

# LSU School of Dentistry Department of Pediatric Dentistry Newsletter

March 2011

Greetings from warm and sunny New Orleans and the LSUSD Department of Pediatric Dentistry!

This month I had the opportunity to represent LSUSD to the American Dental Education Association meeting in beautiful San Diego. This year was a special year as ADEA president is **Dr. Sandra Andrieu**, associate dean of academic affairs at LSUSD. Among the many events I had the opportunity to attend were the Pediatric Dentistry Section meeting and a dinner hosted by the AAPD for Pediatric Dentists in Academics.



Dr. Darshan Dabir and Dr. Via Cuisia's office

**Dr. Robert Musselman** travelled to the International Association of Dental Research in San Diego as well. He had the opportunity to visit the office of alumni **Dr. Darshan Dabir** and **Dr. Via Cuisia**.



Dr. Dabir and Dr. Cuisia's reception area

We had two new additions to the LSU Pediatric Dentistry family this month:

Congratulations to **Mrs. Dana Williams** on the birth of her first grandson, Garrett Gerard Mead, on March 3.

Congratulations to **Dr. Stephen Holmes** and wife **Shanee** on the birth of their son, Charles Grantham Holmes, on March 17.

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry began two predoctoral lecture courses this month. The D2 students are currently taking the Pediatric Dentistry I lecture series to provide a foundation in pediatric dentistry to help prepare them for D3 clinic and practice. The D1 students began Growth and Development and will have the opportunity to take part in an interdisciplinary lecture series including OB-GYN **Dr. David Curole**, orthodontist **Dr. Robert Shaye**, neurologist **Dr. Ann Tilton**, and genetics expert **Dr. Glen Palmer**. Later in the course, **Dr. Claudia Cavallino** and **Dr. William Ledoux** will be lecturing on Craniofacial Anomalies.

First year resident **Dr. Michael Von Gruben** presented a lecture entitled "Revascularization therapy for an immature premolar with periapical infection" for LSUSD Advanced Education Grand Rounds on Friday, March 25. First year resident **Dr. C. Marc Jones** participated in the panel to fuel discussion of the various topics presented.

**Dr. Richard Olinde** is currently in Guatemala on a dental mission to provide dental care for the underserved.

In the newsletter last month, I omitted **Dr. Robert Delarosa** as a donor to the "Adopt a Resident Campaign." Not only has Dr. Delarosa been a generous donor but he was one of the initiators of this successful campaign.

For the AAPD meeting, the tentative plan is to meet at **Bridges Bar** located inside the Hilton New York at **5:30pm on Friday, May 27**. This informal gathering will give everyone the opportunity to reconnect with familiar faces; it is expected to last until approximately 7pm. I will update you on any changes to this plan and look forward to seeing you there!

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