Alumnus Inducted into French Legion of Honor

France awarded its Chevalier (Knight) of the Legion of Honor to Dr. Ken Guetzke for helping to liberate France during World War II.
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Spring arrived in the Twin Cities after an unusually mild winter, bringing with it a hint of anticipation for ‘new beginnings’ here at the School of Dentistry.

The University of Minnesota is moving forward with the process of selecting a new permanent dean for the School of Dentistry. In March, our faculty, staff and students participated in on-campus meetings with candidates. Everyone had a chance to attend one or more of these meetings and to provide input and feedback. We’re on-track to have a new dean by the start of the 2012-13 academic year.

We’re also excited about the April 3 opening of our new University of Minnesota Pediatric Dental Clinic, Made Possible by Delta Dental of Minnesota. In this issue, we introduce you to Dr. Jeff Karp who will join us in July as director of the clinic and of our Advanced Education Program in Pediatric Dentistry.

Also in this issue, we take time to reflect on our history. We talked extensively with 96-year-old alumnus Dr. Ken Guetzke about his recent induction into the French Legion of Honor for helping to liberate France during World War II. Equally interesting, for different reasons, is a discussion about the 1919 Society and the role it plays in advancing dental hygiene education at the School of Dentistry.

One article you should not miss introduces Building Bridges to a Dental Career. This unique program is funded through a $1.9 million Health Resources and Services Administration grant awarded to Dr. Naty Lopez, assistant dean for admissions and diversity. The program is the latest in a series of initiatives by the School of Dentistry to help meet the changing workforce needs of the state.

Although there is much more great news about our faculty and students in this issue, all the news is not cheerful. Several of our alumni passed away this year, and the School of Dentistry lost one of our most loyal and long-standing faculty members, Ms. Lynda Young. Many of you knew Lynda in her role as director of continuing dental education. She will be missed.

A final bit of news not addressed in this issue: We recently hired a full-time webmaster and many changes to our website are anticipated over the course of the next several months.

We’re heading into a busy year and great things are ahead. We hope you’ll stay connected and informed about all the news yet to come—visit our website at www.dentistry.umn.edu, stop by to see us at the Star of the North Meeting and at class reunions and alumni receptions, and, of course, continue to read Dentistry Magazine. Feel free to pass along this issue to others so that they, too, can be informed about all that we are doing—as individuals, as a school and as a profession—to enhance our insights into health and wellness, to provide a challenging dental education program, and to improve the lives of patients around the state and the world.

Wishing you the best,

Judith A. Buchanan
Interim Dean
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It was a day for the record books. The School of Dentistry’s 2012 Give Kids a Smile Day event attracted more than 325 student, staff, faculty and community volunteers who provided $144,000 of free dental care to children on February 4. Dental students and dental residents worked alongside dental hygiene and dental therapy students to treat 198 patients under faculty supervision.

Patients received radiographs, an examination and treatment plan, plus emergency and some restorative care, prioritized to address the most critical needs first. Routine and specialty dental services included fillings, endodontic procedures, cleanings, extractions, fluoride treatments, crowns, and the placement of dental sealants.

The American Dental Association launched Give Kids a Smile Day to call attention to the needs of underserved communities for dental care.

In Minnesota, a recent report on a screening program for third grade students finds that although restorative services and treatment needs are on a par with the nation, the state’s third graders have more decay than national targets. The report also documents that the burden of oral disease in Minnesota is disproportionately borne by children from minority populations and lower income families.

“And that’s what this day is all about,” says Michael Ahn, who co-coordinated the dental school’s event along with fellow third-year dental students Kelly Muenzenberger and Ryan Reopelle. “It’s a time for kids who otherwise have no access to dental services to get the care they need, no questions asked.”

Students organized all aspects of the day, recruited volunteers, and secured...
Driven to Discover

The breadth of the productive basic, clinical, social science, and translational research taking place at the School of Dentistry was on display at the Eighth Annual Dean’s Day on March 30.

The all-day program showcased faculty research on topics as diverse as imaging and assessing secondary caries in composite restorations; a multidisciplinary approach to the study of molecular motors; salivary diagnostics; new technology in orthodontic diagnosis and treatment; the role of community engagement in health related research; decision analysis and patient preferences in dentistry; and evidence-based dentistry. More than 275 community practitioners, students, staff and faculty attended.

Highlights of the day included a keynote address by Donald R. Demuth, Ph.D., associate dean for research and professor of oral health and rehabilitation at the University of Louisville School of Dentistry and professor of microbiology and immunology at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. Demuth discussed the development of pathogen-specific therapies to combat oral diseases.

Thirty-two students from the dental school’s Summer Research Fellowship Program, Graduate Program in Oral Biology, and Master of Dental Hygiene Program also gave poster presentations on their research.

Congratulations to the following 2011 Paper of the Year Award recipients:

**Social and Behavioral Sciences & Public Health**


**Basic Science**


**Clinical Science**

Don Simone for his paper (with co-authors) titled “A New Device to Quantify Tactile Sensation in Neuropathy.” Published in *Neurology*. 2011, 76:1642-1649.

Grants and donations of dental materials and supplies to help defray the cost of providing care. Also participating were students representing the University’s schools of public health, pharmacy, medicine and nursing who staffed educational displays and conducted interactive health-related activities with the children.

Says Judith Buchanan, interim dean of the School of Dentistry, “For us, this day is part of our commitment to opportunity, investment and partnership. It’s an opportunity to provide much needed care for children, an investment in the education of our students, and a partnership with our professional colleagues around the state and students from other Academic Health Center schools to match children and their families in need of dental care with our School of Dentistry’s public dental clinics for treatment and follow-up.”

Minnesota Welcomes National Dental Student Leaders

Minnesota hosted dental student leaders from 58 dental schools at the 2012 Annual Session of the American Student Dental Association (ASDA) in Minneapolis, February 29 to March 2.

Interim Dean Judith Buchanan welcomed the group, and the School of Dentistry co-sponsored a reception for delegates and attendees.

The dental school utilized funds from the Dean’s Fund for Achievement and personal gifts from faculty to support the attendance of 20 Minnesota dental student leaders.

ASDA is the national organization for dental students that provides services, information, education, representation, and advocacy on behalf of student interests, and introduces students to lifelong involvement in organized dentistry.
few things in life are fatal.”
The saying is one of Dr. Ken Guetzke’s (’49) favorites, and it reflects the calm, cheerful and can-do attitude of a man who knows something about life and longevity. At age 96, Guetzke has been a soldier, a dentist, a member of many community organizations and a family man.

Today, he insists his many achievements are the result of his simply doing what he was supposed to do and achieving the goals he set.

“I think that I accomplished what I wanted to do, both in the military and in dentistry. I feel grateful that the people in my life allowed me to achieve these things,” Guetzke said.

Recently—and unexpectedly—Guetzke’s World War II service was recognized by France; on January 12, 2012, he was appointed a Chevalier (Knight) of the Legion of Honor by the French government.

Since 2005, Legion of Honor medals have been given to American soldiers who served in WWII, fought on French soil and received any sort of war medal or honor from the United States.

Guetzke, of course, wasn’t expecting such belated recognition some 60 years after the fact—but he took the award, along with the medal ceremony held at his assisted living facility, in stride. Receiving the honor provided Guetzke a chance to revisit his time serving in WWII, remember those he served with and to share some of his war stories with those around him.

“When I got that notice from Paris and the French government that said I was being considered for this award, I didn’t know what was going to occur,” Guetzke said. “(But) I thought it was pretty terrific, and I felt grateful.”

Ken Guetzke’s son, Tom Guetzke, said that when he first discussed the award with his father, the normally stoic Ken became emotional. “He was very touched by it,” he said.

And for Tom, the Guetzke family and those who know Ken well, it was a fitting tribute to an ordinary man who performed extraordinary feats during WWII. Like many other members of the so-called Greatest Generation, he then returned home and continued to serve his community through his dentistry practice and his charitable work. He has done it all with his trademark kindness and optimism.

“Generally, he’s pretty stoic and underspoken. Most people never knew all of this about him,” Tom said. “But he’s always been a hero to me.”

The Early Years
Kenneth Sterling Guetzke was born in 1915 in west Minneapolis in an area that would later become the city of Hopkins. His father was employed by a machinery company and his mother worked part-time at the Fanny Farmer store in downtown Minneapolis. Kenneth was his parents’ only child.

When Guetzke graduated from the old South High School in Minneapolis in 1933, the Depression was in full swing. “There were no jobs to be had,” he said. “It was tough times.”

