



University of Louisville School of Dentistry Orthodontic Alumni Council

2022 Newsletter

Chairman's Statement

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this past year as chair of the UofL Orthodontic Alumni Council! My fellow council members are hardworking, smart, and dedicated to supporting our program and residents.

I would like to begin with a special welcome to Dr. Toru Deguchi, our new chair of the Department of Rehabilitative and Reconstructive Dentistry at ULSD! Dr. Deguchi comes to us after serving nine years as chair of the Division of Orthodontics at The Ohio State University. He has brought with him a fresh energy and vision for our program and is committed to continuing the level of clinical excellence that the ULSD Ortho program prides itself on. Welcome to the family, Dr. Deguchi!



Toru Deguchi, DDS, MSD, PhD

I was so happy to see such a great turnout at our Annual Alumni Meeting in September! We gathered together in Louisville to hear some great information from Tom Cartee and Emery Pike from Sheets Smith Wealth Management. We are truly thankful for their time and hope our alumni can put their presentations to good use.

During the luncheon program of our meeting this year we were able to recognize Dr. Anthony Savage '84 with the *Distinguished Alumni Award* for his incredible 30 plus-year contribution and support of our program and department. In addition to his work in community service, and service to our profession as president of the SAO, he has always made time to participate in our ULSD Ortho Annual Meetings and AAO Receptions. We also awarded the *Bob Escher Endowed Scholarship* to second year resident, Dr. Jansen Nash '23. Congratulations!



As I end my first year as chair, I would like to thank everyone involved in our alumni council. I've been so fortunate to be able to lean on past chairs and current directors and members, as well as our very

professional and talented university support staff in the Louisville Alumni, ULSD Alumni Affairs & Continuing Education, and Development offices.

I encourage all of you to participate in our Alumni Association in any way you can: **attend our AAO Reception in Chicago on Saturday, April 22**, and our Annual Meeting next fall (*date tbd*), contribute to the Resident fund or Brace for Change campaign, reach out to teach our current residents at lunch and learns, and continue to represent our ULSD Ortho Program by taking great care of patients in your communities. Go Cards!

Carl Gioia, DMD '11, Ortho '13
Chair, Ortho Alumni Council

ALUMNI COUNCIL

Dr. Lane Steinhaus '22 has volunteered to be the junior representative to the Alumni Council. **Anyone having questions or wishing to join** please contact Dr. Carl Gioia at carldgioia@gmail.com.



2023 Alumni Council (L-R): Dr. Logan Wedding '23, Dr. Bob Spiller '90, Dr. Eric Hickman '95, Dr. David Small '95, Dr. Amy Farnsworth '95, Dr. Lauren Renaud '20, Dr. Jacob Britt '21, Dr. Ariel Wong '20, Dr. Jared Dean '09, Dr. Ralph DeDomenico '77, Dr. Lane Steinhaus '22, Dr. Carl Gioia '13, and a special appearance from Dr. Justin Trisler '12!



Out With the Old, In With the New

We want to first thank everyone for their continued support of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry Orthodontic Residency Program. As you know, we have been working for a number of months to raise funds to renovate the chairs and workspaces in the Ortho clinic. We are excited to announce that as of the end of July, all chairs have been replaced and the clinic is in full working order.

With the chairs being in the irreparable state they were, it was decided that the needs of the Ortho residents were too pressing and we moved forward with the update. Our goal is always to give our students the best possible education, experience and equipment. To that end, your generosity has been pivotal in creating an up to date and functional space for our residents and their patients.

Please watch for additional communications regarding the recognition name plates that will be installed to honor your gift to this project.



Megan Carbello
Assistant Director of
Development

Message From Dr. Deguchi

"I want to take this opportunity to say thank you for the generous donation that made it possible to purchase 21 new chairs for the clinic. Your investment in our facilities and program will pay off in our ability to graduate our future colleagues with the training and education they will need to provide the best care to patients that they possibly can. Everyone in the Department is most appreciative for your generous commitment. Your kind-heartedness and support are an inspiration to all of us.

