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That’s how we want each and every graduate of the Marquette University School of Dentistry to feel when they begin professional practice. Our award-winning, hands-on curriculum is designed for this result. But that design is never truly finalized. The Curriculum Committee is continually studying the program we offer here at the Dental School to see what might need to be changed, enhanced, added or replaced.

As with all healthcare, dentistry is dramatically affected by applicable technology that can help improve patient outcomes, patient experience, cost effectiveness and efficiency. Preparing our graduates well includes exposing them to state-of-the-art technology which, based on evidence, is used to achieve any or all of these goals.

Our Curriculum Committee has done an excellent job assessing digital dentistry at the school and within our curriculum, and determining which advanced technologies are priorities for including in our curriculum and clinics to keep our school at the forefront of dental education. You can read about its work and recommendations beginning on page 4.

A strong addition to the education we provide is our new post-graduate program in periodontics, which accepted its first two students in June of last year. Newer data point to greater incidence of periodontal disease than previously reported, as well as a shortage of younger periodontists in many areas of the country. This specialty presents graduates with ample opportunities for much-needed patient care, as our aging population is at increased risk of periodontal disease. Dr. Paul Luepke, the program’s director, has worked tirelessly to help make this program a reality.

As always, we like to introduce our readers to current students. This time around you’ll meet 10 of them, in pairs. We have a number of siblings who attend the Dental School, and we talked with them about what it’s like to share lab, clinic and academic experiences, as well as valuable support during the most challenging times.

You’ll also read about a beloved pediatric dentist, Dr. Neil Peterson, D ’67, whose gift for connecting with kids served him (and his patients) well throughout a 40-year career in private practice. Not everyone is called to work with children, but a dentist who can make kids feel at ease and make appointments fun can certainly make a lasting, positive impression.

Enjoy these stories, our reunion photos, class notes and more. I thank you for your ongoing support of all that we do.

Dean William K. Lobb, D.D.S., M.S., M.P.H.
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Meet five sibling pairs in our current student body.

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Siblings Kelly and Madeline Carney with Chris Dix, D ’76.

On the cover: Laura and Paul Sauvage, siblings in the class of 2018.

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When Dr. Paul Luepke joined the faculty of the Marquette University School of Dentistry in 2008, he began pursuing a goal of developing a post-graduate program in periodontics.

Although he knew it wouldn’t be easy to create something brand new, he immediately started to gather information about the process and shore up his network of supporters. Eight years later, the Dental School’s Master of Science in Periodontics program enrolled its first two students.

The broadly clinical three-year program will train students for a profession whose numbers are on the wane in Wisconsin but whose need is perhaps greater than ever before as the population ages – and as newer data reveal that nearly half of Americans over age 30 have mild, moderate or severe periodontal disease.

**Specialists in demand**

Conducting the needs analysis for the program, Luepke found compelling information with which to help persuade university officials. “What I found is that there were only 10 periodontists under the age of 50 in the state of Wisconsin,” he says. “And there were about 10 between the ages of 50 and 60, and everybody else was over 60.” He adds that older periodontists who, at the time, may have delayed retirement because of the economic crisis may now be ready to retire, adding to the state’s need for new, skilled periodontists who can practice long term.

Bolstering Luepke’s position further was the data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, which revealed periodontitis in 47.2 percent of American adults over age 30, and in 70.1 percent of adults over age 70, based on full-mouth assessments. Previous studies had relied on partial-mouth assessments, and according to the American Academy of Periodontics, this may have underestimated actual prevalence rates in the U.S. population by as much as 50 percent.

As a discipline, periodontics also emphasizes a focus on oral medicine and total health, recognizing the link between periodontal disease and systemic health. An aging population, Luepke points out, is at greater risk for increases in both oral and systemic health issues.

**A triple advantage**

Luepke discussed in the proposal to the university that the Dental School’s patients, its students and the school itself stood to gain significantly from the addition of a periodontics program. The clinical services area had experienced the need for periodontics residents, as patient cases, at times, were too advanced for the general dentistry student. The addition of scholars active in the field, Luepke reasoned, could help attract higher-quality faculty to the school. Finally, for residents in other specialties, adding a periodontics program would offer a more well-rounded education.

From where Luepke stood, he could see that the program would be what he calls a “win-win-win.”

He admits that finding adequate space to house the program was an issue, as was the program’s proposed budget. With the addition to the existing Dental School building completed in 2013, the space finally became available and further budget refinement and analysis helped the Dental School gain approval to advance the new program. The Marquette University Board of Trustees approved the new periodontics program in December of 2013.

