Dr. Brad A. Ament Named Dentistry Centennial Professor of Research

Brad A. Amendt, associate dean for research at the College of Dentistry, has been named Dentistry Centennial Professor of Research. He was conferred the five-year appointment during the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Iowa Section of the American Association for Dental Research (AADR), which was held February 16.

Dr. Amendt’s research focuses on understanding the role of transcription factors and signaling pathways in tooth and craniofacial development. His lab studies the expression and regulation of transcription factor genes and signaling processes involved in craniofacial/tooth development; the molecular basis of selected human genetic disorders; and the role of stem cells and microRNAs in regulating craniofacial and regenerative medicine.

Dr. Amendt is known internationally as one of the world’s leading authorities on micro-RNA research and cell plasticity.

Dr. Clark Stanford, former associate dean for research, was the first to be named Dentistry Centennial Professor of Clinical Research. He held the professorship from 2001-2014 before accepting the deanship of the University of Illinois, Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry.

The College of Dentistry Welcomes Ms. Jennifer Peak

The College of Dentistry and Dental Clinics welcome Ms. Jennifer Peak in the Iowa Institute for Oral Health Research as a secretary IV.

Jenni grew up in the Kalona area and has an associate of arts degree from Kirkwood Community College. She most recently was employed by the University of Missouri in the College of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources as an administrative assistant working with grant preparations, budgets, coordinating workshops, and their graduate program. Jenni recently moved back to Iowa with her three boys: six-year-old Lyndon, four-year-old Caynan, and two-year-old Owyn.

In her free time, Jenni enjoys spending time with her family, riding horses and participating in rodeo events with her boys, who have won many awards at county and state fairs and also the World’s Toughest Rodeo. In August, Jenni and her boys will be traveling to Abilene, TX for a week where her oldest son Lyndon has qualified for the Youth Bull Riders World Finals. (See page 4 for additional information about Lyndon’s sheep riding [mutton busting] skills.)

Be sure to say hello to Jenni and welcome her to the College of Dentistry.
Tau Sigma Military Dental Club Helps Support February 20 UI Veterans Fundraiser

Several UI College of Dentistry faculty and students have helped organize the upcoming UI Veterans Fundraiser on February 20. Collin Barker (D4), president of the Tau Sigma Military Dental Club, says “Our students have primarily been involved in promoting the event among the student population this year. Assuming this event continues next year (which we hope happens), we will be playing a larger role with the organization and planning process. One of our organization’s goals is to provide service to local veterans in need. We have hosted and been involved in several projects this year and will continue to do so in the future.”

Drs. Peter Damiano, Preventive & Community Dentistry, and Michael Kanellis, Dental Clinic Administration, have also been involved. “We are very excited to have organized this fundraiser to support the 700 veterans and their dependents who are students at the University,” comments Dr. Damiano and adds, “And have fun playing music as well.”

Dinner tickets are $15. There will also be a silent auction and raffle. The fundraiser will be held at the VFW (609 Hollywood Blvd., Iowa City). All funds will go to the UI Veterans Association.

The band HomeBrewed Iowa City will play during the fundraiser. Band members include Dr. Kanellis who plays electric bass, Sean McGivern (D3) who plays drums and Dr. Damiano who performs as lead vocal. (See the flyer on page 6 of this issue.)

Note: If you are unable to attend the fundraiser dinner and music but would like to donate, go to http://veterans.org.uiowa.edu.

Dr. Kathy Kell (DDS ’79) Honored by Governor Terry Branstad

On February 12, Governor Terry Branstad signed a proclamation declaring February Children’s Dental Health Month.

In addition, Governor Branstad honored Dr. Kathy Kell (DDS ’79) for her election as president-elect of the FDI (Federation Dentaire Internationale or World Dental Federation). Dr. Kell is the first American Dental Association member in 30 years to have the position.

(Left: Dr. Kell chatting with Governor Terry Branstad.)
Recent Publications


Houchen Bindery Schedule: February 22-25

The above dates reflect Monday-Thursday pickup and delivery. Please have orders ready by Monday at noon. Routes may change without warning.

