

Department of our provincial government, needy children who would benefit from orthodontic treatment are identified and treated by our residents in the program. Over the past decade we have provided over half-a-million dollars of “free” orthodontic care for these children. We are presently looking at expanding this program to an on-site outreach clinic where we will offer screening and interceptive orthodontic services at the facility to children in need who otherwise would not be able to access even basic interceptive orthodontic care.

Dr. **Gary Levine** has taken over as course coordinator of Biomechanics and is also the Principal Orthodontist in our TAD clinic. Dr. **Susan Tsang** currently assists Dr. Baretto in the Craniofacial Difference/Cleft Palate Clinic. Osmar took over as the Principal Orthodontist in this clinic in January 2012. Dr. **Luis Piedade** from Toronto is the Principal Orthodontist in our Clear Aligner Clinic and flies in every six weeks at his own expense. Dr. **Jeff Bales** is the Principal Orthodontist in our Self-ligating Clinic and he will be assisted by Drs. **Warren Cohen** and **Ron Wolk**, both from Calgary. We bid a hearty welcome to Ron as we say thank you and farewell to Dr. **Chung Yue**, also from Calgary, who has been teaching in Jeff’s clinic for a number of years.

We remain indebted to all our part-time orthodontists who teach in our orthodontic clinics: Drs. **Frank Hechter, Gerry Solomon, Jeff Bales, Tim Dumore, Hermann Lee, Gary Levine, Susan Tsang, Milos Lekic, Christie Laberge, Luis Piedade** as well as Oral Surgeon Dr. **Lee McFadden** and Periodontist Dr. **Anastasia Kelekis-Cholakis**. Thank you for your continued commitment to the orthodontic education of our future colleagues.
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University of Minnesota

Congratulations to our 2012 Orthodontic graduates! This year’s class included Drs. **Ben Allen, Ketti Boller, Carlos Caballero, Mike Lee, Yu Pan** and **Nishant Patel**. They have grown as clinicians during their training and learned a variety of treatment techniques from our faculty. The class was the first to be exposed to a new format of mock board exam that was planned by Drs. **John Kanyusik** and **Eric Langsjoen**. The residents performed very well during that exam and, hopefully, it will be a great preparation experience as they challenge the ABO exam in the

future.

All of our residents were able to attend the AAO meeting in Hawaii in May. This allowed them to have exposure to a worldwide collection of noted speakers as well as to browse the exhibit hall for new products and office ideas. Some of them even had time to take surfing lessons – a particularly useful skill here in Minnesota! As always, the resident travel to these meetings is funded by the Orthodontic Residents Endowment which is made possible through the generous giving of many of our alumni and friends.



In the last newsletter I introduced Dr. **Eric Langsjoen** to you as a new full-time faculty member. I mentioned in his brief bio that he had previously served as the Program Director for the military Tri-Service Orthodontic Program. As we try to share the administrative and leadership roles to strengthen our program, Eric has become the official Program Director for our residency program. This appointment was effective on June 25th – the date of the new class starting – and has officially been recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. Eric already has made an impact by improving the coordination of content among our courses, and his leadership will be very valuable as we head into our next accreditation visit in the fall of 2013.

We have a couple of changes in the make-up of our part-time adjunct faculty. The first is the retirement of Dr. **Bob Grossman**. Bob volunteered to be a “temporary” adjunct more than 10 years ago for then chair, Dr. **Bill Liljemark**, and just kept contributing! We greatly appreciate Bob’s thoughtful contributions over the years and wish him the best. Our thanks to Dr. **Lisa Runck** for stepping in as a part-time faculty member. Lisa travels all the way from Mankato to help us out on alternate Tuesdays and we very much appreciate her willingness to help our residents with clinical care.

We had another visit by Dr. **Lou Chmura** this past spring to help us provide appropriate instruction for our residents in the use of soft tissue lasers. Lou does a great job providing an excellent didactic foundation along with a practical clinical demonstration of laser use in orthodontics. Lou comes all the way from Michigan to help us out and we greatly appreciate his efforts. Other visiting clinicians who have contributed their time recently are Dr. **Bill Kottemann**

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(Invisalign planning and case review) and Dr. **Darrell Schmidt** (Suresmile planning and review procedures).



Brent Larson,
Sue Gross

I am honored to share with you that I received the University of Minnesota Distinguished Dental Alumnus Award this year. The award was presented at the Dean's Reception at the Star of the North Dental Meeting, by Dr. **Sue Gross**, alumni society president. It gave me the public opportunity to thank many of those who have been supportive of me and the orthodontic program here at Minnesota. My special thanks to Drs. **Arnie Hill** and **Steve Litton** for their part in making this special event happen!

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University of Missouri – Kansas City

It has been a busy six months regarding improving the infrastructure of the Department of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics at UMKC. We now have completed the construction component of our new seminar room, to be named for Dr. **George Muehlebach**, a part-time clinical instructor in the Department from September 1980 until his untimely death in 2005. We currently are raising funds to allow us to purchase and install audiovisual equipment and furniture in this much-needed space.