“Our space is amazing,” Luepke says. “We had the opportunity to design and plan it from the ground up. We even took up the cement to install a new system, so it’s brand new, and it has been totally reconstructed for a surgical clinic for periodontics instead of just trying to repurpose the previous space.”
Unique perspectives

A key strength of MUSoD’s program lies in the diversity of the faculty members’ backgrounds and approaches. “I have a German faculty member (Dr. Arndt Guentsch) who gives a European viewpoint, I have a brand-new faculty who just graduated from residency (Dr. Alex Lin), and I have what I call a master surgeon, he has been here about 12 years (Dr. Moawia Kassab), and then Dr. (Andrew) Dentino and myself, we’ve each been in the field for about 25 years,” Luepke says. “So we have a nice blend as far as the faculty mix. It makes for really healthy discussion and gives our residents a lot of different theories and views.”

Laxmi Sukhatankar, one of the two students who started the program in June, says she appreciates both the diverse expertise of the faculty and the progressive philosophy that allows residents to see patients and start with surgeries in their first year.

Sukhatankar trained in India, earning a master’s degree in dental surgery in periodontics and then teaching at a dental school there for several years. “I was always excited to read different articles from U.S. journals, there was a lot of advancement and research going on, so I thought I should pursue more experience from a U.S. dental school,” she says. “What I liked about Marquette Dental is that it is more clinically oriented — that is, patient oriented.” She thought that learning by doing would better enable her to master the most advanced surgical techniques.

Research areas

Another attraction for Sukhatankar was MUSoD’s research, particularly pertaining to three-dimensional printing of implants. That’s one key research areas for the program, along with tissue engineering to build bio-safe scaffolding, and periimplantitis treatment.

“We already have a pretty strong base for all three areas, so I’m hoping this will not only attract future residents and faculty but probably patients from at least the region if not a larger scope,” Luepke says. “My goal is to be very competitive at research competitions, and to be able to attract the brightest applicants. I’ve given myself a five-year goal, and that’s what I’ll be working toward.”
As evidence grows to support digital dentistry, more practicing dentists are incorporating technology that can help provide patients with the best possible experience and outcomes.

Dental schools, too, are charged with keeping pace and anticipating the future in an ever-more-digital world as they prepare students to provide high-quality care through understanding and applying proven technology.

In November 2015, the Marquette University School of Dentistry’s dean, Dr. William Lobb, charged the school’s curriculum committee to assess the ways in which digital dentistry was applied in the curriculum and to prioritize areas for integrating new or updated technology.

Gathering information

Dr. David Berzins, professor and graduate program director for biomaterials, chairs the committee and began the assessment process by reaching out to all the predoctoral program directors.

“I asked them, ‘What’s in the curriculum currently? What is not in the curriculum that is currently available, technology-wise? And, is that new technology actually (proven) effective?’” he says.

The next step was to appoint a subcommittee to review the data collected and prioritize areas of investment. Berzins asked Dr. Arndt Guentsch, associate professor, to chair this subcommittee because of his research experience in digital dentistry.

A periodontist, Guentsch trained in Germany, where he was also a professor and researcher. He visited MUSoD for a 2012 research project and joined the faculty in February 2015.

“We had a group of 10 people, including two students, serving on the subcommittee,” Guentsch says. “We wanted to (cover) the complete dental field. We had general practitioners, part-time faculty members who were able to provide us information about what, out there in private practice, you really need.” Guentsch also wanted to ensure that the focus wasn’t solely on technology use in restorative dentistry, but also in surgical services and surgical science.

The subcommittee members created a definition of digital dentistry on which to base the assessment. They determined that the term would refer to “any digital or advanced technology that has been utilized or has potential to be utilized to provide oral health care, dental education or any other services related to them,” and that it would also describe “various ways of applying these technologies to facilitate oral health care, dental education or any other service related to them.”

Intraoral scanners and CAD/CAM

In studying the emerging and established technology across specialties, the subcommittee was able to identify key areas and prioritize the focus for the Dental School. For example, digital radiography and cone-beam computed tomography, or CBCT, were identified as important, and MUSoD is already leveraging these technologies.
“The next technology we looked at was digital scanning, so that you don’t have to take conventional impressions,” Guentsch says. Patients who have experienced traditional alginate impressions might be delighted if their dentist instead used an intraoral scanner, a tiny optical wand that captures images and dimensions with no need for the gummy trays.

Evidence also shows certain scanners produce the kind of accurate impressions that lead to good restorative outcomes, Guentsch says, so acquiring scanners went to the top of his subcommittee’s priority list.

Intraoral scanners work hand-in-glove with software that helps the dentist virtually design and create a restoration. This technology is known as computer-aided design and computer-aided manufacturing, commonly referred to as CAD/CAM. It was introduced in the early 1980s, but “now is the time when it is becoming more widely accepted,” Guentsch says. “Most dental labs are using CAD/CAM technology because it’s more plannable, more reliable and might be more cost effective and time efficient.”

