

WORD OF MOUTH

A NEWSLETTER FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF OF
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY

LATINO DENTAL CLINIC CELEBRATES ONE YEAR OF SERVICE

La Clinica Latina dental clinic is a free dental clinic that is jointly sponsored by the Ohio State Medical Center, College of Dentistry, Latin Health Initiative of Columbus, and the Ohio State Chapter of the Hispanic Dental Association. The clinic, celebrating its one year anniversary in August 2003 started out as an "Ask-A-Dentist" service and now offers basic clinical exams, consultations with dental students, and distribution of brushes, paste and floss. Over the past year, the clinic, with the help of a dedicated group of students, has seen over 87 patients, with over 50 receiving clinical exams. Overseen by **Dr. Henry Fischbach** and **Ray Tseng** DDS Ph.D/ (Dent 2), the clinic has been the recipient of several awards including a Crest Healthy Smiles 2010 award, and most recently a grant from the Latin Health Initiative for \$4500 to put towards the purchase of a portable dental unit and other supplies. Additionally, the College has shown its support for the program by purchasing two curing lights, sealants and other much needed supplies. The volunteers of La Clinica Latina Dental Clinic look forward to another productive year! If you are interested in volunteering or donating, or would just like more information, contact **Ray Tseng** at tseng.41@osu.edu.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING

The Acting Vice President for Research, **Dr. Tom Rosol**, has appointed **Dr. Arthur Hefti** to chair the Biomedical Institutional Review Board, starting July 1, 2003.

Dr. John Odom, Section of Primary Care, has been appointed to the ADEA President's Task Force on Nominations and Appointments. As the only national organization whose sole mission is to represent dental education, ADEA depends on its members to serve in a variety of leadership roles both at ADEA and as ADEA representatives to external organizations. The President's Task Force will examine ways to provide greater opportunities for individual ADEA members to participate in these activities in order to better utilize the expertise of its members as well as develop future leaders in dental education.

Dr. Susan Mallery has accepted an appointment as the Director of Research for the Section of OMFS/Pathology/Anesthesia. **Sue** has functioned in this capacity informally for a number of years and is a valuable asset to students, residents and faculty. In consultation with **Dr. Allen**, **Dr. Hefti**, and **Dean Kronmiller**, it is clear that if this role is formalized, the Section's research efforts can be focused more carefully and we can continue our goal of furthering the research efforts of the Section. This is an important administrative mile stone in **Dr. Mallery's** career. Please join us in congratulating her.

MATRICULATION 2003

To welcome the new Dental Class of 2007 and Dental Hygiene Class of 2006 to the College we are having a Matriculation/White Coat Ceremony. The students will be presented with white lab coats to be worn during their laboratory experience. This year matriculation will be at The Ohio Union on September 22, 2003 at 8:00 am. It is by invitation only. An email invitation will be going out soon to the faculty and an RSVP to the Dean's Office is required. This is an excellent opportunity for the students, parents and College community to get together and show each other support for the upcoming year.

GRADUATE STUDIES



Please welcome the new graduate students to the College.

DENTAL ANESTHESIOLOGY

Phillips, Stephen C.
Zitterell, Kristen J.

ENDODONTICS

Agarwala, Vaishali
Bigby, John J.
Bukhari, Saadia
Carver, Keith C.
Goodman, Amanda A.
Jensen, Joanne M.
Steinkruger, Geoffrey S.
Susi, Louis W.

ORAL PATHOLOGY

Jewers, Wendi M.
Rawal, Yeshwant B.
Sedghizadeh, Paymon P.

ORTHODONTICS

Anderson Gregory W.
Bartlett, Brian W.
Cook, Brandon D.
Downey, Nathan M.
Lenk, Misty D.
Mayers, Matthew C.
Meng, Frank H.
Parekh, Sanjay M.
Rao, Jahnavi
Struckhoff, Janice A.
Sundaralingam, Premaraj
Webb, Chad S.
Webb, Sami Jo
Wood, Wyatt T.
Ziuchkovski, James P.

