From the Chairman

New Clinical Facilities Are Impressive and Inspiring

Let me begin by inviting all alumni and friends to visit the recently opened Health Education Campus that is home to the new stand-alone CWRU Dental Clinic. Every visitor to the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department is amazed by how beautiful, functional, and well-equipped it is. This transitional time in the dental school’s history is very exciting and I encourage you to experience it firsthand.

Particularly noteworthy is the Ambulatory Surgery Center comprised of the Drs. Morris, Norman & Scott Alperin Oral Surgery Suite and the Norman S. Alperin, DDS Recovery Room. Our sincere gratitude is extended to Dr. Scott Alperin for the generosity that made this possible. With the goal of being accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC), we welcome John Hays, RN who brings a depth of experience to lead us through this process (see page five).

Note that the Ambulatory Surgery Center will be available for use by other departments at the dental school, as well as by volunteer faculty in the community. If you are interested and would like a personal tour of the facility, do not hesitate to contact me or Dr. Faisal Quereshy.

Enjoy the profiles of our colleagues Dr. Don Lewis and Dr. Jeff Capes. Dr. Lewis, a clinical assistant professor, just completed two terms as president of the School of Dental Medicine Alumni Association and is followed by none other than Dr. Scott Alperin. With a thriving practice in Georgia, Dr. Capes has been a generous supporter of the...
From the Program Director

Another exciting year has quickly passed. It is always a combined effort from the faculty and staff that allows our program to continue to push to new heights. I would like to personally thank Dr. Dale Baur for giving me the opportunity to guide our residents and to help shape the future of our specialty. Under his leadership and dedication to our program, we now have a state-of-the-art surgical center that will give our residents exposure to the innovations of tomorrow in treating our patients.

Special thanks are extended to our faculty: Drs. Robert Heckel, Don Lewis, and Keith Schneider; Drs. Allan Martinez and Justin Clemow from MetroHealth; and Drs. Michael Horan, Jon Brokloff, and Jon Bradrick from the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center. We continue to engage with our corporate partners, namely KLS Martin, Stryker, Zimmer/Biomet, Nobel Biocare, Biohorizons, and Geistlich Pharma that support us with our training initiatives, including workshops, lunch-and-learn seminars, and travel opportunities for expanded training.

As the only five-year program in the country that results in both certification and a medical degree, we were once again fortunate to select the highest quality applicants. The newest modifications of our residency program starting in August of the acceptance year allows our PGY 1 residents to prepare for USMLE Step 1—we have now had a 100% passing rate for five consecutive years. Congratulations to our newest resident members.

This year was the first year we honored four graduating residents. I would like to join Dr. Baur in congratulating all of them—I am proud of them, as well as the training they received over the last five years. Also note that this year’s OMS Graduation Continuing Education Kaman Speaker was Dr. Kevin Arce, chair of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at The Mayo Clinic, with the topic Head and Neck Oncology and Reconstruction.

We would love to hear from you. Please email me with your news.
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New Residents

Hadi Khazaal DDS was born and raised in Dearborn Heights, MI. After graduating from Wayne State University (Detroit) in 2015 with a BA in biology, he attended the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry. During his third year, he received the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence. In his fourth year, he received the AAOMS Dental Student Award and the Outstanding Academic Achievement Award (for being top-of-class for four years) and was inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon. Hadi notes that he is very excited to receive his oral and maxillofacial training at CWRU.

Kyle Baird, DDS grew up in various cities across the country but spent the most time, and graduated from high school, in Spokane, Washington. He attended Brigham Young University, graduating with a BA in German Linguistics in 2015. In 2019 he graduated from Texas A&M College of Dentistry with a DDS, earning the first scholastic honors gold medal and Alpha Omega Award. While at Texas A&M he served as president of the Pre-OMS society and enjoyed volunteering in various church organizations. Kyle looks forward to learning from the CWRU faculty and is considering a fellowship post-residency and hopes to eventually move back to Washington to practice.