“For CAD/CAM, people look at the fit of the restoration, because that’s a big concern,” Berzins says, noting that the subcommittee brought forth a number of studies showing that “for some systems, the fit is equal, if not better.”

Not surprisingly, CAD/CAM is another high priority for the Dental School. The technology can also be used for virtual treatment planning in implant cases, in combination with CBCT, intraoral scanning and 3-D printing of surgical guides.

“This will increase the quality of the treatment planning, of the treatment itself, and improve the outcome,” Guentsch says.

**Coming soon**

The subcommittee’s report included a timeline for introducing priority technology, recommending that intraoral scanners and CAD/CAM technology be integrated into the curriculum within the current academic year.

“We don’t want to introduce a new course — we would introduce the new technology in existing courses,” Guentsch explains. “So we’ll start to introduce it in the clinical setting for the D2 students, but our goal is also that once everything is available, that all students have access to this technology. The current D3s and D4s should have exposure to it and we want to have some courses where they can also use technology in the clinical setting.”

The next goal is to introduce virtual implant treatment planning and 3-D surgical guide printing in the 2017-18 school year.

Also in 2017-18, the Dental School aims to begin using preparation evaluation software as a teaching tool, so that students can compare their prep work with “ideal” preparations.

“The faculty would set up how (the prep) should look in the software, the student would scan the preparation with the intraoral scanner, and the software compares the student prep with the ideal to see if they are in the acceptable range, or if (the student’s prep) removes too much tooth, or too little, etc.,” Guentsch explains. “We can use it for grading, as it’s pretty objective and pretty fair. The students can learn a lot by the comparison.”

As a researcher, Guentsch says he also is excited to eventually incorporate research projects that look at the approaches, workflow effects and outcomes of the technology and also to potentially identify improvements.

After the Dental School meets its initial integration goals, the curriculum committee will revisit and, if needed, reprioritize what comes next. Guentsch and his colleagues will continually evaluate the school’s digital dentistry needs against new market entries, outcomes evidence and practice trends in adopting technology.

“We propose to continue to update our existing technology to stay at a state-of-the-art level,” he says, “so that we can provide for our students a high-quality and contemporary education.”

— Dr. David Berzins, chair, MUSoD Curriculum Committee
Dr. Neil Peterson’s chemistry with pediatric patients led to a fulfilling career

Dr. Neil Peterson, D ’67, attributes much of his success in life to forces beyond his control.

“There’s a movie called Somebody Up There Likes Me, and I think that applies probably to all of us, but me in particular,” he says with a chuckle. “We could all do a lot of different things in life, and sometimes you just go down the path that’s there for you.”

Peterson retired in 2012 from a 40-year career in pediatric dentistry at his own practice in the Washington Heights neighborhood of Milwaukee, where he provided care to many children covered by Medicaid.

In 2003, Marquette Dental School named him Alumnus of the Year, and in 2008 he received the Service to Marquette Award honoring Marquette alumni who actively support and remain involved with the school.

It was Peterson’s older sister, Carol Peterson, AS ’61, who suggested he pursue dentistry. Carol had gone to the Marquette Dental Clinic as a student, and when she came home during a school break, she recommended that Peterson become a dentist.

“I said, ‘That sounds pretty good,’” Peterson says.

Marquette seemed like the right place, as Peterson was a basketball fan and liked the idea of completing a pre-dental curriculum there before applying to the Dental School. It turned out to be right for another reason, as well: Peterson met his future wife, Beverly Grief, Arts, ’64, while a student at Marquette. The couple have three sons and celebrated 51 years of marriage last year.

Post-graduation, Peterson was stationed at a U.S. Air Force base in rural Oklahoma. His colonel got wind of the gentle, effective way Peterson calmed a child who had been crying loudly in the waiting area during a kids’ checkup day. “He said, ‘From now on, Peterson gets all the kids,’” Peterson recalls. “That seemed like a message.”

So Peterson returned to MUSoD for a pediatric residency. By this time, he and Bev had their first son, and to make some money, he worked a couple of shifts each week at the small but bustling pediatric dental practice of Dr. William Sievert, D ’55.

“When I was ready to go into practice, (Sievert) said, ‘All these patients know you. They should be your patients.’ And he gave them to me,” Peterson says. “What a wonderful guy.”

At his former Milwaukee practice, Peterson’s love of Marquette was proudly on display with the office decorated in a blue-and-gold striped motif featuring MU photos, posters and pennants.

He chose the location and made the decision to accept Medicaid because “there was a need, and it was an opportunity to be busy taking care of children who needed a dentist. Not everybody was a provider for kids who were receiving state benefits.”

He and his pediatric patients had a chemistry he can’t fully explain, but Peterson chalks it up to being young at heart and not talking down to them.

