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Drs. Kilgore and Friedman Named Associate Deans

THOMAS KILGORE, former Assistant Dean for Predoctoral Programs, has been promoted to Associate Dean for Predoctoral Programs, in recognition of his outstanding dedication to the School and support of its mission.

During his 17-year career at the School, Dr. Kilgore has been critical to the restructuring of both the basic sciences and the clinical and preclinical programs of the predoctoral division. A respected oral surgeon, he developed the predoctoral educational program in oral surgery and has consistently strengthened it. Further, Dr. Kilgore spearheaded the creation of the Central Sterilization Unit and the formation of the Comprehensive Care Team structure.

"The appointment and the recognition of the Dean’s confidence means a lot to me,” says Dr. Kilgore. “I love being a part of this School. My main goals in my new position are to work towards achieving a balance in emphasis among the basic sciences, behavioral sciences and clinical dental aspects of the D.M.D. curriculum, as well as achieving a better coordination between the didactic and clinical care aspects of the program."

After 13 years of distinguished service to the School, PAULA FRIEDMAN, former Assistant Dean for Administration, has been promoted to Associate Dean for Administration. Dr. Friedman’s assumption of increasing responsibility has been well chronicled by her accomplishments at the School. She developed the curriculum in geriatric dentistry, cultivated important extramural affiliations, and initiated programs to provide dental services to Boston’s elderly, homeless, immigrants and other needy communities.

Dr. Friedman developed the School’s prepaid dental plan for college students, which has served as a model for other dental schools. Her paper on the program won first place in the 1991 AADS Awards Competition for Educational Programs. From 1988 to 1991, she managed a successful accreditation by the Commission on Dental Education.

“Dr. Anthony Jong invited me to join the faculty in 1978,” says Dr. Friedman. “Under his aegis, I found an environment in which individuals were encouraged to develop and pursue professional interests and opportunities. Over the years, my activities have provided me with diverse sources of personal and professional growth. I believe that concurrently those areas have been coincident with goals articulated by the Dean in his vision statement and the School’s mission statement.”

“In the future, I will become more involved in Medical Center and University activities relating to the School. I particularly enjoy my working relationships with faculty, staff and students. I look forward to working under Dean Frankl’s leadership on new initiatives in faculty development, research and quality management.”
**Patient Focus: AIDS**

On June 4, the School hosted a panel discussion on the biology, psychology and sociology of AIDS as it pertains to dentists and their patients. After an introduction and general overview by LAWRENCE ZOLLER, Associate Professor of Periodontology & Oral Biology and Associate Professor of Anatomy, WELDON LLOYD, Associate Research Professor and Associate Director of Predoctoral Admissions & Student Affairs, discussed the effects of AIDS on minority communities. He noted that both blacks and Hispanics have a disproportionately high level of AIDS, other sexually transmitted diseases and drug abuse. The reasons are numerous, but are often socioeconomic in nature, he said.

Next, THOMAS KILGORE, Associate Dean for Predoctoral Programs and Professor and Chairman of Diagnostic Sciences & Patient Services, explained how the AIDS pandemic is affecting sterilization procedures and the doctor/patient relationship within dental schools and dental offices. He described how procedures are changing to prevent transmission of HIV from the patient to doctor and vice versa.

Dr. Kilgore also discussed the two known cases in this country of dental students who contracted HIV infection. At one school, the administration expelled the student. At the other, the school found ways to keep the student in school, assuring the quality of his education and the safety of fellow students, faculty and patients. Dr. Kilgore assured the audience that if a student at the Goldman School contracted HIV infection, he or she would be treated in the same manner as the latter student.

Finally, JOHN McMANAMA, Professor and Chairman of Operative Dentistry, presented the experiences in his private practice treating AIDS patients. Dr. McManama’s office was one of the first in the area to willingly and humanely treat AIDS patients. He described the practical, ethical and moral processes he and his staff went through as they made decisions about treating these patients and informing other patients about what they were doing. He ended with a plea that students be proactive in educating patients about AIDS and in treating all people humanely.