So Guetzke enrolled in the University of Minnesota and entered the ROTC program there. After completing several years of pre-dental school, he began his second year of classes at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. He was on his way to becoming a dentist.

He decided to pursue a career in dentistry, he said, because his uncle had been a dentist in South Dakota while he was growing up.
“I think I’d always wanted to do dentistry, because of my uncle and because it was a lifetime profession,” he said. Then the war happened.

The Dental Student Becomes a Soldier
Shortly after getting married to his wife, Vivian, Guetzke was commissioned as a first lieutenant in the United States Army. He attended training and maneuvers in Texas and shipped out in October of 1943 from the Port of New York. When he arrived in England, he completed more training; this time, the training was anti-aircraft-specific. Then the European assault began.

Soon, Guetzke and the rest of his 459th Anti-Aircraft Division were stuck on a boat off the coast of Normandy; the ship’s captain delayed deployment because he feared lowering the massive anti-aircraft guns might sink the ship. Finally, the guns were lowered; soon after, an onslaught of shells was fired right into their landing craft and Guetzke was hit by shrapnel in his right leg. Because of his injury, he was awarded the Purple Heart at Omaha Beach.

Guetzke and his division fought their way off the beach, heading inland to protect the troops from attacks by Nazi aircraft. During an intense battle at St. Lo in Normandy, Guetzke volunteered to lead a night mission to flush out Nazi strongholds. His bravery during the mission earned him a Bronze Star in July of 1944.

Guetzke remembers the uncertainty of that time, with no one knowing when the next battle would happen.

“You never knew where you were going to go next. Day by day, you got up and did the job.”
— Ken Guetzke

Back in the United States
In 1945, the war ended and Guetzke returned home, promptly re-enrolling in the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. He was happy to be among the many returning soldiers looking to take advantage of the GI Bill. For the next four years, he immersed himself in his education, earning his doctor of dental surgery in 1949.

“…I enjoyed dental school,” he said. “We had a pretty close group coming back from the war (attending together).”

The camaraderie he had experienced during the war with his soldier friends continued, because many of those who had survived kept in touch; in particular,
Guetzke remained close with two fellow soldiers he had served with the entire time he had been overseas. However, they rarely discussed what had happened during the war with family and friends, preferring to concentrate on their new lives.

After completing dental school in 1949, Guetzke opened his own family dental office on the corner of Lake St. and Hennepin Ave. in Minneapolis, in the Sons of Norway building. He shared a receptionist and a waiting area with another dentist, Maurice Lowe (’25), who had also attended the University of Minnesota.

Guetzke would practice dentistry at the same location for more than 40 years. Over time he saw many changes in the profession, including the transition from performing dental work standing up to sit-down dentistry. He observed that the biggest changes in the profession included the move away from a dentist doing everything—including lab work and developing radiographs—himself, and the exponential increase in the amount of paperwork required.

He said that as changes occurred in the profession, his alma mater, the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, always seemed to keep pace with the latest developments and technology.

“The University of Minnesota’s dental program is one of the best in the country at changing things and leading the cutting edge of dentistry,” he said. “The way they teach the kids these days is terrific.”

Guetzke said that his favorite part of being a dentist was interacting with patients, and after Guetzke’s third child, Tom, was born in 1958, three of those dental patients were his own kids.

“The war taught me about the importance of service, first and foremost—national and individual service.”
— Ken Guetzke

“He always said he was a painless dentist, because he never felt a thing,” his son Tom recalled, laughing.

Guetzke was a generous dentist as well. Tom said that occasionally, a patient would be unable to pay for the dental care they received from Guetzke. On one occasion when a patient couldn’t pay, he offered his stamp collection as a method of payment. Guetzke became the proud owner of a stamp collection that day, he said.

When he wasn’t busy with his dental practice, Guetzke was active in the Uptown Association, which helped to develop Calhoun Square and the greater Uptown neighborhood. Also, he was—and still is—a member of the Minneapolis Southwest Lions Club, the VFW, the Calhoun American Legion and the Khurum Masonic Lodge, among other organizations. A sports fan, he regularly attended Gopher football games.

Guetzke’s daughter Susan said she marvels at the way her father’s generation selflessly served in the war, came back, and transitioned into their lives at home. “That’s why I think they’re the Greatest Generation. They came back and created a great America—and didn’t ask for anything in return. It’s amazing,” she said.

**Retirement and Beyond**

After 43 years as a dentist, Guetzke reluctantly retired in 1992, at the age of 76. He and Vivian had always wanted to travel together, so they explored the U.S. and took many trips to Europe, including one in which they followed the Rhine River and retraced Ken’s WWII path.

Though he enjoys retired life, Guetzke still misses being a dentist. “I miss the people the most,” he said. He remains active in many service organizations, even joining the Shriners at age 85. He has won numerous awards, many in recent years, for his charitable work. His commitment to service is a lesson he learned during his time in the military—and chose to continue through charitable work, he said.

“The war taught me about the importance of service, first and foremost—national and individual service,” he said.

Guetzke’s wife died in 2003, and today he lives at The Colony, an assisted living facility in Eden Prairie. Ever the patriot, a small American flag flies on his walker. At age 96, he has many friends and keeps in touch with all three of his children.

When asked for advice on living a long life, Guetzke characteristically has only a few words to share.

“Keep breathing,” he quipped, smiling.

Guetzke said he doesn’t believe his wartime feats make him a hero, despite the recent recognition and the dissenting opinions of his family and friends.

“I don’t consider myself a hero,” he said. “There were a lot more heroes than me in this thing.”
Historically, Minnesota has been one of the least diverse states in the nation. Recently, that profile has changed. The average age of people in many rural communities is increasing, and both rural and urban centers are becoming more ethnically diverse.

Minnesota is now home to some of the largest communities of Somali, Hmong and Liberians in the U.S. The majority of these communities are located in the metropolitan area, but many rural areas have also been transformed by an influx of international newcomers who fill jobs in agriculture, and in meat and poultry processing. Rural communities also contend with an out-migration of young people and the subsequent ‘rapid aging’ of the remaining population.

According to recently retired State Demographer Tom Gillaspy, “It’s important to understand what we look like as a state and to determine how that translates into public policy.” Demographic research, he says, sheds light on state issues as diverse as health care for an aging population, rural population change, and changing state workforce and education trends.

He also notes that this decade alone will add more people over 65 than the last four decades combined. Nonwhite citizens are expected to represent 25 percent of the population by 2035.

Coupled with statistics that document an aging dentist population, these projections pose workforce challenges to the University of Minnesota, its dental school, and to the dental profession.

The Future is Now
The reality is that many Minnesotans already find it difficult to access oral health care. Some say it’s the result of a shortage of dentists, while others point to a maldistribution of dental professionals throughout the state. Still others fault a mix of regulatory, social, economic, educational, cultural and demographic hurdles. In reality, it is all of these, and more.

For the last eight years, the School of Dentistry has moved forward with a series of strategic initiatives designed to address dental access challenges. The underlying approach involves both providing care for patients in underserved communities and adapting dental education in response.
to workforce needs and changes in the dental care delivery system.

Access initiatives include new education programs and admissions policies, such as the Early Decision Rural Dentistry Track Program for students who plan to practice in rural communities.

Class sizes have also increased—by 33% (from 80 graduates in 2004 to 104 in 2011). Most of these new dentists have gone through the standard four-year program, but some graduate from a unique program for internationally educated dentists that prepares them for U.S. licensure in two years, thus expediting their entry into the dental workforce. Another new program—for dental therapists—will enhance the capacity of the existing network of providers to treat more underserved patients.

Curriculum changes also target access challenges. Students are now required to spend six to eight weeks treating patients under faculty supervision at one of the school’s seven outreach sites located in underserved communities throughout the state. Two of these dental clinics—at Rice Memorial Hospital in Willmar and at the Native American Community Clinic in South Minneapolis—are new within the last five years, the result of partnerships between the school, the University and community groups. Other such partnerships resulted in a new pediatric dental clinic and a clinic for special needs patients; both are hospital-based and staffed by faculty and by residents enrolled in advanced education programs in dentistry.

Recently, the school launched another initiative to meet the changing workforce needs of the state.

**Destination Dental School**

In 2010, the school rolled-out *Building Bridges to a Dental Career*, and the program is attracting national attention.

Funded by a $1.9 million federal grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), *Building Bridges* partners the School of Dentistry with the Minneapolis Public Schools and the Minnesota Urban Health Education Center for a common end goal: to enhance access to care by increasing the number of students from rural and underrepresented communities who will 1) consider dental careers; 2) be competitive dental school applicants; and 3) be successful in their dental school experience.