I look forward to working more closely with such a dedicated group of Alumni, who have proven their willingness to help our residents succeed."



To learn more about how you can join us in impacting dental education through your giving, please contact us:

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ENDOWMENT/GIFT UPDATE

Endowment/Gift Account	Book Value 9/30/2022	Market Value 9/30/2022	Balance as of 9/30/2022
Johnson Endowment	\$1,032,471	\$1,009,425	
Resident Endowment	\$35,718	\$34,650	
Escher Scholarship	\$19,700	\$21,934	
Orthodontic Resident Gift Fund – Current Use	N/A	N/A	\$64,172

DR. ROBERT A. ESCHER ENDOWED GRADUATE ORTHODONTICS SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to this year's recipient, Dr. Jansen Nash!

Established in 2014 by Amy B. Farnsworth, DMD '92, '95, this endowment provides scholarship support to a second year resident. The director of the Orthodontic Graduate Program, in conjunction with the department chair, will recommend a candidate who has shown exemplary skill and performance during the first year of the program. The dean of the School of Dentistry will make the final selection for the scholarship.

Past Recipients

2017 Evan Cox, DMD, MS '18

2018 Caleb Reece, DMD '17, MS '19

2019 Parker D. Haycock, DMD '18, MS '20

2020 Brenna Christensen, DMD, MS '21

2021 Stephen Stotts, DMD, MS '22



Dr. Farnsworth '95 and Dr. Nash '23



Dr. Stephen Stotts '22, 2021 recipient, Dr. Farnsworth '95, and Dr. Jansen Nash '23

WRAP-UP OF THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING

In September, the University of Louisville Orthodontic Alumni Council held its Annual Meeting at Hotel Distil in downtown Louisville. Alumni had a fun get-together the night before at Churchill Downs while the residents went bowling in Pin + Proof, the speakeasy at the Omni. The meeting was presented by the duo of Thomas E. Cartee Jr., MBA and Robert E. Pike, CFA, AIF both senior advisors at Sheets Smith Wealth Management. They gave a three-part presentation which consisted of “An Overview of Sustainable Investing Factors and Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Factors,” “Insights from Behavioral Finance,” and “Best Practices for 401K Plan Management.” It was an interesting presentation and good for the residents as they accumulate wealth.

During lunch, Dr. Anibal Silveira introduced Dr. Anthony Savage '84 as the recipient of the *Distinguished Alumni Award*. Dr. Savage was honored in recognition of his devoted service to the University of Louisville School of Dentistry, Division of Orthodontics, and his dedication to the profession. Dr. Savage is one of the founding members of the Orthodontic Alumni Association. He served on the board for many years after creating the organizational structure and the bylaws. Dr. Savage has been active in organized orthodontics for many years. He has served as president of the Tidewater Association of Orthodontists, the Virginia Association of Orthodontists, and recently the Southern Association of Orthodontists. Currently he is a member of the AAO Council of Orthodontic Benefits. He is a retired Naval Reservist and volunteers for numerous local organizations.



Dr. Silveira introducing Dr. Savage—they have been long time friends.

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Dr. Silveira, Dr. Hickman '95, and Dr. Farnsworth '95 congratulating our honoree, Dr. Savage '84.



*The food at Hotel Distil was beyond delicious—
Dr. Johnson was first in line!*



Some of our residents enjoying the meeting and a morning coffee. (L-R): Dr. Sarah Hickman '24, Dr. Jansen Nash '23, Dr. Jessica DeRose '23, Dr. Heather Swinson '24, Dr. Ashlynn Schiro '24, Dr. Lane Steinhaus '24, and Dr. Laura Yunatan Klein '23.



*Drs. Hickman '95 and Hickman '24.
We have 2 legacy residents!*



*Our fan favorite,
Dr. Bednar reminiscing.*



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Dr. Savage '84 still at work thanking our sponsors.

