seminar series to coach students on the myriad issues they face as developing professionals has been generously endowed by Dr. Marshall (Mickey) Goldin (C'60, D'64) and his wife Harriet Goldin (CW'62). Their \$100,000 gift will provide ongoing support for the series, which will focus on the overarching theme of "Developing Life Skills."

The Goldin Seminars will be sponsored by the School's Transitions to Practice Club, a new student organization that began in 2005 under the faculty guidance of advisor Dr. Alan Atlas (D'86), Clinical Assistant Professor of Restorative Dentistry. "Our goal with the Transition to Practice Club is to provide information and skills that will assist students in maximizing the dental school experience and successfully transitioning to and operating a practice, while also enjoying life outside of dentistry," explains fourth-year student Paul Urban (D'07), who was one of the Club's founding members and is serving as President this year.

It wasn't until the Goldins began exploring a vehicle for their philanthropy to the School that the natural connection between the Club's mission and their interests became apparent. As Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations recalls, "Once the Goldins became involved, there was a great match and you could feel everything clicking."

Though the specific program topics and format are still under development, current plans call for the Goldin Seminars to feature a series of seminars that will be open to all students, but each seminar will be tailored to address



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issues most relevant to a particular class at that stage in their dental education. By focusing the seminar offerings to students' progression through school, the goal is to have them build off of each other and reflect practical knowledge and application. Recent dental school graduates and faculty members will also be encouraged to attend.

Harriet Goldin notes, "We are working with the Club to make final recommendations on the concepts for the series, and we have identified a number of broad areas we'd like to address." Those major categories include personal development, addressing topics such as understanding one's personality and learning style, balancing home and family with dental practice, and physical well-being and emotional health; communication skills, including active listening and patient interaction techniques; and career management, involving entrepreneurship, risk management, creative problem solving, and office systems, among others.

Dr. Goldin explains that the Club will draw upon faculty and staff from throughout the School and the University as presenters for the seminars. "The Penn community has a wealth of resources among its faculty and staff. We felt it makes sense to tap into these talented and skilled professionals, whether in dentistry, human resources, business, or medicine," says Dr. Goldin. "We began talking with the Dean about this idea, and we thought, why not draw in other disciplines and some of the younger faculty and really provide some enrichment for our Penn Dental students?" The Goldin Seminars will launch in this 2006-2007 academic year.

"The Club is very honored to be working with the Goldins to develop this important series," adds Mr. Urban. "We are excited about joining forces to create a resource that enhances our education and preparation for successful professional practice."



Dr. Clement Alpert (C, '32, D'34, left) and his wife, Sandra, with Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations (center). The Alperes recently established an endowed scholarship fund for second-year students.

### Scholarship Fund Established by Dr. Clement and Sandra Alpert

Thanks to the generosity of Dr. Clement Alpert (C'32, D'34) and his wife, Sandra, Penn Dental Medicine students have a new financial aid resource — the recently established Dr. Clement C. Alpert and Sandra K. Alpert Endowed Scholarship Fund. The first recipient of an Alpert Scholarship was named for the 2006–2007 academic year, awarded to Siv Eftekhari (D'09).

Alpert Scholarships will be given annually and are open to eligible students entering their second year. In choosing to designate the scholarships for second-year students, Dr. Alpert explains, "By the second year, it's clear whether the student is going to continue in his or her studies at the School, and it's clear whether the student is showing strong potential." The one-year scholarship offsets a portion of tuition and is intended to assist those who demonstrate financial need. Dr. Alpert hopes that the Fund will "help out as many as we can" in future years as the Fund grows.

This year's selection process was steered by Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat. A selection committee is in the process of being established, and in future years, the committee will select recipients each

spring for the following academic year. Freshmen will be informed each March of the application process.

"The name of the game is ensuring access. Penn Dental Medicine needs to increase its ability to help talented students cover the rising cost of dental education, regardless of their ability to pay," adds Jim Garvey, Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Relations. "We are grateful to Clem and Sandy for recognizing this ongoing challenge to the School and to the profession."

### Orthodontic Clinic Dedication Celebrates its Donors

Penn Dental Medicine faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends gathered on April 4 for the official dedication of the School's new Brainerd F. Swain Orthodontic Clinic and to pay tribute to the many alumni supporters of the project. This state-of-the-art facility, completed in January 2006, nearly doubles the amount of space for the School's orthodontic care and instruction and greatly enhances both the educational and treatment environment.

The \$3 million Swain Orthodontic Clinic was made possible through the generous support from alumni with a large portion of the donated funds coming from an estate gift made by Eleanor B. Reid; she left her entire estate to the Department in memory of her husband, Paul V. Reid, a former Department Chair.

1 Dr. Joyce A. Perih (GD'89) and her children in an operatory she and her husband, Dr. James L. Stefanelli, funded in memory of their late daughter, Simone Margaret Stefanelli.

2 Dr. James L. Ackerman (D'60), Dr. Marc B. Ackerman (D'98), and A. Bernard Ackerman (RES'67) in the Ackerman Orthodontic Seminar Room.



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I extend my deepest gratitude to all those who have supported the School's annual, capital, and endowment funds last year, including alumni, parents, and friends. I particularly wish to thank those donors who gave, not only last year, but who place Penn Dental Medicine on their list of philanthropic priorities every year. These "loyalists" represent the backbone of our fundraising success without which we simply could not maintain the standard of excellence that we do. You are indeed the engine that drives us to reach greater heights.