Every year UMKC Graduate Orthodontics organizes the Eric J. Schweitzer (Ort'92) Memorial Symposium. The purpose of the symposium is to have recent orthodontic graduates return to Kansas City to make presentations to current orthodontic residents. In April our two guest speakers were Drs. **Jason Burkhard** and **Erin Jameson**. The benefactors of the Schweitzer Memorial Symposium have contributed to this endeavor so that orthodontic practitioners can speak frankly of the joys and difficulties they encountered while embarking on their careers.

The Midwest Dental Conference Orthodontic Lectures were held on April 12-13, 2012, in Kansas City. Approximately 60 orthodontists attended the lecture titled, *Clinical Applications of Cone Beam CT in Orthodontics – an Overview*. The engaging lectures were delivered by Drs. **Vandana Kumar** and **Vijay Parashar**. Dr. **Ken Snyder**, a

graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine, gave the orthodontic staff lecture on *Good Humor is Good Medicine!* In conjunction with the Conference, the 2012 UMKC Orthodontic Alumni Luncheon was held at the Sheraton Crown Plaza. The UMKC Orthodontic Alumnus of the Year award was presented to Dr. **Eric Johnson**.

We were very fortunate to have **Sarandeep Huja**, DDS, MS, PhD give the 2012 Dan L. Blackwell Lecture on June 1. His lecture titled, *Bone Remodeling in the Clinical Arena: From Diagnostics to Therapy*, was well received given that he is one of the preeminent clinician scientists who has published extensively in this area of research.

UMKC School of Dentistry Dean **Marsha Pyle** announced that a growing fund to support full-time faculty was to be officially titled the Dr. Don Thompson Endowed Professorship. This spring UMKC announced that Dr. **Jeff Nickel** was the awardee of the Professorship. Jeff has determined that the \$30K derived each year from the endowment will be used for program enhancement.

The AAO meeting in Hawaii was a busy time for Drs. **Laura Iwasaki** and Nickel. Dr. Iwasaki had responsibilities associated with the AAOF Planning and Awards Review Committee (PARC) and presented a lecture titled, *Mechanical Energy Densities in the Human TMJ*. Jeff, who is the MSO representative for COSA, was involved in judging in the Charlie Schultz and Table Clinic Competitions and gave a lecture titled, *Masticatory Muscle Duty Factors and TMJ Loads in Humans*.

Our new first-year residents, Drs. **Brittany Carpenter** (University Tennessee), **Lori Petersen** (University of Nebraska Medical Center) and **Michael Ponikvar** (University of Maryland), started their postgraduate education on July 1. Second-year residents Drs. **Natalia Henbest**, **Michael Olsen** and **Adam Reynolds** continue with their diverse workload with respect to didactic, clinical and research activities. In April Drs. Henbest, Olsen and Reynolds attended the Tweed course in Phoenix. Third-year residents Drs. **Gena McGivern**, **Ashlee Williams** and **Lauren Gossett** have taken up the duties as mentors, along with their other responsibilities for projects associated with their MS degrees, and an increased workload in the clinic.

A final bit of news relates to research in our department. Dr. **Ling Ye** continues to publish his research on the molecular biology of dentoalveolar bone during loading of the mandible. Drs. Iwasaki and Nickel continue their service obligations as reviewers of grant applications submitted to a variety of NIDCR study sections as well as their own research interests.

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University of Nebraska

Our Department Chair will begin her appointment on July 1, 2012! After years of depending upon the time and talents of three very good interim chairs, the Department of Growth and Development (which includes the Orthodontic Section, Pediatric Dentistry Section and GPR) will return to having a full-time, permanent chair. **Jillian Wallen**, BDS, MS, currently the director of the post-graduate pediatric dentistry program, will begin to lead the entire department on a journey that will move toward more inclusiveness and communication – particularly between the specialties of pediatric dentistry and orthodontics. It's an exciting time, filled with possibilities, and we look forward to working with Dr. Wallen.

We are pleased to introduce the class starting our program on July 1, 2012. Dr. **Jeffrey Rector** is a native of Montana and earned his DDS from the University of the Pacific in June 2012. Dr. **Nima Rohani** graduated from Columbia University with a DDS in 2011 and has been a resident at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn since then. Dr. **Jared Schoettger** (son of Dr. **Robert Schoettger** – a 1983 grad) earned his DDS in May 2012 from UNMC. We expect all three of these extremely nice young men to fit well in the program and make their own contributions to the educational experience of all of our residents.

Dr. **Sundaralingam (Prem) Premaraj** received an AAOF Biomedical Research Award in March and Dr. **Thyagaseely (Sheela) Premaraj** received an AAOF orthodontic faculty development fellowship award.

Dr. Prem was admitted this year as a fellow by exam to the FRCD(C), The Royal College of Dentists of Canada, and passed the ABO clinical exam to extend his board certification as well. In April, he was elected as Director of the IADR/AADR Craniofacial Biology Group.

Drs. Premaraj were awarded a research grant from Align Technology, Inc. (Invisalign®). Their research project received the award as one of only four universities in North America to be funded for projects seeking to better understand orthodontic treatment with clear aligners.

