

LSU Department of Pediatric Dentistry Newsletter

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Department News

Welcome to the Friends and Alumni of the LSU Department of Pediatric Dentistry!

The D3 class has gotten off to a great start on their Pediatric Dentistry Clinic course this August under **Dr. Rosalynn Crawford-McKendall**, the new course director. Dr. Crawford-McKendall introduces the students to clinical techniques in pediatric dentistry in small groups in the simulation lab prior to their first day of clinic. They continue to cover advanced topics in pediatric dentistry in their Pediatric Dentistry 2 Lecture course. We were honored to have **Stacie Leblanc**, **Esq.**



director of the Children's Hospital CARE Center, lecture to the class on child abuse on September 9.

Residents Dr. Erin Maturin, Dr. Susan Fallahi, Dr. Ashla Martin, and Dr. Christen Massey get the opportunity to talk with Dr. Kevin Donly

The LSU Student Chapter of AAPD had its inaugural meeting on September 15th under the leadership of President **Katie McClendon**, D4 student. At the first meeting, residents spoke on why they chose the specialty of pediatric dentistry and their experiences with the application process.

Dr. Kevin Donly, department chair of the UTHSC-San Antonio Department of Developmental sciences

presented the Dummett Memorial Lecture on September 16.

He discussed preventive and restorative dentistry

Residents Dr. Erin Maturin, Dr. Susan Fallahi, Dr. Christen Massey, and Dr. Ashla Martin have the opportunity to try out new materials at the hands on portion of the lecture

children and adolescents. At a hands-on course the following day, Dr. Donly give attendees the opportunity to work with many of the materials mentioned in the lecture. Attendees also had the opportunity to simulate the microabrasion technique. It was very exciting to have such an accomplished guest in the department!

For the first time this year the LAPD meeting was paired with the Dummett Memorial Lecture by LAPD President **Dr. Johnnie Hunt**. **Dr. Rob Delarosa**, District trustee, presented current issues facing the AAPD and LAPD. The meeting was well-attended and **Dr. Stephen Holmes** was elected President.

Another first was a reception for friends and alumni of the LSU



Residents Dr. Patrick Knoell, Dr. Jordan Prieto, Dr. Michael Von Gruben, Dr. C. Marc Jones socialize with Dr. William Posnick and Dr. Patricia Lanier

Department of Pediatric Dentistry following the Dummett Memorial Lecture at Ralph's on the Park. **Drs.**William Posnick and Pat Lanier organized and financially supported this lovely event with additional support from the LAPD and **Dr. Pam Shaw**. This was a fabulous evening of fellowship with faculty, alumni, residents, and guests who attended the Dummett Memorial Lecture. We were pleased to visit with alumni **Dr. Tom Wingo** and **Dr. Gordon Fletcher** as well as many guests, such as Children's Hospital of Michigan Department Chair **Dr. James Stenger**. Dr. Kevin Donly also attended the event with much positive interaction with our residents.



Keith McKendall, Dr. Rosalynn Crawford-McKendall, Dr. Laura Hogue, Dr. Claudia Cavallino, Dr. Pamela Shaw, Hank Smith, and Dr. Robert Delarosa enjoying the balcony at Ralph's at the Park

First-year residents are also progressing in acquiring new skills. **Dr. Erin Maturin** and **Dr. Patrick Knoell** successfully completed their PALS course in September. **Dr. Susan Fallahi** has been on anesthesia rotation at Chidlren's Hospital of New Orleans.

Dr. Priyanshi Ritwik and **Dr. Janice Townsend** lectured to the Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners on the weekend of September 16 in New Orleans. Topics covered were "Pediatric Oral Care" and "Management of Pediatric Dental Emergencies"

Louisiana dentists **Dr. John Hendry, Dr. Anna Moreau, Dr. Richard Olinde, Dr. Priyanshi Ritwik** and **Dr. Janice Townsend** served as examiners for the Oral Board Exam in Dallas on September 18-23.

LSU School of Dentistry student group Making Impressions represented the school at a local health fair sponsored by the VIET Outreach Program and coordinated by D4 student **Jennilee Arrington**. Students counseled attendees on oral hygiene and proper diet; brushing the stuffed animal kangaroo's teeth was a big attraction with the little ones!

Dr. Claudia Cavallino, alumna and part-time faculty member, will be the keynote speaker at the 2011 White Coat Ceremony for the D2 dental students on October 14. This ceremony marks the beginning of the students' clinical experience and reinforces the obligation of health care providers towards their patients. Congratulations Dr. Cavallino on this honor!

Congratulations to alumnus **Dr. Joe Yale** and wife **Jen** on the birth of their baby **Avery Yale** on August 29!

Finally, we are overdue in thanking the following donors to the Adopt a Resident Campaign:

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Dates to Remember:

March 9 – Postgraduate Grand Rounds*

April 27 – Postgraduate Research Day*

June 22 – Postgraduate Graduation

*CE credit given to attendees



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Student Mimi
Lacour
demonstrates
brushing at the
Viet Outreach
Program