Soon, the most ambitious capital campaign in the Dental School's history will be announced. The fact that this will be the largest campaign is subordinate to the campaign's eventual impact on this institution, as well as on our role as a world leader in dental education. The success of our efforts will have an extraordinary and highly visible impact on the future of Penn Dental Medicine and the future generations of dental students in our charge.

Dean Jeffcoat and I look forward to sharing this exciting vision with all our constituents and to raising the dialogue about turning our vision into reality.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Harlan

Hamid Hayat, GD'79, D'82

Xiaolun Huang

Kanli Jiang, GR'01, M'05

Malek Kamoun

Nasrin S. Larjani

Shunyao Liao

Chiun-Lin S. Liu, GD'00, D'03

Eline T. Luning Prak, GR'96, M'96, FEL'99

Farideh Moattari Madani, GD'78, D'84

James F. Markmann, GR'89, M'89, FEL'96

Michelle D. Miller, D'01

Ali Naji, GR'81

Leyla Naji

Mahvash Navazesh, GD'78, D'83

Mahmood R. Noorchashm, GEE'71, GRE'76

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Josephine M. Sipple, WEV'82, WEV'85

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Jing Wang

Zhonglin Wang

Ming Yu

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Kathleen Arkle Borofsky, DH'66

### In honor of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Rosenberg

Ernest J. Dellheim

Gerald A. Markowitz

### In honor of Beatrice Rossman's 85th Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Salkin

### In honor of the Penn graduations of Lexie Rossman, C'06, and Joel Frankel, C'02, D'06, GD'10

Alan H. Frankel, C'67, D'70

### In memory of Dorothy S. Rubin

Louis E. Rossman, D'75, GD'77

### In memory of Albert H. Rudner, D'34

Robert S. Morgenstein, D'65

### In memory of Robert Sadler

Louis E. Rossman, D'75, GD'77

### In honor of Kendra S. Schaefer, D'95

Vincent Reynolds

### In memory of Dr. Herb Schilder

Louis E. Rossman, D'75, GD'77

### In memory of Rebecca Stockdale

Robert C. Stockdale, D'71

### In memory of David S. Unger, D'53

Joyce Barnett Unger, DH'51

### In honor of Robert L. Vanarsdall, Jr., GD'72

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Smith

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Amy N. Moore

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Shea

David Vine

### In memory of Jan Weinstock's Father

Louis E. Rossman, D'75, GD'77

*This issue of the Honor Roll represents activity in Fiscal Year 2006 (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006).*

*We have made every effort to ensure the accuracy of this report. If your name has been omitted or misprinted, please accept our sincere apologies and notify the Penn Dental Medicine Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 215-898-8951.*

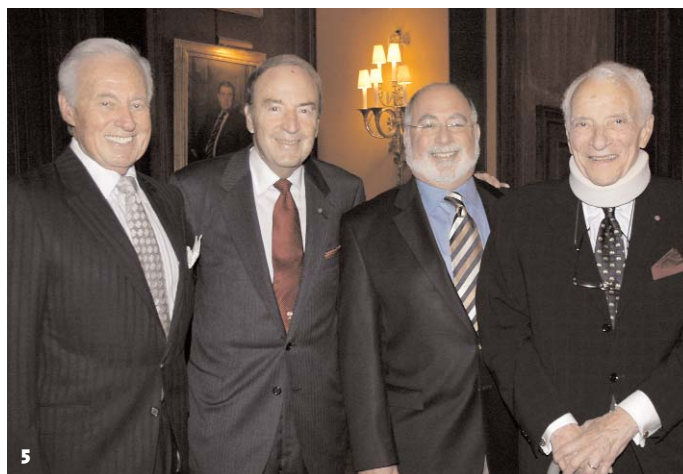
# Alumni

## NEWS

### Alumni Weekend 2006

Alumni Weekend 2006, held May 12–13, drew 225 Penn Dental Medicine alumni and guests to campus to connect with friends old and new. Among the festivities were reunions for classes ending in “1” or “6” and the presentation of the 2006 Alumni Awards of Merit. In addition to tours of the School, an open house in the virtual reality simulation lab, and the Alumni Picnic, new activities this year included “Swashbuckling Dentists,” a presentation about Penn Dental Medicine’s legends, including Thomas Evans, Zane Grey, and Doc Holliday; and a special dental school admissions seminar. Reunion class dinners were held once again this year at the Union League of Philadelphia.

Make plans now to attend Alumni Weekend 2007, which will be held May 11–12, 2007 and celebrate reunions for classes ending in “2” and “7.”



**1** Margrit Maggio (D’87), director of the virtual reality simulation lab, demonstrates the technology to alumni.

**2** Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat enjoying the Alumni Picnic with Sandra Alpert, Clement C. Alpert (C’32, D’34), Martin D. Levin (D’72, GD’74), Lorain Rothstein, and Irving M. Rothstein (C’38, D’41).

**3** Class of 1976. Front row, left to right: Earl P. Pearson and Edwin C. Bartine. Back row, left to right: Dennis M. Byrne, John P. Boyle, and Alfredo Alexander.

**4** Class of 1986. Left to right: Seth M. Wallerstein, Stefano E. Gracis, Alan M. Atlas, David P. Pitman, and Matthew M. Abramson.

**5** Left to right: H. Leslie Levine (GD’57), D. Walter Cohen (C’47, D’50), Karl A. Rose (GD’80), and Morton Amsterdam (C’43, D’45).