Filling Station Notice
The Filling Station will be closed from March 1-8 and will reopen on March 9 in W220 A&B. All hours will remain the same when they open on the second floor.

Advances in Tissue Engineering Short Course to be Held at Rice University Aug. 10-13

The 24th annual Advances in Tissue Engineering Short Course will be held at Rice University in Houston, Texas, on August 10-13, 2016.

Dennis E. Discher, Ph.D., Robert D. Bent Chaired Professor from the University of Pennsylvania, will present the keynote lecture, “Soft vs. Stiff and Foreign vs. Self – from Matrix and Adhesion to the Nucleus in Development and Cancer.”

In addition, 11 faculty from Rice University and 27 guest faculty from around the world will present the latest knowledge and technologies in tissue engineering and regenerative medicine.

For more information about the short course, including the program, list of lectures and registration information, please visit the short course web site at http://tissue.rice.edu.

February 22-26, 2016
Dental Filling Station

Monday
Fried Chicken with Potato & Vegetable $6.00
Soup du Jour $2.65 / $3.65
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

Tuesday
Chicken Enchilada with Rice & Beans $6.00
Soup du Jour $2.65 / $3.65
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

Wednesday
Smoked Pork Sandwich & Chips $4.80
Soup du Jour $2.65 / $3.65
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

Thursday
Taco Bar!!!!
Meatloaf with Potato & Vegetable $6.00
Soup du Jour $2.65 / $3.65
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

Friday
Chicken Parmesan with Pasta $6.00
Soup du Jour $2.65 / $3.65
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis
Jennifer Peak’s Two Sons Become Mutton Busters

Jennifer Peak is the new department secretary in the Iowa Institute for Oral Health Research (formerly known as the Dows dental research area). She is also a mother of three boys, aged 2, 4, and 6. Her oldest boy, Lyndon, and middle boy, Caynan, grew up around horses when the family lived in Missouri. At the local Shelby County Fair in 2013, Lyndon (then almost 4) was solicited to become a sheep rider in the rodeo. (In Missouri, mutton busters, as they are commonly called, must be between 3-6 years of age and cannot weigh more than 60 pounds. Lyndon’s age and weight fit the bill.)

Between 2013 and 2015, Lyndon continued to compete in mutton busting and won more competitions. Then Jenni and her family moved back to Iowa in 2015. During last year’s Washington County Fair Rodeo competition, Lyndon took first place and his brother, Caynan, won third place. Then, during last year’s Iowa State Fair Youth Rodeo, Caynan received first place in the state and Lyndon received second place in the state, both for mutton busting. Last month, the World’s Toughest Rodeo was held in Cedar Rapids at the U.S. Cellular Center. Lyndon finished first in mutton busting with a score of 91 points.

Lyndon rides with a group called CYBR (Championship Youth Bull Riding). In August, he and his group will compete in Abilene, Texas, at the Youth Bull Riders World Finals. Missouri is only sending four riders and Lyndon has earned a spot by placing second highest in points. Meantime, though, he and Caynan will compete in other rodeos locally and in Missouri.

Jenni is proud of her sons: “Sheep riding builds confidence and is lots of fun.” She says that when Lyndon (left) turns 7 in September, he’ll move on to calves for two years.

This coming weekend, the family is going to Ft. Dodge to compete in mini bareback riding.
Outskip the Dean

Are you looking for something fun to do over a lunch hour? Have you been dying to show off your awesome jump rope skills? Well, here's your chance!!!

On Friday, February 19 over the lunch hour, all are invited to face off against Dean Johnsen in the College of Dentistry's 1st Ever Jump Rope Contest.

