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Happy New Year! As we move ahead into 2011, it is my wish that each of you have a wonderful and healthy new year. The dental school is bursting with activity. Our D-4 students are busy trying to finish their patient procedures in order to take their board exams and graduate while the other students are just trying to keep up with the busy pace of dental education. And as you can tell by this issue of the alumni magazine, our faculty are no different.

Our dental school has been blessed with the ability to attract many new highly qualified faculty in a time when all dental schools are actively recruiting. The number of vacant positions in dental education is growing for several reasons. First, the disparity in faculty salaries compared with those of private practice continues to widen. Second, the number of dental schools expanding their student body necessitates increasing the size of their faculty. And third, the number of new dental schools either being built or proposed is at an unprecedented level – all of which will need faculty. As you are aware, starting with Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., in 1997, five new dental schools have recently been built. This brings the number of dental schools to 59. There are currently four additional dental schools being built and an additional 10 on the drawing board. If all these are completed, that will bring the total number of dental schools to 73, an unprecedented number in the history of dental education! So now you can fully understand my delight in our success in attracting so many new faculty.

In other important news from the campus, we are starting the renovation of many additional areas in the Dunn building. Currently, the following projects are under way: 1st floor – research laboratory; 3rd floor – faculty practice and our new clinical research area; 5th floor – PG periodontics and PG prosthodontics. In addition, construction has begun in the dean’s area and in the near future, the renovation of PG orthodontics will be under way as well as the new PG endodontics clinical area in the fall. We are also kicking off our fundraising for our oral surgery clinic this spring.

As you can see, the dental school is not a place to sit back and relax but a place of change as we move into the new year. None of this would be possible without the support of our beloved alumni and friends who continue to unselfishly give to help make the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry one of the best dental schools in the nation.

Thank you!

Timothy L. Hottel, DDS, MS, MBA
Dean, UT College of Dentistry
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UTHSC has begun our centennial celebration commemorating our 100 years on the Memphis campus. The College of Dentistry (more than 130 years old) is a key part of this celebration. It is fitting that this centennial marks the expansion of our dental programs with new advanced training certificates, new simulation facilities, a renovated Dunn Dental Building, and a class and faculty expansion.

In January, I had the opportunity to spend some time with then Governor-elect Bill Haslam during one of his several pre-inauguration visits to Memphis. Our partners at the Memphis Bioworks Foundation organized a presentation to demonstrate the myriad, local growth opportunities on the horizon in biotechnology. Naturally, the UT-Baptist Research Park, where our Regional Biocontainment Lab and nearly complete, new College of Pharmacy Building are located, was one of the items on the agenda.

Also in January, BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (BCBST), one of our long-standing health care partners, kicked off our year on an incredibly bright note with the award of a more than $2.9 million grant. The funds will be used to move our campus forward, at a much more rapid rate, to establish an interdisciplinary simulation center where students from five colleges – Allied Health Sciences, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy – can work together to practice team-based clinical care, while sharpening their focus on patient safety. I hope you’ll take a few moments to read about the grant on page 7. We are incredibly appreciative of this noteworthy gift and we take great pride in counting Vicky Gregg, CEO for BCBST, and her team at the BCBST Foundation as one of our most steadfast and generous partners.

Through the generosity of our alumnus Dr. Robert Kaplan (College of Medicine, 1973), we established the Kaplan Clinical Skills Center several years ago. On page 24, you can read about the technological updates recently installed to provide our students with an even more enhanced, realistic clinical training experience.

In March, UT Day on the Hill, the annual legislative outreach event that brings representatives from every UT campus to Nashville, will highlight the UTHSC Centennial. Plans are under way to give legislators an opportunity to hear more about how UTHSC affects the lives of people throughout the state, region and beyond.

In addition, please make note that the UTHSC Centennial Anniversary Gala has been moved to Saturday, September 17, 2011. We hope many of you will join us right here in Memphis where our institution was founded and has continued to flourish. A portion of the proceeds from the Gala will benefit the UTHSC Transplant Institute at Methodist University Hospital.

The UTHSC Centennial Book continues to be available for purchase online and at our Bookstore in Memphis. During the book signings that Dr. Pat Wall and I participated in at year-end, we found faculty, staff, students and alumni not only thrilled with the Centennial Book but also pleased to have a copy of the 75th anniversary book, gratis, as a bonus. We hope you will visit our bookstore Website (www.uthsc.bncollege.com or http://bit.ly/uthsc_100) to purchase copies of our centennial book for yourself, a friend or colleague. You can also scan the QR code printed at the bottom of this page with your smart phone to make a book purchase.

In sync with the celebration of our first century, UTHSC is also celebrating 50 Years of African-American Achievement throughout 2011 as a way to recognize the accomplishments of African-American alumni and students. This celebration is being held in conjunction with other campuses within the University of Tennessee system. Read more about how to get involved with this special series of events on page 6.

Steve J. Schwab, MD
Chancellor
The UT Health Science Center
Carver Named Executive Assistant to President

Keith Carver, PhD, interim vice chancellor for development and alumni affairs, was named executive assistant to UT President Joe DiPietro on Jan. 3. Dr. Carver has held positions at UT’s campuses in Knoxville, Martin and most recently Memphis during his career.

“Because of the key role the executive assistant will play on my leadership team, it is critical that the individual selected has leadership experience at the university and an understanding of the entire university and relationships among all its entities. Clearly, Keith brings that experience and understanding,” President DiPietro said.

The executive assistant to the president replaces the chief of staff position on the president’s staff. The executive assistant carries out several duties including:

- Maintaining a standard of excellence for the staff in the Office of the President;
- Coordinating and institutionalizing the planning function, such as the university strategic plan and institutional goals;
- Representing the president at events, activities, meetings and to constituent groups as required, and
- Serving as liaison with all levels of administration statewide.