Special Thanks

Our council does a great job preparing for the Annual Meeting, but we could not do it without the following people: Megan Carbello, Caitlin Maguire, Stephen Fairley, and Fran Williams. They do the hard work, and we appreciate them so much.



Couldn't do it without you guys—thanks!

2023 AAO Meetings



Save the date for our alumni reception in Chicago!

Saturday, April 22, 2023

6:45-8:45 p.m. CT

Details to follow in the spring.

Interim Program Director's Report

We are excited to announce Dr. Toru Deguchi as our new chair of the Department of Rehabilitative and Reconstructive Dentistry. He comes to us from THE Ohio State University where he served as Program Director. Please join me in welcoming him to our program! I would like to let you all know that I have stepped down as the interim program director of the program as of September 30, 2022. I will continue to teach at the school one day a week. I would like to thank all of you for your support and trust that you have provided to me and the program during my tenure as program director of this prestigious program.

The residents are doing well, and first years have blended in nicely. They attended GORP, KAO Meeting, and the Annual Meeting. We want to introduce current 1st year residents and future alumni members:

Dr. Sarah Hickman, Cincinnati, OH
Dr. Nakysa Kheirandish, Lorton, VA
Dr. Ashlynn Schiro, Okemos, MI
Dr. Lane Steinhaus, Portage, WI
Dr. Heather Swinson, Kokomo, IN
Dr. Daisy Wyatt, Nashville, TN

The Class of 2022 passed their ABO written exam with excellent scores, and in addition, completed their research projects which covered a wide array of topics. We are pleased to report that we graduated yet another group of outstanding Orthodontic residents from our specialty program in June 2022. Congratulations to Class of 2022!

Dr. Stephen Stotts, Clarksville, IN
Dr. Callan Donovan, Boston, MA
Dr. Nicholas Branson, Philadelphia, PA
Dr. Morgan Rigsby, Chicago, IL
Dr. Vaibhav Gandhi, Calgary, Canada
Dr. Ambika Sharma, Pittsburg, PA

We installed new clinical chairs in July, and we are loving them. Thank you to all ULSD alumni who donated and thank all alumni for your continued support to the Division of Orthodontics at the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. Your generous support helps us to be the best Orthodontic program and to educate outstanding future board-certified orthodontists.

Sincerely,

Sunita Chandiramani
Interim Program Director, Division of Orthodontics



Resident Report



The really, really, really incredibly good looking male model, Hansel, spoke at the graduation.

The residents have thoroughly enjoyed the new clinic chairs that were installed at the beginning of this new school year. We know that they would not have been possible without the continued support of alumni. As we welcomed future residents into the building in October for interviews, we felt extremely proud and excited to show them the facilities in the ULSD orthodontic program.

Dr. Deguchi has been a great addition to the program and the residents have been excited to welcome him into the family. He joined us on July 5, and we have really enjoyed getting to know him as he settles here in Louisville. On the same note, we thank Dr. Chandiramani as she steps down from the interim director position and moves into a more important role... being a grandmother. The residents are grateful that she is continuing as part-time faculty on Tuesdays. We wish her the best.

The residents would also like to thank alumni for the opportunity to attend GORP this year. The conference was held in Ann Arbor, Michigan and was filled with great lectures and fun. It was a great opportunity to get closer as co-residents as well as network with the other colleagues in the profession that attended.

We would love to invite alumni to reach out if they are interested in doing a lecture over lunch to share knowledge that you have gained after your residency years. Please reach out to our resident council representatives, Dr. Logan Wedding '23 (logan.wedding@louisville.edu) or Dr. Lane Steinhaus '24 (lane.steinhaus@louisville.edu) if you are interested. Also, follow the UofL Orthodontic Instagram page if you would like to see updates in the department—our page is [@uoflortho](https://www.instagram.com/uoflortho). Thanks to all alumni for your support of the program and residents.



Dr. Logan Wedding '23 delivering the resident report at the Annual Meeting.



After an incredibly long day(s) of travel, we finally made it to Miami for the AAO alumni reception!



GORP 2022