

MAYO CLINIC

We concluded this academic year with the graduation of Dr. **Peini Zhu**. Dr. Zhu completed the defense of her graduate thesis earlier this spring. She and Dr. **Chad Rasmussen** are now in the process of preparing her manuscript for publication. Dr. Zhu presented three of her completed orthodontic cases at the ABO Student Case Display during the AAO Annual Session in Washington, D.C. She and her husband, Dr. **Michael Shen**, an endodontist, along with their brand new baby boy, born earlier this spring, will remain in the Rochester area for the present time.

Dr. **Paul J. Meyer** our second-year resident successfully completed the ABO written portion of his board certification process this spring. Dr. Meyer is ready to assume the duties and responsibilities of chief resident on July 1. During this upcoming year he will be completing his cases for evaluation, working to complete his research project and defend his thesis in the spring of 2019. During this time he also will be preparing for his comprehensive examination in December.

Dr. **Lesley Chu** has completed her first year and is ready to assume the duties of the second-year resident. Dr. Chu has selected her research topic, selected her thesis committee and is finalizing her research protocol. She will attend the Tweed Course in September.

Dr. **Abby Jewell** is our first-year resident who began her residency officially on July 1, 2018. Dr. Jewell has had a busy May and June. She and her husband are newlyweds. They both graduated from the University of Missouri – Kansas City this past May. Her husband, **Matthew**, will be practicing in Chatfield, Minnesota. Dr. Jewell is excited and ready to begin her graduate residency program. She is already planning to attend GORP this August.

We want to thank all of our Mayo alumni who attended our Mayo Clinic Alumni dinner at the AAO Annual Session in Washington, D.C. This is always a special time each year to reunite with former classmates and family members and to introduce our new residents and faculty to this outstanding group of individuals with a shared heritage. This year our residents were not able to attend as the entire Mayo Clinic Rochester was in the middle of training and implementation of our new Electronic Medical Record (Epic). We want to thank Dr. **Fred Regennitter** for being able to host this year's dinner.



A photo of some of those in attendance include (L to R) Dr. David Meyer, Mrs. Patricia Meyer, Dr. John Hirce, Dr. Arnie Hill, Dr. Deborah Lien, Dr. Steven Hechler, Mrs. Shirley Hill and Mrs. Leigh Ann Hechler.

We already are looking toward next year's alumni dinner as we gather to share Dr. **Brent Larson's** meeting in Los Angeles. Dr. Larson is a past faculty member and program director of the Mayo Clinic Orthodontic Graduate Program.

We want to thank everyone for their support of our graduate program and wish everyone an enjoyable summer. We are hoping to see many of you at the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists' Annual Session this September at the Radisson Blu Mall of America. It looks like an outstanding program for all. We heard that the shopping is not bad either!

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