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UPCOMING EVENTS
Alumni Weekend in Birmingham, AL Feb. 5-8
Alumni Association Annual Meeting Feb. 5
AADR in Boston, MA – Dean’s Reception Mar. 11
Hinman in Atlanta, GA – Dean’s Reception Mar. 27
Scholarship Luncheon in Birmingham, AL May 29
Graduation May 30
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ON THE COVER:
2014 UAB Dentistry Cares Community Day
Dear Alumni,

I hope this holiday season finds all of you enjoying time with your family members. There have been several Alumni Association events since my last message. In June, we had our Alumni Luncheon during the Alabama Dental Association Annual Session in Orange Beach. We have been trying to emphasize membership in the association to our recent graduates. To encourage this, the Young Alumni gathered at Regions Field for a Birmingham Baron’s minor league baseball game in August. In recent years, the White Coat Ceremony has become a "rite of passage" for first year dental students. I had the opportunity to speak to the Class of 2018 during the ceremony in July. Also, Dean Reddy hosted a reception at the Alabama AGD meeting in Sandestin in August.

The School of Dentistry continues to be a leader in the dental academic world. I believe we have a dedicated faculty and the leadership that Dr. Michael Reddy provides is very inspiring. One of the "buzz phrases" in dentistry these days is "access to care". On Wednesday, November 5th, the School of Dentistry hosted the 2nd Annual Community Cares Day. More than 400 underserved patients were treated by students, faculty and volunteer dentists. It is sure to grow each year.

As the new year approaches, I hope all of you are marking your calendars for our upcoming Alumni Weekend. We look forward to gathering again at the Hyatt-Wynfrey Hotel in Hoover on February 5-8. We will have many outstanding speakers to provide Continuing Education courses. If you graduated in a year ending in 0 or 5, your class will have a reunion. I look forward to seeing many of my classmates and faculty members each year.

I hope all of you have a safe and happy holiday season. I look forward to seeing you at the Alumni Weekend in February.

Sincerely,

James V. Shamburger, D.M.D.
University of Alabama School of Dentistry Alumni Association
Alumni Weekend
February 5 – 8, 2015

Enjoy a weekend at Hyatt Regency Wynfrey Hotel

Highlights include:
- Continuing Education Courses
- Class Reunions
- Exhibitors
- President’s Reception on February 6th
- Student Talent Show on February 7th

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### Thursday, February 5
- 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Exhibitor Set-Up
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Alumni Budget Committee Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Alumni Executive Council Meeting & Annual Session
- 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Registration and Badge Pick Up
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Distinguished Dentist Reception
  - Invitation only

### Friday, February 6
- 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration
- 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Want to Accelerate Production? 
  - #1 Strategy – Comprehensive Planning
  - John Cotton
- 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Exhibits
- 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. A Pottppourri of Oral Medicine and Pathology
  - Dr. Denis Lynch
- 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. America’s Sweet Tooth Obsession & Its Impact on Oral & Systemic Health
  - Karen Davis
- 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Zirconia Crowns in Pediatric Dentistry – Welcome to the Next Generation of Pediatric Esthetics!
  - Dr. John P. Hansen
  - The Pediatric Dentistry Lecture
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 10 Easy Steps to Predictably Treatment Plan Every Patient
  - Dr. Glenn DuPont
- 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Microbe Wars & What’s New on Our Side of the Fight
  - Dr. Paul Eleazer
  - Alabama Association of Endodontists Lecture
- 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Evidence-Based Contemporary Implant Dentistry
  - Dr. Hans-Peter Weber
  - The Ansley Brown Lecture
- 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Class of 1952-1962 Medallion Club Luncheon
  - Reservations required
- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. AGD Senior Student Lecture
- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Mouth Matters: The Oral Manifestations of Systemic Diseases
  - Dr. Denis Lynch
- 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Restoring Severe Wear Cases: A Step-by-Step Process to Achieve Predictable Esthetic Dentistry That Lasts
  - Dr. Glenn DuPont
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Alabama Society of Periodontists Reception
- 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Senior Signing Day & New Dentist Reception
- 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. President’s Reception
- Friday Evening Class Reunions

