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It's hard to believe that it's been 10 years since we celebrated the graduation of our first class of 30 students, the Class of 2000. The College of Dental Medicine opened its doors in August 1997 with these international and transfer students in addition to the 95 students who made up our charter class of 2001. Since that time we have seen over 1000 pre-doctoral and 300 post graduate residents complete our program and enter the dental health profession. These graduates have gone on to make a significant impact both within the dental community and personally.

Over the last 13 years we have seen the NSU-CDM expand and flourish. We've added post graduate programs in all specialties, developed a significant research department and affiliated with numerous off-site clinics to help address the access to care issue within the state and provide our students with additional clinical experiences. Our special needs focus has allowed all students the opportunity to receive training and experience to this special population.

While we have made many significant strides, there is still so much to accomplish. I think we are in position and up to the challenge to take the College to the next level.

The College of Dental Medicine is putting a huge effort into its Alumni relations hoping to continually build a strong, loyal alumni base. As we mature, we will depend more and more on the support of our Alumni and friends to help us accomplish our long term goals. We hope that our graduates will recognize the opportunity that they were given and help us provide the same opportunity for current and future dental students by joining the Alumni Association and giving back.

Meanwhile, the college is using cutting-edge technology. To minimize patient error and maximize patient safety, the use of electronic medical records has been initiated at the dental school. The records allow dentists to access patient records and X-rays quickly and efficiently, eliminating the need to follow a paper trail.

Our dental school continues to be one of the nation's most sought after after dental academic programs. Each year, we receive approximately 3,500 applicants for 105 seats per class. Entering first-year students score an average of 22 on their Dental Admission Test, which is the standardized dental entry exam, and have a mean cumulative GPA of 3.68.

Of the number of applicants mentioned, 2,320 came from outside of Florida.

Recently, the college teamed up with the nonprofit, Kids in Distress, to operate a 12-chair dental clinic in Wilton Manors to provide dental services to underserved children up to 18 years of age and their families. The clinic will be staffed by NSU dental students and faculty. It is scheduled to open this fall.

Meanwhile, dental researcher Dr. Jeff Thompson is using federal research grants to look for ways to make dental ceramics stronger.

As you can see, there are many exciting things happening at the college. Thank you for your continued support. As always, we will keep you abreast of our latest developments and successes.

Sincerely,

Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D
Chancellor, Health Professions Division

The College of Dental Medicine continues to be one of the nation's leading dental schools, providing students and patients with high-quality academics and dental services, using the latest technology.

Our state-of-the-art facilities include one of the Southeast's largest dental clinics, a 172 chair facility at Nova Southeastern University's main campus in Davie. This facility offers patients comprehensive dental care. It also treats special needs patients in the areas of developmental issues, cleft palate, birth anomalies, and other craniofacial disorders.

CDM has community-based sites at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, Ryan White Clinic (treats AIDS/HIV patients) in Oakland Park, Palm Beach Department of Health, and others.

The University as a whole, and in conjunction with each college, has embarked on a long term annual giving campaign. These donations are primarily targeted towards scholarships for students but donors may select the area they wish their donation to benefit. With the rising cost of dental education and the tougher regulations for students to borrow money, scholarship funding is desperately needed. If you wish to join this campaign you may do so by going to: http://www.nova.edu/changingtheworld/index.html

Our continuing education department has worked with our Alumni office to put together an exciting, fun-filled Alumni weekend. We are looking forward to reuniting classmates, faculty and friends and we encourage you to join us at the Ritz Carlton on September 24th.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Uchin, DDS, Dean

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News Briefs

Dr. Paul Bradley, Vice-Chair, Diagnostic Sciences, and Director of the Orofacial Pain Clinic was awarded Honorary Membership of the World Federation for Laser Dentistry (WFLD) for “exemplary services to the field of Lasers in Dentistry and as an expression of high esteem” at the Congress of the WFLD European Division in Istanbul where he was principal guest speaker.

Dr. Abby Brodie, Associate Dean for Curriculum and Educational Affairs was awarded a Masters degree in Education Law. Dr. Abby Brodie was accepted and inducted into the American Dental Education Association Leadership Institute, Class of 2010.

Dr. Dominick DePaola, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs was appointed by the National Institutes of Dental and Craniofacial Research to serve on the External Scientific Advisory Committee for the Oral Health Disparities Collaborative Centers.

Dr. Diane Edo-Nichols, Chair for Community Dentistry received her Masters Degree of Public Health graduating with honors and received the Chancellor’s Award from the College of Osteopathic Medicine Public Health Program. Dr. Ede-Nichols also has been accepted to present the following at the paper 25th WORLD CONGRESS OF SVU CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIETY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES being held on June 27, 2010 –July 3, 2010 in Tabor, Czech Republic. She will be presenting along with Col leagues from the NSU College of Osteopathic Medicine. Bisphosphonate-associated Osteonecrosis in a Nursing home Patient: A Case Report.

