



# LSU Department of Pediatric Dentistry Newsletter

## LSU School of Dentistry / January – March 2012

### Department News

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

We have been off to a very busy start in 2012! Alumnae and NODA Children's Dental Health Month Chairs **Drs. Kellie Axelrad** and **Nicole Boxberger** organized our Give Kids a Smile Day event at LSU School of Dentistry. The kindergarten class at Smith Elementary in Violet, LA visited LSU School of Dentistry for a screening exam, oral hygiene instructions, and fun dental activities. LSU hygiene students, dental students, residents, faculty, and alumni participated in this fun event! Also, Drs. Axelrad and Boxberger organized Children's Dental Health Month at the Hive with the Hornets to raise awareness of oral health.



A Dental Hygiene student volunteer skips down the hall with students on GKAS Day



Alumnae **Drs. Kellie Axelrad** and **Nicole Boxberger** at Dental Health Night at the Hive!

At Children's Hospital, **Dr. Pamela Shaw** organized our Dental Day where she, dental students, and dental residents visited patients to deliver toothbrushes, dental information and smiles! The student chapter of the AAPD promoted oral health awareness by putting together an information table in the hospital lobby.

Our local media helped get out the word with articles in the Times-Picayune, Children's Hospital website and interviews on WDSU and Fox 8. Thanks to all who participated in these events!

In addition to volunteering for Children's Dental Health Month and other volunteer activities, the student chapter of the AAPD met with local

pediatric dentist and alumnus **Dr. Ronald Curran** to learn more about pediatric sedation at their January meeting. It was a great night of education and fellowship for our dental students and residents.

First year resident **Dr. Ashla Martin** attended the LDA Dentists' Day at the Legislature. She recently related all she learned about the legislative process and LDA legislative agenda in a case presentation to her fellow residents. We were also lucky to have a teleconference with **Dr. Paul Casamassimo**, Director of the AAPD's new Pediatric Oral Health Research and Policy Center. He discussed the AAPD's advocacy efforts as well as ways to get involved in child advocacy at all levels.

In January, the match list was announced and we are pleased to welcome our new class of 2014 residents:  
**Amrit Bala** – Univ. of California, San Francisco  
**Mary "Katie" McClendon** - LSU  
**Dr. Bijal Naik** – University of Tennessee  
**Christine Tran** – Univ. Southern California



First-year resident Dr. Ashla Martin at LDA Day at the Legislature

reception is scheduled **for Saturday, May 26 from 6-8 pm**. There will be a cash bar and light appetizers will be served. This location is walking distance from the convention center. A \$20 donation to the department is requested. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to meet the residents and see old classmates and friends and see a breathtaking San Diego Sunset!!

The LSU Continuing Education Department has announced that **Dr. J. Timothy Wright** will present at the Dummett Memorial Lecture scheduled for Friday and Saturday, **September 14 and 15, 2012**. The title of the presentation is "**Genes to Teeth: Diagnosis to Treatment for the Pediatric and Young Adolescent Patient**". Please see the end of the newsletter for more information on this exciting course and start making plans for your trip to New Orleans!

Best wishes to everyone as you enjoy a lovely spring! Please enjoy more pictures of our school activities and fun and we look forward to seeing you in San Diego!

**Dates to Remember:**

April 26 – Resident lecture by Dr. Ronald Bell (Dr. Bell has graciously invited alumni to attend)

April 27 – Postgraduate Research Day

May 26 – Alumni Reception in San Diego

June 21 – Graduate Recognition Dinner

June 22 – Postgraduate Graduation

September 14 and 15 – Dummett Memorial Lecture



2012 LSU Student Government Clay Pigeon Shoot (left to right) Drs. Michael Von Gruben, Susan Fallahi, Victor Babin, III, Jordan Prieto, Janice Townsend, Erin Maturin, and J.C. Marc Jones

Alumnus **Dr. Dashan Dabir** has been our local arrangements organizer for the upcoming AAPD meeting and has helped us reserve the fabulous 40 story high **Top of the Hyatt** in San Diego for our alumni reception. The



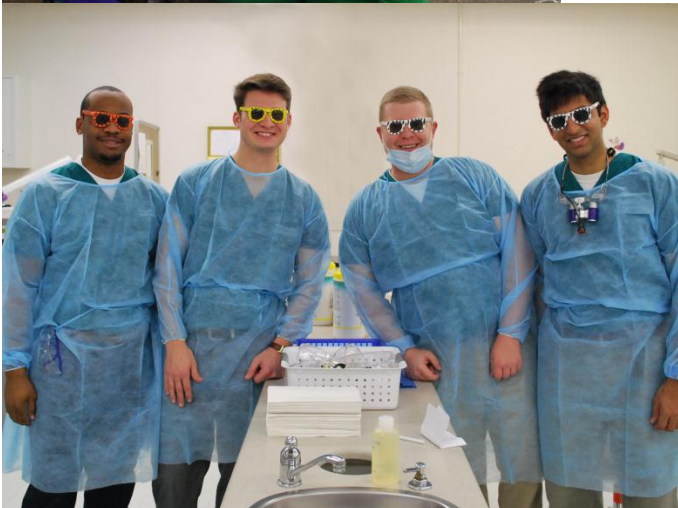
**D2 Student Colton Ducote at Give Kids a Smile Day**