Marawan El Naboulsy, from Laguna Niguel, California, received his BS in biochemistry and cell biology from the University of California San Diego and his DDS from UCLA School of Dentistry. In addition to being on the dean’s list, he received the California Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in Undergraduate Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the UCLA Basic Dental Principles Excellent Lecturer Award. Marawan served as president of the Implant Study Club, vice president of the Oral and Systemic Medicine Study Club, and chair of ASDA community service and outreach to help others in the greater Los Angeles area. At UCLA he also participated in intramural sports where his dental team went on to win back-to-back men’s soccer and basketball championships. Marawan is extremely enthusiastic about his new journey at CWRU.
Graduation 2019

ABOVE: Congratulations to our new graduates and their new positions. From left to right:

Dr. Alexandra Radu, chief of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at a hospital in Minot, ND; Dr. Brady Burton, full-scope oral and maxillofacial private practice in Columbus Ohio; Dr. Andrei Marechek, fellowship in facial cosmetic surgery in Baton Rouge, LA; and Dr. Justin Nguyen, full-scope practice in Virginia.

OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD

RIGHT: Dr. Faisal Quereshy was honored once again by the graduating residents to receive this important award.

American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Dr. Yirae Ort was board certified in 2019 (completed the Oral Certifying Examination). The following completed the written Qualifying Examination: Dr. Sean Pack, Dr. Sarah Naghibi, Dr. Maximillian Beushausen, and Dr. Nick Levintov.

Congratulations to all.

AAOMS-OMSITE 2019 Exam

Paul Shivers (PGY 5) received the highest score on the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery In-Service Training Examination (OMSITE), a 250-question examination designed to measure the knowledge base and competencies of residents in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery. This is the third consecutive year that Dr. Shivers achieved the highest score of all residents in our program. Administered to residents in accredited oral and maxillofacial surgery training programs in the U.S. and Canada, the exam covers ten subject areas designed to reflect the knowledge and skills of participating residents, and assists Program Directors in effectively preparing residents in the specialty for the Board certification process.
Faculty Spotlight
Donald P. Lewis, Jr., DDS ’76, ’80, CFE

A longtime clinical assistant professor, Dr. Don Lewis served as the president of the Alumni Association from 2015–19 and received the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award. A Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, he maintains a private practice in Cleveland.

Well known as a prolific lecturer, his seminar “Be Prepared for the Unexpected: Management of Medical Emergencies in the OMS Office” remains in demand, as does the companion book Advanced Protocols for the Medical Emergencies: An Action Plan for Office Response which he co-authored for the AAOMS. Dr. Lewis also wrote the “Anesthesia Assistants Review Course” and its online version.

Dr. Lewis is the founding chair of the AAOMS Committee on Software Development and Computer Technology, which produced OMSVision®, the recommended practice management software. For his voluntary commitment to this significant project, he received the first-ever Special Citation Award in 2007.

Perhaps Dr. Lewis is best known for being a highly respected expert on white-collar crime—he earned the designation Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners in 1996. Based on his personal experience, he lectures extensively about employee fraud and has written two books: Employee Embezzlement and Fraud in the Dental Office: Scams, Schemes, and Broken Dreams and Your Roadmap to Financial Integrity in the Dental Practice: A Teamwork Approach to Fraud Protection and Security. He is also the founder of Practice SafeGuard®, the only software for the detection of potential fraud in the dental profession.

Remarkably, Dr. Lewis finds time to referee high school basketball and has officiated the Ohio High School Athletic Association State Tournament Semi-Final Game. He was appointed Commissioner of the Chagrin Valley Conference (Ohio) that oversees all competitive sports.

Dr. Lewis practices with Keith M. Schneider, DMD ’08 and Jill M. Weber, DDS ’05 at their Cleveland practice, Ohio’s Center for Oral, Facial, and Implant Surgery, https://www.ohsurgery.com/.

Return for Homecoming Weekend 2019

Dental school may seem like ages ago or it may feel like just yesterday that you were walking through the school on your way to class. Regardless of how you, and the world around you, has changed since graduation, your college experience is etched into your memory.