Prior to working at UTHSC, Dr. Carver was assistant vice chancellor for development at UT Martin from 2006 to 2010. He held several positions at UT Knoxville including assistant director and director of development and alumni affairs for the College of Law, program director for the Office of Student Activities and co-director of TeamVOLS. He also worked as director of special projects and coordinator of experiential education at Marietta College in Ohio for two years.

Dr. Carver earned his bachelor’s degree in sociology at the University of Memphis, his master’s in college student personnel and educational leadership at UT Knoxville and his doctorate in philosophy at UT Knoxville. His dissertation was entitled “A Study of Presidential Derailment in Public Research Universities,” and he is contributing a chapter to an upcoming book on presidential derailment from the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges.

Keith Carver

UTHSC Celebrates 50 Years of African-American Achievement

UT Health Science Center will celebrate 50 Years of African-American Achievement throughout 2011 as a way to recognize the accomplishments of African-American alumni, students and employees. This celebration is being held in conjunction with other campuses within the University of Tennessee system. This year is especially significant for UTHSC since the main campus in Memphis is marking its centennial anniversary in 2011: 100 years advancing the future of health care.

“UTHSC has demonstrated a consistent commitment to diversity since the desegregation of the Health Science Center and the Geier Consent Decree,” said UTHSC Chancellor Steve Schwab. “We continue to be progressive in supporting equal opportunities for African-Americans to succeed in all areas of our institution – from student enrollment and retention, to hiring and retention of students, faculty and staff.”

During the year-long celebration of African-American Achievement, UTHSC will also focus on encouraging African-American alumni and student interactions, and on building African-American alumni relations – i.e., participation, volunteerism and networking – through a series of events that will include the Black Student Association (BSA) Awards Ball, a celebration luncheon, a Wine Down Reception at the Soulsville/Stax Museum, and UTHSC Diversity Day.

For more information about UT Health Science Center’s year-long program to mark 50 Years of African-American Achievement, please contact the UTHSC Office of Equity and Diversity by telephone – (901) 448-2112; by e-mail – hsc-oed@uthsc.edu or through our Web site – www.uthsc.edu/oed/50years.php.
Honoring Veterans

November 11, the UT Health Science Center celebrated Veterans Day with a luncheon remembering the sacrifices of America’s veterans, including students, faculty and staff who serve, or have served.

Veterans Day is observed annually in the United States in honor of all those, living and deceased, who served with the U.S. armed forces. Unlike Memorial Day, which honors those who have died in wartime, Veterans Day honors all those who have served, in times of peace as well as in war.

The College of Dentistry veterans honored at the luncheon were Brian H. Bowling, material control manager, and Maurice Lewis, DDS, assistant professor in restorative dentistry and director of private practice.
Chancellor Steve Schwab, MD, has announced that UTHSC is creating two new faculty practice groups as joint ventures with partner teaching hospitals in Memphis and Chattanooga. “Both of these ventures establish new practice expansion opportunities, generate new lines of revenue for the Health Science Center, and will enhance the teaching environment. These types of ventures are essential to drive the university’s go-forward expansion strategy,” Chancellor Schwab stated.

In Memphis

Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital and UTHSC are launching a new pediatric specialty faculty group practice. “The increased focus on alignment between hospital and university will allow cooperation in clinical care, research and teaching,” Dr. Schwab explained.

The new physician group, UT Le Bonheur Pediatric Specialists (ULPS), will initially include more than 100 pediatric subspecialists who were members of UT Medical Group, Inc. (UTMG). These physicians practice at Le Bonheur and have academic appointments at UTHSC. They represent pediatric medical areas ranging from pediatric heart surgery to pediatric neonatology. In addition to treating children throughout the Mid-South at Le Bonheur, these physicians are devoted to cutting-edge research related to children’s health, and education of the next generation of pediatric physicians and surgeons.

The ULPS structure will also allow the children’s hospital and the university to jointly recruit highly trained, highly sought-after pediatric specialists to Memphis. “This concept will allow us to recruit the best and brightest to Memphis to care for our children,” said Le Bonheur President and CEO Meri Armour. “We are working hard to cultivate pediatric thought leaders and experts to expand the capabilities of both Le Bonheur and UTHSC.”

All physicians in the UT Le Bonheur Pediatric Specialists group will be UTHSC faculty members. The group will be governed by an 11-member board of directors including the practicing physicians. A chief executive officer will be recruited to lead the practice. The practice began on January 1, 2011. It was presented to the UT Board of Trustees and the Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare Board of Directors in the fall of 2010. ULPS is the Mid-South’s only multi-specialty pediatric group practice solely focused on children’s health. Substantial growth is expected in this practice both from local and national sources.

“We see closer alignments with our health care partners across the state as an essential element in our ability to expand our educational offerings and increase our ability to serve the state and region,” Chancellor Schwab observed. “UT Health Science Center is already the state’s leading purveyor of health care trainees in a variety of fields – medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, nursing and allied health professions. To expand our educational capacity and improve the opportunities for health care trainees at partner institutions, we will work in close collaboration with our partners.”

In Chattanooga

The Erlanger Health System, in partnership with the UTHSC, has created a new physician practice plan called the UT-Erlanger Medical Group. The formation of this multi-specialty physician group, approved by Erlanger trustees, will include more than 150 physicians and mid-level providers.

Physicians in the newly formed UT-Erlanger Medical Group represent a wide range of medical expertise, from both adult and pediatric specialties. In addition to providing health care for all ages, members of the UT-Erlanger Medical Group will continue to focus on medical research and educating future medical specialists.