**On the Air**

Channel 56’s Barbara MacLeod interviewed JOHN McMANAMA, Professor and Chairman of Operative Dentistry, and SUSAN CUNNINGHAM, Director of Patient Services, on July 26 for a news story on HIV-infected dentists.

Dr. McManama discussed the importance of following the universal safety precautions, including the guidelines for sterilization of instruments and equipment. “It’s time we stop treating AIDS like a stigma and start treating it like a disease,” he commented.

Ms. Cunningham explained the School’s process of developing a policy for HIV-infected students and faculty. “We’re actively gathering information, and we have the policies of the CDC, ADA and AADS,” she said. “Now, we need to assimilate this information and develop a policy that is fair and safe to all.”

**Marcus Lima Verde Wins Essay Award**

MARCUS LIMA VERDE, C.A.G.S. ’91 and D.Sc. ’94 in Prosthodontics, has won third prize in the First Annual Prosthodontic Post-Graduate Essay Competition of the Massachusetts Section of the American College of Prosthodontists. The topic of his paper was the use of acrylic stents for implants. The competition was sponsored by The Straumann Company, a marketer of dental implants.
Morris Ruben Celebrates 30 Years at School

MORRIS RUBEN, Professor of Periodontology & Oral Biology, has completed 30 success-filled years of service at BUMC. After earning his C.A.G.S. in Periodontology from the B.U. School of Medicine in 1961, Dr. Ruben became Assistant Professor at the BUMC School of Stomatology. He joined the faculty of BUGSGD as Associate Professor of Stomatology at the School’s inception in 1963. Since then, his posts have included Professor of Periodontology & Oral Biology, Chairman of Periodontology & Oral Biology, and Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies.

Dr. Ruben currently teaches periodontology, oral medicine and oral biology. In addition, he continues an active role in periodontal research, serving as an originator of research themes and a preceptor and consultant for postdoctoral students and faculty. He has published widely in the dental literature and serves on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Periodontology* and the *Journal of Gerodontology*.

"Dr. Ruben has been a keystone to the School throughout its history," says Dean SPENCER N. FRANKL. "We are fortunate to have had his scholarly presence with us all these years."

Dr. Ruben holds appointments at Beth Israel Hospital and Boston City Hospital.

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Upcoming Meetings

**American College of Prosthodontics** — The ACP’s 22nd annual meeting will convene November 7-10 in Reno, NV. The scientific sessions will include a half-day seminar on implants. For more information or to register, contact the ACP at 1777 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 904, San Antonio, TX 78217; 512/829-7236.

**American Association of Dental Schools** — The AADS will hold its annual session March 8-11 in Boston. For more information or to register, contact the AADS at 1625 Mass. Ave., N.W., Suite 502, Washington, DC 20036; 202/667-9433.

**Greater New York Dental Meeting** — This year’s meeting will take place November 29-December 5 at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York City. New dental materials and techniques will be demonstrated throughout the meeting. For more information or to register, contact the GNYDM, New York Marriott Marquis, 3rd floor, 1535 Broadway, NY, NY 10036; 212/398-6922.

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Risk-Management Seminar for Students

A risk-management seminar will be held for junior and senior predoctoral students on Friday, December 13. Attendance at the all-day seminar is required. Watch your mailboxes for further information.

IADR/AADR Prosthodontic Research Competition

The IADR/AADR Prosthodontic Research Group is sponsoring an award competition for junior investigators conducting original research. Deadline for the receipt of abstracts and manuscripts is December 15. For further information, see the bulletin board opposite the first-floor elevators.
Employee Highlight: Susan Cunningham

There is probably no student, faculty or staff member who doesn’t know SUSAN CUNNINGHAM. As Director of the Division of Patient Services, she manages all phases of the School’s clinic operations, provides in-service training and other educational programs, resolves patient complaints, co-chairs three committees and sits on eight additional committees.