The program leverages the experience of the school’s Outreach Program, which has, for years, sent students to underserved communities to treat patients. The program helps address the immediate need of patients for dental care; it also has a longer-term impact.

“We know from experience that students introduced to life and practice in underserved communities as part of their education program are more likely to consider these practice locations after graduation,” says Naty Lopez, who is the principal investigator on the HRSA grant, the *Building Bridges* program director and assistant dean of admissions and diversity for the School of Dentistry.

“Research also shows that students who are recruited into dental school from underserved and under-represented geographic and ethnic communities are likely to have similar practice interests,” she says.

According to Lopez, *Building Bridges* assists qualified students from these communities to have the academic and life experiences that will help them be competitive in the dental school application process and successful in dental school. “We want to educate them and send them back to their communities to practice,” she says.

“The event sets the stage for what’s to come; we want students to begin to think of themselves as future professionals from day one.”

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**Saturday Academy**

The first arm of the *Building Bridges* Program is called *Saturday Academy*. Created for high school students from underserved communities, *Saturday Academy* intervenes early in the education process to encourage science-based careers and an interest in dentistry.

Now in its second year, the program requires that participants spend 20 days at the University of Minnesota in classes taught by University faculty, staff and dental students. A kick-off event, attended by proud, picture-taking parents and family members, featured welcoming comments from the dental school dean, a representative of the Minneapolis Public Schools and a White Coat Ceremony. Says Lopez, “The event sets the stage for what’s to come; we want students to begin to think of themselves as future professionals from day one.”

Each session includes six hours of structured learning activities, filled with lessons in everyday physics, chemistry...
and math. There are hands-on dentistry activities—taking impressions of teeth, removing plaque from dentoforms, learning about tooth numbering, and even an oral screening session with the student’s parent sitting in as the ‘patient’. Participants also are matched in a dental shadowing experience with School of Dentistry alumni who have dental practices in the Minneapolis area.

“The program opens doors for a lot of minority students,” said Ahmed Ahmed, program participant and junior at Heritage Academy High School in Minneapolis. “At first, I thought it was hard to become a dentist. Then I found out through the activities and exercises at each session that it’s not that intimidating.”

Such sentiment is exactly the takeaway that Lopez was aiming for: Making sure that young students know that science is an interesting part of their everyday lives, and that post-secondary education is within their reach. “If you don’t build math and science skills in high school, students aren’t going to pursue science courses in college,” she says. “And if they don’t take science courses in college, they’re never going to become a dentist.”

The Building Bridges program is designed to address this challenge. And the system is working, too. Ten of the first 14 high school program participants have their academic sights set on college…and dental school.

“I hope to major in biology at the University of Minnesota. If I do well in school and on the dental admission test, then I hope to spend the next four years in dental school.”

— AHMED AHMED, SATURDAY ACADEMY PROGRAM PARTICIPANT, AND A JUNIOR AT HERITAGE ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

“The Saturday Academy experience is transformational,” says Peg Purdy, adjunct associate professor in the Department of Restorative Sciences and an Academy faculty member. “These students have the interest and the potential to succeed in college and beyond. After just a few weeks in the program, you can actually see a physical change…in the way they carry themselves, the way they sit. They begin to see the potential in themselves,” she says. Lopez is quick to add that the academy wouldn’t be possible if it wasn’t for the cross collaboration between the students, their high schools and parents, as well as the School of Dentistry and the University.

For Ahmed Ahmed, the program instilled a confidence that he hopes will eventually lead him to the U of M’s School of Dentistry.

“I hope to major in biology at the University of Minnesota,” he said. “If I do well in school and on the dental admission test (DAT), then I hope to spend the next four years in dental school.”

Summer Dental School Experience for Current College Undergrads

A second initiative of the Building Bridges Program focuses on current college undergrads who have expressed an interest in applying to dental school.

Through an intensive six-week Summer Dental School Experience program, students participate in 174 hours of structured learning experiences that include sessions to develop psychomotor skills and an Ø
understanding of life during dental school, exposure to prerequisite courses, a Dental Admissions Test review, and a health disparities research experience. Workshops hone stress management and study skills that all college students need to know.

Participants also visit community centers to learn about oral healthcare through the lens of underserved communities. The program ends with a poster presentation in front of the entire dental school—a community the participating students aspire to soon join.

All students are encouraged to apply for the Summer Dental School Experience, although first consideration for acceptance is given to students of underrepresented communities, such as rural areas, minority groups, first generation college students, and those who are economically disadvantaged.

The grant provides a $40 stipend for each day of class attendance, which may be used for miscellaneous expenses such as gas, parking and lunch. “Students make a significant commitment to the program,” says Lopez, noting that participation cuts into time that might be used for summer jobs and other student experiences. “One of our pre-dent students gave up a study abroad experience so that he could stay in Minnesota to take part in the summer dental school program.”

**Post Baccalaureate Program**

A third arm of the Building Bridges Program, called the Post Baccalaureate Program, is designed for students who applied to dental school but, for some reason, did not gain initial acceptance.

“The dental school application process is very competitive,” says Lopez. “And with 1,000 applicants for 98 positions in each class, there are always well qualified students who are not accepted. We’ve always been happy to meet with applicants who express an interest in re-applying.”

“**We are applying the resources and expertise of the University to address community needs and investing in our very talented pool of Minnesota students.**”

— NATY LOPEZ, ASSISTANT DEAN OF ADMISSIONS AND DIVERSITY, AND BUILDING BRIDGES PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Typically, those meetings included a review of a candidate’s application materials and suggestions about how he/she can be more competitive. The Post Baccalaureate Program enhances and formalizes that experience into one that stretches an entire academic year.

Students in the Post Baccalaureate Program take courses at the University, including upper level General Chemistry, General Biology, Physics, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry, Math and Math English. The program also includes sessions in life and learning skills, and meetings with course directors, tutors, etc.

If participants receive a 3.6 grade point average (GPA) and have qualifying DAT scores, they will be admitted to dental school. A number of students have already taken advantage of the program. Often, these applicants have worked full-time through an undergraduate degree. Sometimes they have families; sometimes they’re older-than-average students looking for a career change.

Lopez is quick to note that distractions like full-time jobs and families, combined with a full course load, is challenging for any student. “One of the first things we do is recommend that these aspiring dental students drop their outside work commitments and concentrate on studying. For many, that makes for a high risk experience. The program has admitted students straight out of first-careers as diverse as engineering, dental assisting and accounting. “They have to give up good paying jobs to participate,” says Lopez, “so you know that dental school is something they really want.”

The grant does provide participants a monthly stipend, but students are responsible for all University tuition and fees, and living expenses. For these promising individuals, the Post-Baccalaureate Program allows them to be in school full-time. “It’s not easy,” Lopez says, referencing requirements like a 3.6 GPA, shadowing programs and volunteer work. “But the program allows students to take advantage of all of the resources that are available to them.” So far, it seems to be working. Of the six students in the inaugural class, all are ‘A’ students.

**Pre-Matriculation Program**

The final Building Bridges Program initiative is called the Pre-Matriculation Program. Open to every incoming dental
student, it’s designed as a buffer before full-time dental school for students who earned a place in the program. But maybe they’re new to the Twin Cities, or took their undergraduate program at a smaller school. The four-week program features mini-sessions that give students a feel for what their courses will be like and a general preview of college life in the Twin Cities.

Says Lopez, “We want every student accepted to dental school to succeed. But dental school and the Twin Cities can be an adjustment. If students don’t make an easy transition in the beginning and are left behind, it’ll be more difficult for them to be successful in dental school.”

A Draw to the Dental School

With Building Bridges, the dental school isn’t just affording students from underserved rural and urban communities the opportunity to compete for a place in the first-year class of dental students. The school’s commitment to outreach and engagement is proving to be a draw to all students.

Michael Brooks—a Florida native who initially came to Minnesota for a football scholarship at Concordia—was drawn to the dental school because of its national clout and reputation, and the school’s focus on community outreach and service. Currently a third-year dental student, he’s assumed a leadership role in the inaugural Saturday Academy.

“The School of Dentistry is one of the state’s largest safety net clinics—we don’t restrict who we serve—we accept all patients” he said. “But we can’t care for every patient in every underserved community. We need to do a good job of educating dentists to care for all Minnesotans.”

Working with the teenagers on mathematics, writing, sciences and other core dental preparatory skills makes them better candidates when applying to college, Brooks says, calling the Saturday Academy sessions equally rewarding for him.

Last year, Brooks accepted an award from the American Dental Association on behalf of the School of Dentistry in recognition of his involvement in the Building Bridges program. That type of recognition only further motivates him to continue his activities in outreach to underserved communities.