### The Dental Hygiene Alumni

Association held its annual meeting as part of Alumni Weekend 2006, gathering at the The Restaurant School on Walnut Hill on May 12. The day's activities also included a continuing education program — "Women and Heart Disease: An Intimate Relationship," presented by Maria Perno Goldie, RDH, BA, MS. Ms. Goldie is a 1971 graduate of the Penn Dental Medicine hygiene program and is the Vice President of the International Federation of Dental Hygienists.



**6** Class of 2001. Left to right: Nicole Mermet, Andrew T. Cheifetz, Daniel N. Kubikian, Christopher R. Spagna, Julie A. Cernigliaro, Rita V. Taliwal, and Adam P. Vitelli.

**7** Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat (middle) and Tara Sexton (D'88), President, Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society (right), with the 2006 Alumni Award of Merit recipients (left to right): H. Leslie Levine (GD'57), Karl A. Rose (GD'80), Neil L. Starr (GD'79), and Alan M. Atlas (D'86).

**8** Class of 1956. Front row, left to right: Bernard Telsey, William R. Shoulberg, Neil E. Lawrence, Morton H. Levy, Stewart B. Whitmarsh, and Robert G. Latoff. Middle row, left to right: Peter K. Schaeffer, Irving R. Spector, Stephen H. Reiter, Maurice Goldberg, Harold B. Ginsberg, G. Robert Lange, and Morton S. Weinstein. Back row, left to right: Howard E. Kellner, Vincent A. Callery, Donald G. Tomlin, Howard M. Sobel, Bartley C. Reuter, Robert S. Feller, and Paul G. Mosch.

**9** Class of 1996. Front row, left to right: Danielle Girardy, Vladimir and Tafianna Soyfer, and James N. and Gina Sarant. Back row, left to right: Matthew J. Girardy, and Emilie and John Eric Valencia with their daughter.



## ALUMNI PROFILE:

### Dr. John C. Kois (D'77)

Seattle prosthodontist Dr. John C. Kois (D'77) sees dentistry on the cusp of major breakthroughs in two areas: "First, evidence-based science is greatly helping us understand disease progression in humans so we can better evaluate the patient's risk. Second, technology is creating opportunities to truly enhance treatment. Therefore, the two areas of growth are how we think, and what we do."

He envisions a future in which patients switch from a repair model to a wellness model for comprehensive care and sees much of this change aided by rapid advances in technology, especially in the use of computers. "For example, we are moving to the application of CAD/CAM technology — soon we won't even be using impression materials," he notes. "We can digitize much of what we do."

Dr. Kois, recipient of the 2002 Saul Schluger Memorial Award for Clinical Excellence in Diagnosis and Treatment Planning, should know. As founder and director of the Kois Center for dental education, located on the shore of Lake Union in Seattle, he brings advances in science and technology to the training of established, private-practice dentists. His nine-course curriculum employs the latest in high-tech wizardry, from computer animation to live video demonstrations. The teaching center — which is also the center of Dr. Kois' life — evolved from local hands-on study clubs. "The initiation of the program as it exists today was in 1994, and the material expanded to a graduate program for practicing dentists, lab technicians, and staff," he recalls. The current spacious facility was completed in 2003.

Dr. Kois takes pride in his independence from external constraints: "I don't have any financial support for the center, so our ability to grow is not encumbered by politics or outside financial considerations."

The use of cutting-edge science and technology in private practice and the tight organization of material are what set the center apart, he feels. "The major difference is that we use all available science and try to integrate it in a corporate environment to become what I call 'evidence-based dental practice' — with the emphasis on 'practice,'" Dr. Kois notes.

Though he has not visited other non-university dental teaching centers, feedback from those who have support his claim that "what we do is uniquely different. The difference is in the level of information, the practicality of how the material is presented, and the distillation of complex areas to a simplified, systematic approach."

The intensive three-day courses run from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. — "dentists tell me their head is swollen by the end of the second day" — and are limited to 26 students each. The topics range from treatment planning to occlusion, perio/restorative interface, biomechanics, and implants. "Each course encompasses science, systems for implementation, cases brought in by the participants for treatment planning, and live patient demonstrations," says Dr. Kois.

The majority of students come from North America — about 20% of them Canadian — but the Kois Center also attracts dentists from Europe and, recently, Australia. Though each three-day course costs over \$4,000, many of them are filled months in advance. "We all realize that the cost is expensive," admits Dr. Kois, "but what I care most about is the value you feel when you leave."

Given the amount of time that Dr. Kois puts into the Center, it may be surprising that he still maintains a private practice in Tacoma and Seattle. But then, Dr. Kois is nothing if not meticulously organized. "The teaching center is my primary focus, where I give about 40 three-day courses a year," he explains. "My private practice takes up 80 days a year, and the third part of my activities is outside lectures." He is also an Affiliate Professor in the Graduate

Restorative Program at the University of Washington, where he received his M.S.D. in Periodontal Prosthodontics. "In my practice, I'm a prosthodontist, so most of my practice is front teeth and implant restorations."

In his family life, Dr. Kois has managed to pass along his abiding interests in dentistry and technology. He and his

wife have twin sons, one a graduate student in prosthodontics at the University of Washington, the other a part-owner of a computer-based company. As for hobbies, though he's fond of power-boating, he admits that "dentistry takes up much of my time — it's a passion for me." And it's a passion that has come to benefit practicing dentists around the world.

For a fuller look at the Kois Center, visit the web site, [www.koiscenter.com](http://www.koiscenter.com).