David Seaberg, MD, dean of the UT College of Medicine Chattanooga at Erlanger, noted the new UT-Erlanger Medical Group “will finally align the clinical strategic vision of the Erlanger Health System with the academic mission and strategic direction of the university.” Dr. Seaberg went on to enumerate the benefits, noting that the plan “will strengthen the partnership between the university and the Erlanger Health System, provide stability for the physicians in the practice, enhance the efficiency of the clinical practices and, most importantly, provide better patient care for the greater Chattanooga community.”
COD Featured in TV Commercial

UT College of Dentistry students and faculty participated in video production for a new UTHSC television commercial titled, “Leading Edge Dentistry.” The production is an extension of the “Right Here in Memphis” marketing campaign.

The commercials will be broadcast in the Memphis market through the spring. To view the commercials online, please visit www.uthsc.edu/tvcommercials/dental.php

UTHSC Centennial Events Set

UT Health Science Center Office of Special Events released a schedule of celebrations honoring the university’s 100th year.

The UTHSC Centennial Gala will take place Saturday evening on September 17th on the Memphis campus. A portion of the funds from the gala will benefit the UTHSC Transplant Institute at Methodist University Hospital.

The university will hold the UTHSC Centennial 5K on Sunday, September 18th, also on the Memphis campus.

For details or tickets, please contact Pam Houston, director, UTHSC Office of Special Events, at phouston@uthsc.edu or (901) 448-1164.

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The University of Tennessee College of Dentistry Alumni Association has selected Dr. Wallace C. Lail as its 2011 Outstanding Alumnus Award recipient. The Alumni Association’s highest award is presented to Dr. Lail in recognition of his contributions to his alma mater and the dental profession. Dr. Lail completed his pre-dental studies at Emory University in Atlanta in 1961. He then obtained his D.D.S. degree from the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry in 1965.

After serving in the U.S. Army Dental Corps at Fort Bragg, N.C., Dr. Lail returned to Georgia in 1969 to start his dental practice in Duluth. He also served as Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Oral Medicine at the Emory University School of Dentistry from 1975 to 1988. While maintaining his private practice, Dr. Lail also served as Chief of Dental Services at Buford Manor Nursing Home. He has been a member of the Board of Counselors at Oxford College of Emory University since 1982.

During his career, Dr. Lail has been affiliated with several professional societies, including: the American Dental Association, the Georgia Dental Association, the Button Gwinnett Dental Study Club as well as the Northern District Dental Society and its Executive Council. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Dentists and a Fellow of the International College of Dentists. In addition, Dr. Lail is an Honorable Fellow of the Georgia Dental Association.

Dr. Lail has been an integral member of the Thomas P. Hinman Dental Society since 1971. During his tenure, he has held positions as secretary, vice president, president-elect, and president. In addition to serving on the Executive Council, Dr. Lail has also served as the chairman of several committees and as general chairman of the Hinman Dental Meeting in 1998. Dr. Lail also served a six-year term as a trustee of the Hinman Dental Society.

Having served as president from 2004 to 2006, Dr. Lail continues to be a vital member of the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry Alumni Board of Trustees and is an active supporter of the Mid-South Dental Congress.

Dr. Lail has been an active civil servant in Duluth, Ga., since 1974. He served as chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Duluth from 1974 to 1976. He also served on the city council from 1976 to 1979. From 1976 to 1979, Dr. Lail was Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Duluth.

He is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Gwinnett County and has served as secretary and president. In addition, Dr. Lail served on the Board of Directors for Citizens Bank of Gwinnett from 1983 to 1998.

Dr. Lail still practices four days a week. He enjoys staying at his cabin in the North Georgia mountains, hunting, fishing, and flying his restored 1938 Stearman bi-plane.

Dr. Lail and his wife, Mary Slade Lail, have been married 49 years. They have three sons—Ray, Slade, and Brandan—and 10 grandchildren.
Melody A. Barron, DDS
Assistant Professor, Bioscience Research
Director, TMJ/Sleep Disorder Clinic

Dr. Barron graduated from the UT College of Dentistry in 1992. She graduated with honors and was awarded the Orthodontic Award for Interest in the Development of the Craniofacial Complex. Her interest continued in the area after graduation by attending continuing education in treatment of temporomandibular joint (TMJ) dysfunction, sleep disordered breathing by oral appliance therapy, and treatment with craniofacial orthopedics. She has attended more than 1,000 hours in advanced training in these areas.

After several years of treating patients with craniofacial pain, Dr. Barron limited her practice to the treatment of TMJ disorders and Sleep Apnea by oral appliance therapy in 2005. She transferred her practice into the UT College of Dentistry’s Center for Craniofacial Pain where she continues to treat patients.

Dr. Barron is a member of the American Academy of Craniofacial Pain, the American Academy of Pain Management, American Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine, American Academy of Sleep Medicine, Academy of Clinical Sleep Disorders Dentistry and the Tennessee Sleep Society.

Stuart A. Caplan, DDS
Assistant Professor, Biologic and Diagnostic Sciences

Dr. Caplan attended both the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University for his undergraduate pre-professional studies. He received his dental degree from Marquette University and his Master’s of Science from Nova Southeastern University.

In addition to being in private practice in both Margate and Summerland Key, Fla., for over 37 years, Dr. Caplan has been a faculty member at both Indiana University School of Dentistry and Nova Southeastern University. He served as examiner for the Florida Board of Dentistry and a national licensure consultant for the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Dr. Caplan is a member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, American Association of Dental Boards and until moving to Tennessee he served on the Florida Bar Association 17th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee.

James M. Christian, DDS
Associate Professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Christian received his undergraduate degree from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., in 1972, and his dental degree from Temple University School of Dentistry in Philadelphia in 1978.

Dr. Christian was a faculty member at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and served as director of the Division of Dentistry and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in the Department of Otolaryngology. He has an extensive background in academics and research, and has served on the medical staffs in many hospitals.