Dr. Phyllis Filker of Cariology and Restorative Dentistry was appointed for a second term to the Test Construction Committee for Operative Dentistry which is part of the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations.

Dr. Audrey Galka, Chair for Cariology and Restorative was elected Member-At-Large for the American Dental Education Association Council of Sections, Section on Operative Dentistry and Biomaterials.

Dr. Cristina Garcia-Godoy, Director of Clinical Research has recently received the designation of Certified Clinical Research Professional (CCRP) after passing an examination administered by the Society of Clinical Research Associates (SoCRA). As a CCRP, Dr. Garcia-Godoy is recognized as a professional in medical research who has achieved an internationally accepted standard of knowledge, education and experience.

Dr. Michael A. Siegel, Chair, Diagnostic Sciences was appointed to be the Chair-Elect of the American Dental Education Association Council of Faculties. He was a Selected Leader in Continuing Education for 2010 by the Dentistry Today Journal. In January 2010, he was appointed to the Medical Advisory Board of Carma Pharmaceuticals. In January 2010, he was also appointed to be a Journal Reviewer for MedEdPortal and to the Postdoctoral Review Committee, Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Dr. Sharon Siegel, Chair, Prosthodontics was appointed to be the Chair of the Prosthodontic Section at the American Dental Education Association. She was also elected to be a “Member-At-Large” of the Administrative Board, Council of Sections, at the American Dental Education Association.

Dr. Jeff Thompson, Professor, Prosthodontics was elected to the Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society for his outstanding contribution to the art, science, and literature of dentistry.

Conferences, mentoring, assignments and internships:

Dr. John Antonelli, Associate Professor, Prosthodontics reported the following activities:
- He was inducted as a Faculty Member into Omicron Kappa Upsilon, Chi Psi Chapter, Dental Honor Society.
- Service as a reviewer for the journals General Dentistry and Journal of Dental Education.
News Briefs (continued)

Dr. Oscar Bolanos, Professor, Endodontics reported the following activities:
- Scientific reviewer for the Journal of Endodontics.
- Mentorship of the Endodontic residents.

Dr. Gary Conover, Professor, Diagnostic Sciences, reported the following activities:
- In June 2010, he gave a “Radiology Update” to the Florida National Dental Congress, held in Orlando.
- In July 2010, he also gave a presentation on the “Basics of Cone Beam CT” to the Memorial Dental Study Club.

Dr. Audrey Galka, Chair, Cariology and Restorative reported the following activities:
- Designed anatomic and internal root anatomy templates and drawings for the Dental Anatomy Web CT designed by Dr. Galka.
- In collaboration with Drs. Quinton, Schiuma, and Fellows of the Section of Cariology and Restorative Dentistry.

Dr. Anton Gottlieb, Associate Professor, Prosthodontics, was honored to give the “Last Lecture” to all the students and faculty of Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Steve Haas, Director of the Predoctoral Clinics and Associate Professor of the Section of Cariology and Restorative Dentistry is mentoring Giuliana Diaz (PG3 resident) in “Effect of four luting cements on tensile bond strength among dentin and glass fiber post.”

Dr. Chiu-Jen Hsu, Associate Professor, Department of Prosthodontics, received a letter of commendation from the Editor in Chief, Dr. David Felton for his excellent reviews for the Journal of Prosthodontics. Together with Carl Drako, he mentored Dr. Dong Kyung Kim in his PG3 research and presentation at CDM research Day. This research was submitted to the Journal of Prosthodontics.

Dr. Abraham Lifshitz, Orthodontics was invited to the Dominican Republic to give a course on Temporary Anchorage Devices to a group of orthodontists at “Centro de Educacion Continuada en Salud”. He was also invited to participate in the 7th International Orthodontic Congress as an abstracts reviewer. In addition: Dr. Lifshitz had a paper accepted for publication in The World Journal of Orthodontics. He also continued within the Editorial Review Board of the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, and as Editor in Chief of The Orthodontic CYBERjournal (http://www.oc-j.com).

Dr. Peter E. Murray, Professor, Endodontics reported the following activities:
- Keynote speaker to the Mexican Endodontic Association, at their annual session held in July 2010 at Ensalada, Baja California, Mexico.
- Keynote speaker to the College of Diplomates, American Association of Endodontists Conference, Hilton Head, SC.
- Research supervisor to a foreign-sponsored researcher. In July, 2010, he was notified by the Egyptian Embassy to the U.S. that they would sponsor a dental student researcher to spend one year working on a Regenerative Endodontics Study in his laboratory.

Dr. Romer Ocanto, Chair of the Section of Pediatric Dentistry was a proposal reviewer for the 2010 NSU Chancellors Faculty Research and Development Grant applications. He was also re-elected as reviewer to the Journal of Dental Education.