Dr. John C. Kois (D'77)

# Alumni Gatherings

To view additional photos from these events, visit the "Alumni News" section of the Penn Dental Medicine web site at [www.dental.upenn.edu/alumni/news/index.html](http://www.dental.upenn.edu/alumni/news/index.html)



**1** Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat with David A. Nusblatt (D'80) and his wife, Beth (NU'80).



**2** Clifford S. Melnick (D'82), James H. Doundoulakis (D'82, GED'82), Brian M. Schwab (D'06), and David S. Tarica (D'83).

## < Greater New York Alumni Dinner

Penn Dental Medicine hosted a dinner on April 27 at The Penn Club of New York for alumni living in the Greater New York region. Attendees renewed old friendships and made new ones, while learning from Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat about news from the School and plans for the future.

## Senior Farewell 2006 >

The Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society officially welcomed the Class of 2006 into the Alumni Society at Senior Farewell 2006, held May 9 at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel. Nearly 240 alumni, faculty, students, and staff gathered for the evening's festivities, which included a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing, and presentation of the Faculty Awards by the Class of 2006. (see Scholarly Activity Awards & Achievements, p. 20, for awards listing).

Alumni are encouraged to save the date for Senior Farewell 2007 to be held May 8 at The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia. For more information, please contact Joshua E. Liss, Director of Annual Giving and Alumni Programs, at 215-898-3542 or [lissj@dental.upenn.edu](mailto:lissj@dental.upenn.edu).



**3** Student members of the Senior Farewell 2006 Planning Committee and recipients of the faculty awards: Julie E. DeSimone (D'06); Barrie L. Matthews (D'06); Dr. Beverly A. Crawford; Dr. Arthur Kuperstein; Dr. Elliot V. Hersh; Mita A. Parikh (D'06); Farideh M. Madani (GD'78 D'84), who accepted the late Dr. Eisa Mozaffari's awards on behalf of his family; and Asif A. Lala (D'06).



**4** With the Philadelphia skyline in the background: Shalin R. Shah (C'99, D'06), Najeed Saleh (D'94), Dr. Sherrill Adams, Mita A. Parikh (D'06), Jonathan A. Waasdorp (D'06), Asif A. Lala (D'06), and Joel B. Frankel (C'02, D'06).

## Class of 2010 Alumni Legacy Students

Penn Dental Medicine legacy students provide a vital link through the generations of the School's alumni. In the Class of 2010, the School welcomes four students who have relatives who are Penn Dental Medicine alumni. Photographed at the Class of 2010 White Coat Ceremony, from left to right: Adam M. Nusblatt, son of David A. Nusblatt (D'80); Allison Clark, daughter of Dennis P. Clark (D'72); Joseph A. Foote, son of Joseph W. Foote (D'74, GD'80) and sister of Catherine M. Foote (C'00, D'04, GD'06); and Julee C. Plastow, daughter of Jerome H. Plastow (D'83).





**1** (Left to right) Drs. Hal Rosenthaler (D'76), John Spagnola (D'71), Alan Frankel (C'67, D'70), Olivia Sheridan (D'90, GD'91), and Louis Rossman (D'75, GD'77) share time and advice with students through selectives course.

**2** Dr. Arnold S. Weisgold (GD'65), Morton Amsterdam Dean Marjorie K. Jeffcoat, and Dr. Thomas J. Seibert (D'86, GD'88).



### Alumni, Student Q&A

Five Penn Dental Medicine alumni teamed up this past spring to give back through teaching, sharing practical, professional advice with Penn Dental Medicine pre- and postdoctoral students through a new selectives course titled "All the Answers to All of Your Questions." Drs. Hal Rosenthaler (D'76), Louis Rossman (D'75, GD'77), and Olivia Sheridan (D'90, GD'91), all of whom are also members of the School's associated faculty, were joined by Drs. Alan Frankel (C'67, D'70) and John Spagnola (D'71) to present candid discussions on a wealth of information during the four-week course. Topics addressed included decision making following dental school; patient management; practice and staff management; and finance and family management as well as how to juggle it all with family time.

Guest moderators added to the discussion each week, fielding questions and encouraging student participation. The moderators included Corky Cacas, Director of Admissions, along with three additional alumni — Dr. Scott DeRossi (D'95), Assistant Dean for Admissions and the Director of Graduate Dental Education; Dr. Margrit Maggio (D'87), Assistant Professor/Clinician Educator of Restorative Dentistry; and Dr. Martin Levin (D'72, GD'74), Chair of the Board of Overseers.

Prompted by strong student response, this alumni team will return to present the course again in March 2007 as part of this academic year's selectives offerings. "The sessions were relaxed, comfortable, and lots of fun," says Dr. Rossman. "We look forward to returning to once again share information with students that we believe they can use for a lifetime."

### Thomas Evans Achievement Award Honors Jay S. Seibert (D'53)

The late Dr. Jay S. Seibert (D'53) has been honored by the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society with its highest award of recognition — the Thomas Evans Achievement Award. This special tribute was made at the reunion dinner held as part of the Ivy League Bone Symposium, the 50th anniversary celebration of Penn's periodontics and periodontal prosthesis program, which took place June 1 — 3 at the Hyatt Regency Philadelphia (see story, page 13). Dr. Seibert's son, Thomas (D'86, GD'88), accepted the award on behalf of his family.