### Saturday, February 7
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration
- 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Exhibits
- 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. That’s Not What I Expected – Lessons & Insights in Informed Consent
  - R. Todd Huntley with ProAssurance
- 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. International College of Dentists & American College of Dentists Breakfast Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Functional Aesthetic Dentistry, Part I
  - Dr. David Hornbrook
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. The 4 Riddles, Part I
  - Dr. Gary DeWood
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. A Logical Approach to Treating Dental Trauma
  - Dr. Paul Eleazer
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Surgical & Planning Methods to Enhance Esthetics in Patients With Congenitally Missing Teeth
  - Dr. Michael S. Block
  - The Kitty Robinson Lecture
- 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Practice Opportunity Placement Workshop
- 1:00 p.m. Silent Auction
  - *Auction closes at the Talent Show Intermission*
- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Functional Aesthetic Dentistry, Part II
  - Dr. David Hornbrook
  - The 4 Riddles, Part II
  - Dr. Gary DeWood
- 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. UAB Dentistry Leadership Council Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Showcase Evening of Student Talent
- Saturday Evening Class Reunions

### Sunday, February 8
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Alabama Academy of General Dentistry Called General Assembly
- 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Alabama Dental Association Board of Trustees Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Alabama Academy of General Dentistry Board of Director’s Meeting

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We are also proud of the great faculty who continue the School’s tradition of excellence. Our faculty, in addition to our staff and students, are often awarded university, national and international honors. This year alone, D4 student dentists Joe Vaughn and Ben Woolnough were awarded the ADA grand prize for their student ethics video. One of our own, Ms. Andi Mathews, was named UAB’s Employee of the Year, our University’s highest staff honor. Dr. Jack Lemons received both UAB and international honors and Dr. Kent Palcanis was presented with a lifetime achievement award from the American Academy of Periodontology.

Being housed in one of the nation’s best academic medical centers enables us to pursue numerous interdisciplinary partnerships with the Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Optometry, Public Health, and Health Professions. Collaborating with external sites like Children’s of Alabama and Fair Haven Retirement Community enriches student education through diverse clinical opportunities.

The great Henry Ford once said, “If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.” In our third strategic planning cycle, our team maintains a sustained focus on the patient and student experience. Recently, our clinic teams kicked off patient experience initiatives and school leadership launched two major student engagement projects. Fall events like UAB Dentistry Cares Community Day, bringing together faculty, staff, students, and community partners to serve our neighbors in need. In addition, the Dental Cultural Advancement Team (DCAT) programs, a new and innovative effort intended to inspire dialogue and learning among faculty, staff, students, and university administrators related to issues of diversity and inclusion, encourage engagement and unity among all School of Dentistry team members.

Our capital campaign, Give Something Change Everything, has passed the halfway mark, with more than $12 million of our $20 million goal. Through the campaign, alumni and friends have an opportunity to enhance the School of Dentistry as we lead oral health care into the future. We still have a couple of major renovation projects in the development stages, including our comprehensive care clinic and a new prosthodontics clinic. When these are complete, your school will be among the most technologically advanced in the world. Helping students is another focal point of our campaign. The Student Excellence Fund and endowed scholarships help lessen the financial burden on our students.

In order to retain and recruit the best faculty, we need to increase the number of endowed professorships, chairs, and scholars. Just recently, BioHorizons partnered with us by pledging $300,000 to endow faculty scholar positions in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Periodontology, and Prosthodontics. We recently named Dr. Perng-Ru Liu as the Hinman Meeting Endowed Professor, and have nearly completed an Alumni Association Endowed Professorship and the Weatherford/Palcanis Endowed Professorship.

A world without the historic partnerships of Lewis & Clark, Wilber and Orville Wright, or Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak would undoubtedly be very different. Whether it’s volunteering for UAB Dentistry Cares Community Day on November 5, or contributing your time, talents or financial support to our other efforts, the School of Dentistry will attain new heights of excellence because of your commitment and involvement. I encourage you to become a part of our future.

In partnership,

Michael S. Reddy, DMD, DMSc
Michael S. Reddy, DMD, DMSc, Dean, was awarded the R. Earl Robinson Periodontal Regeneration Award at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) for his article titled “Platelet-derived growth factor promotes periodontal regeneration in localized osseous defects: 36 month extension results from randomized, controlled, double-masked clinical trial”. The award, sponsored by the AAP Foundation, was established by Dr. R. Earl Robinson (1922-1995) to encourage research in periodontal regeneration, within the basic or clinical sciences. It is presented to the author(s) of the peer-reviewed published paper that has contributed most to the knowledge of periodontal regeneration in a given calendar year.

Jack Lemons, PhD, professor in the Clinical and Community Sciences Department, is the recipient of the 2014 Sam Brown Bridge Builder Award. This annual award honors individuals who engage in interdisciplinary, collaborative efforts across campus in ways that embody the vision, character and bridge-building talents vital to the future of UAB. Lemons’ academic career spans more than 40 years, most of which has been spent at UAB in various positions within the schools of Dentistry, Engineering and Medicine.