“Being able to recruit students from rural and underserved areas to come to dental school so that they’ll pursue a career in dentistry is a huge challenge,” he said. “They’ll hopefully go back and work in their own communities. One of the challenges is showing someone the benefits of working in rural communities when they come from the city where social networks are already established.”

Moving Forward

Just in the second year of its three-year funding, Building Bridges is already being viewed as a win for the dental school.

Through the program’s four-pronged approach to recruit and develop prospective dental students, the region’s various underrepresented populations are getting the chance to compete, learn and hopefully become dentists.

For Naty Lopez, the next challenge will be securing additional funding so that the program can extend into the foreseeable future.

In the meantime, she’s thrilled with the progress and with how the program has addressed a core problem: tapping and fostering local talent.

Says Lopez, “As a land grant institution, the University of Minnesota is responsible for meeting the workforce needs of the state. And as the only dental school in the state, we educate the next generation of dentists.” Building Bridges, she says, is an innovative program that, when added to the arsenal of other School of Dentistry initiatives, moves the school forward in a responsible manner toward meeting that goal.

“We are applying the resources and expertise of the University to address community needs,” she says, “and investing in our very talented pool of Minnesota students in a way that enhances our ability to care for all of our neighbors.” We’re not talking about relaxing the standards of excellence required to be accepted into dental school. But some students just need help in finding their way to dental school. And we’re helping them cross that bridge.”

Building Bridges to a Dental Career

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<td>Activities: Students take courses at the University of Minnesota to prepare for dental school. If they meet certain requirements, including maintaining a 3.6 G.P.A. and retaking the DAT, they will earn acceptance to the dental school.</td>
<td>Activities: Preview of first-year courses, financial aid advising, connecting with current dental students, exploring the dental school and the U of MN.</td>
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Meet the 1919 Society
Alumni Supporting Excellence in Dental Hygiene.

As we approach the 93rd anniversary of the founding of the Program in Dental Hygiene, Dentistry Magazine sat down with Emily Durand, 1919 Society Board member, to learn about the history and goals of the 1919 Society.

Dentistry Magazine: What is the 1919 society?
Emily Durand: The 1919 Society is named for the year the University of Minnesota Regents authorized the creation of the Program in Dental Hygiene. The society was formed to encourage and secure support from alumni and friends for the University of Minnesota Division of Dental Hygiene. I first became aware of the society while in my last year of the dental hygiene program. My instructor and then 1919 Society board member Kjersta Poppe, RDH, MDH, included a letter introducing the organization with a scholarship award I received at the Senior Recognition Banquet. Fundraising in support of scholarships is one activity of the society.

DM: What else does the 1919 Society do?
ED: For a long time, our goal was to engage dental hygiene alumni who were interested in helping the program and current students. That is still our primary focus, but we’re also looking for new ways to be relevant and responsive to member interests. So, for example, we’re working on the possibility of forming a study club for dental hygienists in the Twin Cities area.

We have an annual membership luncheon—it’s held on Friday during the Star of the North Meeting. It’s a great time to reconnect with classmates, the dental hygiene program and the school. We also invite interested alumni to campus to see the dental hygiene program in action today and learn how their support can make a difference.

DM: Who is involved?
ED: 1919 Society membership has evolved over the years and now includes all graduates of the School of Dentistry’s Program in Dental Hygiene. Current and retired dental hygiene faculty and staff are also...
eligible for membership. We have a board, which meets four times each year—one of those times is at the Star of the North Meeting—and dental hygiene alumni are welcome to attend. Our board members span six decades of dental hygiene education at the University. This adds to the richness of perspectives and School of Dentistry memories, but also to the fun of participating. Our current board members are:

• Gail Jaeger-Hymel (’78)
• Barbara Pinto (’63)
• Kathy Rothenberger (’93)
• Julianne Englander (’90)
• Emily Durand (’08)
• Heidi Salm (’11)
• Theresa Freeman (’11)

DM: Can anyone join the board?  
ED: Yes. It just takes someone willing to be involved and help us grow. Contact Emily Best, director of alumni relations at the School of Dentistry, if you are interested in becoming a board member. She can be reached at emilyj@umn.edu or 612-625-6811. Or ask current board members.

“\textbf{I’m proud of the support we’ve been able to provide for students—even small gifts add up to significant resources for scholarships, program improvements, and special faculty projects.}\"  
— \textbf{EMILY DURAND}

DM: What do you want dental hygiene alumni to remember about the 1919 Society?  
ED: I’d like them to know that the 1919 Society is here and that we are re-envisioning and recreating ourselves to respond in support of our members, our education program, our alma mater and its students.

I would love to see a good turnout at our annual luncheon on April 27, 12:30 at 317 on Rice Park. We’re hearing now from a number of classes. To reserve a spot for one person or to reserve a table for an entire class, contact (again) Emily Best at emilyj@umn.edu or 612-625-6811.

I’d also like alums to know how important it is for them to stay connected. And one way they can do that is by following and “liking” us on the Dental Hygiene Alumni Facebook page (search ‘Minnesota hygiene alum’). And they can read \textit{Dentistry Magazine} and visit the School of Dentistry website at www.dentistry.umn.edu.

I hope also that when the University calls to ask for support, and you know they will, that our alumni will support the Dental Hygiene Fund. I hope that alums will then join the 1919 Board to help decide how their dollars are put to good use. I encourage our dental hygiene alumni to think about making a gift in the name of a respected friend or colleague who made a difference in your life and career. What better way to say thank you.

In 1919, the Minnesota legislature passed into law “An Act to Provide for the Licensing of Dental Nurses and Providing the Duties and Rights of Dental Nurses.” On July 28 of that year, the University of Minnesota Board of Regents voted to approve a course for dental nurses or dental hygienists, these titles being used interchangeably. The program was the second such educational offering established in a dental school, with the University of California being the first in 1918.

One of several dental education programs organized at the College of Dentistry during the tenure of Dean Alfred Owre, the School for Dental Hygienists (later called the School for Dental Nurses) admitted its first class in 1920. By statute, participation in the program was limited to women. The first class graduated in 1922. An average of 29 women enrolled in the dental hygiene program each year from 1920-25.

Source: \textit{A History of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry: 1888-1988}  
Mellor R. Holland
The charts below represent the unaudited revenue sources and expenses of the School of Dentistry for fiscal year 2011.

### Revenues & Expenses

#### Revenues (in thousands)

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### Revenues Notes

**Financial results** for the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 reflected challenging overall economic conditions in several key areas but also reflected the School of Dentistry continuing efforts to better balance available revenues with expenses. Expense reductions continued through employee attrition, position consolidations and compensation adjustments. As a result of expense controls overall revenues exceeded expenses by $200,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

**Total revenues** for the School of Dentistry increased $2.2 million from $17.6 million in FY2010 to $19.8 million in FY2011. The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry has historically targeted the mid range of publicly supported Midwestern dental schools when determining tuition rates.

**Research revenues** increased by $5.9 million to $8.7 million. Tuition and fees increased $2.2 million from $17.6 million in FY2010 to $19.8 million in FY2011. The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry has historically targeted the mid range of publicly supported Midwestern dental schools when determining tuition rates.

**Clinic** and **Affiliation Revenues** decreased by $.5 million, from $20.6 million to $20.1 million. Clinical activities reflect continued pressures on public program reimbursement levels as well as the effect of the overall economic decline and the access challenges to our clinics presented by the light rail construction.

**State Operating and Maintenance** funding received by the School of Dentistry (O & M), was held constant by the central university despite decreases for other parts of the University. The unique challenges faced by the School of Dentistry in the clinical area were recognized by the University as well as the efforts that the School has made to reduce expense levels. Still, state funding as a percentage of overall revenue continues to decline. In absolute dollars funding remained at $12.9 million. Tuition and fees continued to widen their gap over state funding support. This trend was in evidence across the entire University.

**Research revenues** increased due to greater success in applying for and receiving grant funding; both NIH/NIDCR and industry funding. Research revenue increased from $5.9 million to $8.7 million.

**Indirect Cost Recovery** revenues that are connected to direct research revenues increased from $1.8 million to $2.1 million.

**Tuition and fee revenue** increased $2.2 million from $17.6 million in FY2010 to $19.8 million in FY2011. The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry has historically targeted the mid range of publicly supported Midwestern dental schools when determining tuition rates.

