

# Orthodontic Alumni Association of Illinois Newsletter

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We would like to thank  
everyone who made our  
past Alumni Meeting  
in September a  
tremendous success!

We are appreciative to the almost 100  
alums in attendance for the meeting on Practice

*Dear Alumni,  
Colleagues and  
Friends,*

Transition at the ADA Building  
in Chicago and the 80 in attendance for the  
Gibsons alumni reception. We are also extremely  
grateful for our panel of speakers who presented an  
excellent overview of the practice transition process.

As we come to the end of another year, we would  
like to express our gratitude to those of you who  
have supported the Alumni Association and the UIC  
Orthodontic Department. Your support has made a difference in the future of our  
profession!  
Beyond the  
meetings,  
newsletters and  
receptions, your  
annual support of  
the Association  
allows us to  
provide Dr.  
Evans and the  
Department  
with a significant  
amount of funds  
to help in the  
furnishing of the  
Department and

purchasing of much needed equipment. Revenue that is collected in excess of alumni  
expenses is spent directly in the Department, so we hope you understand how valuable  
your annual support of the Association is.

We look forward to your continued support of the Alumni Association and the  
Department. If you are looking to help make a difference in the future of profession  
with a significant donation to the Department, you are encouraged to contact Dr.  
Evans directly at (312)996-1809 or via email caevans@uic.edu.



## *Alumni Meeting of 2012!*





# Making a difference!

This mailing represents our annual call for Alumni Dues. Please complete the enclosed remittance envelope along with your \$200 payment to the "Orthodontic Alumni Association of Illinois."

We would like to again remind you that there are NO administrative costs to the association, and all of the dues are used to fund alumni activities as well as to support the orthodontic program. It's never too late to become a member!

Through your generosity and support, the Alumni Association was able to contribute almost \$65,000 in 2012 for the purchase of furniture for the recently renovated clinic lecture rooms, instructor area and administration offices. Your Alumni Association dues have been instrumental in creating a state of the art



*Administrative Office Reception Area*



*Rickett's Room*

learning institution and have made a difference for our future orthodontists. ALL donations collected during this mailing are given directly to Carla for the Department. The Association provides additional funding for some of renovation expenses and also supporting departmental activities for the residents. Last year we collected \$13,565 in donations which was specifically used for furnishing the newly renovated Department. Special thanks to last year donors:  
Said Albareedi (NU '83),  
Mrs. Louis Andria (UIC '59),  
Richard Battistoni (LU '87),  
Dalton Blough (UIC '56),  
Paul Broadwater (UIC '86),  
Victoria Chen (UIC '04),  
Michael Conlon (UIC '77),  
Todd Curtis (NU '86),  
John Damas (UIC '75),  
Dale and Lisa Davis (UIC '96),  
Michael Durbin (UIC '90),  
Thomas Dusek (LU '94),

Tarek El-Bialy (UIC '02),  
Milton Engel (UIC '40),  
John Ford (NU '84),  
Thomas Horrigan (UIC '62),  
Ryan Hurley (UIC '09),  
Ed John (UIC '69),  
Pamela Johnson (UIC '91),  
Alan Kaplin (UIC '65),  
Jeff Kemp (UIC '90),  
Lihong Lin (UIC '08),  
James Lupi (UIC '93),  
Michael Naborowski (UIC '93),  
Andrea Nakisher (UIC '97),  
Donald O'Donoghue (UIC '63),  
William Petty (LU '74),  
Linda Powers (UIC '01),  
Michael Ryan (UIC '94),  
Bernard Schneider (UIC '57),  
Claude Sime (UIC '67),  
Craig Sinclair (UIC '76),  
Howard Spector (UIC '83),  
Ejaz Tahir (UIC '94),  
Carrie Thangamani (UIC '07),  
Michael Thompson (UIC '06),  
Michael Uhde (UIC '80),  
Neil Warshawsky (UIC '92),  
Michael Weinberg (UIC '94),  
Edward White (UIC '55).



*Faculty Workstation*



*Storage Cabinets*

▶ Please take the time to support the UIC Orthodontic Program and the Orthodontic Alumni Association of Illinois!