The Evans Award honors alumni who have shown innovation, excellence, and leadership in the profession of oral health care nationally and internationally. Dr. Seibert was nominated for the award by Dr. Arnold S. Weisgold (GD'65), Adjunct Professor of Periodontics at Penn Dental Medicine. A highly regarded educator, Dr. Seibert held a variety of leadership roles at Penn Dental Medicine from 1973 until

his death in 1998. He served as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Periodontics from 1973 to 1975 and from 1979 until 1982, and was Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Director of the Predoctoral Program from 1975 to 1979 and from 1982 to 1984. In addition, Dr. Seibert led the postdoctoral periodontics program from 1979 to 1981 and again from 1990 until his passing.

While at Penn Dental Medicine, Dr. Seibert was also honored with the University's Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1976 and the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society's Alumni Award of Merit in 1986.

Dr. Seibert's dental career also included 20 years within the military, serving from 1953 to 1973 in the Army Dental Corps and rising from first lieutenant and to a full colonel. Between 1967 and 1973, he was Chief of Periodontics at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. Among numerous honors while in the Army, Dr. Seibert received the Commendation Medal and the Legion of Merit.



# Alumni

## CLASS NOTES

### 1950's

**George S. Johnson (D'53)**, who has been retired since March 1990, enjoys playing golf, bowling, and bridge; investing in the stock market; and serving on his high school reunion committee.

**Arthur Z. Ponce (D'55)** is celebrating the first year of his retirement from Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine, where he served as Director and Professor of Radiology. He spends his free time playing violin with an amateur orchestra and semi-professional Pops group. He also bowls several times a week and enjoys using his computer. According to Dr. Ponce, he and his wife have been married for 52 years and are in reasonably good health for their age.

**Heber T. Graver (D'56, GR'72)** retired after 30 years of teaching at Penn Dental Medicine in the Division of Restorative Dentistry. He is involved in local activities, church, work, and travel. His son, **Lt. Col. Jay Graver (C'82, D'86)**, a board certified prosthodontist, serves in the U.S. Air Force.

**Thomas M. Saggies (D'56)** reports that he goes fishing in Florida every winter.

**Donald G. Tomlin (D'56, GD'59)** wrote in to say he is enjoying retirement.

**Noah Chivian (D'59)** is celebrating 45 years of endodontic practice in West Orange, N.J. In the ninth edition of *Pathways of the Pulp*, he co-authored a chapter titled, "The Role of Endodontics after Dental Traumatic Injuries." Published this year, the book is considered the definitive text for practicing endodontists and general dentists. During the 2006 Annual Session of the American Association of Endodontists, Dr. Chivian presented "Treating Root Resorption: A 45-Year Progression." He and his wife, Nancy, have three grandchildren.

### 1960's

**Richard A. Spagna (C'66, D'68)** and **Marianne Burger Spagna (DH'67)**, who established their dental practice in Falls Church, Va., in 1974, have recently welcomed **Karen J. Tritinger-Young (D'01)** to their general practice, joining **Sousan Kunaish (D'93)** and their son, **Christopher R. Spagna (D'01, GED'01)** in an all-Penn practice. The Spagnas, who are now transitioning into retirement, will help out in the practice whenever possible, but plan to devote more time to their volunteer activities with the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic and enjoying their second home in Delray Beach, Fla.

### 1970's



*Jeffrey Sameroff (left, D'71) presents Joseph R. Greenberg (D'72, GD'76) with the Pennsylvania Dental Association Public Service Award.*

**Joseph R. Greenberg (D'72, GD'76)** was honored with the Public Service Award by the Pennsylvania Dental Association during its 2006 Annual Meeting. He was recognized for improving access to dental care for Philadelphia's underserved children. In 1999, he founded Kids Smiles Dental Center, a non-profit children's dental health center in Southwest Philadelphia. A second center, located in West Philadelphia, opened in 2005. Kids Smiles is dedicated to treating the whole child to develop positive dental health. In his acceptance speech, Dr. Greenberg said, "Working to improve the lot of poor children in Philadelphia helps to brighten the future of our great city and surrounding neighborhoods."

Chairman. The purpose of AO is to advance the science and application of tissue replacement in oral and facial care.

**Louis E. Rossman (D'75, GD'77)** was elected Vice President of the American Association of Endodontists during its 2006 Annual Session. Dr. Rossman has been actively involved in the activities of the Association for years, serving as Secretary from 2005–06, Treasurer from 2004–05, District I Director from 2000–03, and participating in the work of numerous committees including Research and Scientific Affairs, Workforce, and Strategic Planning. He also has played an integral role in planning numerous annual sessions, serving as General Chair of the meeting in 2002.

**Elaine M. Kuracina (D'76)** practices in the "frontiers" of Northern New York where she has treated diplomats from the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa and opened a door of communication to the underserved Amish community. She has written a children's book, *The Elemental Tooth Fairy*, and has done readings at schools and book fairs. The book is about what the tooth fairy does with all the teeth she collects. Dr. Kuracina's avocation is acting and singing; this summer she appeared in *The Philadelphia Story* at the Pendragon Theater in Saranac Lake, NY.

In January 2006, **Philip T. Siegel (C'67, GD'76)** was appointed to serve a six-year term on the Pennsylvania State Board of Dentistry. Through the licensure of dental professionals, the Board ensures that such individuals are suitable and qualified. The Board also develops standards of professional conduct, including continuing education requirements, in order to maintain a high level of integrity and performance in the practice of dentistry.