**Other income** declined by $.2 million, from $1.2 million to $1.0 million.

**Dean’s Strategic Investment Pool** declined $.1 million, from $.9 million to $.8 million.

**Gifts and Investment Returns** included in operational results increased by $.2 million, from $.9 million to $1.1 million due partly to improved equity market returns. These amounts do not include gifts to the School of Dentistry that are managed by the University of Minnesota Foundation that are still invested with the Foundation.

### Expenses Notes

**Total expenses** for the School of Dentistry increased $2.2 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, from $64.6 million to $65.5 million, primarily due to increased research expenses.

**Instructional expenses** increased $.3 million, from $22.4 million to $22.7 million, primarily related to contractual fringe benefit increases and contractual compensation increases.

**Clinical expenses** increased slightly by $.3 million, from $17.8 million to $18.1 million.

**Research expenses** increased by $.8 million from $5.9 million to $6.7 million as a result of corresponding research revenue.

**Central Allocations** increased $.1 million from $9.6 million to $9.7 million. This category includes the School of Dentistry’s pro-rata portion of such University wide expenses as facilities management, libraries, central administration, technology and research administration and compliance.

**Administration and development expenses** decreased $.3 million, from $.9 million to $.6 million, primarily related to position eliminations.

**Scholarships and student services** increased slightly from $.1 million to $.1 million. 

Jeff Ogden  
Chief Administrative Officer
### 2011-12 Faculty/Student Statistics

#### Paid Faculty Appointments*

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*As of March, 2012.

#### Students | Fall Semester Enrollment 2011

- Dental Hygiene, B.S. | 45
- Dental Hygiene, Master Degree | 16
- Dental Therapy | 28
- D.D.S. | 412
- Advanced Education & Graduate Programs | 85

**Total** | 586

#### 2011 Graduates

- Dental Hygiene-Baccalaureate Program | 23
- Master of Dental Hygiene | 4
- Doctor of Dental Surgery | 104
- Professional & Graduate Degrees Awarded | 34
- Dental Therapy | 8

**Total** | 173

### 2011-12 First-Year Dental Class Profile

#### Total Number of Applicants

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#### Class Size

| Class Size | 98 |

#### Average GPAs

**Overall GPA** | 3.61
**BCP (Bio, Chem, Physics) GPA** | 3.52
**Science GPA** | 3.54

#### Average DATs

**Academic Average** | 19.66
**Perceptual Ability** | 20.27
**Total Science** | 19.73
**Reading** | 20.68

*These figures represent AADSAS calculations.

### 2011-12 First-Year Dental Hygiene Class Profile

#### Total Number of Applicants

| Class Size | 69 |

#### Class Size

| Class Size | 24 |

#### Average GPAs

**Overall GPA** | 3.38
**Science GPA** | 3.18
**Prerequisite GPA** | 3.43

### 2011-12 First-Year Dental Therapy Class Profile

#### Total Number of Applicants

| Class Size | 26 |

#### Class Size

| Class Size | 10 |

#### Average GPAs

**Overall GPA** | 3.40
**Prerequisite GPA** | 3.29

*5 Master's Degree Program, 5 Bachelor's Degree Program.
Jeff Karp Named Director of New Dental Clinic and Advanced Education Program in Pediatric Dentistry

Jeffrey M. Karp, D.M.D., M.S., has been named director of the new University of Minnesota Pediatric Dental Clinic, Made Possible by Delta Dental of Minnesota, and director of the School of Dentistry’s Advanced Education Program in Pediatric Dentistry. He will join the faculty full-time in July 2012.

Karp is currently associate professor in the Departments of Dentistry and Pediatrics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. He is director of ambulatory dental services and the residency program for pediatric dentistry at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health, and serves as dental discipline coordinator for the University of Rochester Medical Center’s Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities and Related Disorders (LEND) Program. He is also the staff pediatric dentist for the Cleft and Craniofacial Anomalies Center at Golisano Children’s Hospital at Strong Memorial Hospital.

Karp is a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. He earned his dental degree at the Temple University School of Dentistry and his M.S. degree at The Ohio State University. He completed his postgraduate specialty training in pediatric dentistry at Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. Karp is committed to providing comprehensive dental care for children and adolescents with special health care needs, including those with developmental disabilities, complex systemic disease, and craniofacial differences. He is also invested in expanding the reach of pediatric dentistry into vulnerable, underserved communities through oral health education of pediatric healthcare professionals, mobilization of a coordinated dental workforce, and teledentistry.

Karp is director of a funded project from the Monroe Plan for Medical Care and serves as key personnel on active NIH and HRSA grants. He lectures nationally on oral health topics for pediatric healthcare professionals, has authored numerous journal articles, book chapters, and abstracts, and has served on the editorial board of the journal *Pediatric Dentistry* since 2006.

Preparations Underway for 2013 Accreditation Site Visit

The School of Dentistry is moving forward with a comprehensive self-study as a first-step in its preparation for the October 2013 visit by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The purpose of the once-every-seven-year CODA site visit is to obtain in-depth information about all administrative and educational aspects of the school’s education program and to assess compliance with the accreditation standards and the school’s own stated goals and objectives.

The School of Dentistry will be one of the first dental schools in the country to be reviewed for compliance with new CODA standards. The new standards have an increased emphasis on evidence-based care, diversity, humanistic environment, and student-directed learning.

Darryl Hamamoto, associate dean of advanced and graduation education, heads up the school’s accreditation steering committee.

The accreditation process begins with a required self-study which allows for a review of the standards by which the school will be evaluated and a self-analysis of the school’s curriculum, patient care, finances, research, student services, and institutional effectiveness. “The analysis helps us identify what changes (if any) we might need to make,” says Hamamoto. An accreditation steering committee and several subcommittees help with the self-study process.

In October 2013, a team of CODA consultants will conduct an on-site review. They will interview administrators, instructors, staff and students to verify information in the self-study and to ensure that the program meets minimum accreditation standards. CODA team members prepare a detailed site visit report based on their findings; the Commission meets in January and July to review site visit reports and make accreditation decisions.
Updates

American Dental Education Association Leader to Deliver 2012 Commencement Address. Jeanne C. Sinkford will be the 2012 commencement speaker. A distinguished college and university administrator, dentist, educator, researcher and lecturer, Sinkford is senior scholar-in-residence at the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) in Washington, D.C.

Sinkford also has the distinction of being the first woman to serve as dean of a U.S. dental school. She was appointed dean at Howard University College of Dentistry after serving as an associate professor and associate dean. She had been a member of the Howard University faculty since 1958. She is a graduate of Howard University, earned a master’s degree and a doctorate from Northwestern University in Chicago, and completed a residency in pedodontics at the Children’s National Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Commencement ceremonies will be held May 11, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. in Mariucci Arena on the East Bank campus of the University of Minnesota.

Dental Day at the Capitol. School of Dentistry students visited St. Paul lawmakers on February 21 to ask for their support of the University’s 2012 Capital Request. The University’s priorities include projects intended to repair and renovate existing buildings so as to maximize and extend the life of the system’s 28 million square feet of statewide facilities. Other projects reflect the University’s efforts to ensure student success, research productivity and impact; fulfill the University’s statewide mission; and responsibly manage University resources.

Students also advocated on behalf of Minnesota Dental Association initiatives, including a temporary license for out-of-state dentist, dental hygienist and dental assistant volunteers who want to help staff a two-day free dental clinic in Mankato, and for increased transparency and accountability among health plans who administer state programs.

People

Ranier Adarve (Restorative Sciences-Prosthodontics) is the recipient of the 2012 American Dental Education Association/Colgate-Palmolive Company Excellence in Teaching Award. The award is given each year to recognize one dental educator who demonstrates exemplary standards and promotes excellence in dental education through scholarship and innovation.

Adarve received the award at the 2012 American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Annual Session & Exhibition during the ADEA Plenary Session on March 18 in Orlando, Florida.

Emily Best has accepted a half-time appointment as director of alumni relations (replacing Annie Pearson who moved with her family to Florida). She also retains a half-time appointment as a School of Dentistry development officer.

Jorge Perdigão (Restorative Sciences-Operative Dentistry) was appointed associate editor of the Journal of Adhesive Dentistry.

Jim Swift (Developmental/Surgical Sciences-Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery) received the William Gies Foundation Award at the 93rd Annual Meeting of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons in September 2011.
A Letter from the President

“Be the change that you wish to see in the world.”
—Mahatma Gandhi

Dear fellow alumni, future alumni and colleagues,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as this year’s president of the School of Dentistry Alumni Society (SODAS). It has been an honor to represent you at School of Dentistry activities this past year and to meet so many enthusiastic students and distinguished colleagues.