Your Alumni Association invites you to come home to CWRU for Homecoming, which pays tribute to the unique CWRU experience. Join dental school alumni, and alumni from the entire university, for a dynamic weekend to see what has changed, what new things the dental school has to offer, and to catch up with classmates and friends you may not have seen since the day you graduated. Homecoming is for all members of our alumni community to come back to campus. See the new Health Education Campus which includes the Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion and the Dental Clinic with the Drs. Morris, Norman & Scott Alperin Oral Surgery Suite and the Norman S. Alperin, DDS Recovery Room. We hope that you will accept our invitation to return, reconnect and reminisce at Homecoming and that you will spread the word to your classmates and friends.

Visit our website for the details: https://case.edu/dental/alumni-friends/homecoming.
Staff Profile
John Hays, RN, Leads Accreditation for Ambulatory Surgery Center

With the addition of the Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC), the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery hired John Hays—it’s first full-time registered nurse—to oversee the facility’s organization, set up, and accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). While new to CWRU, John brings a depth of experience to the position.

An Oklahoma native, John received his BSN from the University of Central Oklahoma, followed by an externship at the Oklahoma University Medical Center where he remained to start his career. For five years, he was the charge nurse in the intensive care unit for cardiac recovery, before moving to the interventional radiology department, which allowed him to broaden his scope with a variety of patient care.

He then joined the privately-owned Laser Spine Institute in Oklahoma City, an ASC network that offered one-day spinal surgery, relocating to Ohio to serve as the director of nursing for its Cleveland location. When the company closed, John was recruited to join the dental school given his extensive experience in managing an ASC.

There are many details inherent in the set up of a surgery center, from supplies to staffing needs. With his knowledge of the AAAHC accreditation process, John can make informed decisions about every aspect with an eye toward accreditation. Currently, he is establishing policy and procedures, as well as a quality assurance and improvement program.

“It is truly exciting to be at the dental school—it is a rare opportunity to oversee a new ambulatory surgery center of this caliber. I am eager to integrate the staff that is here, adding others, and making sure that everything runs efficiently,” notes John.

When not working, John is completing a master’s program in health care administration through Ohio University. A downtown Cleveland resident, he loves the accessibility it offers and finds the city walkable, bicycle-friendly, clean, and attractive. Whether cycling the Towpath Trail or walking from West 25th Street to Playhouse Square, he takes full advantage of the opportunities.

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WISDOM CLUB

Established to encourage our new graduates to support the department, club members are asked to commit $4,500 (the approximate cost of a wisdom tooth surgery) over a three-year period to help provide equipment, research, and other professional opportunities for future residents. All graduates are welcome to join—we thank you in advance for your generosity.

If you would like to contribute, or have any questions, please contact the Office of Development & Alumni Relations at 216.368.3480 or dentalalumni@case.edu.

Dr. Quereshy Recognized for Pro Bono Treatment of Terror Attack Victim

On December 16, 2014, Talha Ali survived the Taliban terror attack at the Army Public School in the northwestern Pakistani city of Peshawar that killed more than 150 people including 132 schoolchildren, ranging between eight and eighteen years of age, making it the world’s fourth deadliest school massacre. Dr. Faisal Quereshy provided pro bono dental implants and reconstructive surgery for Talha, for which he received recognition from the Khyber Medical College (Pakistan) Alumni Association of North America on July 5, 2019. With assistance from Dr. Fady Faddoul (Advanced Education in General Dentistry), Talha continues to receive ongoing treatment and is doing well.
After graduating from the University of Georgia and receiving his dental degree from the Medical College of Georgia, Dr. Jeff Capes came to Case Western Reserve University. In 1998 he completed the five-year program to earn his certification in oral and maxillofacial surgery from the School of Dental Medicine together with a medical degree from the School of Medicine. Inspired by his dentist father (and his dad’s best friend who was an oral surgeon), his focus has always been on providing the most comprehensive care possible.

