Department of Periodontics Receives AAP Foundation Dr. Charles Finley Visiting Scholar Award

The College of Dentistry’s Department of Periodontics has been selected to receive the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Foundation’s Dr. Charles Finley Visiting Scholar Award. The $1500 award assists periodontics programs in supporting guest speakers who present at the college and in the Department of Periodontics.

Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz prepared the application for the periodontics department to host Dr. Pablo Galindo-Moreno’s visit, which occurred February 25 through March 1. He presented a Lunch & Learn on February 27 and also an all-day lecture to the Periodontics faculty, adjuncts, residents, and staff on March 1.

Dr. Karin Weber-Gasparoni to Become New DEO of Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Karin Weber-Gasparoni will become the new DEO of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, effective April 1. She will replace Dr. Rebecca Slayton who served as department head from 2008 to 2013.

Dr. Weber-Gasparoni received her DDS from the Universidade Estadual de Londrina (Brazil) in 1994 and her MS in dental public health in 2003. In 2003, she received a PhD in oral science from the UI College of Dentistry. In 2007, she became a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. Weber-Gasparoni joined the College of Dentistry and Department of Pediatric Dentistry in 2003. She is a director of the Infant Oral Health Program where pediatric dentistry residents and senior dental students provide preventive dental care for infants and toddler. She also sees private patients one day per week at the Center for Disabilities and Development.
**Upcoming Events**

**The Role of U.S. Foreign Aide in Global HIV/AIDS Prevention.**
Speaker: Michael Gerson  
Wednesday, April 3, 7 p.m.  
Old Capitol Senate Chambers

**The Waiting Room** (an award-winning documentary about a day in the emergency department at an Oakland, CA public hospital)  
Tuesday, April 9, Location TBD  
7:00 p.m.: Film screening of **The Waiting Room**  
8:30 p.m.: Moderated discussion featuring Peter Nicks, director and producer of the film.

**Recent Publications**

**Caplan D.** Glass-fiber-reinforced posts may be more likely to fail in anterior teeth than in posterior teeth over a 10-year period. *J Evid Based Dent Pract.* 2013 Mar;13(1):33-4.


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**Dental Filling Station**  
**March 25-29, 2013**

**Monday**  
BBQ Pork Sandwich & Chips $4.50  
Soup du Jour $2.50 / $3.50  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

**Tuesday**  
Pork Enchilada with Rice & Beans $6.50  
Soup du Jour $2.50 / $3.50  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

**Wednesday**  
Chili Cheese Dogs & Chips $4.00  
Soup du Jour $2.50 / $3.50  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

**Thursday**  
Taco Bar!!!  
Chicken Strips with Ranch Dressing $4.30  
Soup du Jour $2.50 / $3.50  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

**Friday**  
Breaded Chicken Sandwich & Chips $4.30  
Soup du Jour $2.50 / $3.50  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, & Paninis

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(Above): Cartoon Courtesy of John Syrbu (D4)
Dental Human Resources, in conjunction with the University of Iowa’s Campus Recreation and Wellness Center, is soliciting individuals who would like to serve as Wellness Ambassadors in their individual departments and whose job roles allow taking on this role.

**Wellness Ambassadors** act as liaisons between their individual departments and UI Wellness. **Wellness Ambassadors** play a vital role in supporting UI Wellness’ mission to promote lifestyle improvements that support good health and improve quality of life. Because they know their coworkers and immediate work department, **Ambassadors** are advantaged in motivating their colleagues to achieve healthier lifestyles. They act as both champions of wellness and catalysts for change, providing opportunities for the University of Iowa co-workers to increase their energy level, enjoy more productive work days, and ultimately feel better.

You will enjoy many benefits as a Wellness Ambassador, including:

- Receiving first-hand information on UI Wellness programs;
- Learning to be a healthy role model;
- Expanding your knowledge of health and wellness;
- Playing an important role in improving morale within your department;
- Work with other fun Wellness Ambassadors and UI Wellness Staff.

There are many ways you can promote the UI Wellness program. As a Wellness Ambassador, your time commitment is minimal, estimated at 30 minutes to up to 2 hours per month. See [Roles & Responsibilities of a Wellness Ambassador (PDF)](#).

If you are interested in becoming a Wellness Ambassador, you will need to complete an application that will need to be reviewed and approved by your Supervisor and DEO, and by Dental Human Resources. Together, your DEO and Dental HR will determine if this is something that fits in well with your current workload and capacity to add this volunteer position. [Wellness Ambassador Application (PDF)](#).

**What if my department already has a Wellness Ambassador?** In some cases it makes sense to have more than one Wellness Ambassador. For example, if your department is split up into sub-units or different buildings. UI Wellness will visit with you, other Wellness Ambassadors from the department, as well as the local HR Rep to determine if this is a good idea.

If you have questions, please contact Vicki Green, Director- Dental Human Resources (335-7153) or Megan Hammes, Manager-UI Wellness (335-5424).
Noon Seminar Series

“Better Oral Health for Older People”

14B Galagan
Tuesday, March 26, 2013
12:00 – 1:00 PM
The 2013 Legislative Brown Bag
Lunch and Learn Series

Mental Health & Disability Services Reform

Rescheduled for:
Monday, April 8
Iowa State Capitol Building
Room 115 • 12 – 1 pm

Speakers:
Robert Bacon, Director, Iowa’s University Center for Excellence on Disabilities, Center for Disabilities and Development, University of Iowa
Debra Waldron, Director and Chief Medical Officer, Child Health Specialty Clinics, University of Iowa and Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of Iowa

Mental health and disability services reform is another important issue facing the legislature this session. Issues surrounding mental health, disability services, and the financing and delivery of services will be discussed.

The Legislative Brown Bag Lunch and Learn Series events are designed to share the expertise of University of Iowa faculty with Iowa legislators on critical issues relevant to the current session and familiarize legislators with faculty who may be of future assistance.

Other sessions this year include:

- The Univ. of Iowa and Economic Development  Monday, March 25
- STEM Education Policy  Monday, April 1

Please feel free to bring your lunch to each session. For more information or questions about the series, please contact Peter Dimiero by e-mail: peter.dimiero@iowa.edu, or phone: (319) 335-3000.
Please join
Family Dentistry
in honoring
Dr. John Doering
At His Retirement Party

April 12, 2015
2:00 - 4:00 pm
Filling Station Dining Room
DSB
For more detailed information about the James S. Wefel Cariology Symposium, go to:

http://www1.dentistry.uiowa.edu/sites/all/docs/Wefel_symposia_link%20info.pdf
SAVE THE DATE

13th Bi-Yearly Donald B. Osbon Memorial Lecture

Saturday, April 20, 2013
University of Iowa College of Dentistry & Clinics
Dental Science Building
Iowa City, Iowa

Distinguished Speaker:
Stuart Lieblich, D.M.D.
University of Connecticut

“Ambulatory Anesthesia for the OMFS:
Common and Uncommon Complications”

Part 1: Integrating capnography into practice
Part 2: Case-based review of anesthetic techniques and complications

Dinner Saturday evening, April 20,
Marriott Hotel, Coralville, Iowa

Register now 319-356-2318; s-kucera@uiowa.edu
“A Candidate Gene Approach to the study of Dental Arch Form Employing Genotype-phenotype Correlations”

14B Galagan
Tuesday, April 23, 2013
12:00 – 1:00 PM