## Welcome New Board Members

Special thanks to outgoing Board Members John Lisac (UIC '92), outgoing President Michael Conlon (UIC '77), and Michael Naborowski (UIC '93). These three individuals have served the Association for 12 years and have been instrumental in the operation and advancement of the Association. They have been extremely generous in their support of the renovation of the clinic and all were Chair level donors in our Quest to be the Best fundraising campaign. We are appreciative of their assistance and help in planning the renovation of the Department.

We are pleased to welcome the following people to the Board for a 12 year term: Barry Booth (UIC '86), Pam Johnson (UIC '91) and Jeff Kemp (UIC '90).

The current Board members include: President Dale Davis (UIC '94), Vice President Anthony Eltink (UIC '05), Howard Spector (UIC '83), Michael Durbin (UIC '90), Ashok Kothari (LU '83), Robert Christopher (NU '78), Gerry Samson (NU '81), Honorary Board Member Carla Evans (Harvard '75), Executive Director Vincent Arpino (UIC '96). Anthony Eltink and Ashok Kothari are also clinical instructors in the Department.

If you ever have any questions or

*Thanks!*



*Jeff Kemp*



*Barry Booth and Pam Johnson*

would like an update on the ongoing activities within the Department, you are encouraged to contact any of the Board members. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please let us know!



*John Lisac, Mike Conlon, and Mike Naborowski*

## Orthodontic Practice Transition Alumni Meeting

Special thanks to our panel of experts for providing an interesting and informative presentation.

Attorney Randall Berning moderated the panel and spoke on the fundamentals of treatment planning the transition and detailed the establishment of a



Speaker Musich: "Drew Trapani (LU '71) with Speaker Dr. David Musich"

the practice transition and making sure you have a shared vision statement in the process. She provided some checklists and other important things to consider in preparation for a successful transition. Accountant and business consultant Paul Baumann gave an overview of the practice valuation process and highlighted different methods of valuation. The presentation was concluded with a panel discussion in which the speakers fielded questions from the audience. Please feel free to contact [vapinobrases@msn.com](mailto:vapinobrases@msn.com) if you are interested in handouts and notes from the meeting.

## Alumni Reception at Gibsons on Rush

The evening's entertainment was hosted by Jeff Kemp. Jeff's recent discovery of his 1990 graduation video roast of the faculty buried in a box in the attic provided for some hilarious skits as seen through the eyes of the residents. The video time capsule transported us back to the days where the men had flowing locks of hair, where their pants waist number was smaller than the length, and the time where glasses were the size of Harry Carey's. No faculty members were off



Roast Master Jeff Kemp

A photo presentation capped off the evening with a salute to the current faculty and a special tribute to Dr. Schneider, as well as chronicling the renovation of the clinic. If you are interested in the YouTube link, please go to YouTube and search "Orthodontic Alumni Association of Illinois". View at your own risk!



Speaker Barrett: "Speaker Beth Barrett with Kristin Moore (UIC '12) and Carla Evans"

timeline and a strategy. His firm has established interactive web tools to help in the transition process and can be viewed at [www.BerningAffiliates.biz](http://www.BerningAffiliates.biz). Dr. David Musich spoke on the orthodontist's role in the leadership and the planning of the transition with an emphasis on having systems in place to help create a successful practice business model. Beth Barrett discussed the role of staff during



Speaker Berning: "George Walker (UIC '84) with Speaker Randall Berning"



### Class of 1990

"Greg Tolson, Mike Durbin, Jeff Kemp, Grant Walton, and Robert Lauder (MIA - Ken Kaplin)"

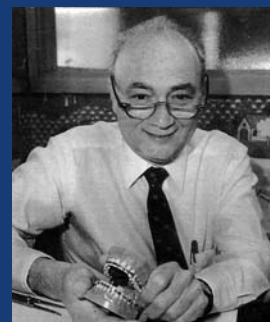
limits as they saluted Drs. Cleall, Sadowsky, Scheneider, Muhl, and Sakols, just to mention a few.