One former patient is Miranda Johnson, now in her D3 year at MUSoD.

“From a very young age, he inspired me to want to be a dentist,” Johnson says of Peterson, who was her dentist for 16 years. “I always looked forward to my dental appointments because I knew the hour would be filled with jokes, mini golf in the hallway, and questions about what was happening in my life. Dr. Peterson was always so warm and welcoming, and his charisma and calm demeanor always had a way of making me feel comfortable in the dental chair.”

Peterson remains involved with Marquette, and he and Johnson recently worked together at 2016’s Give Kids a Smile Day. Peterson also volunteers for the annual Head Start Dental Day, giving free dental exams to children and information to their families. He has been a mentor to MUSoD students and served on the development committee for the Dental School expansion.

“Every (MUSoD graduate) could probably say, ‘Where would I be without my Marquette Dental School education?’” Peterson says. “It’s all part of ‘somebody up there likes me.’ So many opportunities were given to me, and I’m very grateful.”
Dental Student Siblings: Sharing surnames and support

Our students often say their community at the Marquette School of Dentistry feels like one big family. Still, there’s nothing like having your actual sibling as a classmate, mentor, mentee or study buddy. Our current student body includes a total of 10 sibling pairs. We talked to a few of them about what it’s like to share the Dental School experience with a brother or sister.

The Carney sisters are the daughters of two Naperville, Ill.-based dentists who have done mission dentistry in Jamaica for nearly 25 years. The girls began traveling with their parents as young children, and even at ages 6 and 8 were helping out in simple ways. “We both gained an interest in the work our parents and other volunteer dentists were doing,” says Madeline. “We developed a passion for the mission work and serving the poor. We both love going to Marquette, because the school shares our love of dentistry and service through its many outreach programs and events to help the less fortunate in Milwaukee.”

Kelly entered Marquette as an undergraduate intending to pursue a career in physical therapy, but during her freshman year she nabbed a spot that had suddenly opened in the pre-dental scholars program. “I knew that it was a sign from God that this was the profession I was meant to be in,” she says.

Kelly says while she talked up MUSoD to her younger sister, emphasizing the sense of community and family-like atmosphere, she also didn’t sugarcoat the challenges of dental school. Kelly’s description of MUSoD’s close-knit community and strong faculty-student relationships appealed to Madeline. “What sold me on coming to Marquette was how happy the students seemed, even while in such a rigorous program,” she says.

Having a family member at school is fun for the sisters. “I love randomly running into each other in the halls or in the bathroom,” Kelly says. “It’s an automatic hug!” She adds that she is glad to be able to offer Madeline guidance, help and an empathetic ear.

Upon graduating in May, Kelly will enter an advanced education in general dentistry program or begin general practice wherever her fiancé (Ben Schwabe, D ’16) is stationed as a naval dentist. But she eventually would like to return to Wisconsin — unlike Madeline, who wants to live and practice “somewhere warm.”

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— Kelly Carney

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It was an orthodontist in their hometown of Stevens Point, Wis., who inspired the Dodge twins to consider careers in dentistry. Dr. Paul Ostertag, D ’86, Grad ’89, himself an identical twin, “joked with us one day that ‘It would be funny if you and Austin became dentists like me and my brother (Dr. Alan Ostertag, D ’86, Grad ’90),’” says Ryan. “We were inspired by how much he seemed to enjoy life, his job and working with patients, so we decided to apply to Marquette’s pre-dental scholars program.”

A bit of family stress followed when Ryan was accepted one month before Austin, despite identical high school grade-point averages. But it all worked out, and the brothers say they are enjoying their experience so far, particularly being able to work with patients. They appreciate the Dental School’s holistic approach to care, stemming from the Jesuit philosophy of cura personalis, or care for the whole person.

Being together at MUSoD has been both beneficial and entertaining for the brothers. “It has been wonderful to have a partner to study complicated pathophysiology pathways with and to persevere through SIM lab with,” says Austin.

He adds, “Confusing the doctors on the floor is one of our favorite pastimes. We think there are still quite a few part-time faculty who have no idea there are two of us.”

Both Ryan and Austin enjoy working with children. Ryan is considering applying for a pediatric residency, or doing a general practice residency to receive training in hospital dentistry. Austin is considering specializing in periodontal surgery.

“We both hope to one day open or acquire a practice together,” says Ryan, “so that we can continue our successful history of working together that began from the very moment we were born.”
The Marx sisters may have attended rival universities in Washington state, where they grew up, but they are now united as Golden Eagles. Born in Madison, Wis., they made frequent visits back to the Badger State as kids and maintained ties with extended family here. They say this connection makes Marquette feel like a home away from home.