As I reflect on the past year, the overall theme of ‘change’ comes to my mind. The University of Minnesota and the School of Dentistry are most definitely in the midst of much growth and change. There have been several changes at the highest levels of leadership within the University, the Academic Health Center and the School of Dentistry. Dr. Eric Kaler assumed office as the new University president and soon he will appoint the next permanent dean of our School of Dentistry. There is a new provost and a new Academic Health Center vice president. And the University of Minnesota Alumni Association, too, is under the new leadership of Mr. Phil Esten who has implemented a new strategic plan for guiding the focus of alumni organizations on and off campus.

In December, the School of Dentistry graduated its first class of dental therapists who are new members of the professional dental team in Minnesota. The school’s new hospital-based pediatric dental clinic in Minnesota opened in April and is located adjacent to the University of Minnesota Amplatz Children’s Hospital. This clinic will enable increased interprofessional collaboration for better care of pediatric patients. And, of course, if you’ve been on campus lately it would be hard to miss the Washington Avenue light rail construction project going on right outside of Moos Tower. These are just a few of the many changes taking place at our University.

Have you thought of what change you would like to see in the world? Or maybe in our dental profession? Becoming a member of the University of Minnesota and School of Dentistry Alumni Society ensures continuation of many important programs such as Clinical Grand Rounds, which meets on the first Thursday of the month, and the Cap and Gown Graduation Fund, which provides our students with their attire for graduation. Volunteering for the Alumni Society Golf Classic is a perfect way to mingle and meet students and colleagues. It will take place this year on June 29 and I hope to see you there.

Please stop by our booth at the Star of the North Meeting this year to get your alumni button or become a member of the Alumni Association. If you’re already a life member, please come by to pick up your membership gift.

I invite you all to attend the Dean’s Reception at the St. Paul Hotel on April 27 as we honor our award winning alumni. We’ll honor Colleen Brickle with the 2011 Distinguished Dental Hygiene Alumna Award; Dr. Brent Larson will receive our Distinguished Dental Alumnus Award. These individuals have shown dedication, leadership and service to the highest standards in the professions of dental hygiene and dentistry.

Respectfully,

Susan Gross, D.D.S.
President, School of Dentistry Alumni Society
www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni
### Upcoming Class Reunions & Events

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| Class of 1962                 | **50 Year Reunion**, Friday, April 27, Downtowner Woodfire Grill, 12:00–2:00 p.m.  
*Second reunion will be held in September.* Dr. Mark Holmes, Chair. |
| Class of 1964                 | Saturday, April 28, Saint Paul Hotel, 12:00 p.m., Dr. James Indrehus, Chair.                                 |
| Class of 1972                 | **40 Year Reunion**, April 27, 6:00 p.m., University Hotel, Meadows Restaurant, Dr. Daniel Menser, Chair.    |
| Classes of 1976 & 1977        | **36 Year & 35 Year Reunions**, Saturday, April 28, 6:00 p.m., Saint Paul Hotel, Dr. Herb Schulte, Chair.     |
| Class of 1982                 | **30 Year Reunion**, Saturday, April 28, 11:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Saint Paul Hotel, Dr. John Shand, Chair.      |
| Class of 2007                 | **5 Year Reunion**, Friday, April 27, 6:00–10:00 p.m., Salut Bar Américain, 917 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, Dr. Geoff Archibald, Chair. For information: bacurtis01@gmail.com, 651-470-9590 (cell). |
| ACD/ICD                      | Saturday, April 28, Saint Paul Hotel, 6:30 p.m., Dr. Tim Langguth, Contact.                                |
| Delta Sigma Delta             | Saturday, April 28, Saint Paul Hotel, Noon, Dr. Herb Schulte, Chair.                                       |
| Dental Hygiene Alumni         | Friday, April 27, 12:00 p.m., 317 on Rice Park, Emily Best, Contact.                                       |
| Minnesota Academy of Pediatric Dentistry | Friday, April 27, 5:00–8:00 p.m., St. Paul Hotel, Dr. Teresa Fong, Contact.  
5:00 p.m., Pediatric Dental Resident Poster Presentations  
6:15 p.m., Dinner *(pre-registration and payment required)*  
7:30 p.m., Membership Meeting |
| Minnesota Association of Periodontists | Friday, April 27, Saint Paul Hotel, 6:00 p.m., Dr. Paul Foster, Contact.                             |

### Celebrating a Reunion?

If you are interested in planning a class reunion, we can help! We can provide mailing lists, address labels, and nametags as well as list information about your class reunion on our website and in Dentistry magazine. Contact Emily Best at (612) 625-6811 or emilyj@umn.edu for more information.

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### Graduation 2012:

**School of Dentistry Alumni Society Cap & Gown Graduation Fund**

Be a part of the tradition! The School of Dentistry Alumni Society (SODAS) is continuing its annual fund drive for the 2012 Cap & Gown Graduation Fund. This fund supports graduating dental, dental hygiene, and dental therapy students by underwriting the cost of their graduation cap and gown rental. The fund also supports student awards, the senior class yearbook, and the Senior Recognition Banquet.

You can be a part of this special project by sponsoring one or more dental or dental hygiene students at $45 per student. This contribution is tax-deductible and will help to eliminate one financial worry for students as they wrap up their education and focus on final exams, board examination preparation and job searches. It also demonstrates our support for graduates as fellow alumni and welcomes them into the profession.

To make your donations, visit us online, www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni, or call (612) 625-5751.

Your generosity will always be a part of the memories of the Class of 2012’s years at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. Thank you.

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*Photo by Fred BertSchinger*

American Dental Hygienists Association


*Photo by Patrick O’Leary*

George Winn (C) received the University’s 2011 Alumni Service Award. On-hand to celebrate were (L) Steve Litton (‘67), and Arnie Hill (‘63).
Colleen M. Brickle
2011 Distinguished Dental Hygiene Alumna

Colleen Brickle has a commitment to lifelong learning and a passion and enthusiasm for education. A two-time graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, she completed a GDH degree in 1976 and a Masters of Education in curriculum and instructional design in 1988. She also earned a bachelor of science from the University of Iowa (1984) and a doctorate in healthcare education from Nova Southeastern University (2000).

Brickle began her career as a private practice clinician. For nearly 22 years, her primary role has been as a dental hygiene educator at Normandale Community College (NCC) where she led the effort to develop and implement career ladder programs for dental hygienists. Included are a baccalaureate degree-completion program in collaborative dental hygiene practice, a post-baccalaureate certificate program, and a master’s level Oral Health Care Practitioner Program that began Fall 2009 at Metropolitan State.

In 2008, she was named dean of health sciences at Normandale Community College. She also has served on numerous committees and boards, including those of the Minnesota Department of Health (2002-04 and 2008) the Minnesota Board of Dentistry (1994-2001), and the Department of Human Services (1999-2002). For the past five years, she’s been a member of the oral health care committee for the Minnesota Safety Net Coalition.

Brickle is also the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions for her community service, excellence in teaching, and dedication to the dental hygiene profession. She was instrumental in planning and implementing a Thursday-evening community dental clinic that is housed in Normandale’s dental hygiene clinic and serves public program and uninsured patients on a sliding scale basis. It is has been an accomplishment of which she is most proud.

Brent E. Larson
2011 Distinguished Dental Alumnus

Brent E. Larson received his doctor of dental surgery in 1981. Over the next nine years in the U.S. Air Force, he completed a general practice residency, practiced general dentistry for three years, earned a certificate and a master’s degree in orthodontics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and practiced orthodontics.

From 1990-97, he was at Mayo Clinic, as a senior associate consultant and later (1993-97) as consultant and director of the Mayo Clinic Orthodontic Program. He spent some time in private practice in Rochester, and then joined the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry faculty (part-time) as a clinical associate professor (1998-2004). In 2004, he became a full-time associate professor and was granted tenure in 2011. He currently directs the School of Dentistry’s Division of Orthodontics and the Advanced Education Program in Orthodontics.

In these roles, Larson has advised or mentored more than 70 students. His current research and publications focus on issues related to advances in orthodontic treatment and imaging technologies, and he lectures extensively throughout the state and country on these and related topics. He also serves as a member of University committees on information technology and bioinformatics, as well as a variety of School of Dentistry search, strategic planning, budgeting, and information technology committees.

His service to the profession extends, as well, beyond campus. He was president of the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists and of the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists, and currently serves as a Trustee to the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO). He’s been a member or chair of association committees too numerous to mention, and will serve as AAO President for 2018-2019. In 2012, Larson was appointed chief consultant to the U.S. Air Force Surgeon General for the specialty of orthodontics.
Class Notes

Please submit brief notices about milestone events and activities to: U of M School of Dentistry, Alumni Relations (attn: Annie Pearson), 515 Delaware St. S.E., 15-136 Moos Tower, Minneapolis, MN 55455 or penno008@umn.edu.