Dr. Sharon Siegel, Professor and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics reported the following activities:
- Winner of the NSU Co-Curricular Advisor Stuey Award.
- Service as the Clinical Reports Section Editor for the Journal of Prosthodontics.
- Reviewer articles for the Journal of Dental Education.
- Secretary to the Administrative Board for the Council of Sections of the American Dental Education Association.
- Service as a Member of the Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index Task Force.

Dr. Michael A. Siegel, Professor and Chair of the Section of Diagnostic Sciences reported the following activities:
- Service as Vice President for Faculties of the American Dental Education Association’s Board of Directors.
- A Service Recognition Award from the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Dr. Richard Singer, Orthodontics reported the following activities:
- Recipient of a NSU Faculty Development Grant in the amount of $5000.00 for a research study entitled: “A comparison of analog and digital cephalometric analysis — overall and regional superimpositions.”
- Invited Speaker by Cluj-Napoca, Romania, the event was co-sponsored by Universitatea De Medicină Şi Farmacia, and Dental Focus. He presented an orthodontic specialty research training course.

Dr. Jeffrey Thompson, a Professor in the in the Department of Prosthodontics, was inducted as an Honorary Member into Omicron Kappa Upsilon, Chi Psi Chapter, Dental Honor Society.

Promotions

Promoted to Associate Deans of the College

Dr. Stephen Abel, Associate Dean for Extramural Affairs/Public Health
Dr. Abby Brodie, Associate Dean for Curriculum Affairs
Dr. Hal Lippman, Associate Dean for Admissions, Student Affairs and Alumni
Dr. Sergio Kuttler, Associate Dean for Advanced Education Programs

Promoted to the rank of Full Professor

Dr. Ines Velez, Director of Oral Pathology
Dr. Ken Namerow, Division Chief, Surgical Sciences
Dr. Peter Murray, Division of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Clark Galin, Director for Continuing Education obtained $500,000 from Biomet 3i Corporate, a dental implant company, payable over 5 years.

Dr. Cristina Garcia-Godoy, Director of Clinical Research, the College Biosciences Center, was awarded two clinical study grants valued at $225,000 by Proctor and Gamble to perform a clinical study of the effectiveness of toothpaste to treat gum disease, which is known as Gingivitis.

A $10,000 NSU Chancellor Faculty Development Grant Award. The title of the project was: “NSUs Stem Cell Delivery Approaches for Bone Tissue Engineering.”

A $5,500 research award to his postgraduate student: Dr. Richard Raymond by the American Association of Endodontists.

Dr. Ines Velez, Professor, Section of Oral Pathology and her co-investigators: Drs. M. Siegel, L. Mejia, M. Lieberman, and N. Spielberg were awarded a $10,000 NSU Chancellor Faculty Development Grant Award. The title of the project was: “Association of HPV with Autoimmune Oral Diseases.”

Dr. Paul Bradley, Professor, Section of Diagnostic Sciences, and his co-investigator: Dr. Neil Spielberg, were awarded a $10,000 NSU Chancellor Faculty Development Grant Award. The title of the project was: “Can Types of TMD Be Distinguished by Surface Electromyography and Bite Force?”

Dr. Umadevi Kandalam, Assistant Professor, and her co-investigator: Dr. Eric Stelnicki was awarded a $10,000 NSU Chancellor Faculty Development Grant Award. The title of the project was: “Alginate/Hydroxyapatite Nanocomposite Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering.”

Drs. Peter Murray, Kenneth Namerow, and Sergio Kuttler have submitted a $1.7 million renewal application for further research funding to Dentsply Tulsa Dental to help them develop future dental treatments involving stem cells. The grant is titled: Development of the Regenerative Endodontics Kit.

Dr. Peter Murray submitted a new research application titled: “Biocompatibility Assays to Help End the Amalgam War” which requests $1.8 million in funding from the National Institutes of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

Dr. Jeffrey Thompson, Professor in the Section of Prosthodontics reported successful progress on their four-year $1.7 million Research Grant. Dr. Thompsons grant is titled: Thin Film Surface Coatings for Toughened Dental Ceramics.

Dr. Peter Murray, Associate Professor, Endodontics reported successful progress on the $201,450 research grant titled: Preclinical effectiveness of cytotoxicity assays, awarded by the National Institutes of Dental and Craniofacial Research to NSU. He also reported success on the $1 million research grant titled: “The biocompatibility screening of restorative treatments.” Unfortunately this grant has been transferred to the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis, Tennessee, following the departure of the former Associate Dean for Research; Dr. Franklin Garcia-Gody.