Gretchen first became interested in dentistry during her own orthodontic treatment. While shadowing professionals in the field, she says, “I was quickly drawn to the artistic aspect of dentistry, working with your hands all day, the patient interactions, being able to take people out of pain and, most importantly, making a difference in people’s lives.”

Tessa worked at a free clinic during college, coordinating children’s oral health outreach programs. “Coincidentally, this was around the same time my sister was applying to dental school,” she says. “I loved working with underserved kids, really looked up to my sister and was proud of everything she was doing … and I started to fall in love with teeth, too!”

Their time together at the Dental School is a natural extension of a lifelong close relationship. “I have always loved looking out for my sister and she has always looked out for me,” Gretchen says. “The greatest part about having my sibling in dental school with me is that my best friend is with me through the hard work, difficulties and achievements.”

Tessa calls Gretchen “a perfect role model” and “the best denture tutor,” and adds, “She makes me dinner all the time … and gives the best hugs at the end of long days.”

Gretchen will graduate in May and head to Spokane, Wash. — her husband’s home town — to practice general dentistry. Tessa loves working with kids and caring for patients with special needs — and if she someday opens a pediatric practice nearby, Gretchen says she’ll be glad to refer her youngest patients to her younger sis.

Paul and Laura Sauvage grew up in Seattle, but as the children of two proud Marquette University alumni (Paul Sauvage, Sr., D’88, and Debbie Sauvage, Nurs ’86), they had no doubts about where they wanted to get their training in dentistry.

It was Laura, the younger sibling, who chose dentistry first. Paul’s commitment “to the lifelong endeavor of matching my sister’s greatness,” he says, motivated him to do the same.

The siblings did attend the same K-12 schools, but went their separate ways for college. Back together now at Marquette, they are glad to be able to support each other and grateful for the camaraderie MUSoD offers. They agree that the bonds among their classmates and the support extended by the faculty have made for an overwhelmingly positive experience, despite the challenging aspects of dental school.

“Paul and Laura say they plan to return to Seattle to practice dentistry under the continued mentorship of their dad, and are “thrilled by the possibility” of eventually practicing together.
1951

Row 1: Dean Bill Lobb, Irving Behm

1956

Row 1: John Wussow, Tom Gengler, Donald Froehlke Row 2: Jim Koehl, Phil Bruden, Ronald Holzhauer

1961


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1971

Row 1: Ken Waliszewski, Bill Franta, Mike Connor, Dan D’Angelo Row 2: Denny McMahon, Jim Toft, Chuck Bohl, Frank Marinelli

1976

Row 1: LeeAnn Podruch, David Harenke, Peter Guagliano, Steven Stoll Row 2: Thomas Beci, John Salomone, Michael Bartelt, Paul Hagemann, Richard Niedziela Row 3: Christopher Dix, David Reesman, Eugene Heller, Tom Mork Row 4: James Kuhlow, Craig Baumann, Tom Kielma, Mike Vitense
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Row 3: John Stockinger, John Vogl, Paul Engibous, Tim McNamara, Chuck Rubash

1986

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2011

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Rose Pham, D ’96, and Chan Tran, D ’95

Class of 1991 graduates Beatriz Terry and Edy Guerra

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12th ANNUAL DEAN’S CIRCLE DONOR RECOGNITION RECEPTION

More than 125 alumni, friends and guests attended the 12th Annual Dean’s Circle Donor Recognition Reception on September 23. The Dean’s Circle was created to honor those benefactors who contribute $1,000 or more to the Dental School and its programs during the most recent fiscal year.

A very special Dean’s Circle reception is being planned for 2017 to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Dr. William Lobb’s appointment as Dean of the Dental School. For more information on how to make a qualifying gift to the Dental School, contact Dave O’Neill, senior director of development, at 414.288-6048 or david.oneill@marquette.edu.

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J.D. Culea, Shelly Culea, Kathy Roth, D ’74, Dan Roth, D ’74
12TH ANNUAL SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

The 12th Annual Marquette University School of Dentistry Scholarship Luncheon, held on November 11, was a celebration of nearly 100 scholarship funders, student recipients and guests. The event provides an opportunity for benefactors to see first-hand where their scholarship support is going and to give students a chance to express their gratitude to those providing the financial aid.

The need to help students from graduating with extreme debt is great. If you are interested in more information on funding a named endowed or a direct impact scholarship, or would like to contribute to an existing “class” or “named” fund, contact Dave O’Neill, senior director of development, at 414.288-6048 or david.oneill@marquette.edu.

Jean Schlidt, Calvin Gander, D ’54, Joy Gander representing the Dr. Calvin Gander Endowed Dental Scholarship Fund.

Dean William Lobb, Kendra Loch, D4 student, and representing the William and Charlotte Arnold Endowed Scholarship Fund Cathy Loeser and Carl Loeser, MBA ’82.