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1949
Kenneth S. Guetzke (D.D.S.), Bloomington, was named Chevalier of the Legion of Honor by the French government for his role in liberating France during WWII. (See story on page 4).

Robert M. Scates (D.D.S.), Couer d’Alene, Idaho, died September 9, 2011 at age 93. A World War II veteran, Scates served for six years as a member of the 3rd Army under General George Patton, achieving the rank of captain. He was awarded a Bronze Star in 1944.

After discharge from the service, he graduated from dental school and practiced in Couer d’Alene, Idaho from 1949-1960. He was a past president of the Idaho Dental Association, served four terms in the Idaho State Legislature, and took great pride in owning an 1100 acre tree farm and was honored to be named Idaho Tree Farmer of the Year.

1953
Maurice R. Bjerken (D.D.S.), Edina, died February 8 at age 83. A gifted athlete, Bjerken was All-City in football and hockey for the Teddies (Roosevelt High School), as well as a figure skater, a great golfer (with a hole in one at Braemar), and a tennis player who played in the USTA 3.5 Tennis Team Nationals in Tucson. He was also a passionate supporter and coach of multiple youth sports for his children and grandchildren.

Bjerken served as 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Oriskany in the South Pacific. He taught Sunday school for decades, hosted annual Syttende Mai dinners, traveled the world with life-long friends, and enjoyed bridge club, music, White Castle sliders, Danny Davis tunes, the lakes (Lake Nokomis, Lake of the Woods, and Lake Bess) and many happy years as a snowbird in Florida.

1962
Robert A. Vickers (M.S.), Roseville, died March 15 at age 79. A retired School of Dentistry professor of oral pathology, he received his master’s degree in oral pathology in 1962 and was appointed clinical assistant professor (1962), an associate professor (1964), and professor in 1969; he directed the laboratory services in oral pathology 1964-1988.

From April to September 1963, he was also a special fellow in surgical pathology at the Mayo Clinic, followed by three months as a visiting professor in the Division of Dental and Oral Pathology of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington, D.C. In September 1965, Vickers was on a leave-of-absence from the University to be a Fulbright research scholar of oral pathology at the Royal Dental College in Aarhus, Denmark (through May 1966). He was made a diplomate of the American Board of Oral Pathology in 1964.

Vickers served two years in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps. He chaired the American Dental Association Section of Oral Pathology for the 1976 Scientific Session, and was director of education (1974-76) and president (1983) of the American Academy of Oral Pathology. He was also a liaison between the American Board of Pathology and American Board of Oral Pathology. Vickers retired in 2000 and was an avid tennis player and fly fishermen.

At the request of family, memorials are preferred to: The Drs. Robert Vickers and Richard Elsaz Fund, (payable to University of Minnesota Foundation) University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, 15-136 Moos Tower, 515 Delaware St. S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

Charles Ostergren (D.D.S.), Shoreview, passed away March 15 at age 83. Born and raised on a truck farm on St. Paul’s East Side, he worked with his dad and twin brother selling their produce at the St. Paul farmers’ market from youth until finishing dental school. He spent three years in the U.S. Air Force, including one in service to a MASH unit in Korea. A graduate of Johnson High, Macalester College, the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry and its Advanced Education Program in Orthodontics (1958), he practiced orthodontics in St. Paul from 1958 until 1994. He served as President of the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists (1986) and was awarded, with brother Doug, the Outstanding Service Award by the St. Paul District Dental Society (1997). Well into retirement, he enjoyed an active life and outdoor activities, including 50+ years of annual wilderness trips with the canoe group; ski trips, travel and time at the cabin with friends and family; and working on his ’33 Ford truck, sailing, baking, wood carving, composting leaves and growing tomatoes at home on Turtle Lake. He enjoyed church fellowship, including especially the men’s book club, retreats and choir. He gave years of service as a board member and volunteer for YMCA Camp du Nord (G.E.M. award 1995) as well as time with Dorothy Day and Habitat for Humanity.

1955

1959
Arlen J. Sneljes (D.D.S.), Gaylord, died January 22, at age 78. He practiced dentistry for 41 years in Gaylord until his retirement in 2000. Always active in his community, he was Mayor of Gaylord, ran the Miss Gaylord Program for 10 years, and was an honorary skipper of the Minneapolis Aquatennial. He directed his church choir for 25 years and was a founding member of the Sibley County Choral Society. He was also ambulance director for 18 years, and a member of the Rotary, school board, and the National Ski Patrol. He enjoyed golfing, skiing and fishing and, especially, spending time with his family and friends.

1960
Douglas L. Buck (D.D.S.), Tualatin, Ore., passed away August 25, 2011. He was 80 years of age. Buck began his career in the School of Pharmacy, completing his studies by enrolling in the army ROTC and spending two years in Germany as a lieutenant in command of an ambulance train. He returned from service and enrolled in dental school, completed his doctor of dental surgery degree and a master of science (1962), and served on the faculty at the University of Oregon in the department of orthodontics. He was department chair from 1972 until his retirement in 1993. In 1968 and ’69, he participated in the first of three Fulbright appointments as an honorary professor at the Universidad Central del Ecuador (1968-69), followed by appointments in Colombia (1982), and Amman Jordan (1988). Dr. Buck enjoyed many outdoor activities, including skiing, bike riding and hiking. And he loved to travel, especially when the travel involved his ski group, with which he was involved for many years.
Young began her career at the University of Minnesota and its School of Dentistry as student. She received her general dental hygiene (G.D.H.) degree in 1973, a bachelor of science in education in 1974, and a master’s degree in adult education in 1980. She was named a dental hygiene clinical instructor at the School of Dentistry in 1974, instructor in 1975, assistant professor in 1981, and associate professor with tenure in 1984. She taught full-time clinical dental hygiene for ten years, and continued to teach outside of the classroom, as well, presenting more than 150 invited lectures. In 1984, she was named director of the Continuing Dental Education Program. She also served as a chair or member of more than 25 School of Dentistry committees, and represented the dental school on a variety of University and Academic Health Center committees.

Her professional involvement extended to leadership roles at the state and national level. She served for eight years as a member of the Minnesota Board of Dentistry. During that time she was instrumental in promoting new guidelines for universal precautions for patient care and expanded functions for dental auxiliaries. She was president of the Minnesota Dental Hygienists’ Association (1982-83), and was a member of the American Dental Hygienists’ Association Committees on Consumer Relations (1976-77) and National Boards (1995-1998). In 1988-89, she was named the Minnesota Dental Hygienist’s Association Member of the Year. She also received the School of Dentistry’s Michael J. Loupe Memorial Award for Excellence and Innovation in Dental Education, as well as its 2003 Distinguished Dental Hygiene Alumna Award. In 2007, she served as president of the Association of Continuing Dental Education.

In June of 2009, hygienetown magazine profiled Young’s experience with oral cancer and her successful journey back to health. She returned to graduate school in 2010 to pursue a doctorate in educational psychology to enhance the school’s continuing dental education program. Her current research interest was in the transfer of learning from continuing education to professional practice.

After a lifetime of commitment to her profession, her University and its School of Dentistry, Lynda Young will be remembered by her colleagues, students and thousands of dental professionals across the state, the country and the world for her indomitable spirit, her passion for teaching and her own personal love of learning, her capable leadership, and as the vital and energetic professional that she was.

At the request of family, memorials are preferred to: Memorial to Lynda Young, (payable to University of Minnesota Foundation), University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, 15-136 Moos Tower, 515 Delaware St. S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455.
## Discount Available

School of Dentistry Alumni Society members are eligible for discounted continuing education. Members may receive a 10 percent discount for “lecture only” courses offered through the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. (This discount applies to School of Dentistry Alumni Society members only and not their employees.)