Paul Eleazer, DDS, MS, professor in the Department of Endodontics, was elected Member on the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs by the American Dental Association Board of Trustees during the 2014 ADA House of Delegates meeting in San Antonio, TX in October. Dr. Eleazer was nominated by the district trustee, Dr. Red Stevens, but chosen and voted in specifically by the board from across the United States to serve on this prestigious committee. The CSA provides recommendations to the ADA’s policymaking bodies on scientific issues. The Council also promotes, reviews, evaluates, and conducts studies on scientific matters.

Kent Palcanis, DDS, dean emeritus of the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry, was presented the Outstanding Periodontal Educator Award at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology. The lifetime achievement honor recognizes Palcanis as an exemplary periodontal faculty member for making a consistent and significant impact on teaching and educational innovation in periodontics in his career. Palcanis is the executive director of the American Board of Periodontology.
Perng-Ru Liu, DDS, MS, DMD, professor and chair of the Department of Restorative Sciences, has been named the First Holder of the Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting Endowed Professorship in Comprehensive Dentistry. The appointment was approved by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama at the most recent board meeting held on September 19. As only the third endowed professorship established at the UAB School of Dentistry, this is one of the highest honors that can be given. As a leader in oral health care, Perng-Ru exemplifies the values of excellence, innovation, patient focus, and teamwork that are vital to our success.

Keith Kinderknect, DMD, professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and director of the Advanced Education Program in prosthodontics has been elected to the Board of Directors of The American Equilibration Society. The AES is the largest organization in the world to investigate and study the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of dental occlusion (bite problems) and disorders of the temporomandibular joint and associated muscles. AES is the pre-eminent society recognized as the source of excellence in the pursuit and sharing of knowledge related to the form, function, and pathology of the masticatory system. It sponsors education and research that focuses on the evaluation, diagnosis, management, and restoration of the oral health and function embracing all the disciplines of dentistry.
School of Dentistry Students Shine

Chelsea Ashworth (D2) was recently awarded a scholarship through the National Health Service Corps. As an NHSC scholar, Chelsea commits to work at least two years at an NHSC practice site in a medically underserved area upon graduation.

Angela Gullard (D3) gave an oral presentation and served as oral session chair of the Tissue Engineering and Pulp Cell Differentiation Scientific Group at the American Association for Dental Research Annual Meeting and Exhibition, which was held in Charlotte, NC, in March 2014. She is co-author on the following manuscript, which was published in the Journal of Dental Education this March: Holman S, Wietecha M, Gullard A., Petersen J. Research experiences impact U.S. dental students’ positive attitudes toward research and science. Angi was also selected to receive the first-ever 8th District Dental Society of Alabama Award, a scholarship that is helping pay semester tuition and fees. She also was also selected by the Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.) Scholar Awards Board of Trustees as the Helen G. Shull Endowed P.E.O. Scholar for 2014-2015. Of the 85 American and Canadian P.E.O. Scholars chosen in 2014, 12 received the distinction of being named an Endowed Scholar.

Liz Garner (D3) attended the ADA Annual Meeting as the UAB student representative for the ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Research Program in October. She was chosen as the representative by being the Overall Winner in the Caulk/Dentsply competition at UAB’s Scholars Symposium in Spring 2014 for her research in Periodontal Disease and Rheumatoid Arthritis. While at the ADA meeting, she competed with other dental school students in research, and she was inducted into SCADA, Student Clinicians of the American Dental Association, in which only one student from each school is accepted annually.

Joe Vaughn (D4) and Ben Woolnough (D4) were awarded the ADA Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs grand prize for a student ethics video. Their video, entitled “A Higher Calling,” was on special exhibit during the 2014 ADA Annual Session in San Antonio. The ADA, which now owns the rights to the students’ video, has generously provided permission to share “A Higher Calling” with you for the purpose of this announcement. Access the video through this link: http://youtu.be/rZ-IeGZz2o8
Miles for Smiles
The UAB Chapter of the American Student Dental Association (ASDA) held their 11th Annual Miles for Smiles 5K and Fun Run on September 13, 2014 in Crestline Village. This year had a great turnout with more than 150 participants and raised over $4,300 to donate to Cahaba Valley Health Care, a non-profit organization that provides quality dental care to the underserved communities of Jefferson and Shelby counties. After running through the neighborhoods of Crestline Village, all participants gathered at Otey’s Tavern for some BBQ donated by Full Moon and a chance to win some great raffle prizes. ASDA would like to extend a special thanks to all the sponsors who made this event successful: Oral Arts, Crest and Oral B, Compass Bank, Roden Oral and Facial Surgery, Henry Schein, ProAssurance, Patterson Dental, and Another Broken Egg Cafe.