At the 2012 AAO Annual Session in Hawaii, second-year residents Drs. **Elizabeth Katzberg**, **Vivian Luong** and **Tram Nguyen** participated in the CDABO Case Display program. First-year resident Dr. **Corwyn Hopke** represented our program as the Charley Schultz Resident Scholar.

Dr. **Peter Spalding** presented a lecture at the AAO Annual Session in Honolulu.

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Michigan. The scientific program, *Imbalance to Balance – Diagnosing & Treating Facial Imbalances for the Orthodontic Patient*, put together by Dr. **Scott Conley**, will be insightful, cutting edge and full of lively discussion. For more information visit www.cdabo.org. During the summer meeting, Dr. **John Kanyusik** will receive the College's annual "Samir Bishara Award of Merit" for his past and continued support of the CDABO.

The College will have a presence at the 2012 GORP meeting in Michigan to encourage residents to become board certified.

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American Board of Orthodontics

Since the last *MSO Newsletter*, the ABO has been very busy examining those orthodontists who accepted and registered for the Gateway path of board certification. The scheduled Clinical Examinations for 2012 filled early and the 2012 graduating residents were unable to register for a position. A special August 12 Clinical Examination was scheduled to accommodate Initial Certification examinees and faculty members whose Gateway certificates were going to expire before a 2013 examination would become available. The next available Clinical Examination is June 5-9, 2013. For more information, go to americanboardortho.com for dates and fees. Any orthodontist who has completed the Written Examination (this is now good for a lifetime) and would like to register for the Clinical Examination six-case display to become Board Certified is encouraged to do so.

I am very proud to have been present as my good friend, schoolmate and MSO colleague, Dr. **Lee Graber**, was presented the Albert H. Ketcham Memorial Award. Lee's father, Dr. **T.M. Graber**, also was a recipient of this prestigious award.

There are 72 ADA accredited orthodontic programs in North America and 78% have had at least one resident participate in the Initial Certification Examination. We are working to improve the electronic case submission capability but at the present time, we require plaster casts for final results.

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MSO Annual Session and Business Meeting

Registration for the cruise and for the CE education are separate registration forms and fees.

For more information on the cruise itinerary and cabin reservations call **800/422-0711** or go to www.specialeventcruises.com/mso_2012.html

For the meeting registration form call the MSO at **636/922-5551**, go to www.msortho.org to download the registration form or e-mail the MSO office at msortho@charter.net

2012 MSO Business Meeting Notice

All current active MSO members may vote at the MSO Annual Business Meeting to be held during the MSO's 75th Anniversary Annual Session program onboard the Alaskan Cruise on Friday, August 10, from 4:15-5:00 p.m. It is scheduled to be in the Hudson Room, Promenade Deck Center.

Highlights of the agenda will include the presentation of the 2012 MSO Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award to Dr. **Mike Hipp**, Des Moines, Iowa and election and installation of officers. The following 2012-2013 officer slate is recommended by the Nominating Committee:

President: Dr. **Ross Crist**, South Dakota
President-Elect: Dr. **John Crawford**, Wisconsin
Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. **Deborah Lien**, Minnesota
Re-election of MSO Trustee to the AAO BOT:

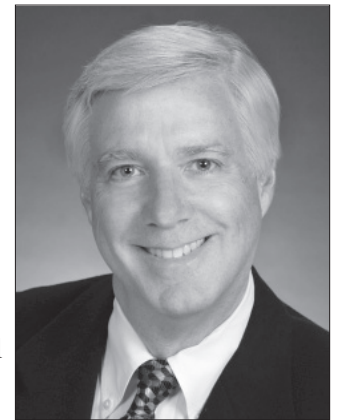
Dr. **Brent Larson**, Minnesota

The MSO membership earlier approved a bylaws change eliminating the position of vice president starting

after the MSO 2012 Annual Session. As such, Dr. Lien will serve an additional term as secretary-treasurer.

Please go to the newly designed MSO website at www.msortho.org after July 1 to download the business meeting agenda and all of the supporting documentation. Also, please feel free to address any questions or comments in advance to current MSO President Dr. **Babette Cohen** at us@babetteandkeith.com

Aside from the fabulous cruise, the opportunity to hear internationally-respected speakers and social time with your MSO colleagues, you will have the opportunity to congratulate Mike when he receives his award.



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medical and dental services to the people of Belize. This project now provides two week-long trips each year, and the group includes about 50 individuals and supplies each time. In addition to general dentistry and medical care, recent trips have included dermatology, audiology and occupational therapy services. While many adults are badly in need of restorative dental procedures, the project recently began helping children look forward to better oral health by providing fluoride treatments, distributing toothbrushes and providing oral hygiene instruction.

Lastly, two MSO members, Dr. Graber and Dr. **Keith Levin**, Manitoba, completed their terms on the Board of Trustees of the AAO. Lee finished his term on the Board as its Immediate Past-President, and Keith was Speaker of the House for the last three years.

To all of these remarkable individuals, we truly are amazed by your contributions to make our entire world a better place for everyone. You all are at the top of the list!! Congratulations to you and to your families for all that you have given back.

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