Students from Iowa Chapter Attend HDA National Symposium

(Above, left to right): Treagan White (D4), president of the Hispanic Dental Association (HDA) Iowa Chapter 2009-2010; Aaron Figueroa (D3), elected president for 2010-2011, traveled to Chicago, Illinois, October 28-30, 2010, with Dr. Marcela Hernandez (mentor), to attend the 18th Annual Meeting of the HDA National Symposium. The event, which also celebrated the 20th anniversary of the HDA, included clinical and diversity lectures, research poster presentations relating to access to care in the Hispanic community, a scientific poster competition and the Orgullo poster competition. The Orgullo competition is sponsored by Proctor and Gamble (P&G) and enables student chapters to present the activities they have accomplished during the year. The goal of these activities is to improve Hispanic community access to oral care, improve their education, facilitate communication with the Hispanic community, and develop leadership skills and service as a core value for the student members.

Aaron and Treagan gave a 10-minute poster presentation, “HDA Iowa Chapter Reaches Out to the Hispanic Community in Iowa,” to a panel of three judges and won first place in the Orgullo Competition. Co-authors on the poster include Chelsea Twohig (D2); Noemi Cruz-Orcutt (D4); Kirstina Gratz (D4); Elizabeth Sasse (D3); and Dr. Marcela Hernandez, Department of Operative Dentistry. Aaron and faculty advisor, Dr. Marcela Hernandez, attended the gala ceremony on Saturday night and received a check for $700 from P&G. The recognition was a great honor, and the monetary award will be put towards future outreach and educational events hosted by the HDA at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. A total of 20 student chapters from 40 different school chapters participated in the Orgullo competition this year. (cont. on page 2)
Dr. Alejandra Valencia, a recent Iowa graduate in dental public health, won first place in the scientific session competition with her poster, "Disparities in Access-Utilization of Dental Services among Iowa Children: the Latino Experience." Her mentors are Dr. Karin Weber-Gasparoni, Department of Pediatric Dentistry; Dr. Fang Qian, Biostatistics Unit; and Dr. John Warren and Dr. Peter Damiano, Department of Preventive & Community Dentistry. Great representation for the University of Iowa College of Dentistry at the HDA annual meeting!

In other news, Iowa's HDA chapter recently teamed up with a non-profit organization, My Health Iowa, for their latest outreach event. My Health Iowa is a group dedicated to educating Hispanic communities about health issues. The organization hosted their first health fair at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in West Liberty. University of Iowa HDA Student Chapter attended with the supervision of Dr. Marcela Hernandez, Department of Operative Dentistry, and Dr. Ruth Spieker, Department of Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine, and preformed approximately 40 dental screenings and fluoride applications to adults and children. Dental students had the opportunity to practice their Spanish skills during the afternoon event and also recruit some patients in need of dental care for the dental school. The fair was a success and represented not only dentistry, but also many other health fields ranging from cardiovascular to reproductive health.

The HDA looks forward to working with My Health Iowa in the future and will continue to plan different outreach and educational activities for the coming year.
Several Periodontics Faculty Attend AAP Annual Meeting

Department of Periodontics faculty, Drs. Steven Clark, Lewis Humbert, Paula Weistroffer, and Georgia Johnson, attended the 96th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology in Honolulu, Hawaii, October 29-November 2. Drs. Clark and Weistroffer attended the Predoctoral Educators Workshop on “Periodontal Referral Relationships” at which Dr. Clark was a spokesman. Dr. Humbert attended the half-day Sedation Session and represented the department at the Postdoctoral Workshop where the topic was “Preparing for Accreditation.” Dr. Johnson made a continuing education presentation on smoking as a periodontal risk factor during the annual session. There were many courses to choose from and the Honolulu venue offered unique opportunities for relaxation after the meetings.

Dr. Bryan Recker (Iowa alumnus) was recognized as a new diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology at the American Board of Periodontology Sounding Board breakfast. Dr. Johnson was installed as the co-vice chairman of the American Board of Periodontology at this breakfast.

Reestablishing contact with professional colleagues and friends was a special part of the meeting. A highlight was the Iowa alumni reception with several alumni, both from recent and distant years, in attendance.

(Above, left to right): Drs. Paula Weistroffer, Julie Statz, Tom Statz, Dan Palazollo, Steve Clark and Diane Clark at the Aloha Welcome Reception during the AAP Meeting.