PERIODONTICS

Alzoman, Hamad A.
Cho, William J. (Billy)
DeAngelo, Samuel J.
Elkhoury, Jad S.
Fitzgerald, Randy R.
Kumar, Purnima
Lightfoot, William S.
Lin, Marcus W.
May, Natasha Y.
Rawal, Swati Y.
Rezvan, Ehsan
Zavarella, Matthew M.

PROSTHODONTICS

Gozalo-Diaz, David
Hernandez, Alfredo I.
Kaleinikova, Zinaida
Liu, Ruohong
Purcell, Bradley A.
Roongruangphol, Thasanai
Satoris, Brock A.
Shah, Kumar
Shroyer, Kathryn M.

DENTAL MATERIALS

Carrillo, Carlos
Sanli, Yurdanur

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

Bower, Daniel
El-Ghareeb, Moustafa
Flemming, Dexter
Fox, Eric G.
Ghafourpour, Kourosh
Kapitan, Richard
Kirkup, Christopher T.
Kusumo-Rajardjo, Tjahjadi
Masonbrink, Monte
Thurgood, David B.
Yanich, Jason P.

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

Amspaugh, Kyle D.
Brown, Laurie M.
Bryk, Jennifer M.
Karp, Jeffrey M.
Milton, Jeffrey T.
Schilcher, Jackie S.
Sperati, Jason D.
Thenard, Sharine V
Thiel, Gregory C.
Wittwer, Ryan C.

ORAL BIOLOGY

Alapati, Satish
Dong, Phing
Farrow, Michael
Gajendrareddy,
Praveenkumar
Gbemi, Oluwatobi
Head, Cynthia
Horan, Michael P.
Hu, Xingxue
Kumar, Purnima
Li, Dongfa
Liu, Ruohong
Maney, Pooja
Ravichandhran, Appandai
Ruttencutter, Jeffrey A.
Sjostrom, Danen
Sun, Desheng
Sundaralingam, Premaraj
Tseng, Raymond J.
Viswanathan, Kavitha
Wang, Zheng
Wiesehan, Jacqueline
Zhang, Hao

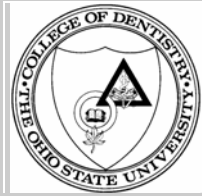
GPR

Brower, Douglas W.
Brown, Scott T.
Catlos, Shawn F.
Pingel, Matthew L.
Riggs, Dale
Robertson, Douglas N.
Sandhu, Avneet
Silva, Kevin T.
Urbanek, Kevin

STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON



The Dean's traditional cookout on the patio to thank staff for their excellent work will be Wednesday, September 17. Other administrators and faculty will assist **Dean Kronmiller** with the BBQs from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All staff are encouraged to take part. (Lunch is for staff only please).



SECURITY UPDATES

Once again, computer and network security has been the topic of news reports and worldwide attention. While things are pretty much under control here at the College, now is a good time to remind users about the importance of being diligent with their computers and the data they store on them.

In late July, Microsoft announced a flaw in their most widely used operating systems, Windows 2000, NT, and XP. This flaw was somewhat more serious than previous bugs, in that a malicious user could gain control of a vulnerable computer without any action on the part of the user of the computer. The computer was vulnerable simply by being connected to the internet. While Microsoft had already released patches to fix the problem in June of this year, many systems had not had the fixes applied, due to the time that it takes to test and deploy these types of fixes on a corporate wide basis.

Due to the potential for devastating impact, as well as recommendations from the Office of Homeland Security, the University took the unusual step of blocking all external access to campus computers, including the College's, while they determined the extent of the problem here on campus. This affected users trying to access their own machines, or the servers, or mail, etc. while the network was blocked. The University, using special programs that scanned computers connected to the network for the vulnerability, notified the Colleges which systems were vulnerable. The College Information Systems department and users applied patches to all vulnerable systems, as did Colleges campus wide.