Having been at her post since the Division was formed in 1988, Susan says she “came into a job description for five and turned it into a job description for 10. And we’re continuing to grow,” she adds.

“I think of our area as an answer department,” says Susan. “We’re an open-door Division that takes the time to find information and solutions for anyone who comes to us. I’m proud of our staff because we share a strong service-orientation.”

This fall, Susan matriculated into Boston University’s academic program leading to a Master of Education degree with a higher-education administration specialization. As a night student, she will retain her responsibilities at the School.

Prior to her tenure at the Goldman School, Susan practiced dental hygiene in Italy for six years with alumnus GIANO RICCI, D.D.S., C.A.G.S. and M.S.D. in Periodontology ’74. “Dr. Ricci is one of Italy’s first periodontists,” notes Susan, “so we got patients from all over the country.”

When she returned to the states, Susan supervised the dental clinic at Columbia University’s School of Dental and Oral Surgery. She was also a teaching assistant and earned an M.S. in dental hygiene there.

Susan’s athletic skills match her cerebral talents. She is a cross-country skier, a cycler and an avid Latin- and swing-dancer. Her adventures have included biking across Ireland and being the first woman on an all-male cycling team in Italy.

The oldest of eight children, Susan has never been a stranger to responsibility, diplomacy and negotiation. “It’s challenging to interact with different kinds of people,” she says. “It’s also very satisfying to be helping people in significant ways.”

Calling All Bicyclists

The third Annual Zoller Insanity Ride to Combat Leukemia is scheduled for Sunday, October 20, starting at 8:30 a.m. at the home of LAWRENCE ZOLLER, Associate Professor of Periodontology & Oral Biology and Associate Professor of Anatomy. This year’s ride is being dedicated to the memory of WILLIAM McNARY, JR., former Associate Dean of Student Affairs at the Medical School, who died from cancer in May. Students, faculty and staff are invited to join the 50-mile bicycle ride on the South Shore to benefit the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute’s Jimmy Fund. A barbecue feast at Dr. Zoller’s will follow.

For further information and directions, contact Dr. Zoller at extension 4919.
NIH Panel on Restorative Materials

FRANK OPPENHEIM, Professor and Chairman of Periodontology & Oral Biology, was a panel member in the National Institutes of Health’s “Technology Assessment Conference on Effects and Side Effects of Dental Restorative Materials” in Bethesda, MD, August 26-28. DAN NATHANSON, Professor and Chairman of Biomaterials, also attended. The conference involved public participation, as well as presentations by a multidisciplinary roster of experts. Based on the information presented, the panelists made the following conclusions:

- Dental materials, including silver amalgam, are extremely effective for restoring teeth and have not been shown to cause significant side effects.
- Restorative materials contain certain components that, in excessive amounts, may be harmful. However, there is no scientific information that the amounts of these components released from restorations have significant adverse effects on health. The amount of mercury vapor released from silver amalgam is very small and poses little risk to health.
- Selection of the most appropriate restorative material depends on the type of restoration required, the condition of the mouth, the resulting aesthetics, and cost factors.
- Future research should focus on developing new methods and materials for tooth restoration that would minimize the removal of healthy tooth structures and reduce the risk of potential side effects.

“I was impressed with the panel’s thorough screening of the existing literature and scrutiny of the information presented by the experts,” says Dr. Oppenheim. “It was extremely hard work, but well worth it, considering the ramifications for the public.”

“It became evident during the conference that, in spite of the declining rates of dental caries, the use of restorative materials in the next decade and beyond will increase, rather than decrease,” comments Dr. Nathanson. “This is due to a significant increase in the adult American population and better retention of their natural teeth.

...And Speaking Of...

Dean SPENCER N. FRANKL attended the Deans’ Institute in Snowbird, Utah, August 10-13. The Institute is an independent organization of U.S. dental school deans whose goal is to provide the deans with continuing education programs...

ANTHONY GIANELLY, Professor and Chairman of Orthodontics, received the Strang Award at the April meeting of the Connecticut Society of Orthodontists in recognition of his ongoing contributions to the field...