Hispanic Dental Association Mentoring Program
The UAB chapter of the Hispanic Dental Association has started a mentoring program for underrepresented minority high school students considering a career in dentistry. As part of this initiative, dental students pair up with juniors and seniors in high school and guide them through the college application process. The mentees are also given the opportunity to participate in immersion activities and lectures, at the SOD, aimed at introducing them to the world of dentistry. Members pictured from top left to bottom right: Kyle Feagin (D3), Michael Vaughan (D3), Octavio Oliva (D2), Cassie Wells (D2), Jonathan Casiano (D2), Angi Gullard (D3), and Lucy Qiu (D2).
2nd Annual UAB Dentistry Cares Community Day

More than 400 underserved and homeless adults of Birmingham received teeth cleanings, restorations and extractions free of charge at the UAB School of Dentistry's 2nd annual Community Cares Day on November 5. Patients also received oral health counseling, blood pressure checks, and oral cancer screenings.

UAB SOD served as the primary site for treatments, while Christ Health Center, The Foundry and Jefferson County Health Department dental clinics offered their facilities as an extension of the event. “This event helps raise awareness of the increasing difficulty low-income adults face in accessing critical dental care, and challenges dental professionals to work together to improve the oral health of the citizens of Alabama and beyond,” said Conan Davis, DMD, assistant dean for Community Collaborations and Public Health in the School of Dentistry.

The generous sponsor support of The Caring Foundation – BlueCross BlueShield of Alabama, Henry Schein Dental Supply Co., UAB School of Public Health, Alabama Dental Association, Brasseler USA, Courtyard Marriott & SpringHill Suites, OKU Honor Society, Oral Arts Dental Laboratories, UAB Health Systems Foundation, and numerous private donors made the day possible. In addition to School of Dentistry faculty, students, residents, staff and alumni, the Alabama Dental Association and the three companion sites, other event partners included the Birmingham District Dental Society, Cahaba Valley Health Care, Fortis Institute School of Dental Hygiene, Samford School of Pharmacy, and the UAB School of Nursing among others who just came to help. The UAB Dentistry Cares Community Day is a truly positive collaborative effort on the part of many diverse inter-professional players.
The 2014 White Coat Ceremony was held on July 31 at the Alys Stephens Performing Arts Center. Guest speakers included Dr. James Shamburger, President of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry Alumni Association and Dr. Bruce Ashendorf, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Hinman Dental Society.

Dr. Steve Filler, Associate Dean of Student, Alumni & External Affairs, introduced the 60 freshmen students and provided interesting facts about the Class of 2018. For the first time in SOD history, this class consists of 50% males and 50% females and their academic performance was among the highest in all dental school classes. Among these students, 28 colleges are represented and more than 80% of the class had participated in research while in college prior to entering dental school. 100% of the class shadowed dentists in practice prior to acceptance. This will be the first entering class to utilize the new electronic dental record system.

The White Coat Ceremony has been partially sponsored since the ceremony’s inception in 1999 by the Alabama Dental Alumni Association. The purpose of the ceremony is to welcome the incoming class to the profession by presenting them with their white coats and a School of Dentistry lapel pin and to address the importance of ethics, leadership, and professionalism in the field of dentistry.
UAB SOD Homecoming

UAB’s 2014 Homecoming week was filled with events, activities, and school vs. school competitions to see who could display the most Blazer pride! SOD D1s, along with the participation help from other dental students, faculty and staff, wowed the judges for the annual Building Decoration competition on Tuesday, October 7. After deciding on a patriotic theme of “Life, Liberty & the Pursuit of Dentistry” to coincide with UAB’s Homecoming theme “THIS IS BLAZER COUNTRY”, the students designed and constructed a banner that covered the atrium windows, decorated the sidewalk and showed tremendous school spirit – enough to win 2nd place in this competition.

On Wednesday, October 8, SOD had 2 dental student teams compete in UAB’s oldest Homecoming tradition – the Gurney Derby. Our D1 team, named “Drill & Fillers”, brought home a 2nd place award.

The week’s festivities continued on Thursday, October 9 with a student pizza lunch and concluded on Friday, October 10 with D1 class officers tossing toothbrushes and goodies to UAB parade attendees.
I wear two hats here at the School. I serve as the Executive Director of the UASOD Alumni Association and as Executive Director of Development. Fortunately, we have a staff of dedicated professionals who make my job an easy one. With approximately 3,500 alumni, we help our alumni members and non-members with their many needs, in addition to coordinating Alumni Weekend and several other events, publishing numerous articles and newsletters, and raising much needed resources for the School of Dentistry.