### Share Your News

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After practicing in Philadelphia for 18 years, **Steven J. Rosenstein (D'75)** moved his practice to Aventura, Fla. He lives in Hollywood with his wife of 31 years and two children, Emily, 25, and Noah, 17. After serving as a member of the Academy of Osseointegration (AO) Research Submission Committee for four years, he now serves as the

In a presentation sponsored by the Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society, **John C. Kojs (D'77)** spoke to students on "Interdisciplinary Treatment Planning" in May 2006. After graduating from Penn, Dr. Kojs earned his certificate in Periodontal Prosthodontics with a M.S.D. degree from the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He maintains a private practice limited to prosthodontics in Tacoma and Seattle, and is an affiliate professor in the Graduate Restorative Program at the University of Washington. In addition, Dr. Kojs continues to direct the Kojs Center, a didactic and clinical teaching program. He was recently elected Secretary-Treasurer of the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry. (See alumni profile, page 34)

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**Michael W. Lew (D'83, second row from the top, third from the left)**, a member of the Dental Board of California, and other Asian and Pacific Islander American appointees serving in California state government were photographed in June with Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger outside the State Capitol Building in Sacramento. "Each of you is an integral part of my team and I want to thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the administration," Schwarzenegger said.

**Frederic Barnett (D'78, GD'81)** has been recently appointed Chairman and Program Director of the I.B. Bender Division of Endodontics in the Albert Einstein Medical Center Maxwell S. Fogel Department of Dental Medicine.

**Linda K. Himmelberger (D'79)** was sworn in as President of the Pennsylvania Dental Association (PDA) during its 2006 Annual Session in April. Dr. Himmelberger is only the second woman to serve as president. A constituency of the American Dental Association, the PDA is a voluntary organization comprising approximately 6,000 member dentists.

During the Pennsylvania Dental Association's 2006 Annual Session in April, **Judith A. McFadden (D'82)** was recognized with the Pierre Fauchard Academy Honor Award for her leadership as Chair of the Committee on Local Arrangements for the 2005 American Dental Association Annual Session in Philadelphia. The award is given for outstanding and dedicated service to the dental profession. The Pierre Fauchard Academy, an international dental honor society, recognizes outstanding dentists and celebrates their achievements.

After 22 years of active duty service in the Army Dental Corps, **John A. Gawlik II (D'84)** retired on September 1, 2006. He served on numerous bases across the country and around the world, including Germany and Italy. While serving in the Dental Corps, Dr. Gawlik received advanced training in Pediatric Dentistry from 1992-94 at Fort Meade, Md., and earned a Master of Health Administration from Baylor University in 2000. Since July 2006, he had been enjoying private practice with West Valley Pediatric Dentistry in Litchfield Park, Ariz. Dr. Gawlik and his wife, Darlene, have two sons now in college: Matthew, who is completing his studies this year in Jazz Arranging at the University of North Texas; and Evan, who is beginning his studies in Applied Mathematics at the California Institute of Technology.

**David R. Margulis (D'87)** recently released his third CD with his band Evën Sh'siyah <www.TheWayJewsRock.com>. When he is not busy recording and doing gigs, he manages to squeeze in a few patients in his dental practice, which features the largest healthcare-provider-based CD collection in the Midwest. He lives a quiet and peaceful life in Chicago with his wife, Staci K. Margulis (C'87), and their six wonderful children.



**Michael Glick (GD'88)**, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and Director of the Division of Oral Medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, was honored by Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the national dental honor society, as the 2006 recipient of the Stephen H. Leeper Award for Teaching Excellence. The award recognizes dental educators who have demonstrated exemplary standards in dental pedagogy and who have demonstrated vision and contributed significantly to the advancement of dental education. Dr. Glick serves as the editor of *The Journal of the American Dental Association*.

## 1990's



**Frank John Bellizzi, Jr. (D'93, WG'93)** has been named President of Zila Pharmaceuticals, Inc., as well as Executive Vice President of Business Development for Zila, Inc. Headquartered in Phoenix, Zila is an innovator in preventative health care technologies and products, focusing on enhanced body defense and the detection of pre-disease states. Dr. Bellizzi has over 15 years of experience within and beyond the life science industry, having worked in operations, finance, strategic business development, and investment banking. Most recently, Dr. Bellizzi was Managing Director of Indalo Ventures, a specialty advisory and investment firm he founded for high growth businesses.

**Meredith L. Davis (D'99)** and her husband, Kris Pound, welcomed a son, Jonathan Thomas (JT), into their family on November 16, 2005. When Meredith isn't taking care of JT, she works full-time as a general dentist at the Jessie Albert Memorial Dental Center in Bath, Maine. It is a community based, non-profit, dental clinic operated by Catholic Charities Maine.

## 1980's

**Regina M. Wrobel Karoscik (DH'80)** and her husband, Stan Karoscik, Jr., a pharmacist, of 24 years have three children: sons Wes, 16, and Owen, 14, and a daughter, Chandler, 11. She works in a pediatric practice in Scranton, Pa.

**Marc F. Lipkin (D'80, GD'81)**, writes, "My family practice in Souderton, Pa., continues to bring me great pleasure. My education is still important to me as I have just passed the written and oral examination to become an Associate Fellow in the American Academy of Implant Dentistry and will be inducted at this October's annual meeting in Chicago. Becoming a diplomate of the American Board of Implant Dentistry is my next goal!"