(Below, left to right): Drs. Keelen Tymkiw, Phil Lainson and Brandon Baillie at the Iowa Alumni Reception.

(Above): Red ginger (Alpinia purpurata)

Dr. Naoshi Sato (above, center), who was a fellow in the Department of Periodontics in 1977; Dr. Philip Lainson and Dr. Georgia Johnson. Dr. Sato is the author of four periodontal textbooks, most recently Periodontal and Restorative Maintenance – A Clinical Atlas. He currently practices in Yuzawa, Aita Prefecture, in northern Japan.
Filling Station Specials!

12-pack of Coke products:
$3.00 plus deposit

Vitamin Water and Smart Water 2/$3

These specials will last until Christmas.

Recent Publications


**A Christmas Bell-a-bration Presented by**

Jubilation Ringers (English Handbells Choir)  
of First United Methodist Church of Iowa City  
215 E. Jefferson St.  
Sunday, December 5th at 10:00 am  
(a half hour concert)

Members of the choir include:

**Dr. Heather Heddens** (adjunct associate professor,  
Department of Family Dentistry)  
**Dr. Suzanne Stock** (adjunct assistant professor,  
Department of Orthodontics)  
**Cody Negrete** (D4)  
**Peter Stiefel**, UI student and CoD employee,  
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Note: Attending the 10:30 church service is not obligatory.

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**Dental Filling Station**  
**December 6-10**

**Monday**  
BBQ Chicken Sandwich and Chips $4.49  
Soup du Jour $2.49 /$3.49  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza  
& Paninis

**Tuesday**  
Smoked Pork Sandwich & Chips $4.79  
Soup du Jour $2.49 /$3.49  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza  
& Paninis

**Wednesday**  
BBQ Rib Sandwich & Chips $3.29  
Soup du Jour $2.49 /$3.49  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza  
& Paninis

**Thursday**  
Taco Bar!!!  
Chicken Strips & Ranch Dressing $4.29  
Soup du Jour $2.49 /$3.49  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza  
& Paninis

**Friday**  
Cheeseburger with chips $4.49  
Soup du Jour $2.49 /$3.49  
Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza,  
& Paninis

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**Houchen Bindery**  
**Pick Up & Delivery Schedule:**  

**December 13-16, 2010**

The above dates reflect Monday through Thursday pick up and delivery. Some flexibility is needed due to distance traveled, customer service and route size. Please have orders ready by Monday noon. Routes are subject to change with advance warning.

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**Lend a Hand to a Co-Worker**

Barb Simon, Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry, has exhausted all of her sick leave and vacation due to a recent surgery. Anyone wishing to help Barb by contributing vacation time may do so by going to [http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/benefits/forms/contrib.pdf](http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/benefits/forms/contrib.pdf). Once the form is completed, please send it to the Benefits Office, USB. Any contributions of one hour or more on Barb’s behalf are welcome and will be truly appreciated.
2010 Staff Development Winter Gathering

December 7
2:00 to 4:00 pm
Filling Station Dining Room

Remember to bring a treat to share to the Filling Station Dining Room at 1:30 pm. Those who bring treats will be entered into a drawing to win this ornament!
College of Dentistry
Annual
Hat, Scarf & Mitten Drive
November 29
to
December 7

Drop off your donation in the gift box on the 3rd floor.
Link or bring to the Winter Gathering.
UI and Palmer College
Jaw Pain Study Invites Participants

People age 21 or older with chronic jaw pain classified as temporomandibular disorder may be eligible to participate in a clinical research study investigating whether the Activator Chiropractic Technique can reduce head and neck pain and the need for prescription pain medications, and improve quality of life.

The collaborative study involves the University of Iowa College of Dentistry, the UI Institute for Clinical and Translational Science's Dental Clinical Research Center, and the Palmer Center for Chiropractic Research at Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport.

Study participants will be randomly assigned to one of four different treatment groups. Participation, including follow-up, will last six months and involves examinations and treatment at the UI Dental Clinical Research Center. Participants assigned to chiropractic care will be referred to a private practice in Coralville. All examinations and treatment are provided free of charge.

For more information, contact the UI Dental Clinical Research Center at 319-335-7387 or 319-335-6763.