Drs. Peter Murray, Kenneth Namerow, and Sergio Kuttler reported successful progress on their $125,000 research grant awarded from the largest dental materials supplier in the world: Dentsply Tulsa Dental to help them develop future dental treatments involving stem cells. The grant is titled: Development of the Regenerative Endodontics Kit.

Dr.’s Peter Murray and Kenneth Namerow reported successful progress on their NSU Presidents Faculty Research and Development Award for the year 2009-2010: The grant is titled: NSUs Biocompatibility Screening Alternatives to Animal Experimentation.

Dr. Cristina Garcia-Godoy and Mr. Jim Rothrock report successful progress on their clinical trial of Proctor and Gamble oral care products.

NSU Section of Endodontics, has raised $500,000 in Endowment funds. The final $100,000 was a gift from the American Association of Endodontists Foundation to the College. The funds were raised due to the efforts of Drs. Ken Namerow and Eddie Skidmore. The funds will be placed in the Department of Endodontic Endowment Funds for supplemental support of young faculty member’s salary levels.

Dr. Peter Murray filed a patent on the subject of Regenerative Endodontics with the assistance of Dr. Gary Margules, NSU Vice President of Research and Technology Transfer. The ownership of the worldwide patent has been provisionally awarded to NSU.

Dr. Sharon Siegel, Professor, and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics was awarded the Canadian Patent 2,366,947. The title of the patent is: “Breakaway devices for stabilizing dental casts.”

The U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) awarded Dr. Abel a 3year service grant of $900,000 to provide treatment for the victims of domestic violence.

HRSA awarded Dr. Abel a continuing community service grant of $650,000 to provide dental treatments to HIV-AIDS patients in Broward County, Florida.

The HRSA awarded a service grant of $180,000 for the NSU and Albany Medical Center (New York) to build a 2 chair clinic in Fort Lauderdale.

The HIV Bureau of Broward County provided a grant of $410,000 to establish a community dental clinic containing 6 dental chairs in Oakland Park, Florida.

The HRSA awarded $1.1million to build a new dental facility at Joe DiMaggio Hospital for the treatment of children with special needs care.

The HRSA awarded $366,263 to Dr. Romer Ocanto, Chair of the Section of Pediatric Dentistry for continuation of the project title: Residency training in General and Pediatric Dentistry.

The South Florida Health Foundation provided a grant of $250,000 to support a dental outreach program in South Broward County in collaboration with Memorial Hospital.

The John T. MacDonald Fund awarded a grant of $50,000 to provide oral health services to second-grade school students in North Miami Beach, Florida.

A grant sub-contract from the University of Miami was awarded to Dr. Stephen Abel to provide dental services to children.
Fatigue Sensitivity of ZrO2-Based Endosseous Dental Implants - B. Taskonak, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, J. Griggs, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS, and M. Ito, Matsumoto Dental University, Nagano, Japan

Comparison of Bond Strengths of Novel Bone Adhesives in vitro - A.J. Bouvier1, S.B. Casas1, U. Kandalam1, J.K. Rothrock1, J.Y. Thompson1, C.Y.C. Huang2, and E.J. Stelnicki1, 1Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2University of Miami, Miami, FL

Long-Term Microtensile Bond Strength of Surface Modified Zirconia - R.L. Smith1, C. Villanueva1, J.K. Rothrock1, C. Garcia-Godoy1, B.R. Stonger2, J.R. Piascik2, and J.Y. Thompson1 1Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2RTI International, Research Triangle Park, NC

Twelve Week Gingivitis Response Consistency with a Stannous Fluoride Dentifrice - C. Garcia-Godoy1, T.N. Dan2, M.L. Barker2, and R.W. Gerlach2, 1Nova University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 2The Procter & Gamble Company, Mason, OH

An Evaluation of Biaxial-Flexural Strength of Flowable Composites - D. Thome, J. Rothrock, P. Hardigan, J. Larumbe, and C. Garcia-Godoy, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Influence of New Bioactive Material on Compound Nerve Action Potentials - D. Deniz1, T.C. Sayin2, Z. Cehreli2, M.A. Onur3, G. Tan4, and F. Dagle Comert1, 1Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey, 2Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 3Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey, 4Aksaray University, Nigde, Turkey

Botox as and Adjunct for Cleft Lip Reconstruction - A.M. Gallego, S. Casas, and E. Stelnicki, Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Evaluation of Canal Instrumentation Using GT Series-X™ versus ProSystem-GT™-N. Tabatabaei1, S. Kuttler2, and J. Coi1, 1University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada, 2Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Clinical Study on Sealant Marginal-Integrity for Newly-Erupting Molars: 2-Year Results - S. Antonson1, S. Brener2, J. Crutchfield3, D. Antolson1, S. Alempour2, C. Michaud3, and D. Evans2, 1State University of New York - Buffalo, Buffalo, NY, 2Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 3Temple University Hospital Episcopal Division, Philadelphia, PA