# In Memoriam

**Melvin Herrmann (D'24)**

Hebron, Ohio, June 20, 2006

**Elizabeth Smith Lilly (DH'29)**

Philadelphia, Pa., May 15, 2006

**Barbara S. Borchardt (DH'30)**

Wheaton, Ill., January 11, 2005

**Elizabeth E. Chubb (DH'30)**

Schenectady, N.Y., April 24, 2000

**Julia Buida Kost (DH'30)**

Osceola Mills, Pa., June 9, 2006

**Evelyn W. Fitelson (DH'31)**

Denver, Colo., July 17, 2004

**Samuel A. Comfort (C'30, D'33)**

Pompano Beach, Fla., November 30, 2005

**Leola E. Dougherty (DH'33)**

Northborough, Mass., January 1, 2006

**Edward Freedman (C'35, D'36)**

Narberth, Pa., January 23, 2006

**Wilfred W. Jordan (D'37)**

Miami, Fla., December 24, 2004

**William A. Phreaner (D'37)**

New Holland, Pa., June 30, 2005

**Elizabeth Kassab (D'38)**

Wallingford, Pa., March 10, 2006

**Nelson F. Robbins (D'38)**

Ocean City, N.J., July 29, 2004

**Theodore R. Vine (C'36, D'38)**

Ewing, N.J., March 26, 2006

**Peter B. Zuhoski (D'38)**

Cutchogue, N.Y., May 13, 2005

**Richard Green (D'39)**

New York, N.Y., January 1, 2005

**Lucille Ruby Hickman (DH'39)**

Westfield, N.J., March 14, 2002

**Florence R. Branksy (DH'40)**

Elkins Park, Pa., December 12, 2003

**Nicholas V. Clemente (D'40)**

Pelham, N.Y., November 27, 2004

**Milton A. Cutler (D'40)**

Glastonbury, Conn., August 25, 2005

**Leonard L. Zeldow (D'40)**

Binghamton, N.Y., October 5, 2005

**Anna Furst (DH'41)**

Hershey, Pa., September 10, 2005

**Stanley Pensak (C'39, D'41)**

West Caldwell, N.J., February 22, 2006

**John C. W. Worsley, Sr. (D'41)**

Hellertown, Pa., March 14, 2006

**Richard K. Conklin (D'43)**

Thomasville, N.C., March 19, 2006

**William A. Parks (D'43)**

Akron, Ohio, January 1, 2005

**Nathan Paul (D'43)**

Niskayuna, N.Y., November 16, 2005

**Robert M. Greenbaum, (C'37, GED'41, D'44)**

Falmouth, Maine, June 9, 2005

**Arthur B. Levitt (D'44)**

Green Island, N.Y., April 17, 2006

**Richard W. McClain (D'44)**

Tyrone, Pa., March 7, 2006

**Kitty M. Pritchard (DH'44)**

Cape May, N.J., April 1, 2006

**James A. Ruth (D'45)**

Reading, Pa., November 9, 2005

**Salvatore F. Cataudella (D'46)**

Methuen, Mass., February 24, 2006

**Patricia B. Rouge (DH'46)**

Chandler, Ariz., December 25, 2002

**Joyce V. Blaisdell (DH'47)**

Ellsworth, Maine, January 1, 2005

**Hallidae K. Carney (D'47)**

Sebago, Maine, March 26, 2003

**Arnold G. Clement (D'47)**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., December 11, 2004

**Frederick M. Liebman (D'47)**

Tuckahoe, N.Y., October 21, 2004

**David S. Nemerow (D'47)**

New York, N.Y., September 28, 2005

**Dolly Reed Peters (DH'47)**

Carrollton, Ga., April 12, 2001

**Harold Birghenthal (D'48)**

Pompano Beach, Fla., March 5, 2005

**Edward F. Callaghan (D'48)**

Wilbraham, Mass., December 26, 2005

**Marion Craven Limbacher (DH'49)**

Grennwich, Conn., July 22, 2004

**Leon Young (GD'49)**

West Palm Beach, Fla., March 22, 2006

**Lucille W. Burton (DH'51)**

Decaturville, Tenn., February 12, 2003

**Paul R. Callahan (D'51)**

North Cape May, N.J., February 24, 2006

**James A. Miller (D'51, GD'64)**

Columbus, N.J., December 2, 2005

**Edward C. Remnick (D'51)**

Hillsdale, N.J., January 4, 2004

**Robert M. Santo (D'51)**

Rochester, N.Y., August 6, 2005

**Joseph C. Goldschmidt (GD'52)**

Coatesville, Pa., April 1, 2006

**Deborah S. Nungesser (DH'52)**

Pittsburgh, Pa., January 1, 2005

**Beverly Nober Johnson (DH'53)**

Wildwood Crest, N.J., January 1, 2005

**C. Clark Johnson (D'53)**

Boothbay, Maine, May 24, 2006

**Martin M. Manning (D'53)**

Lexington, S.C., December 2005

**Mary Ethel Leonard Mahoney (DH'54)**

Wilmington, N.C., January 22, 2005

**James W. Miksch, Jr. (D'54)**

Lititz, Pa., February 19, 2006

**Virginia Hamilton Trexler (D'54)**

Huntingdon, Pa., January 2, 2006

**William J. O'Donnell, Jr. (D'55)**

Summerville, S.C., September 2, 2006

**J. Bernard Poindexter, Jr. (D'55)**

Huntington, W. Va., July 30, 2006

**Elmer H. Brown, Jr. (GD'56)**

Avila Beach, Calif., May 31, 2006

**Robert L. Foster (D'56)**

Philadelphia, Pa., October 13, 2004

**Barbara Redcay Robinson (DH'56)**

Dover, Del., March 26, 2006

**David F. Ditmore, Jr. (D'57)**

Needham, Mass., May 21, 2004