DAN NATHANSON, Professor and Chairman of Biomaterials and Director of Continuing Education, and PAULA MARCHAND, Program Coordinator for Continuing Education, attended the conference, “Recession-Fighting Strategies in Advanced Seminar Marketing Techniques,” August 4-6 in Portland, Maine. The meeting was sponsored by the Association for Continuing Dental Education...

FRANK OPPENHEIM, Professor and Chairman of Periodontology & Oral Biology, presented his paper titled “Salivary Antimicrobials: Where Are We?” at the University of Rochester’s “Cariology for the ’90s” conference, held in Rochester, NY, June 4-7...

PATRICK RALPH, D.M.D. ’92, president of the Student National Dental Association, attended the Association’s annual meeting in Atlanta August 1-7. The SNDA is a national organization aimed at the betterment and increased matriculation of minority students in dental schools...

ALLEN TARRO, Assistant Clinical Professor of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, taught a course on arthroscopic treatment of TMJ at the University Medical Center in Toulouse, France, May 6-7. Maxillofacial surgeons from France, Italy and Spain attended.
Getting To and From the Medical Center

- The Medical Center operates a **shuttle bus between the Atrium Pavilion** (in front of University Hospital) **and Parking Lot C** during the following hours, Monday through Friday:
  - 6:30 a.m. - 9:20 a.m. (last departure from Lot C)
  - 3:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. (last departure from the Atrium Pavilion)

  The Lot C shuttle bus will pick up parkers at designated stops in Lot C and will drop off parkers as close to their vehicles as possible.

- The Medical Center operates a **shuttle bus between the Atrium Pavilion and the Broadway Station** on the MBTA’s Red Line during the following hours, Monday through Friday:
  - 6:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. (last departure from Broadway Station)
  - 3:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. (last departure from the Atrium Pavilion)

  The Broadway shuttle bus is available for employees, faculty, staff and visitors weekdays from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., and at all hours weekends and holidays. The escort service can be accessed by informing staff at the University Hospital Security Desk on the first level of the Atrium Pavilion. Persons requesting escort service are required to sign the Security register and to present proper identification. Security personnel are not authorized to drop a passenger off anywhere except at his or her vehicle in Lot C or at Broadway Station. Because there are occasional delays when the security vehicle is being used for an emergency medical delivery, it is advisable to call ahead to Security at extension 8282 before going to the Security Desk.

  For more information about parking and transportation, call the Office of Parking Services, extension 4915, for a brochure.

New Parking Rates

New parking rates for Lots C, A, D and T were instituted on September 1 to reflect higher operating costs. For Lot C, weekly payroll deductions are now $7.38; monthly payroll deductions are $32; and a book of 20 coupons is $37. This rate structure makes payroll deductions less expensive than coupons for full-time parkers. In addition, payroll deduction permits now allow entry into the Doctor’s Office Building (DOB) parking garage on weekends (5:00 p.m. Friday until 9:00 a.m. Monday).

For Lot A, the rates are $16.15 weekly, $70 monthly and, for students only, $245 per semester. Lots D and T rates are $18.46 weekly and $80 monthly.
Donated Cans Put Food on Hungry Families’ Tables

The 1991 “Boston Can Share” food drive, which seeks donations of canned goods from people throughout the city, begins October 28. The Boston Can Share Food Drive has come to represent the tremendous generosity and compassion of the people in the Boston area. Again this year, the Boston University Medical Center will be among over 300 participating companies and government agencies. By participating, employees and students will be helping to put food on hungry families’ tables.

The cans are distributed to more than 250 emergency food pantries and soup kitchens throughout Eastern Massachusetts. All of the donated food is distributed through the nonprofit Boston Food Bank.

The can drop-off location will be in the Lobby of the Goldman School from October 28 through November 15. Only nonperishable food in cans will be accepted. For further information, contact Denise Lobb at extension 4876.