Clinical Study on Surface Protection for Newly-Erupting Molars: 2-Year Results - S. Antonson1, S. Brener2, J. Crutchfield3, D. Antolson1, C. Michaud3, S. Alempour2, and D. Evans4, 1State University of New York - Buffalo, Buffalo, NY, 2Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 3Temple University Hospital Episcopal Division, Philadelphia, PA, 4Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, NY

Root Canal Volume Changes Following Preparation: Microcomputed Tomographical Evaluation - K. Askin1, M.O. Uyanik1, T.C. Sayin2, I. Tatar3, H.H. Celik4, and F. Dagle Comert1, 1Hacettepe University Faculty of Dentistry Department of Endodontics, Ankara, Turkey, 2Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 3Hacettepe University Faculty of Medicine Department of Anatomy, Ankara, Turkey

Human versus Rat Tooth Culture for Dental Materials Biocompatibility Screening - P. Murray, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, and F. Garcia-Godoy, University of Tennessee, Memphis

Surface Analysis of Six Oy-modified Zirconia for Enhanced Silanation - J.R. Piascik1, S. Wolter2, J.Y. Thompson3, and B.R. Stoner1, 1RTI International, Research Triangle Park, NC, 2Duke University, Durham, NC, 3Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL
In the spirit of interprofessional collegiality and learning, the NSU College of Osteopathic Medicine and College of Dental Medicine joined forces this academic year to co-sponsor a series of noon-time Grand Rounds presentations. This lecture series features relevant topics for the primary care physician and dentist, and were encouraged and supported by COM Dean Silvagni and CDM Dean Uchin.

Originating during discussions between Abby Brodie, D.M.D., M.S., NSU CDM associate professor and associate Dean of Curriculum and Educational Affairs and Robert Hasty, D.O., and Janet Hamstra, Ed.D., NSU COM Assistant Professor, Medical Education Specialist and director of the NSU-COM Grand Rounds and Faculty Development Programs, have put together a series of six presentations for 2009-2010 on topics of interest to both medical and dental practitioners. The hour-long sessions are typically co-presented by a faculty member from each college with the goal of addressing and discussing the areas of intersection for medical and dental patient care.

CDM and COM faculty, and outside speakers volunteered for these presentations, providing time and expertise.

The following topics and speakers comprised the inaugural 2009-2010 Series:

**October 2009 - Bleeding Disorders: Patient Considerations for the Medical and Dental Practitioner**
- Eloy Roman, M.D., NSU-COM Clinical Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine
- William Parker, D.D.S., NSU-CDM Chair and Associate Professor of Periodontics

**November 2009 - Infective Endocarditis: Update and Clinical Implications**
- Steven Kaltman, D.M.D., M.D., NSU-CDM Chair and Professor of Oral Surgery
- Claudio Tuda, M.D., NSU-COM Clinical Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine

**December 2009 - Orofacial Sports Injuries: Interdisciplinary Approach to Prevention and Management**
- Andrew Kusienski, D.O., NSU-COM Assistant Professor of Osteopathic Principles and Practice
- Taner Cem Sayin, D.D.S., Ph.D., NSU-CDM Assistant Professor of Endodontics

**February 2010 - HPV Update: Considerations for the Medical and Dental Practitioner**
- Ines Velez, D.D.S., NSU-CDM Associate Professor and Director of Diagnostic Sciences
- Kenneth Johnson, D.O., NSU-CDM Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology

**April 2010 - Addiction to Prescription Medications: The Role of the Physician and Dentist**
- Barbara Krantz, D.O., Chief Executive Officer and Medical Director of Research, Hanley Center

**May 2010 - The HIV Patient: A Team Approach to Health Care**
- Romer Ocanto, D.D.S., M.S. MPH, NSU-CDM Chair and Associate Professor of Pediatric Dentistry
- Aki Papatzimas, D.D. S., NSU-CDM Assistant Professor of Community Dentistry
- Andrea Sciberras, D.O., NSU-COM Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine

Program evaluations provided at each program showed a high level of support and interest on the part of both medical and dental practitioners for the continuance of this series. Attendees provided feedback on suggestions for future topics. Drs. Brodie and Hamstra are presently coordinating the 2010-2011 Interprofessional Grand Rounds programs.

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### Pioneering CAD/CAM Dentistry Course

Last semester twenty-five D4s and three postdoctoral prosthodontic students completed the first CAD/CAM Dentistry course with Dr. Marvin Golberg, the director of the course. NSU-CDM acquired two CAD/CAM machines specifically for the course and at the end of eight weeks, Dr. Golberg and the students completed and cemented fifteen restorations.