In my role as Executive Director of Development, I often hear “The School has so many needs, and there are so many different funds, how do I know what to give to”? or “The School has so many funds, I can’t possibly support them all”. It’s true we do have a lot of needs. We recently completed the first year of a $20 million philanthropic campaign. We have approximately twenty projects that need support from our alumni and friends.

I think it’s important to differentiate between annual support and campaign or special support. We solicit our alumni every year through direct mail and the phone-a-thon, asking them to give to the Annual Fund or the Excellence in Alabama Dentistry Fund. Annual gifts are generally smaller (anywhere from $100 to $1,000), and they help support the general needs of the School. The Dean has the flexibility to allocate those dollars wherever the need may be greatest. In a typical year, we could receive $200,000 in these type donations. These funds may be used to send students to leadership conferences, give faculty additional training, to purchase equipment, or even to host a Young Alumni event. Your participation is just as important as the size of your gift. Our alumni participation percentage is often compared to other universities and dental schools. The U.S. News and World Report ranks its best colleges and universities partly on alumni giving percentage.

Campaign or major gifts are generally at least twenty or more times larger than annual gifts. A donor makes a campaign or special projects gift because s/he wants to make a greater impact. The gift can be made in one lump sum but is often spread out over a period of years. Examples include endowed scholarships and professorships, clinic renovations, and projects for our residency programs. A planned gift such as an estate gift, trust, or charitable gift annuity fall into this category. In the past twenty five years, UAB has engaged in only two capital campaigns. These campaigns have allowed us to address our strategic needs and make a huge difference in the profession. Literally, thousands of people may benefit from a generous gift.

We ask for your support because we need it! Remember, our state appropriation for the school’s operating budget has declined from nearly one hundred to just about twenty percent. Annual and campaign gifts help make up the shortfall. I think we can all agree we want the School of Dentistry to do more than “stay even”. In order to do that, we need your support to remain among the nation’s best.

Warmest Regards,

J. Scott Huffman, CFRE
Executive Director of Development & the
UASOD Alumni Association
Dr. Lewis Chapman Makes Planned Gift

Lewis Chapman (’72) has been a successful orthodontist in Montgomery for more than forty years. He says the UAB School of Dentistry has played a large part in his rewarding career. “I trained there, and I know I received an excellent education,” he noted. “In addition, I have been able to stay in contact with many of my classmates and others in the school. Many are important professionals in the dental community and that has helped me start and maintain my successful practice all these years.”

Approximately 13 years ago, Dr. Chapman’s son, Will, who is also a graduate of the School of Dentistry (’99), became a partner in the practice with his dad. The older Chapman says it is a pleasure working with his son. “Will’s a great guy and we really get along. That’s not always the case when fathers and sons work together,” he explained. “We agree on most things, especially treatment plans, so our patients can see either of us, without any conflict or hesitation.” Dr. Chapman laughs when he says he can now take a vacation, which wasn’t always the case when he practiced alone. And, now he knows the practice will be in good hands when he retires.

Dr. Chapman has included the School of Dentistry in planning for his future, as well. He has made a sizable planned gift, designating the school as beneficiary to an IRA (to the Department of Orthodontics). He says even though he attended the University of Pennsylvania for his orthodontics training, he designated UAB for his gift. “The School of Dentistry is great, and my son, Will, trained there,” he said “I obviously have an allegiance to my home state and school. It was never a question of whether I would contribute to the university, or not.” Dr. Chapman spoke to his financial advisor and told him it was important for him to give back to the school with a sizable contribution. They looked at several options and decided the IRA beneficiary was best for he and his family.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed my career as an orthodontist, he said. I really don’t know what I would have done with my life had I not gotten my education at the School of Dentistry. I am now in the position to give back. I would think anyone who graduated from the school and has had as much of a rewarding career as I have, would want to do the same. I know funds are getting more difficult to find, and giving to the capital campaign is a perfect way to support the school.”
BioHorizons Gift Endows Faculty Support
BioHorizons, the Birmingham based dental implant company, has pledged $300,000 to endow three faculty scholars at the School of Dentistry. With the gift, UAB Dentistry’s the Campaign for UAB surpassed the $12.4 million mark. The campaign goal is $20 million. The departments of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Periodontology, and Restorative Sciences will receive $100,000 each to endow a faculty scholar. When fully funded, the endowment earnings will go toward faculty salaries, travel, or research.

The BioHorizons gift was one of six gifts of $100,000 or more during the 2014 fiscal year. UAB Dentistry raised $2,056,095 for the year, surpassing the school’s fundraising goal for the ninth consecutive year. All gifts and pledges will be counted as part of the Campaign for UAB. Individuals and organizations also made twenty gifts of $25,000 or more.