Please join us in making the 1991 Boston Can Share Food Drive the best ever!

Dr. Hunter Takes the Cake

MICHAEL HUNTER, Assistant Clinical Professor of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, took the summer dessert contest at the faculty and staff picnic June 23 with his luscious chocolate-kahlua trifle. Here is the winning recipe, which Dr. Hunter describes as “so simple that it’s embarrassing!”

Ingredients:
1 chocolate cake mix
3 8-oz. tubs Cool Whip
3 instant chocolate pudding mixes
1 5-oz. Nestle’s Crunch or Heath bar
3-6 oz. Kahlua
1/3 cup strawberries

Instructions:
Prepare the pudding mixes.
Bake the cake in a 9x13-inch pan; when cool, pour Kahlua over cake and cut into small squares. Make layers in a punch bowl: 1/3 of the cake, then one package of the pudding and one container of Cool Whip. Repeat twice. Garnish with sliced strawberries and shaved (or crumbled) candy bar.

Welcome Aboard

...to JANICE KIELY, Patient Coordinator, first-floor clinic... LISA ROWELL, Patient Coordinator, Dental Care Management... and NANCY WALLACE, Administrative Secretary, Dental Care Management.

It’s Official: 930 Commonwealth Avenue Dental Health Center Opens

Dean SPENCER N. FRANKL cut the inaugural ribbon at 930 Commonwealth Avenue Dental Health Center September 12. Shown here are (from left to right) JON WESTLING, Boston University Executive Vice President and Provost; CHRISTINE PAIGE, D.M.D., Clinical Director of the Dental Health Centers; SPENCER N. FRANKL, D.D.S., M.S.D., Dean; RICHARD EGDAHL, M.D., Director of B.U.M.C.; and RICHARD TOWLE, B.U. Vice President for Administrative Services. The Center, which has been serving patients since June, is staffed by BUGSGD faculty, postdoctoral residents, registered dental hygienists, dental assistants and patient-services managers.
Faculty: Mark Your Calendars!

- There will be a **General Faculty Meeting** Tuesday, October 29, 7-9 p.m., in room G-301. The agenda will include presentations on School budgets, the Dental Health Plan and development activities. HERBERT SCHILDER, Professor and Chairman of Endodontics, will give a continuing education lecture on endodontic-periodontic interrelationships.

- The annual **Curriculum Symposium** will be held on Wednesday, December 11. The location and topics are currently being determined.

- This year's **Annual Faculty Teaching Conference**, to be held on Thursday, December 12, at the Needham Sheraton, will offer a risk-management seminar featuring Dr. Milton Palat, a dentist and attorney who is a noted expert in the field.

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New Faculty Appointments and Title Changes

The latest approved initial appointments at the School are:

YANLING JIANG - Research Associate, Periodontology & Oral Biology;
HOWARD KAY - Lecturer, Prosthodontics;
BURTON LEVINE - Assistant Clinical Professor, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery;
LAWRENCE OCHFELD - Clinical Instructor, Operative Dentistry.

In addition, JAMAL AQRABAWI's title has been changed to Assistant Clinical Professor of Endodontics.

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Student Essay Contest

The American Society for Geriatric Dentistry has announced two essay contests, sponsored by Procter & Gamble. The Elfenbaum Contest essay should be a referenced exposition of a health care concept, health care policy, or clinical issue concerning geriatric oral health. Predoctoral and dental hygiene students are eligible.

The Kamen Scientific Report Contest paper should describe an original study by the author concerning a geriatric oral health issue. Predoctoral, postdoctoral and dental hygiene students are eligible.

The deadline for submission is March 1. For further information, see the bulletin board opposite the first-floor elevators.

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"Researchers have discovered that compounds in cashews kill bacteria that cause tooth decay, reports the newsletter of the Nebraska Dental Association. The compounds, extracted from the oil in cashew shell, also fight plaque. Don't be surprised if a nut-flavored toothpaste makes its way to the drugstore shelf sometime this decade."

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