**Dr. Nicole Boxberger reviews oral hygiene at Give Kids a Smile Day**



**Dr. Michael Von Gruben, wife Rachel Von Gruben, and son Joseph enjoy a 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday party and the St. Patrick's Day Parade!**



**D2 Dental Students Christopher Wright, Matthew Oubre, Colten Ducote, and Sumit Patel get having some fun with the children**



**First year residents Drs. Susan Fallahi, Ashla Martin and Erin Maturin enjoy the Welcome Party at the NODA Conference**

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Clifton O. Dummett Jr. Memorial Lecture  
Dentistry for the Pediatric Patient**  
with Dr. Tim Wright presenting plus a hands-on workshop  
for General Dentists, Pediatric Dentists, and Staff Members  
September 14-15, 2012, at LSU School of Dentistry in New Orleans

**J. Timothy Wright, DDS, MS**

Dr. Wright is the Bawden Distinguished Professor and Chair in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of North Carolina. His extensive clinical experience in the diagnosis and management of developmental defects of teeth is complemented by his research on the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary diseases involving teeth and the craniofacial complex. Funded by the National Institutes of Health for the past 20 years, Dr. Wright is the author of over 150 scientific papers and has presented extensively nationally and internationally.

**Friday (lecture) and Saturday (hands-on workshop\*)  
September 14-15, 2012 • Course #30-12 • AGD#430 • for Dentists ONLY**

	<b>Early Bird Fee</b>	<b>Regular Fee</b>
	Register by 8/14	Register 8/15-9/13
Dentist	\$715	\$765

14 hours clinical CDE credit (lecture and participation)

*\*Workshop attendance is limited. REGISTER EARLY.*

*Registration fee includes hand out materials, continental breakfast, and lunch.*

**Friday**

**Lecture presented by J. Timothy Wright, DDS, MS**

***Genes to Teeth: Diagnosis to Treatment***

***for the Pediatric to Young Adolescent Patient***

After completing this one day lecture course . . .

***You will understand:***

- normal tooth development and how our genetic background can make us prone or resistant to dental diseases such as caries and can result in developmental defects of the teeth.
- the etiology and diagnosis of developmental defects such as fluorosis, missing teeth, amelogenesis imperfecta, hypomineralized six year molars, and dentinogenesis imperfecta.
- how specific tissue defects can dictate selection of the optimal treatment approach.
- the importance of dental esthetics to pediatric patients and their parents and the common etiologies leading to esthetic concerns.

***You will be able to:***

- develop both short and long term treatment approaches for conditions that affect dental esthetics such as missing teeth, discolored teeth, and developmentally defective teeth.

***You will be familiar with:***

- color modification and restorative approaches for managing enamel hypoplasia, tooth defects, and dental discolorations.
- the appropriate techniques for treating enamel and dentin developmental defects.

## Saturday

### ***Hands-On Workshop***

During this comprehensive “hands on” workshop in a simulation teaching lab, you will learn **how to provide esthetic restorations for the primary anterior teeth** using resin faced stainless steel crown and resin strip crown materials. During this workshop you will also learn **methods to stabilize newly erupting 6 year molars using glass ionomers, resins, and sealants** depending on the presence or absence of enamel defects and the ability to control moisture through various isolation techniques. In addition, you will learn **how to restore carious or poorly developed six year molars using a permanent tooth stainless steel crown.**

This is a *limited* attendance “hands-on” workshop *for dentists only*. Early registration is recommended. All materials, instruments, and hand pieces used in the workshop will be provided.

### **Friday (lecture), September 14, 2012 • Course #30-12FRI • for Dentists and Staff\***

LECTURE ONLY: To encourage general and pediatric dentists to bring their staff with them to the Friday lecture, the registration fee for a staff member has been reduced by \$50.

	<b>Early Bird Fee</b>	<b>Regular Fee</b>
	Register by 8/14	Register 8/15-9/13
Dentist	\$349	\$379
Staff Member	\$105	\$125

7 hours clinical CDE credit (lecture)

*\*Registration fee includes hand out materials, continental breakfast, and lunch.*

### **In Memory**

This course and future courses in *Dentistry for the Pediatric Patient* are named in memory of Dr. Clifton O. Dummett Jr., a beloved faculty member of the Pediatric Dentistry Department at LSU School of Dentistry from 1974 to 2006. Dr. Dummett served as Pediatric Dentistry Department head from 2000 until his retirement in 2006 when he was honored with the title *Professor Emeritus*.

### **4 Ways to Register**

- Online at [www.LSUCDE.org](http://www.LSUCDE.org)
- Call (504) 941-8193
- Fax registration form to (504) 941-8403
- Mail registration form to:  
LSU Continuing Dental Education, 1100 Florida Ave., - Box 142-B, New Orleans, LA 70119-2799  
Please make your hotel and airline reservations as early as possible.

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