“The success of our fundraising efforts and our comprehensive campaign are a direct result of the outstanding support we receive from our alumni and friends,” said J. Scott Huffman, CFRE, Executive Director of Development and Alumni Relations. “As we roll out more campaign projects, we believe excitement will grow” he said.

In addition to endowed faculty scholars, several other campaign projects received significant funding. As the 2015 fiscal year begins, planning is underway for renovations to the prosthodontic clinic and the second floor comprehensive care clinic. For more information on how you can support the School of Dentistry, contact J. Scott Huffman, CFRE, at (205) 934-3601 or shuffman@uab.edu

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Fall was full of opportunities for Dean Reddy and the Development and Alumni Relations department to meet and visit with alumni and donors. Dr. John D. Barnes and his wife, Gail, hosted an event at their lake home on August 9th for Guntersville area alumni and Drs. Rex Adams and Jennifer Hirsch Doobrow hosted the Cullman area alumni at Dr. Adams’ home on October 16th. Dr. Mike Reddy’s Dean Events were hosted at annual meetings during June, August and October at ALDA in Orange Beach, AL, AGD in Destin, FL, and ADA in San Antonio, TX. On August 5th, our young alumni and students gathered at Regions Field for the Birmingham Barons minor league baseball game and on August 26th, Dr. Reddy spoke about the School of Dentistry and the Campaign for UAB at the Wilson Chenault Study Club in Decatur.
Wayne McLaughlin, D.M.D. (’57) knew early in life he wanted to be a doctor or a dentist. McLaughlin was exposed to rural medicine because his father, Dr. James Daniel McLaughlin, was Barbour County’s only doctor. Wayne was born and raised in the small town of Blue Springs, Alabama. Blue Springs was founded by his grandfather and became a resort area because of its beautiful springs and therapeutic waters. Medicine was a way of life for his family. Three of his brothers grew up to become physicians. “During my childhood, I always liked doing things with my hands,” said McLaughlin. “I started out in journalism, then switched to pre-medicine, knowing I wanted to go to dental school,” he said.

McLaughlin’s exploits took him from Blue Springs to Auburn University, then a tour in the military before enrolling at the University of Alabama School of Dentistry. “I was visiting UAB with my brother, Bob (who graduated from the School of Medicine), and I called Dr. Joseph Volker who was the founding dean. Dr. Volker came down to the school and talked about his vision. He said he would take me if I passed some additional summer courses.” The rest, as they say, is history. McLaughlin finished his summer courses and started dental school in the fall of 1953. “I don’t think UAB would have the status it enjoys today if it weren’t for Dr. Volker. As far as dental school, the students felt like we had the best school in the country. It’s the same today,” he said.

After graduating from the School of Dentistry in 1957, Dr. McLaughlin served two years at Lackland Air Force base in San Antonio, Texas. He returned to Auburn where he practiced until his retirement in 1997. When he bought his private practice, Auburn had a population of 2,500 and crowns were $40. “Not a single day went by where I couldn’t wait to get back to the office,” he said. His patients included children and adults. He even spent several years as the Auburn team dentist.

McLaughlin says he’s still not sure why he retired at the young age of sixty six. Maybe it was tradition to retire young or maybe it was the desire to travel with his wife, Joanne. After selling his practice to Dr. Michael O’Brien (Class of 1983), his retirement has included serving on the Auburn Planning Commission, volunteering for the Boy Scouts, and enjoying university events. He’s even had time to write a book about growing up in rural Alabama. Blue Springs weaves tales of his childhood and the remarkable history of his parents, grandparents, and other family members. His book formally records many of the historical anecdotes he has told as bedtime stories to his four children and nine grandchildren through the years. Blue Springs was published in 2012 by AuthorHouse and is available on Amazon.com.
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Dr. Milton E. Essig Receives the Fuller Award

Dr. Milton E. Essig ('70) received the H. Moren Fuller Award from the University of Alabama School of Dentistry Alumni Association during the Annual Alabama Dental Alumni Luncheon on June 13, 2014. The Fuller Award is the highest honor bestowed by the Alumni Association in recognition of outstanding contributions to the dental profession. The award is given occasionally when an individual’s contributions and outstanding achievements to the dental profession are judged by the Executive Council of the Alumni Association to be especially significant and deserving of this honor.


New ICD Fellows Named

During the recent International College of Dentists convocation in San Antonio, Texas, the following Alabama dentists became fellows (L to R): Dr. Stanley Beard, Dr. Barry Booth, Dr. Bill Adams, Dr. Greg Strickland, Dr. Perng-Ru Liu, Dr. Dick Noblet, and Dr. Chung Kau.