### May 2012

- **Spring Core Competency Day for the Dental Team**  
  May 11, 2012
- **Dental Hygiene Refresher: A Hands-on Program**  
  May 14–18, 2012

### June 2012

- **Local Anesthesia Refresher: A Hands-On Review**  
  June 1, 2012
- **Practical Periodontics: A Hands-On Nonsurgical Program**  
  June 13–15, 2012

### July 2012

- **Medical Emergency Management, Infection Control & Medical Updates for Everyday Practice: Duluth, Minnesota**  
  July 21–22, 2012

### August 2012

- **47th Annual Dental Assistants’ Seminar**  
  August 10–11, 2012
- **12th Annual Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Review**  
  August 18–19, 2012

### September 2012

- **Fall Dental Hygiene Seminar**  
  September 7, 2012
- **Esthetic Removable Partial Dentures**  
  September 13–15, 2012
- **6th Annual Robert J. Feigal Symposium: Contemporary Mixed Dentition Orthodontics**  
  September 14, 2012
- **TMD and Orofacial Pain Miniresidency**  
  September 17–19, 2012
- **Miniresidency in Nursing Home and Long-Term Care for the Dental Team**  
  September 19–22, 2012
- **Dental Makeovers: Using Sound Esthetic and Restorative Principles**  
  September 28, 2012
- **Restorative Expanded Functions: An 80-Hour Training Program**  

### October 2012

- **Clinical Grand Rounds for the Dental Team: Removable Prosthodontics**  
  October 4, 2012
- **18th Annual Practice Management Symposium: Six Strategies of Highly Successful Dental Practices**  
  October 5, 2012
- **What’s New in Infection Control/OSHA Compliance**  
  October 6, 2012
- **Clinical Grand Rounds for the Dental Team: Pediatric Oral Pathology**  
  November 1, 2012
- **Recent Advances in the Detection and Prevention of Oral Cancer**  
  November 2, 2012
- **Winter Dental Assistants’ Seminar**  
  November 3, 2012
- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level I**  
  November 9–11, 2012; January 11–13, 2013; February 8–10, 2013; and April 12–14, 2013
- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level II — Course One: Advanced Diagnosis, Treatment Planning & Photography**  
  November 9–11, 2012

### November 2012

- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level II — Course Two: Advanced Composite Restorations**  
  January 11–13, 2013
- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level I**  
  November 9–11, 2012; December 7, 2012; February 8, 2013; and April 12, 2013
- **Occlusion & Function — Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level III**  
  October 12–14, 2012
- **Fall Recordkeeping Workshop for the Dental Team**  
  October 25, 2012
- **Nutrition & Oral Health for Today’s Dental Practice**  
  October 26, 2012
- **Advances in Rotary Instrumentation & Resin-Bonded Obturation: A Lecture & Hands-On Workshop**  
  October 27, 2012
- **Office Oral Surgery: A Guided Experience for the General Dentist**  
  October 29–30, 2012

### December 2012

- **Clinical Grand Rounds for the Dental Team: Endodontics and Dental Trauma**  
  December 6, 2012

### January 2013

- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level II — Course Three: Advanced Patient Treatment—Direct & Indirect Restorations**  
  February 8–10, 2013; and April 12–14, 2013

### February 2013

- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level II — Course Two: Advanced Composite Restorations**  
  January 11–13, 2013
- **Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry: Level II — Course Three: Advanced Patient Treatment—Direct & Indirect Restorations**  
  February 8–10, 2013; and April 12–14, 2013

### For more information

For more information, to register for classes and/or to request disability accommodations, contact:

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www.dentalce.umn.edu
**18th Annual Golf Classic**  
**Friday, June 29, 2012**

Please mark your calendars to join us for the School of Dentistry Alumni Society Golf Classic! Show your maroon and gold spirit on Friday, June 29, 2012 at a truly fun event at the Majestic Oaks Golf Club. Enjoy the best of Minnesota summer with some friendly competition, prizes, and a barbecue lunch. From singles to foursomes, beginner to pro, all are welcome! Stop by our booth at the Star of the North Meeting, visit us online at [www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni](http://www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni), or call (612) 625-6811 for more information.

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**M A Y  2 0 1 2**

- **April 20**
  - **University of Minnesota Alumni Association Annual Celebration**
  - TCF Bank Stadium
  - **Cocktail Reception**: 5:30 p.m.
  - **Dinner**: 7:00 p.m.
  - **Program**: 8:00 p.m.
  - **Speaker**: Dr. Eric Kaler, President, University of Minnesota

- **April 25–27**
  - **Montana Dental Association Annual Meeting**
  - Missoula, Mont.
  - **Annual Session information**: (406) 443-2061

- **April 27**
  - **Dean’s Reception & Alumni Award Recognition**
  - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  - **Saint Paul Hotel**
  - **St. Paul, Minn.**
  - **For information and RSVP**: (612) 626-4184
  - **Chapm156@umn.edu**

- **April 26–28**
  - **Star of the North Meeting**
  - Saint Paul RiverCentre
  - **St. Paul, Minn.**
  - **For information**: (612) 767-8400

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**M A Y  2 0 1 2**

- **May 10**
  - **School of Dentistry Senior Banquet & Awards Ceremony**
  - (for DDS students, by invitation only)
  - **Awards Ceremony**: 5:00 p.m.
  - **Banquet & Program**: 6:00 p.m.
  - **Crowne Plaza Hotel**
  - **St. Paul, Minn.**
  - **For information**: (612) 625-8947

- **May 11**
  - **School of Dentistry Graduation**
  - 3:00 p.m.
  - **Mariucci Arena**
  - **Minneapolis, Minn.**
  - **Commencement Speaker**: Jeanne Sinkford, D.D.S., Ph.D.
  - **American Dental Education Association**
  - **For information**: (612) 625-8947

- **May 17–19**
  - **South Dakota Dental Association Annual Meeting**
  - Sheraton & Sioux Falls Convention Center
  - **Sioux Falls, S.D.**
  - **School of Dentistry Reception For Alumni & Friends**
  - May 18
  - **5:00 p.m.**
  - **Convention Center**
  - **Annual session information**: (605) 224-9133
  - **Alumni reception information**: (612) 625-5751

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**J U L Y  2 0 1 2**

- **July 26**
  - **School of Dentistry Senior Banquet**
  - (for dental hygiene students, by invitation only)
  - **5:00 p.m.**
  - **TCF Bank Stadium**
  - **Minneapolis Campus**
  - **For information**: (612) 625-8947

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**S E P T E M B E R  2 0 1 2**

- **September 13–15**
  - **North Dakota Dental Association Annual Session**
  - Bismarck, N.D.
  - **School of Dentistry Reception**
  - (to be announced)
  - **For annual session information**: (701) 223-8870
  - **For alumni reception information**: (612) 625-5751

- **September 14**
  - **White Coat Ceremony**
  - 2:00 p.m.
  - **Ted Mann Concert Hall**
  - **University of Minnesota West Bank Campus**
  - **Minneapolis, Minn.**
  - **For information**: (612) 625-8947

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**O C T O B E R  2 0 1 2**

- **October 18–21**
  - **American Dental Association Meeting**
  - San Francisco, Calif.
  - **Alumni Reception**: October 18
  - **5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**
  - **Club Room, Marriott Marquis**
  - **San Francisco, Calif.**
  - **For information and RSVP**: (612) 625-8947

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**J U N E  2 0 1 2**

- **June 29**
  - **18th Annual School of Dentistry Alumni Society Golf Classic**
  - 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
  - **Majestic Oaks Golf Club**
  - **701 Bunker Lake Blvd.**
  - **Ham Lake, Minn.**
  - **For information and registration**: [www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni](http://www.dentistry.umn.edu/alumni)

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**F O R  M O R E  I N F O R M A T I O N**

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Dear Friends,

2011 was another year of remarkable giving—thank you!

The University of Minnesota Pediatric Dental Clinic, Made Possible by Delta Dental of Minnesota opened its doors to patients in early April. Located across the street from the Amplatz Children’s Hospital, the clinic will be a state of the art resource for hospitalized and well patients.

Delta Dental of Minnesota Trust’s outstanding gift of $3.5 million and the 3M Foundation’s extraordinary gift of $500,000 will keep the future of pediatric dentistry in Minnesota bright.

To ensure that their classmate’s legacy lives on, two members from the dental class of 1985 honored Dr. Tom Grams by establishing a memorial fund in his name. Drs. Mike Petersen and Perri Kauls hope that this fund will recognize and offer support to students who have demonstrated exceptional volunteerism and are interested in providing treatment to underserved patients.

Founded in 2010 to recognize annual gifts of $1,000 or more, the Dean’s Circle has continued to build upon its successes! Over the past three years, members have helped students expand their education, faculty members to build upon their expertise, and alumni to reconnect with one another. New members are always welcome! For more information, contact Laura Narhi at (612) 625-5751 or narhi001@umn.edu.

The School of Dentistry strives to be a good steward of all gifts made to the school. Again, thank you for your generosity in 2011. Because of you, we look to 2012 and beyond with great confidence.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Buchanan, Ph.D., D.M.D.
Interim Dean, School of Dentistry
Professor, Department of Restorative Sciences

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