Dr. Christian is a member of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He is a 1983 diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.
Cimara Fortes Ferreira, DDS, MS, PhD
Assistant Professor, Prosthodontics

Dr. Ferreira graduated from dental school at the Minas Gerais Pontifical Catholic University in Belo Horizonte, Brazil. In 2000, she was accepted for a two-year residency program in implant dentistry and supervised training course in periodontics at the Craniofacial Anomaly Rehabilitation Hospital of the University of São Paulo (HRAC-USP) in Bauru.

Dr. Ferreira was accepted in the master’s program at the Federal University of Santa Catarina (UFSC) in 2002. During this time she was also an assistant professor of oral surgery for the undergraduate course at the School of Dentistry of Lages, Santa Catarina, Brazil. Wanting to gain more in-depth knowledge in implant dentistry, she began a PhD program at the same institution in 2004. During her studies, she was selected for an academic scholarship to conduct research abroad and was accepted to participate in an ongoing research project at the Department of Craniofacial Development at King’s College London.

After defending her thesis, she was selected on the basis of a competitive examination for a two-year assistant professor faculty position in the Department of Periodontics at UFSC. In search of a tenured position, Dr. Ferreira came to the United States and worked one year for Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., before joining the UT College of Dentistry to work closely with dental implant therapy.

Nicholas O. Gerard, DMD
Assistant Professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Gerard received his undergraduate degree from Villanova University in Pennsylvania in 1982 and his dental degree from Temple University School of Dentistry in Philadelphia in 1986.

He has an extensive background in academics and research. He was on the faculty at the Medical College of Pennsylvania and the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, both in Philadelphia.

Dr. Gerard is a member of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery. He is a 1995 diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Liang Hong, DDS, MS, PhD
Associate Professor, Community Oral Health

Dr. Hong was born in China, and received his Doctor of Dental Surgery from West China University of Medical Sciences in 1998. Immediately after graduation, he attended the University of Iowa College of Dentistry for advanced study where he received his Master of Science in Dental Public Health, graduate certificate in operative dentistry, and Doctor of Philosophy in oral epidemiology.

Dr. Hong was assistant professor in the Department of Dental Public Health at the University of Missouri School of Dentistry before joining the UT College of Dentistry. He has passion in providing dental service to the unserved and underserved populations and will assist the college in establishing a community-based dental education program.

Dr. Hong will also conduct significant research in the college. He has obtained external funding for more than $800,000 in the past five years and currently holds two National Institutes of Health grants. His research activities focus on the epidemiology, risk assessment, and prevention of dental caries and use of fluoride in dentistry. Dr. Hong has published more than 30 articles in peer reviewed scientific journals and gives lectures nationally and internationally.

Dr. Hong is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health, member of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, and the American Academy of Operative Dentistry.
**Erica Krohn Jany Migliorati, DDS**  
Assistant Professor, Periodontology  

Dr. Migliorati graduated from the University of Sao Paulo (USP)-Dental School, Brazil, in 1973. She also received a postgraduate degree in periodontology from USP. Dr. Migliorati has held teaching positions at the University of Sao Paulo, University of California San Francisco, University of Florida Gainesville, University of Zurich Switzerland and NOVA Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

She has worked in periodontology for the last 30 years in all capacities including teaching, research and patient care. She was one of the pioneers in the dental field in HIV infection and AIDS when working in San Francisco in the early 80s. Working as a member of different oncology teams, she has also been involved in the periodontal treatment of patients with cancer, bone marrow transplants, and oral complications of cancer therapy.

Dr. Migliorati teaches a course in laser dentistry at the UT College of Dentistry. Her clinical area of concentration involves the use of lasers as adjuncts to periodontal treatment. She is also trained in the use of laser light in other areas of dentistry such as implant treatment and restorative dentistry. Her research work included the use of the laser light as an adjunct to procedures performed in the oral cavity, HIV infection and immunosuppression.

She is a member of the American Dental Association, the American Academy of Periodontology and the American Academy of Laser Dentistry.

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**Vinay Jain, DDS**  
Assistant Professor, Prosthodontics  

Dr. Jain completed his dental degree and general practice residency in 2003 from Government Dental College and Hospital, Mumbai, India. He then moved to the United States to pursue higher education and received a Master of Environmental Sciences degree at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University in 2007.

In 2010, he completed his residency training in advanced prosthodontics, earning a Master of Dental Science Degree from the UT College of Graduate Health Sciences. His research interests include the contribution of neural crest and dental pulp stem cells to craniofacial tissues.

Dr. Jain has been involved in dental education as a part-time instructor throughout his residency and aspires to pursue academia as a career. He has received extensive training in the management of complex needs requiring oral rehabilitation utilizing removable, fixed and implant prosthodontics. Dr. Jain maintains an active practice at the UT Dental Faculty Practice.

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She is a member of the American Dental Association, the American Academy of Periodontology and the American Academy of Laser Dentistry.
John D. Seeberg, DMD
Associate Professor, Clinical Affairs
Director, Pre-doctoral Clinics

Dr. Seeberg graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine in 1969. Upon graduation, he served a two-year internship with the U.S. Navy as a dental officer stationed in Key West, Fla. While stationed, he passed the Florida State Board of Dentistry Examination in 1970 and began private practice providing restorative care for a predominately retired population for the remainder of his career.

In 2000, Dr. Seeberg began teaching at Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., as an adjunct instructor in pre-clinical courses. In 2001, he became a full-time predoctoral clinic instructor, functioning as a group leader, in the Department of Restorative Dentistry. Over the next few years, Dr. Seeberg assumed the roles of pre-doctoral clinic director and assistant dean of pre-doctoral clinical affairs. He was also a course director in occlusion, tooth morphology, and National Dental Board Examination preparatory courses.