Dean William Lobb, James Kolstad, D ’15, and Teresa Mears representing the Charles J. Mears Scholarship for graduate residents in orthodontics.

The Delta Dental of Wisconsin Scholars for 2016 with Terry Higgins and Lynn Selissen from Delta and Dean William Lobb.
Dr. Ned Murphy Elected President of Wisconsin Dental Association

Dr. Ned Murphy, D’65, a resident of Racine, was sworn in as president of the 3,000-member Wisconsin Dental Association at the organization’s House of Delegates on Nov. 5 at Kalahari Resort and Convention Center in Wisconsin Dells.

A general dentist, Murphy is a partner at Spring Dental Group in Racine.

He served in all Racine County Dental Society officer posts before joining the WDA Board of Trustees in 2009 as a trustee for the Southeast Region. He was elected WDA vice president in 2014 and president-elect in 2015.

An active member of the Wisconsin Dental Political Action Committee and the WDA Legislative Advocacy Committee, Murphy was recognized for his bipartisan outreach efforts with a WDA Pyramid of Pride for political action in 2006. He participates in the WDA-MUSoD-Pierre Fauchard Academy Mentor Program and serves on the Dean’s Circle at the Dental School. He is a fellow of the International College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

Murphy also volunteers with many local and state oral health initiatives, including the WDA Foundation’s Donated Dental Services and Mission of Mercy programs, Give Kids A Smile® and the Racine Health Care Network.

MUSoD well represented on WDA

Other leaders sworn in at the WDA House include:
• Dr. Ryan Braden, D’05 – Immediate Past President
• Dr. John R. Moser, D’82 – Treasurer
• Dr. Monica Hebl, D’85 – Speaker of the WDA House of Delegates

Newly-elected WDA trustees include:
• Dr. Tim Harper, D’84, representing the Northeast Region
• Dr. Mark Crego, D’87, representing the Greater Milwaukee Region
• Dr. Tom Reid, D’99, representing the Southwest Region
• Ryan Dodge, a third-year student at Marquette’s dental school, will represent all MUSoD students on the WDA board for one year.

Mile-High Smiles

Guests at this year’s alumni reception, held as part of the ADA meeting in Denver in October, were treated to a beautiful setting, thanks to Dr. Rick, D’77, and Cindy Kushner, who hosted the event at their penthouse at the Four Seasons Hotel. Gorgeous views, wonderful company and gracious hosts made for a fun and festive event.

Hosts Rick Kushner, D’77, and Cindy Kushner with Dean Bill Lobb

Edy Guerra, D’91, Beatriz Terry, D’91, Gerald Middleton, D’91, and Denise Middleton
DR. GENE SHOEMAKER, AS ’83, D ’89, is the 2016 Wisconsin Dental Association Lifetime Achievement Award recipient in recognition of his significant contributions of time, energy and expertise to organized dentistry throughout his 27-year career.

Active with the Waukesha County Dental Society, Shoemaker represented the Southeast Region on the WDA Board of Trustees for six years. He was elected vice president in 2008, president-elect in 2009 and served as WDA president from 2010–2011. He has served on more than 16 different committees and delegations and currently co-chairs the WDA Governance Structure Task Force.

Shoemaker has received an American Dental Association Golden Apple Award for Outstanding Leadership through Mentoring, as well as multiple WDA Pyramid of Pride awards: Media Relations (2014), President’s Award of Honor for Mission of Mercy (2010), Outstanding Leadership in Mentoring (2002) and New Dentist Leadership (1998).

Other Marquette Dental School graduates being honored included DR. KENNETH GEIGER, D ’83, who, with his wife SANDRA GEIGER, was recognized with a Community Outreach Award. Closely involved with the successful execution of WDA and WDA Foundation Mission of Mercy (MOM) events since 2009, they regularly travel to other states to share their MOM expertise.

MONICA HEBL, D ’85, received a Media Relations Award. Dr. Hebl frequently addresses print and electronic news media on important public health issues, such as reducing barriers to care and community water fluoridation.

SAHEDA GOVANI, D ’10, received the New Dentist Leadership Award. She actively mentors dental students, shares lessons learned about practice management and volunteers time to non-profits supporting the arts, environmental safety and fighting hunger.

LYSETTE BRUEGEMAN, D ’90 AND MICHAEL KOPECKY, D ’89, together accepted this year’s WDA Outstanding Leadership in Mentoring Award. Mentor Program participants since 2004, this wife-husband team help students shape their careers and fulfill their professional dreams.