The College is proud to be a leader in the subsequent milling and finishing restorations intra-orally with great precision. “The future is guiding us into the digital age,” says Dr. Golberg. “Dentistry must not lag behind this innovation.”
For more information or to register, please contact (954) 262-5327 or dentalce@nova.edu
Inspiring a Life-Long Passion for Learning

If you ever had the opportunity to interact with Clark Galin, you already know that he is a man on the move. One might ask where he is going. As the Director of Dental Continuing Education and Executive Coordinator for Dental Implant Programs the level of accountability, educational outcomes and competency achieved within these two areas of study are especially important to him. Dr. Galin is constantly looking for opportunities that will enhance and improve his already exceptional contributions to the College of Dental Medicine. To achieve these goals, one must have a vision. Dr. Galin has that and more.

Dr. Galin’s exact title is Associate Professor, Department of Periodontology, Director for Dental Continuing Education, and Executive Coordinator for Dental Implant Programs, three educational areas to which he dedicates significant effort and presently defines his commitment to the College of Dental Medicine.

A Michigan native, Dr. Galin graduated from the University of Detroit with a bachelor’s degree in English Literature. “After teaching High School English for a short time, dental school beckoned.” Dr. Galin said. “My father and my oldest brother were general dentists, another brother is an attorney and my sister is a school teacher. My father made college education a high priority.”

Dr. Galin’s journey in the dental field began at Indiana University. “It was the best four years of my entire life,” said Dr. Galin. Unfortunately, six weeks into the academic year, Dr. Galin was to undergo his first back surgery. While the doctors “repaired” his back, his instructors and fellow students made sure he didn’t miss anything at dental school. During his six week recovery, his classmates taped lectures, worked out tutoring schedule and when he was well enough, arranged rides to school. His instructors volunteered to tutor him in Anatomy and other lab-related classes on their own time. “I was exposed to a level of human nature which I never experienced before or since.” Dr. Galin said.

While attending an International Dental Program in Mexico City, Dr. Galin was introduced to the daughter of a periodontist who lived and practiced in Miami Beach. Behold, love bloomed and the marriage to Wendy, his wife of forty years, was the result. They were blessed with three children, Michael, Sherri, and Steven all of whom continue to live and work in South Florida. To date the family has grown to include Manda, Michael’s wife, and two grandchildren, Dylan and Lauren.

Why Periodontology?

After receiving his Periodontology certificate at the University of Illinois, Dr. Galin started practicing in Florida. After a short time, Dr. Galin was determined to establish his own practice to apply all that he’d learned from many mentors and control the quality of his patient’s care. “At the outset of my career I wanted to be the choreographer, the lighting technician, the director, the producer, and even the script writer in my office,” Dr. Galin said. “It was a very gratifying experience.”

In 1997, after his third back surgery, Dr. Galin had to retire from his practice. However, dental school beckoned again when, Dr. Seymour Oliet, the Dean at that time, invited him to join the faculty in the Perio department at Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine (NSU-CDM), where he became the chair of the Periodontology department. “The challenges and personal growth was a lifesaver for me,” Dr. Galin said. It has been an exhilarating and life-changing experience.

Focusing on Continuing Education (CE)

Dr. Galin had been involved with the FNDC Committee of the Florida Dental Association for ten years and served as its Chairman for five years. Along with other Committee members, he was able to achieve a significant increase in “dental team” participation as well as industry exhibitors. Dr. Oliet was aware of Dr. Galin’s previous involvement with CE and he asked him to become the Director of the Office of Continuing Dental Education. In yet another leadership position, Dr. Galin was once more able to fulfill his constant drive to achieve growth. The dental school offered three CE courses the first year, then ten the second year. This year, the department has presented fifty-five courses. They have grown from one part-time staff person to four full-time staff persons and a Director.

“There are a lot of possibilities that we look to in the future,” Dr. Galin says. “We have many goals yet to accomplish.”

Sun, Sand, Surf and CE

One of CE’s initiatives is the concept of Concierge Service which is the development of an infrastructure able to support interest in NSU-CDM CE as a destination for out-of-town or out-of-state travelers. Over the years we have developed an outstanding relationship with numerous hotels – the Ritz Carlton in Ft. Lauderdale being prominent amongst the list. With the rates we’ve negotiated through our Office of Continuing Education the motto, “Sun, Sand, Surf and CE”, has been adopted. If a member of the dental team finds it appealing, it is our intent to provide a variety of hotel packages that will heighten his/her enthusiasm.

The function of the Concierge service is to organize travel and hotel arrangements, local amusement and entertainment for the family of the course participant before, after or while he/she takes the CE course, the family will be able to indulge in all that Florida has to offer.