In 2010, Dr. Seeberg left Florida after 40 years to assume his position at the UT College of Dentistry. He is currently preparing a research project involving the effects of anterior guidance angles on the EMG activity of closing muscles.

Marcia S. Seeberg, MS, LMHC
Instructor, Community Oral Health

Marcia Seeberg graduated from Michigan State University, E. Lansing, Mich., with a Bachelor of Science in medical technology in 1968. She performed her internship at Grace Hospital in Detroit, Mich., where she eventually became an instructor in mycology. In the early 80s, Seeberg worked as a plaque control therapist before receiving a Master of Science in mental health counseling from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in 1989.

For the next 20 years, she practiced private counseling treating individuals, couples, families and groups. Her specialty was in EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing) for the treatment of trauma, PTSD, psychological, physical and sexual abuse, and anxiety and panic disorders, in addition to alcohol and substance abuse. Seeberg has presented numerous workshops and seminars on relaxation, anxiety and stress reduction methods.

Mahmoud Modareszadeh, DDS, MSD, MSD
Associate Professor, Endodontics

Dr. Modareszadeh was born and raised in Tehran, Iran, where he earned his dental degree in 1989 from Shahid-Beheshti Medical Sciences University. After military service as a dentist in a military hospital-based dental clinic in Tehran, he joined his alma mater as an instructor in operative dentistry.

After completing a three-year endodontic residency program, where he earned his first Master of Dental Science degree in endodontics, Dr. Modareszadeh continued to teach and work in private practice. He started his second endodontic residency program for two years in Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, during which he not only completed all the requirements for earning his second MSD degree in endodontics, but also passed both parts of the American Dental Association National Dental Board Examination as well as Western Regional Examining Board practical exam. At the completion of his residency program, he passed the American Board of Endodontics written exam and became board eligible in 2009.

Dr. Modareszadeh is also an active member of the American Association of Endodontics. In addition to teaching, he looks forward to participating in research in basic sciences related to endodontics at the UT College of Dentistry.
Todd Smith, DDS
Instructor, Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Smith graduated first in his class with a 4.0 GPA from the University of Pine Bluff with a B.S. in Biology. He graduated from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Dentistry in 2007, with a 3.9 GPA and once again ranked first in his class. Dr. Smith completed his residency in pediatric dentistry at the UTHSC College of Dentistry in June 2010.

While in dental school Dr. Smith remained on the Dean’s List all four years and received numerous scholarships and awards, including the Dr. R.O. and Fannie B. Ford, the Dr. Joseph W. Graham Sr. and the Dr. Kenneth L Frame and Sara Jo Frame-Mazur Scholarships. He also received the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence and the Special Helper to the Dean Award. Dr. Smith was elected Student Liaison of the SNDA, served as Treasurer of the Odontological Honor Society and continues to serve on the Curriculum Committee for the college.

As an undergraduate and a graduate student, Dr. Smith worked with students to help them through those difficult pre-clinical courses. His cordial demeanor and patient rapport have endeared him to faculty, students and patients alike.

Antheunis Versluis, DDS, PhD
Professor, Bioscience Research

Dr. Versluis graduated dental school from the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands in 1992. His area of study was cariology and endodontontology. After graduation, he continued studies in mechanical engineering at the Eindhoven University of Technology. In 1994, Dr. Versluis earned a Doctor of Philosophy from the Department of Numerical Modelling and Process Analysis at the University of Greenwich, London, United Kingdom.

Dr. Versluis’ academic career goal is to advance the understanding of biomechanics and to promote this discipline in dental research. In addition to lecturing at the UT College of Dentistry, he mentors graduate and research students.

Dr. Versluis’ peer reviewed research has appeared in many publications and he has been invited to present numerous lectures and scientific presentations throughout his career.

Daranee Versluis-Tantbirojn, DDS, MS, PhD
Associate Professor, Restorative Dentistry

Dr. Versluis-Tantbirojn received her Doctor of Dental Surgery from the Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. After graduation she continued there earning a certificate in operative dentistry before moving to the United States. Dr. Versluis-Tantbirojn received a Master of Science from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Doctor of Philosophy in oral biology from the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Versluis-Tantbirojn was trained as an operative instructor and has a research background in dental materials and cariology. Her teaching has been in pre-clinic operative, clinical supervision in operative, and comprehensive dentistry, didactic (lecture) in cariology, dental materials. She also enjoys one-to-one research supervision.

Dr. Versluis-Tantbirojn is a member of the International Association for Dental Research and the American Dental Education Association.
Philip C. Walter, DDS  
Assistant Professor, Pediatric Dentistry  

Dr. Walter attended Indiana University Bloomington as an undergraduate and graduate, earning a master’s in psychology. He attended dental school at the Indiana University School of Dentistry in Indianapolis, finishing with an internship and residency at the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children.  

Dr. Walter, or “Dr. Phil,” as he has been affectionately called by his colleagues and patients, began his career as a pediatric dentist in Denver, Colo., where he has been in private practice before arriving at the UT College of Dentistry. He was instrumental in establishing the first pediatric dental program at The Children’s Hospital in Denver in 1974. Dr. Walter brings years of clinical pediatric dental experience in early caries prevention education and management of growth and development through early adolescence.  

Dr. Walter has been active in organized dentistry throughout his career including the American Society of Dentistry for Children, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, and the Foundation for Orthodontic Research.  

Dr. Walter is looking forward to his new role and future at the UT College of Dentistry in clinical and didactic education. He will also have a significant involvement in research, publishing and service at the college and in the community through outreach programs to address underserved infants, children and adolescents.  

Martha Wells, DDS  
Assistant Professor, Pediatric Dentistry  

Dr. Wells recently joined the faculty of the UT College of Dentistry in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. She is a graduate of the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry and completed her pediatric specialty training and Master of Science degree at The Ohio State University and Nationwide Children’s Hospital. She previously practiced in Powell and Zanesville, Ohio.  