WDA Recognizes MUSoD Graduates for Contributions to Dentistry, Public Oral Health

Daniel Gerdes, D ’16, Jay Banez, D ’16, and Colleen Shandy, D3 student

Monica Hebl, D ’85, Kent Vandehaar, and Eileen Donohoo, DH ’76

Daniel Gerdes, D ’16, Jay Banez, D ’16, and Colleen Shandy, D3 student

Ryan Braden, D ’05, Chris Hansen, D ’83, and Tom Reid, D ’99
IN THE HALLWAYS

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INTRODUCING THE CLASS OF 2020

Part-time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award

Congratulations to Dr. Joseph A. Best, D’89

Dr. Best graduated from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 1989. He then went on to attend the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in New York, where he earned a Ph.D. in pharmacology and a certificate in oral and maxillofacial surgery. In addition to serving on the faculty at MUSoD, Best is in private practice at Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Associates, which has four locations in metro Milwaukee.

The Excellence in Teaching Award is presented annually to a current Marquette University School of Dentistry part-time faculty member who teaches with diligence, dedication, compassion and understanding. This individual has the respect of both faculty and students, teaches with professionalism and with the students’ best interests in mind.

Part-time Faculty Promotions

The following part-time faculty members were promoted in Fall 2016:

Promoted to Adjunct Assistant Professor

Dr. Timothy Baggott, Department of General Dental Sciences

Promoted to Adjunct Associate Professor

Ms. Deborah Beres, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Neal Bucholts, Postgraduate Prosthodontics
Dr. Daniel Bures, Department of General Dental Sciences
Dr. Renita Burrell, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. John Crawford, Department of Developmental Sciences
Dr. Daniel Domagala, Postgraduate Prosthodontics
Dr. Shane Fisher, Department of Developmental Sciences
Dr. Steven Froehlich, Department of Developmental Sciences
Dr. James Herman, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Karen Jahimiak, Department of General Dental Sciences
Dr. Charles Kosowski, Department of Clinical Services
Dr. Ronald Labinski, Department of General Dental Sciences
Dr. Tim Novak, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Charles Pechous, Postgraduate Prosthodontics
Dr. John Schultz, Department of Clinical Services
Ms. Anna Stamas, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Jerome Teclaw, Department of Clinical Services
Dr. Robert Younquist, Department of Developmental Sciences

Promoted to Adjunct Professor

Dr. Joseph Best, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. Joseph deGuzman, Department of Surgical Sciences
Dr. John Moser, Department of General Dental Sciences
Dr. Ron Santilli, Department of General Dental Sciences

STATES REPRESENTED: California, Florida, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin

2,316 APPLICANTS FROM 49 STATES (including 202 Wisconsin applications)

100 STUDENTS ENROLLED (50 women, 50 men)

3.63 Overall GPA

3.56 Science GPA

20.06 Mean DAT Score ACADEMIC AVG.

20.21 Mean DAT Score PAT AVG.

Dr. Joseph Best (left) with Marquette President Michael Lovell and Dean Lobb.
Dr. Alex Lin Receives National Periodontology Teaching Award

At the American Academy of Periodontology Annual Meeting in San Diego in September, Dr. Guo-Hao (Alex) Lin was recognized as the 2016 recipient of the Dr. Walter Cohen Teaching Award from the American Academy of Periodontology Foundation, and was a finalist in the Balint Orban Memorial Competition, a research competition of recent graduates from periodontal programs. Lin joined the MUSoD faculty in August 2016 from the University of Michigan.

Student Published in Textbook

Min A. Fahmy, D3, has had a chapter published in the textbook Intelligent Nanomaterials – 2nd Edition. His chapter is titled, “Biomedical Applications of Intelligent Nanomaterials.”

New Members of the American College of Dentists

Part-time faculty members Dr. Darryl Stich, D’01, and Dr. Leo Huck, D’07, full-time faculty member Paul Luepke and MUSoD graduate Shaheda Govani, D’10, are new members of the American College of Dentists. They were inducted in Denver at the 2016 Meeting and Convocation.

Fond Farewell

Three long-time employees retired from the Dental School in 2016: Jeanne Hoppe, Edward Palmer and Cindy Marchewka. These three employees had a combined total of more than 100 years of service to MUSoD. We thank them for their dedication and wish them each a long and happy retirement.
REMEMBERING OUR OWN

The Marquette University community joins in prayerful remembrance of those who passed away between July and December 2016. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Eternal rest grant unto them, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

1943
Harold A. Laatsch
Marion, Wisconsin

1945
Joseph R. Evans
Asheville, North Carolina

1946
Bernard D. Ottenstein
Mequon, Wisconsin

Allen L. Pirus
Anaheim, California

1947
William H. Zink
Dayton, Ohio

1952
Daro A. Buchanan
Madison, Wisconsin

Robert A. Davies
Portage, Wisconsin

Morris Hindin
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Carson C. Remington
Fox Point, Wisconsin