A Board Remediation program

In response to inquiry by the Florida Board of Dentistry, Dr. Galin developed a manual which establishes and substantiates accountability in the Board’s educational remediation program, under Chapter 466 Dental Practice Act. We have a 157 page manual which covers 18 areas of dental education: Cariology, Endodontics, Dental Implants, Periodontology, Pharmacology, Lasers, Radiology, Oral Medicine, Oral Maxillofacial Surgery, etc.
Industrial Partnerships

Over the past five years, Dr. Galin has established a working relationship with multiple dental-related companies. Two have provided five year agreements of 1.5 million dollars and a third, a seven year agreement for $3 million dollars, in support of the college. Some companies are involved with implants; others are involved with regenerative products, and several with materials involving support of various departments within the dental school”, Dr. Galin said.

“Using CE as my spring-board and getting to know many people across the country has been very exciting.” Dr. Galin said. “It’s been a transition between my being chairman of periodontolgy which took 150 % of my focus to today actually having the opportunity and the time to come up with creative ideas relative to CE and consider where we want to go from here."

On the CE brochure, there is the statement, ‘Inspiring a life-long passion for learning’. Dr. Galin sincerely believes in this statement. “In the past four years, I’ve achieved the greatest personal growth and certainly never could have imagined doing so if it weren’t for the challenges posed to me through my interaction with students and present administrative responsibilities.” Dr. Galin said. “While we come to an understanding of the “how” and the “why”, we not only grow as dental professionals but we grow as human beings, and to be a facilitator pursuing that goal is an honor which I will forever cherish.”

About the CE Program

Located in Ft. Lauderdale-Davie, Florida, we offer over 60 courses for dental professionals annually. Courses are scheduled for all disciplines of dentistry, which include general dentists, specialists, dental hygienists, dental assistants and dental laboratory technicians. Lecture and participation courses are presented by our own faculty, as well as visiting lecturers and clinicians. We are an approved continuing education provider for the Florida Board of Dentistry, ADA CERP and the Academy of General Dentistry.

Our Mission Statement

- To provide dental courses reflecting the most recent academic information and changing technology, inclusive of controversial subject matter of concern to all dental professionals.
- To promote and encourage continual and lifelong education of the dental professional beyond graduation and/or certification by presenting outstanding programs by recognized clinicians who have demonstrated expertise in their respective fields of endeavor.
- To provide dental professionals in Florida with courses required for relicensure.
- To provide and promote lifelong education for dental professionals beyond graduation
- To provide dissemination of new information and advancing technology in the world of the dental professional.
- To encourage and assist the dental professional to achieve higher levels of skills and knowledge, enabling the participant to continually provide an improved level of care to their patients and their community.

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Alan Haspel (‘04), son, Jacob Kuper, wife, Beth, and newest member of the family, Noah Soren, born on August 2009. Dr. Haspel is President of the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery of Florida.

Dr. Patricia Villalta (‘09) and her husband announced the arrival of their son, Ethan Villalta Salka, born on Thursday, March 18th. He weighed 7lbs 8oz and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Dr. Rebekka Gerson (‘04) and her husband welcomed their second daughter, Karleigh Jordan, on March 19th. Big sister Lauren Madison turned two July 28th. After completing her Periodontics training at Penn in 2007, Bekka is in private practice in Philadelphia.

Tara Lawson Kois (‘05) and Dean Kois (‘05) are expecting their second child in September. Dean just completed a climb to the summit of Mt. Kilamanjaro in July.

Summer Taylor Sawyer (‘07) and Shannon Sawyer (‘08) are expecting their second child in the fall.

Rafaela Correa-Pinto (08) and her husband will have a second child in the fall.

Jackie Culver Lanigan (‘08) and her husband are due with their second child in August.

Lindsey Alexander Varqhese (‘05) and her husband are expecting their second daughter in September.

Melissa Moran Baleno (‘08) and Mike Baleno (‘07) will welcome a baby girl in August.

Liam Phelps, 4 months, Riley Phelps, 3 yrs. Chris Phelps (‘03) is opening four general dentistry offices in November.

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Each year our reception at the Florida Dental Association meeting continues to attract more guests. Over 100 guests attended the reception and stopped by our exhibit booth.

It was great to hear success stories and we look forward to seeing even more at our Alumni weekend September 24-26th, 2010. We will be hosting another reception at the ADA meeting in Orlando on October 9, 2010.

Please check the “events” section on our Facebook fanpage for additional information: Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine Alumni (official)

Alumni Highlights from FNDC

L-R: Arghavan Nassar ’12, Pam Shelling ’12, Dr. Krasne, Amanda Buscemi ’13, Amy Ackley ’13, Christina Wiggins ’11, and Sheila Mazhari ’12

Drs. Fred Kohler, Buddy Krasne, Mark Romer, and Peter Keller; Bottom: Arghavan Nasser ’12, Christine Wiggines’11, Pamela Shelling ’12

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Dr. Patrick Ferry ’05

Drs. Manfred Buechele ’08, Michelle Banagale ’08, Rafaela Correa-Pinto ’08

Dr. Irene Marron ’03

Drs. Michael Gagaoudakis ’06 and Aaron Kennedy ’08

Drs. Yadiris Reynoso ’09, Ross Reiter ’09 and Hal Lippman

Dr. Denis Dospehoff ’09

Drs. Lisa Klein’04, Hilary Hulland ’04, Rajiv Motwani ’04, Pamela Putman ’04

Drs. Sal Colombo ’10 and Yadiris Reynoso ’09

Dr. Angelica Cardenas Manzur ’03
Kevin Suzuki ('07) completed a PG program in periodontics at Temple University. He will be practicing in the Seattle area.