**Edward M. Feld (D'57)**

Avondale, Ariz., February 1, 2006

**Robert A. Probst (GD'58)**

St. Petersburg, Fla., March 2, 2000

**Thomas A. Seaton (GD'58)**

San Diego, Calif., March 17, 2003

**Frederic M. Chacker (D'59, GD'61)**

Philadelphia, Pa., May 10, 2006

**Gerald E. Clark (C'52, D'59)**

West Chester, Pa., August 22, 2006

**Harold B. Shorr (D'59)**

Woodcliff Lake, N.J., May 17, 2006

**Ronald M. Gibson (D'60)**

Tucson, Ariz., December 31, 2000

**Paul Schneider (GD'60)**

New York, N.Y., April 1, 2005

**Laurel D. Winters (DH'60)**

Wichita, Kan., March 6, 2003

**Jack B. Glasenapp (D'64)**

Cape Coral, Fla., November 5, 2005

**Gordon E. Levenson (C'57, GR'60, D'64, HOM'71)**

Ardmore, Pa., July 9, 2006.

**Edward H. Pine (D'64)**

Riverdale, N.J., April 14, 2004

**John F. Schreck (D'66, GD'71)**

Philadelphia, Pa., October 12, 2002

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Winfield, Ill., May 26, 2006

**Elisabeth Schroeder (DH'69)**

Toledo, Ohio, January 16, 2000

**Robert F. Youmell (D'69)**

Longmeadow, Mass., December 25, 2005

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Broomall, Pa., April 5, 2006



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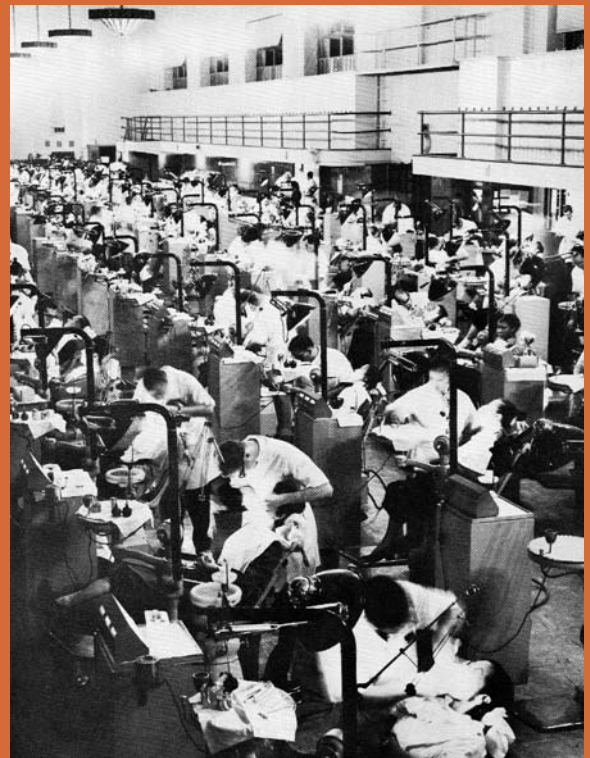
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### Alumni Programs & Events

#### November 1, 2006

**Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society Executive Committee Meeting**  
Robert Schattner Center  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
6:30 p.m.

#### November 4, 2006

**2006 Benjamin Franklin Society Dinner**  
Old Original Bookbinder's  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
7–10 p.m.

#### November 28, 2006

**Alumni Reception  
Greater New York Dental Meeting**  
Location to be Announced  
New York, N.Y.  
5:30–7 p.m.

#### January 26, 2007

**Alumni Reception  
Yankee Dental Congress**  
Location to be Announced  
Boston, Mass.  
6–7:30 p.m.

#### February 7, 2007

**Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society Executive Committee Meeting**  
Robert Schattner Center  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
6:30 p.m.

#### April 11, 2007

**Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society Executive Committee Meeting**  
Robert Schattner Center  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
6:30 p.m.

#### April 26, 2007

**Alumni Reception and Dinner  
American Association of Endodontists Annual Session**  
Loews Philadelphia Hotel, 33rd Floor  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
6:30 p.m.

#### May 8, 2007

**Senior Farewell 2007**  
The Ritz-Carlton, Philadelphia  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
6:30–10:30 p.m.

#### May 11–12, 2007

**Alumni Weekend 2007  
Reunions for classes ending in “2” and “7”**  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
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#### October 28, 2006

**Introduction to Forensic Dentistry**  
Presented by Howard Goldstein, DMD  
9 a.m.–5 p.m., 3 CDE lecture credits;  
4 CDE hands-on credits  
Robert Schattner Center  
Philadelphia, Pa.

#### November 17, 2006

**Implications of Cardiovascular Diseases for Dental Care and Oral Health**  
Presented by Thomas Sollecito, DMD and Frank E. Silvestry, MD  
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., 7 CDE lecture credits  
The Crowne Plaza Philadelphia  
1800 Market Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

#### November 18, 2006

**Microsurgery in Endodontics**  
Presented by Syngcuk Kim, DDS, PhD, MD (Hon) and Samuel I. Kratchman, DMD  
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., 7 CDE lecture credits  
Robert Schattner Center  
Philadelphia, Pa.

#### December 1 & 2, 2006

**Five Key Elements of Successful Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy**  
Presented by Nancy Lieberman, RDH, BS and Terri McCurdy, RDH, BS  
December 1: 12 p.m.–7 p.m., 7 CDE lecture credits  
December 2: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., 7 CDE hands-on credits  
Gregg Conference Center at the American College  
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