Donald B. Smith
Plymouth, Michigan

1953
Bernard O. Jaeger
Madison, Wisconsin

Donald K. Letter
Green Bay, Wisconsin

1954
Donald L. Gerth
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Eugene T. Sonnleitner
Appleton, Wisconsin

1955
Joseph A. Janik
Glendale, Wisconsin

1956
Robert M. Aronson
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Terence H. Furman
Victoria, Texas

1958
Thomas R. Anderson
Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

Timothy A. Benson
Portage, Wisconsin

1959
Leon D. Fiedler
Melbourne, Florida

1961
Bert H. Green
Huntington Beach, California

1962
James A. Dorow
Brookfield, Wisconsin

1963
Richard D. Napgezek
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

1964
Donald J. O’Neil
Butte, Montana

1965
Steven G. Meyer
Lexington, Kentucky

Thomas G. Tuohy
Cumberland Foreside, Maine

1966
Thomas E. Meade
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Richard L. Whitehouse
Franklin, Wisconsin

1971
Robert A. Brevard
Hood River, Oregon

1974
Leonard L. Lausten
Overland Park, Kansas

1975
John E. Elfers
Reedsburg, Wisconsin

Thomas J. Honl
Stevens Point, Wisconsin

1978
David C. Stangel
Spring Valley, California

1980
Andrew P. Schultze
Bismarck, North Dakota

1985
Richard T. Suttle
Redwood City, California
MARK YOUR CALENDAR  Continuing Education and Alumni Relations

For more information on these and other events, call 414.288.3093
or visit www.marquette.edu/dentistry.

FEBRUARY

February 24  Alumni Reception
Chicago Midwinter Meeting
5 – 7 p.m.
Renaissance Chicago Downtown Hotel
1 West Upper Wacker Drive
Sponsorship provided by Midwest Dental, Schenck & Wells Fargo

MARCH

March 7  CE Your Way — Big Tobacco’s Dirty Little Secret: The Fallacy of “Safe” Alternatives to Cigarettes
Dr. Denis Lynch

March 31  Comprehensive Treatment of Dentally Exhausted Patients
Dr. Carl Drago, Dr. Geoffrey Thompson,
Dr. Kenneth Waliszewski

APRIL

April 1  Comprehensive Treatment of Dentally Exhausted Patients
(Hands on portion)
Dr. Carl Drago, Dr. Geoffrey Thompson,
Dr. Kenneth Waliszewski

April 6  Immediate Tooth Replacement with Fixed Implant Dentures for Edentulous and Patients with Terminal Dentition
Dr. Daniel Domagala

April 19  “Now That I Have an Implant My Worries are Over!” — A Discussion of Potential Implant Concerns
Dr. Arndt Guentsch, Dr. Paul Luepke, Dr. Alex Lin

April 21  OSHA and Infection Control Update
Dr. Katherine Schrubbe

April 28  Dental Alumni Awards Ceremony
Alumni Memorial Union
6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. program
Honoring: Dan D’Angelo, Tim Brown and Barrett Straub

MAY

May 2  Digital Dental Forensics/Non-DNA Bite Mark Team Update
Dr. Jerome Teclaw

May 9  Radiology for Dental Auxiliaries
Rod Daering, Vicki Romans, Sherry Ortiz

May 11  Radiology for Dental Auxiliaries
Rod Daering, Vicki Romans, Sherry Ortiz

May 12  Clinicopathologic Correlation in Oral Maxillofacial & Head and Neck Pathology
Dr. Nasser Said-Al-Naief

May 25  MUSoD Alumni Association Presents
An Evening at Miller Park
Milwaukee Brewers vs. Arizona Cardinals
ATI Club

May 31  Advanced Cardiac Life Support Recertification
Richard Mason

JUNE

June 1  Airway Management
Richard Mason

SEPTEMBER

September 8  Second Annual Gerald J. Ziebert Lecture
in Prosthodontics

September 16  Class Reunions (Classes ending in 2 and 7)

September 27  Advanced Cardiac Life Support Recertification
Richard Mason

September 28  Airway Management
Richard Mason
Pioneers on the court and in the clinic

Dental Students Dominate First Marquette Basketball Team

Marquette University is celebrating the 100th Anniversary of men’s basketball at Marquette. Five of the 1917 team’s original seven players were dental students, making the School of Dentistry the valuable sixth man. The first basket in the team’s first game against Whitewater Normal at Whitewater on January 13, 1917, was made by Marquette’s Albert Delmore, D ’18. Other dental school players included James Devine, D ’17, John Fay, D ’18, John Johnston, D ’19, and Conrad Kolb, D ’18. Delmore, injured a few games later, was replaced by yet another dental school student, Hugh Evans, D ’19.