Dr. Wells is a peer reviewer and was named to the Board of Editors for the Journal of Dentistry for Children. She completed her board certification and is a diplomate of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.
A total of 86 dental student researchers gave oral or table presentations at the 16th Hinman Student Research Symposium, which was held in October at the historic Peabody Hotel in downtown Memphis. The students represented 47 dental schools in 29 states, the District of Columbia, and three Canadian provinces. Fourteen University of Tennessee College of Dentistry students presented their research projects.

The symposium, which is designed to provide student researchers with a national platform to present their research projects and compete against other dental student researchers, is co-sponsored by the UT College of Dentistry and the Hinman Dental Society. Our students presented research completed during the alumni-supported Student Summer Research Program.

On Friday evening, student researchers, their mentors, event organizers and sponsors enjoyed a reception and banquet at the Peabody Hotel. Dr. Franklin Garcia-Godoy, senior executive associate dean for Research at the UT College of Dentistry, welcomed and introduced the participants and their mentors. Dr. Brian Carpenter, President of the Hinman Dental Society, addressed the student researchers and congratulated them on their efforts to advance the field of dentistry. Dr. Carpenter also provided an overview of the upcoming Hinman Meeting, which will be held in Atlanta on March 24-26, 2011.

The keynote speaker for the opening banquet was Dr. Dominick P. DePaola, associate dean for Academic Affairs at Nova Southeastern College of Dental Medicine. Dr. DePaola's address, titled, "Recent Advances and Translation to Clinical Practice," focused on the need to accelerate the process of bringing scientific advances in research from the laboratory into clinical practice to improve oral care and health worldwide.

Also addressing the students over the weekend was Dr. Leslie Frieden, Extramural Training Officer of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR). She emphasized the role of the NIDCR in supporting research training for dental students and encouraged the students to explore the career options at NIDCR that are available in clinical and translational research.

Dr. Mustafa Kh. Dabbous, professor in the UT Department of Bioscience Research, was also honored for his dedicated efforts in establishing the Hinman Student Research Symposium in 1995.

Six awards were given for most outstanding student research presentations, with three in clinical research and three in basic science research. One presentation was awarded the 2010 President's Award for Excellence in Dental Research from the National Students Research Group of the American Association for Dental Research. This honor went to the presentation titled, "Identifying the Function of Tgfβr3 in Submandibular Gland Morphogenesis," presented by Angelo G. Pope, Jr., et al. from Howard University, in collaboration with the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

The Hinman Student Research Symposium was supported by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR), the ADEAgies Foundation, the Procter & Gamble Company, Colgate, and the Tennessee Dental Association Foundation.
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Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine
University of Tennessee College of Dentistry senior Ashlee Franklin has won a $1,100 travel award to present results of her summer research project at the American Association for Dental Research (AADR) international meeting. Franklin was one of only a few students from across the United States selected by an AADR committee to receive a travel award from the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

“It was a true honor to be recognized by such a prestigious group of individuals,” said Franklin. “I had no idea about the award until I was informed that I had been selected as one of the award recipients from across the United States.”

Franklin’s project, “Correlation of Urokinase Plasminogen Activator (uPA) Expression with Metastatic Potential,” was supported by the UT College of Dentistry Alumni Endowment Fund and the Sam Mount, Jr. Endowment. The project was directed by Dr. Mustafa Kh. Dabbous with the assistance of M. Margaret Jefferson, A. Shahiryar, and Dr. Edwin L. Thomas of the UT College of Dentistry Department of Bioscience Research.

“The fact that the amount of uPA (Urokinase Plasminogen Activator) levels in a tissue sample of someone with cancer may in fact determine if that particular cancer has a chance for high or low metastatic spread is a wonderful piece of science,” Franklin said when speaking about her research topic. “If one knows the behavior of the cancer, based on the Tumor Biomarker uPA as one of the factors, they may be able to develop better and more unique treatment modalities for patient care.”

Franklin will present her project at the AADR international meeting in March in San Diego, Ca.

COD Student Government Association

The UT College of Dentistry Student Government Association (SGA) serves as the official group responsible for student-related matters and communications with faculty and administration. SGA members are voted in yearly by their fellow classmates.
The Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) at the UT Health Science Center, Memphis campus, has incorporated two seemingly unrelated terms – mouthguards and ministry. For the past two years UTHSC BCM students have made custom mouthguards for inner-city Memphis high school football teams. This year, the students chose Booker T. Washington high school, located in south Memphis. Poverty has taken its toll on the neighborhoods in that area. As a result, many of the BTW students cannot afford proper mouth protection.

UTHSC student, Matt Teale, noticed this need two years ago at another Memphis city school, Overton High School. After talking with Overton High School’s head football coach, Teale saw where he and his classmates could make a difference. Teale, a third-year dental student at the time, decided to call companies who make mouthguards for professional athletes and ask for donations. They didn't donate the actual mouthguards, but they did give the materials to make the mouthguards. After assembling a team of eight dental students involved with the BCM, along with one of their professors, Dr. Robert Hatch, they met with the team, made the impressions, formed the molds, customized the mouthguards and distributed them to the team mid-season.

This year, Teale, now a senior at UTHSC, assembled his team during the summer before the season began. He said, “The mouthguard ministry is one of my favorite things we do at the BCM. It is the perfect opportunity to use the gifts God has blessed us with to serve Memphis.” The ministry has grown in popularity among the other BCM students as well. This year the BCM increased their number from eight third-year dental students to a mixture of 22 students from all four dental classes plus one second-year pharmacy student. “Doing the actual service is exciting to us but there is no greater reward than to see the football players get genuinely excited about the finished product.”