In 1998 after returning to his native Georgia, he “hung out a shingle” on St. Simons Island (of lighthouse fame) where he has maintained a solo practice ever since. Serving and being an integral part of a smaller community has always been a priority for Dr. Capes and his wife, Wendy, to whom he gives equal credit for the success they have enjoyed. He is also quick to acknowledge his dedicated staff of ten that is key to the efficiently run practice.

While it has been 15 years since he last visited CWRU, Dr. Capes is looking forward to seeing the new Health Education Campus this fall when he returns to give a lecture to residents about establishing a successful oral surgery practice. He previously participated in the AAOMS Resident Transitions into Practice Conference to share essential non-clinical information to help with the transition from residency to practice—what Dr. Capes calls “real world stuff.”

“I have always appreciated how much the oral surgery faculty invested in me—I thank all of them every day,” notes Dr. Capes. “So, it is very natural for me to ask how I might give back so that they can continue to do what they do so well.”

With implants and reconstruction at the center of his practice, Dr. Capes remains passionate about his work and the tangible results he sees—especially the restored confidence that new smiles bring to his patients. Again, with credit to the training he received at CWRU, he adds that he was fortunate at that time to be involved in large implantology studies that allowed him to learn from some of the pioneers in the field. He knew then that it would be the future of dentistry.

“Jeff Capes is not only generous in his support of our department, he is an exemplary role model for our students. We are grateful, in equal measure, for his philanthropy and character,” said Dr. Dale Baur. “We eagerly look forward to his lecture this fall.”

Dr. Capes’s website: https://www.capesoralsurgery.com/

Research + Publications


Quereshy FA1, Baur DA1, Levintov N1, Nguyen JL1, DeLeonibus MA2, Demko C3, Bazina M4. The Role of Virtual Surgical Planning in Increasing the Predictability in Orthognathic Surgery. *Journal of Dental and Maxillofacial Surgery*, March 25, 2019; Published: March 30, 2019


**TEXTBOOK CHAPTERS**

Neurotoxins and Fillers in Oral and Maxillofacial Cosmetic Surgery; Chapter: Cosmetic Fillers (Quereshy, Radu)
Chairman’s Corner continued

department and CWRU. I am grateful to both for their contributions to our profession and school.

As always, I extend my hearty congratulations to our four recent graduates and welcome our new residents (see page two). In addition, we welcome two international visitors—Bruno Haddad, DMD (Brazil) and Areej Darraj, DMD (Saudi Arabia)—while they are here to observe, they bring a global perspective to our work that is increasingly beneficial.

I hope to see you at the 2019 AAOMS Annual Meeting in Boston in September—please join me for the CWRU School of Dental Medicine Alumni Reception on Thursday, September 19. And, as always, I close by extending my sincere thanks to all of our donors who make our important work possible and allow our department to maintain its top-rank reputation.

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The Norman S. Alperin, DDS Recovery Room (top pictures) and Drs. Morris, Norman & Scott Alperin Oral Surgery Suite comprise the new Ambulatory Surgery Center.
2019 AAOMS Annual Meeting

Join us in Boston for the 101st AAOMS Annual Meeting, Scientific Session, and Exhibition, September 16 – 21. Dr. Dale Baur will host a CWRU Reception on Thursday, September 19 at the Westin Boston Waterfront in the Lewis Room (425 Summer Street, Boston, MA) from 6-8pm—we hope to see you there.

CWRU PRESENTERS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING INCLUDE:

Dr. Dale Baur
- BEAM-Basic Energy Airway Management

Dr. Donald Lewis
- Employee Embezzlement and Fraud: Detection, Protection, and Prosecution
- The OMS Assistant’s Role in Medical Emergencies in the OMS Office

Dr. Faisal Quereshy
- Abstract Session: Nerve Repair and Reconstruction (with Dr. Daniel Reece)
- Hands-On Cadaver Workshop: Rhinoplasty and Lower Facial Cosmetic Surgery
- Minimally Invasive Facial Cosmetic Surgery for Today’s OMS

For more information about the CWRU Reception call 216-368-3480 or RSVP to dentalalumni@case.edu.