The winner will be crowned as the UI College of Dentistry Jump Rope Champion and take home an Amana Ham.
UI VETERANS FUNdraiser

Saturday, February 20, 2016
Dinner 5:30-7:30, music to follow

Iowa City VFW
609 Hollywood Blvd #2, Iowa City
Dinner and music, featuring HomeBrewed, an Iowa City Rockabilly, Rock and Blues Band
www.homebrewedicc.com
$15 for dinner and music
Silent auction and raffle
All proceeds will go to the UI Veterans Association.
Donations can also be made at:
http://veterans.org.uiowa.edu

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Veterans of Foreign Wars

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MAKING THE CONNECTION

FEBRUARY 2016

to Organizational Effectiveness services
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All Faculty & Staff

Beginning Spanish for Medical Personnel
This class is once more being offered by HR/Staff Language and Culture Services. This is a 7-
session series, running Thursdays, 12 - 1 pm, from March 3 - April 14, 2016, and meets in C613
GH. Designed to encourage cultural awareness and basic conversation, this Spanish class begins with pronunciation techniques and ends with short dialogues between patient and provider. A book, Complete Medical Spanish, is required, and an advanced level of this course will be offered later this year. To register for the class or for more information, contact: Corinne Stanley, SCLS Facilitator, 335-5822 or corinne-stanley@uiowa.edu.

UI Family Services and Rec Services are excited to offer Hawkeye Camp during Spring Break 2016, exclusively for the school age (1st - 6th grade) children of UI faculty, staff and students. The camp will run March 14-18, 2016, from 7:45 am-4:15 pm. The drop-off location will be the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. (This camp replaces the previously offered Hawkeye Kids Camp.) Scholarships are available to eligible UI families. For more info, contact family-services@uiowa.edu or visit http://hr.uiowa.edu/family-services/spring-break-camp.

What You Should Know... about the What I Should Know (WISK) series: WISK is a certificate series exploring the “what” and “why” of many of the behind-the-scenes operations that impact you and keep the UI functioning effectively every day. If you’d like to have a better understanding of effective workplace practices and how we support the people who operationalize the mission of the university, we welcome your participation and invite you to enroll in this series by registering at: http://hr.uiowa.edu/learn/what-i-should-know-wisk. Deadline is now March 11, 2016!

Did you know that UI liveWELL has an updated site dedicated to resilience resources to help you and your workplace respond to challenges and move forward in positive ways? Visit https://hr.uiowa.edu/livewell/resilience to learn about four new skill-building workshops on Resilience in the Workplace, Positivity & Well Being, the Resilient Leader, and more—all of which can be tailored to your department’s unique needs and range from 30-60 minutes. For more information, contact livewell@uiowa.edu or call 353-2973. (Be sure to also check out the short skill building videos led by UI instructors, available with one-click, easy access through myquickcoach.)

I Don’t Know How to Tell You This, But... Difficult conversations are inevitable in any workplace. Those conversations can create unhappiness, stress, and tension. They can also impair and even destroy relationships. When handled poorly, they are likely to result in serious problems that interfere with productivity and leave everyone involved feeling frustrated and dissatisfied. Join us on 2/22/16, 10-11:30 a.m., 112 USB, for I Don’t Know How to Tell You This, But... Navigating Difficult Conversations. You can’t avoid these kinds of conversations, but you can learn how to handle them more effectively. Register via Self Service | My Training.

The Anti-Inflammatory Diet for Optimal Health Series: Find out how anti-inflammatory eating can make a difference in your health with our staff registered dietician and discover how to incorporate lifestyle choices that will reduce chronic inflammation. To sign up & for more info contact UWellness at livewell@uiowa.edu or 353-2973. Register by February 23, 2016!

The popular, intensive 2-day workshop, Influencer, has a few spots left. Visit http://hr.uiowa.edu/learn/influencer for full details and registration form. Call 335-2687 or email ulearn@uiowa.edu for questions!

Financial Know-How? Estate planning, retirement planning, maximizing your social security, and more...
Choose a topic of interest to you, and then enroll in one (or more!) of the financial education classes brought to you by UI Benefits and UI Learning & Development. These noon and evening sessions are free, and instructed by local financial experts. Classes are scheduled through June 2016, and are available for registration now via Self Service | My Training.

To see which financial education classes are coming up, visit: hr.uiowa.edu/benefits/financial-education-classes (Please note: For the most current class status and locations, log in to Self Service | My Training | Enroll in Courses). Registering for these sessions helps us meet the minimum enrollment criteria needed in order to hold these classes.

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