The mouthguards were clear professional grade plastic that were customized to fit each player’s teeth. If these players were to purchase this quality of mouthguard, they’d expect to pay over $100 each. There are about 45 players on BTW’s football team and each one received a mouthguard. All in all, in a dental office, this service would have cost BTW between $4,500-$5,000 for the entire team. But with the resourcefulness and creativity of a student that wanted to serve God with his talents, it cost them nothing. With the increased help this year, students finished the lab work in one day and distributed the mouthguards the next, just in time for the game on Friday.

When asked how this is a ministry, Teale said, “Interacting with the kids, talking to them and hanging out with them, re-living the glory days — all that stuff is relationship building. The one-on-one interaction gave us a chance to let them know the real reason why we were out there.” He added that BCM director Bryan Gill shared a gospel message with the team and coaches after they delivered the mouthguards.

Teale attended their football game that Friday night and asked Assistant Coach, Darrell Shack, what the players thought about their new mouthguards. Shack said, “They were like kids on Christmas morning when they got them. [Their mouthguards].” He went on to say, “We’ll try to make you proud tonight.” And Booker T. Washington did just that with a 56 to 12 win over Oakhaven High School.

For more information about the UTHSC Baptist Collegiate Ministry, please e-mail bcm@uthsc.edu.
Chitwood Elected to ABOI/ID Board President

The American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry (ABOI/ID) has elected Dr. Walter C. Chitwood (’82) as President of its Board of Trustees for 2011.

The ABOI/ID was founded in 1969 and is an independent organization whose mission is to elevate the standards and advance the science of oral implantology/implant dentistry by encouraging its study and improving its practice. The ABOI/ID board and credentialing process ensures that only highly trained individuals are awarded the designation of diplomate.

Dr. Walter Chitwood is one of only a handful of board certified implant dentists in Tennessee and is both a skilled dental practitioner, and an educator to patients and fellow dentists. He has held teaching positions at several outstanding dental programs, including Vanderbilt School of Medicine, Tennessee State University, and the Misch Implant Institute.

Since graduating from the UT College of Dentistry, Dr. Chitwood has directed his full energies toward developing an implant dentistry practice and to promoting the field of implant dentistry. Over the years, Dr. Chitwood has received many honors and fellowships. He has also served as a board examiner for the International Association for Dental Implant Technicians, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Academy of General Dentistry.

Outstanding Alumnus Award Call for Nominations

Each year an Outstanding Alumnus Award is presented based upon recommendations from the UT College of Dentistry alumni, faculty or other constituents. The annual selection is made by the Awards Committee of the UT Dental Alumni Board of Trustees on behalf of the UT College of Dentistry Alumni Association.

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Alumni Support Advances Clinical Skills Training

On December 1, a select group of UTHSC donors and guests joined Chancellor Steve Schwab and a number of faculty and staff members for a special demonstration at the Kaplan Clinical Skills Center located in the 920 Madison Building. The group of about 35 included Robert J. Kaplan, MD, ('73) the Memphis dermatologist who made the skills center possible through a generous donation four years ago. The group gathered for a close look at the new B-Line Medical System in action. The B-Line brings new videotaping and audio capabilities into the already advanced patient simulation facilities, equipping each of the 12 patient exam rooms and the hallways inside and outside of all 12 rooms with video and audio.

Before the B-Line was installed, each student undergoing clinical skills training would enter an exam room with a standardized patient ready for the exam and a skilled observer (a UTHSC faculty member) quietly taking notes and watching everything the student did and said. No matter how unobtrusive the observer might have been, having a third person in the room while a new physician is interacting with a simulated patient had to be a nerve-wracking experience. [Editor’s note: Standardized patients are real people who are trained, much like actors, to present certain symptoms and describe their condition for the interaction with the physician in training or other health care student.]

“With the B-Line in place, we can give our students a much more realistic clinical skills training experience,” said Robert Shreve, associate dean for Medical Education in the UT College of Medicine (COM). “Medical students are given a case, enter the exam room and have a focused 15-minute encounter with the trained standardized patient, followed by a 10-minute write-up. The entire exchange is captured on videotape while faculty members observe from a nearby monitoring station,” he explained. The observer can even give the student an audio 5-minute warning, the signal to wrap up the exam in a timely fashion.

Following the encounter, four assessments are completed about each patient exam: the standardized patient assesses the student; the experienced observer assesses the student; the student registers a self-assessment, and the experienced observer evaluates the student’s self-assessment. All four assessments are rolled into a grade for the encounter. Later students self-critique and watch their performance with a faculty member.

“We can create a digital portfolio for every student,” Dr. Shreve noted, “and over the years we can see how that student has grown as a doctor. The B-Line will also help us prepare medical students for the NBME Clinical Skills Exam that all fourth year medical students have to take. Right now our students perform very well on this exam with a 96 percent pass rate. This system will help us do a lot better and raise that percentage.”  [Editor’s note: NBME stands for National Board of Medical Examiners.]

“We need to teach every person who comes through the Health Science Center how to take care of patients in a controlled environment so they get it right in the real world,” Chancellor Schwab stated. “Our students must be thoroughly prepared to talk with patients who may be experiencing a range of emotions from anger to tears. Their training in the Kaplan Clinical Skills Center will teach them how to successfully interact with patients in any circumstance.”

“The days of see one, do one, teach one are behind us, and it’s not practical to go back,” said James Lacey Smith, interim dean for the UT COM, Memphis campus. “The use of this technology in our simulation center is a substantive jump forward and we are aggressively moving ahead.”

Dr. Kaplan, who is a great friend, benefactor and ambassador for UTHSC, told the group, “There is no such thing as a self-made man. I had a lot of people who helped me get where I am today. These young people need that same kind of help. It’s important to teach them how to interact with people … how to take care of their patients. I’m happy that I’m in a position to be part of that.”