A Salute to the Faculty

## In Memoriam

As we come to the end of another year, we reflect upon the loss of three iconic individuals in the education of generations of orthodontists: Hal Perry, Milt Engel and Bernie Schneider. These individuals have left an indelible mark on our orthodontic profession and each one has earned their spot as pillars of the Department. For those of us who had the experience of knowing these individuals are aware that they were all very well respected, loved and played a major role in inspiring many young orthodontists in the making. In memory, they will live forever.



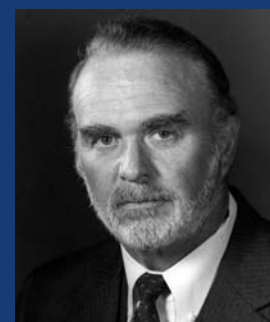
**Bernard J. Schneider (UIC '57)**, age 84,  
7/3/2012

Faculty member at the University of Illinois Orthodontic Department for over 50 years



**Milton Engel (UIC '40)**, age 95,  
5/3/2012

Former Faculty member at the University of Illinois Orthodontic Department for over 50 years



**Harold T. Perry, Jr. (NW '61)**, age 86,  
2/3/2012

Former Chairman of the Northwestern Orthodontic Department for 25 years

*"Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It is what you do for others."*

# Save THE Date!

## MAY 4, 2013 4-6PM

### AAO Alumni Reception at Smokin Betty's in Philly

Are you going to the AAO Meeting in Philadelphia in May, 2013? If so, please make plans to attend the off-site alumni reception. Special thanks to alums Anthony Eltink (UIC '05) and Dan Bills (UIC '04) as they have extensively researched a location and found the perfect site. Due to the popularity of the 2011 AAO Chicago Alumni Rock Bottom Bash, the Alumni Association will be hosting a reception at Smokin Betty's in Philadelphia (116 South 11th Street, Philadelphia, PA, phone: 215-922-6500) FREE drinks and appetizers will be provided! We hope you plan on attending. Please RSVP to varpinobraces@msn.com. Another benefit of membership!



## 5th Annual Schneider Golf Outing

Special thanks to 3rd year resident Matt Ahrens who organized the 5th annual Schneider Golf Outing at Foss Park. The October date made for a chilly day on the greens, but the winning foursome of John Kelsey, Ahmed Masoud, Derek Bock, and the ringer Dave McClarin scorched the competition. Big Dave McClarin earned his honors by capturing the longest drive prize. We are grateful to our corporate sponsors GAC, RMO and Unitek. We look forward to seeing everyone next year.



## Rebuilding the Cleft-Craniofacial Team at Lurie Children's Hospital

In June, Children's Memorial Hospital of Northwestern University became the new Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago with a grand opening at 225 E. Chicago Avenue. Dr. Arun Gosain, recently appointed as Chief of Pediatric Plastic Surgery at Lurie, serves as Director of the Cleft Palate/Craniofacial team. Dr. Emily Williams (Children's Memorial Hospital Pedo '07; UIC Ortho '11)

joined the team in September. Dr. Ron Jacobson (NU '89) continues his longstanding dedication to the program, and was an influential mentor to Williams during her pediatric dental residency. Drs. Gosain and Williams welcome you to contact them with any inquiries about the services provided by the Lurie Craniofacial team (agosain@luriechildrens.org; emwil12@gmail.com).



## Class of 2013 Seeking Employment Opportunities

Are you in the process of transitioning your practice or looking for an associate or partner? It is never too early to start

looking for the right person and the best way to start is by networking directly with the residents. You are encouraged to contact them directly.

**Top row (left to right):** George Al Amir: galami2@uic.edu (associate in Chicago), Brad Washington bwashi4@uic.edu (plans undecided), Michael Li: mli38@uic.edu (associate in San Francisco), Matthew Ahrens: mahren4@uic.edu (starting a practice in Jacksonville, FL), Ahmed Masoud: amasou3@uic.edu (completing PhD at UIC), Tharon Smith: tsmith57@uic.edu (associate in Arizona)  
**Bottom row:** Justina D'Agostini: jdagos2@uic.edu (associate in Michigan), Noor Obais: nobaisi@uic.edu (associate in Chicago)