Additionally, the College has installed a firewall to restrict access to the Colleges computer network. This device allows us to selectively restrict or authorize computers outside of the College access to our network. While this may make accessing your files from home or on the road a bit more difficult (see **Jeff Trebonik** if you are experiencing difficulties), the added protection is a requirement.

The threat has been thwarted, for now. Attacks such as this by talented, yet misguided, individuals will continue. They will become more and more sophisticated, and the damage they will have the potential to wreak will increase. But, there are some simple precautions that you can take to reduce the risk to your computer and your precious data.

First and foremost, do not open attachments that you receive in email unless you are certain what it is. Let me say that again. Do not open attachments that you receive in email unless you are **certain** what it is. The great majority of viruses, attacks, and hacks are distributed via email attachments.

Keep your antivirus software up to date. Most users in the College (and at home, right?) are using McAfee antivirus software provided free of charge to all University faculty, staff, and students. If you don't have it, get it at <http://osusls.osu.edu/> Read the instructions, keep it up to date, use it to scan your drives and any new files you copy onto your computer. Do this religiously. It is a powerful tool, and the price is right.

Patch your computer. Microsoft provides a free web-based service to ensure that your computer has the latest software fixes installed. Visit their website at <http://v4.windowsupdate.microsoft.com/en/default.asp> and let it scan your computer and report which critical updates should be applied to you computer. Then just follow the onscreen instructions to ensure you have the latest fixes applied.

(NOTE: Not all users at the college have the ability to apply these patches themselves. Our clinic computers are managed by the IT Staff, and should be patched only by them). Do this to your home computer, as well as to your laptop. You can even download and install a small notification program which will automatically alert you when critical updates are available to be installed. This is a very useful and worthwhile site, and again, you can't beat the price.

And finally, be skeptical. If you receive a file or an email that seems suspicious, simply delete it. Most malicious software is propagated by unaware users. If you are diligent, the risk to your computers and data will remain low.

If you have any questions, please contact the Information Systems staff.

DRAMATIC DIVERSITY TO CONDUCT FACULTY AND FRESHMAN EDUCATION

Dramatic Diversity, a theater based diversity training ensemble from Chicago, will be at the College to facilitate informative and interactive workshops for our faculty and entering D1 students. On Wednesday, September 24th, from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, the faculty will meet at the Drake Union for a strategic, theater based education program. This session will focus on determining and acting upon changes that can positively impact productivity and our ability to relate effectively to one another. The next afternoon, September 25th, the Dramatic Diversity team will lead the freshman and student class leaders in a half day diversity awareness training. Both days should be enjoyable as well as enlightening. For more information about Dramatic Diversity, visit their website at: <http://www.dramaticdiversity.com>

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Office of Continuing Dental Education is excited to announce upcoming CE events: A brochure with complete details is available in the CE department room 1198 Postle Hall.

Welcome

Please welcome the following new faculty and staff to the College

Philip Alan Mikesell	Clinic Asst Prof Endodontics
Marcel Daneault	Clinic Asst Prof GPR
Robin Messner	Dental Hygenist Implant Clinic
Joyce Perkins	Info Asst DFP
Sarah Peterson	Program Asst SMS
Natasha Durham	Info Asst CCC Clinic
Stacie Gleaves	Dental Asst CCC Clinic
Armada Stevens	Info Asst CCC Clinic
Carrie Symmonds	Restor Asst Oral Biology
Jennifer Parker-Barnes	Rest. Assoc Pediatrics
Kimberly Ahern	Dental Asst DFP
Christina Campbell	Dental Asst Oral Surgery
Laura Geran	Postdoc Res Oral Biology
Nikkeya Lilly	Info Asst Front Desk

WEIGHT WATCHERS AT WORK

The first Weight Watchers session is progressing very well! We currently have 21 participants and have an accumulated weight loss exceeding 165 pounds in just 7 weeks!!!! We are planning a second session, which will start September 9th and will run for 10 weeks. If you are interested in learning more about the program, please contact **Kelly Scheiderer** at 292-3016 or scheiderer.19@osu.edu.