“Coming up to train in the Clinical Skills Center is like a ray of light,” stated Bryan King, one of the M-4 students who participated in the B-Line demonstration. “When I started it was exam rooms and clipboards, and at that time, it was my first great opportunity to learn to communicate with patients and other health care team members. This new technology is amazing. “

“We’ve made a great leap forward with the B-Line,” said Stephanie Connelly, MD, assistant professor in the COM, “and we’ll expand that learning even further when we bring in the basic sciences with clinical care.”

Dr. Connelly said, “Dr. Kaplan’s gift has really made a tremendous impact on our campus, not only for today but for our students in the future.”
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Bethany Goolsby, JD, has been named interim vice chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs for UTHSC. She assumes the responsibilities for the office in light of the appointment of Keith Carver, PhD, as executive assistant to UT President Dr. Joseph DiPietro. (See page 6)

A national search for a vice chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs is being led by UT Trustee George Cates and UT College of Dentistry Dean Timothy Hottel.

Goolsby has served as assistant vice chancellor for Planned Giving at UTHSC since 2007 and has worked at the university for more than eight years. A native of Memphis, she earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in 1996, and her law degree from the UT College of Law in 1999.

She is a Leadership Academy of Memphis Fellow, a member of the Memphis Rotary Club, and serves as president of the board of directors of Grace House of Memphis, a residential substance abuse treatment facility for women.
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**Dabbous Honored at Hinman Symposium**

Mustafa Kh. Dabbous, PhD, professor in the UT Department of Bioscience Research, was honored at the 16th Hinman Student Research Symposium with a plaque commemorating his work to develop the symposium and his continued efforts since its inception in 1995. The event was held in October at the historic Peabody Hotel in downtown Memphis.

The symposium was established to provide student researchers with a national platform to present their research projects and compete against other dental student researchers. It is co-sponsored by the UT College of Dentistry and the Hinman Dental Society.

**Faculty Members Recognized for Service**

In December, The UT Health Science Center held the annual, year-end Employee Service Recognition and Awards Luncheon. Honored were faculty and staff who have at least five years of service to the university.

Faculty members from the UT College of Dentistry who were honored and presented with special awards were J. Lawrence McRae, DDS, Department of Oral & Maxillofacial, for 25 years of service; Vernon Pennington, DDS, Department of Pediatric Dentistry and Community Oral Health, for 25 years of service; Gary Trent Wilson, DDS, Department of Oral & Maxillofacial, for 25 years of service; and Edward F. Harris, PhD, Department of Orthodontics, for 30 years of service.

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Faculty Publications

The following list contains articles, books and citations that the UT College of Dentistry faculty have recently appeared in.


Dabbous MKh, Legan ZT, Tipton DA. Methamphetamine Cytotoxicity and Effect on LPS-stimulated IL-1Beta Production by Human Monocytes. Toxicol In Vitro. 2010 Nov 27 [Epub ahead of print].


The following are abstracts that were presented at the 2010 American Association for Dental Research meeting:


• Toothpaste Diluent and Dilution Rate Effects on Dentin Abrasion. Turssi C, Messias D, Hara A, Hughes N, Borges GA, Garcia-Godoy F.

• Effect of Cranberry Juice Constituent on Biofilm on Dental Materials. Cohen B, Shiloah J, Ofek I, Babu JP.

• CBCT Analysis of the Oropharynx: Effects of Age and Sex. Fagala K, Streight R, Harris E.

• Galectin-1 Levels in Cultured Adenocarcinoma Cells and Conditioned Media. Clark SR, Jefferson MM, Thomas EL, Dabbous MKh.

• LPS Mediated Inhibition of MIP-1 Secretion by Cultured Monocytes. Boling J, Adatrow P, Babu JP.

• Flexural Strength of Fiber Posts. Buffington A, Garcia-Godoy A, Garcia-Godoy F, Ferrari M.

• Effect of Cannabidiol on Gingival Fibroblast MMP Production and Activity. Ferrel N, Tipton DA, Rawal S, Dabbous MKh.

• Human Dental Pulp Biocompatibility Responses to Tissue Engineering Scaffolds. Murray PE, Garcia-Godoy F.

• Absence of Continued Dental Eruption in a Modern Adult Cohort. Foster C, Harris E.

• Binding of Epithelial Cell Defensin HBD-3 to Periodontal Pathogen LPS. Finder ST, Jefferson MM, Thomas EL.

• Retrospective Study of Maxillary Sinuses Utilizing Cone-Beam Computed Tomography. Clark B, Chaudhry J.

• Amine Oxide Alteration of Candida Biofilm Resistance to Antifungal Agents. Taylor B, Babu JP.

• Tooth Mineralization Standards for American Blacks in the Mid-South. Harris E.
COD Adds TMJ Clinic

The UT College of Dentistry (COD) recently added the TMJ/Sleep Disorder Clinic. The clinic, located in the Dunn Building, will come as a delight to patients suffering from temporomandibular joint (TMJ) dysfunction, sleep disorders and facial pain.

“The center will involve multi-disciplinary/inter-departmental approach to the treatment of our patients,” said Timothy Hottel, DDS, MS, MBA, dean of the UT College of Dentistry. “The goal is to establish through scientific research the procedures, techniques and protocols that will be followed by all departments in the future.”

Dean Hottel said that he hopes to see the COD recognized nationally as a center of excellence for the treatment and management of these patients.

The Department of Bioscience recently hired Melody Barron, DDS, as its craniofacial pain and sleep disorder specialist. Dr. Barron is a Fellow of the American Academy of Craniofacial Pain and a Diplomat of the Academy of Clinical Sleep Disorder Dentistry. She is responsible for oversight of the new TMD/Sleep Disorder Clinic.

For more information about the TMJ/Sleep Disorder Clinic, please contact the UT College of Dentistry at (901) 448-6200.

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