Tracy Heiken (08) completed pediatric dental program at Temple University. She’ll be returning to S. Florida to practice in Aventura.

The following Alumni completed their post graduate programs at NSU and graduated on June 25.

Stephen Mangan (Endodontics)
Danny Torres (OMFS)
Prathima Paleti (orthodontics)
Melanie Gritz (pediatric dentistry)
Chad Orlich (periodontology)
Darren Pike (periodontology)

Jared Young (09) and Catherine Mortazavi (10) were married on June 26, 2010. Jared is completing a pediatric dental program at Detroit Mercy hospital and Catherine is beginning a GPR.

Joanne Nunes (08) and Andre Ledoux (10) were married on May 22. Andre is serving in the Army following graduation.

Derek Gatta ('08) will serving in the Kingdom of Bahrain for a year starting August 18th. He has been at Camp Pendleton since graduation.

James Wealleans ('06) is currently serving in the US Air Force. He is stationed in Kadena AFB in Okinawa.

Andrea Decerce ('06) is currently serving in the Navy and just completed a tour in Okinawa. She’ll be stationed at Parris Island, SC on her return.

2010 Alum will practice in Boca. Danny Torres graduated from our predoc program in 2006 and immediately joined Oral Maxillofacial Surgery. He received his OMFS certificate in June and starting this month, he’s associating with Dr. Dr. Stephen Rimer in Boca Raton and on staff at Boca Raton Community Hospital.

Larry Dougherty ('08) and Ana Paula Ferraz-Dougherty ('08) were married May 1, 2010 in Miami at the Deering Estate. The Dougherty’s are practicing in Jacksonville, Florida. Pictured R: Beatriz Duarte ('08), L: Michelle Mayer ('08)

Elizabeth Dowd ('09) was married on May 22 in Lincoln, Nebraska. She just started her second year of ortho residency at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.
Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU), the National Dental Honor Society, Chi Psi chapter at the College held its annual induction ceremony on May 27, 2010 at the Riverside Hotel, Las Olas. At the induction ceremony, 13 students and two faculty members John Antonelli, DDS, MS and Jeffrey Thompson, PhD.

AEGD winners

AEGD residents won first place at the The American College Of Dentists Florida Section Annual Scientific Table Clinic Session 2010. For their research project: The Effect Of 2% Chlorhexidine Solution On Microleakage Through Enamel Margins Of Class V Composite Restorations.”
Graduation Highlights

2010 Senior Dinner Dance

2010 Senior Family Cruise

Graduation Day!!

Postdoctoral Graduates

2010 OMFS, Faculty, Residents, and Graduates

2010 Endodontic Graduates

2010 Periodontology Graduates

2010 Prosthodontic Faculty and Graduates

2010 AEGD Faculty and Graduates

2010 Orthodontics Graduates
On Saturday, February 6, 2010, the College partnered with the Broward County Dental Association to participate in the American Dental Associations annual Give Kids a Smile event. The event was held from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the College. Over 150 volunteers including NSU students, faculty, alumni and dentists from within the community provided free dental care to over 250 children. Patients were provided with dental screening, cleaning, fluoride treatment and basic dental services including sealants, extractions and restorations. The estimated value in free services provided was about $47,000.

Fourth year student, Kristin Hodgson and D1 student Steven Tan worked with Ms. Marjorie Bell, Director of Student Services at the College to coordinate the event. Henry Schein Company and Colgate sponsored the event and provided many of the supplies needed.

Christina Wiggins (‘11) was appointed as the student representative on the ADA Council on Education. The Council chair monitors the administration, construction and scoring of the National Board Dental Examinations, Part I and II.

Stas Grandi (‘11) was awarded a 2010 American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Geis Research Fellowship.

Lindsey Anderson (‘11) and Marissa Whitehead (‘11) attended the American Association of Women Dentists 89th Annual meeting. The meeting took place in Chicago June 24-26. The program featured speakers presenting on a variety of topics such as balancing your life in addition to scientific sessions.

Anurupa Singh Roy (‘13), Melissa Sterling (‘12) and Nicole Lamb (‘12) attended the Student National Dental Association meeting in Honolulu July 16-19, 2010.
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