The USA Section of the International College of Dentists, as a part of the preeminent honorary dental organization in the world, recognizes and promotes excellence in leadership with an emphasis on service, provides support to our Fellows and respect for our peers, addresses oral health needs and education throughout the world, and fosters an atmosphere of collaboration with those who share our values.

Dr. Lillie Pitman, who completed the Periodontics Residency Program in 2014, received the Dr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Kramer Scholar award for excellence. This award is given to one, third year resident in an accredited periodontics program every year. The award selection committee bases its selection on the applicant’s demonstrated personal motivation for excellence in both character and academic achievement. Personal integrity, as exemplified by leadership, community involvement, and concern for the needs of others, is also considered.
UAB Dentistry & ALDA Award 2014 HRSA Grants to Three Alabama Dentists

Congratulations to the 2014 Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Grant Recipients. The 2014 Recipients are Drs. Barrett Bradford, Sharon Glass and Brant Haynie. HRSA is the primary federal agency for improving access to health care services for people who are uninsured, isolated, or medically vulnerable. The HRSA grants given to dentists in Alabama are jointly administered by the University of Alabama School of Dentistry and the Alabama Dental Association under the Alabama Dental Workforce Enhancement Program (ADWEP). These grants are given to dentists in an effort to increase dental access for underserved Alabamians. Qualified Alabama Dentists may apply each year for one of the three $100,000.00 grants. One of the stipulations of the grant is that the applicant agrees to maintain a minimum of 30% Medicaid recipients in their total patient population.

Dr. Barrett (Bo) Bradford ('14) is a native of Scottsboro, Alabama and states his family has been in Scottsboro for five generations. In his application Dr. Bradford states, "Personally, I sincerely believe that God has given me a gift to communicate with patients of all shapes and sizes, young and old, regardless of their background or socioeconomic status. In addition, I also feel as if I have an uncanny ability to make others around me comfortable in any given situation." Dr. Bradford will be practicing general dentistry in Scottsboro.

Dr. Sharon Glass ('14) is a general dentist practicing in Clanton. Dr. Glass stated on her application that "It has always been my plan to follow in the footsteps of my mentor and operate a family practice. With or without the grant, I still plan to accept Medicaid. My practice will be a place for parents to bring their children as well as a soothing environment for the elderly. I want all the members of my community to feel welcome." Dr. Glass started her career in dentistry as a dental assistant and dental hygienist. She is purchasing the practice she formerly worked for.

Dr. Brant Haynie ('11) is a general dentist in the United States Air Force Dental Corps. Dr. Haynie will be opening a new practice in Springville, Alabama in St. Clair County. He stated on his application that "My goal is to build a practice that is prepared to strategically adapt over time in order to create an environment where Medicaid patients will always be accepted as new patients. At the root of all this is one thing, that is the assurance of quality dental care to the children of Alabama."
Class of 1952
Frank Petrusnek, of Tuscaloosa, passed away Sept. 16, 2012, at DCH Memorial Hospital. He graduated from Plains High School in 1939. He served in the United States Coast Guard during World War II. He was stationed in Sheffield, Ala., Memphis, Tenn., and in the Central Pacific. He graduated in 1948 from Florence State Teachers College and in 1952 from The University of Alabama School of Dentistry. Dr. Petrusnek served as secretary of the Medical Staff at Lloyd Noland Hospital. He was also an Associate Professor of Dentistry at The University of Alabama School of Dentistry.

Class of 1955
Ernest L. Jackson, of Enterprise went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, April 6, 2014 in the Southeast Alabama Medical Center. He was 88. Funeral services will be 11:30am Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at Sorrells Funeral Home & Crematory Chapel in Enterprise with Dr. Michael Mynatt officiating. Burial with full military honors will follow in the Meadowlawn Cemetery.

Class of 1957
Robert Dare Sittason, Jr. died on Monday, April 9, 2012 at his residence. He was born June 27, 1928, in Morgan County. He was a United States Army Veteran, a member and a past President of the Hartselle Rotary Club for 55 Years, and was the recipient of Rotary’s highest honor the "Paul Harris Fellow Award". Very involved in his Community, he was a Board Member of the Morgan County Sports Hall of Fame, which supports The Boys and Girls Clubs, and volunteered for Meals on Wheels. He loved sports and was a charter member of the Athletic Booster Clubs for Morgan County High School/ Hartselle High School. He graduated from Decatur High School in 1946. He graduated from University of Alabama in 1952 with a degree in Geology and in 1953 was accepted into the Alabama School of Dentistry of Birmingham, graduating and starting his dental practice in 1957 and working until his retirement in 1993.

Class of 1960
Reginald Cedric Bedingfield, 84, passed away at Decatur Morgan Main Hospital on October 31, 2014. He graduated from Morgan County High School, and graduated from the University of North Alabama and the University Of Alabama School Of Dentistry. He served as an officer in the US Army before entering dental school. Dr. Bedingfield entered the practice of dentistry in Decatur in 1960, and retired in 2012. While practicing he served on the Alabama Board of Dental Examiners two terms.

Class of 1965
Joe Edd Magnusson – no obituary available

Class of 1966
Doug Smith, of Bessemer, Alabama, and his wife, Judy, were involved in a motor vehicle accident in Boligee, Alabama and died together on the evening of Saturday, November 29th, 2014. Dr. Frederick Douglas Smith, age 73, attended Bessemer High School, the University of Alabama, and The University of Alabama at Birmingham, graduating with a doctoral degree in dental medicine. Judith Pascoe Smith, age 60, attended Choctawhatchee High School, in Destin Florida. Together, the couple worked during the week at his dental practice in Bessemer and often enjoyed the outdoors on the weekends, as they were on the evening of the accident. Doug, known for his lively good humor, and Judy, for her friendly social spirit, will be greatly missed by anyone who has enjoyed their company.

Class of 1968
Gayla Stutts – no obituary available

Class of 1969, Oral Surgery
A.N. Oscar O’Steen, of Chipley passed away Sunday, November 10, 2013 in Fort Walton Beach, FL. He was born October 13, 1940 in Jacksonville, FL. to the late Alva Woodrow and Elsie (Timmons) O’Steen. Oscar attended the University of Florida, Medical College of Virginia, Dental College and University of Alabama, Dental School in Birmingham where he earned his Oral Surgery training. He practiced from 1969-1996 for a total of 27 years before retiring in Destin and moving back home to Chipley.

Class of 1973
Charles David Williams – no obituary available

Class of 1983
James Richard Rutland III passed away at his home on September 26, 2014, after a long health battle. Dr. Rutland was an extremely dedicated family man as well as kind and gentle soul with one of the biggest hearts anyone ever knew. Dr. Rutland was a longtime dentist in the Mobile area.
Class of 1984
Pamela Jo Keller, of Orange Park, Fla., passed away March 10, 2013. She was born February 26, 1955 in Cullman County, the daughter of Charlotte Dean Jacobs and the late Joseph Woodrow Jacobs, Sr. Dr. Keller graduated from Cullman High School in 1973 and UAB as a Medical Lab Technologist. After working a few years she returned to the School of Dentistry at UAB. Upon graduation in 1984 Pam accepted a commission as a Lieutenant in the US Naval Reserves and was stationed at Naval Regional Dental Center, Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Fla. In just a few years upon completion in the Naval Reserves she established a private practice in Orange Park, Fla. During her 26 year tenure she completed specialty training at the LVI School of Cosmetic and Neuromuscular Dentistry.

Class of 1993
Raymond Chee Cheuk Tso, age 48 passed away peacefully on Monday, February 17, 2014. Raymond graduated from the University of Nevada-Reno and the University of Alabama in Birmingham School of Dentistry. He was an avid runner and loved American history.

UAB Dentistry Faculty
Robert Edward Taylor, age 87, of Mountain Brook, died September 10, 2014 at St Vincent’s Hospital after an extended illness. Dr. Taylor was born in 1927 in Andalusia, Alabama. Taylor graduated from the Marion Institute in 1945 and matriculated at Auburn University. He received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from Vanderbilt University in 1951 and 1954 respectively. As a recipient of several scholarships and awards, he continued his studies and embarked on a career in biological research in the areas of Zoology at the University of Delaware 1954-59 and of Cellular Physiology at Princeton University, 1959-61. He also conducted post-graduate research at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute. After serving as an Investigator of the Cystic Fibrosis Research Laboratory, Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, Mr. Taylor came to the Department of Oral Biology of the University of Alabama as a Research Associate. He retired as a full time faculty member of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry in 1989.

Edward James McDevitt, a long time resident of Homewood, Alabama passed away on October 3, 2014 surrounded by his family and loved ones. Ed was born on June 28, 1922 in Atlantic City, New Jersey and served in the United States Navy from 1940 to 1964. The youngest ever to achieve the rank of Chief Petty Officer, he served in World War II, Korea and Viet Nam. Following his Naval Service he received an appointment as Instructor at the University of Alabama School of Dentistry. Ed was instrumental in the creation of Four Handed Dentistry, a novel use of dental assistants in the practice of dentistry. He also started the Dental Television Department and pioneered the use of audio visuals in the teaching of dental students.

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