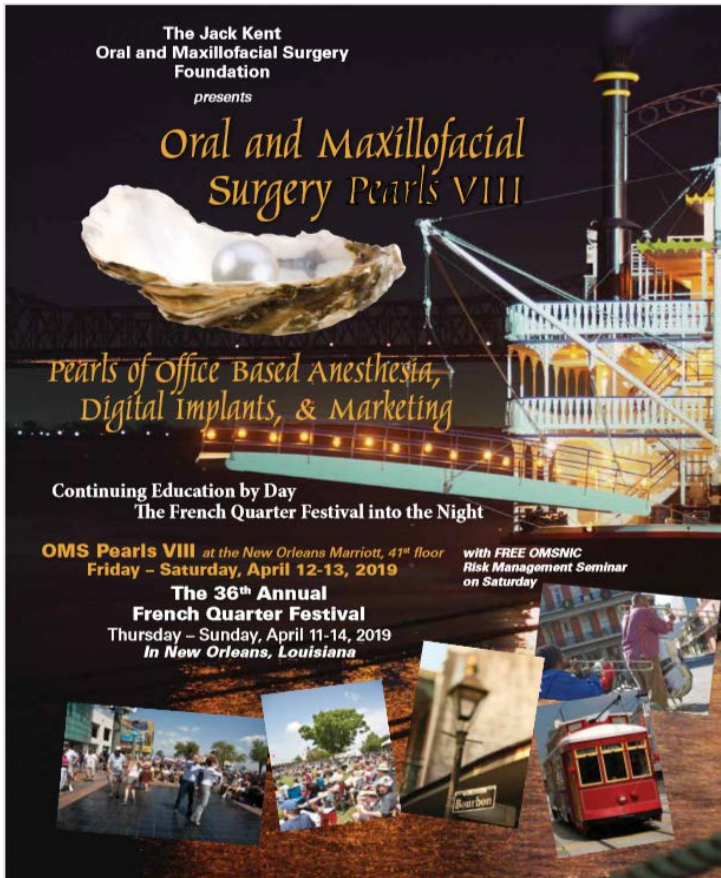


GREETINGS!



**Tooley Towns, DDS**

**President JKOMSF**

Dear colleagues, I guess one of the most significant events this past year was our old chief Jack had a milestone birthday! Dr. Kent turned 80 after Thanksgiving and many honored him with a donation to the foundation, and this was greatly appreciated. I was also very impressed with the donations to the foundation in honor of our good friend and colleague Dr. Richard Akin. This speaks highly of his friendship and contributions to the program and profession. We also received a generous donation from the Goldring family of New Orleans thanks to Dr. Ronald Marks and Dr. Kent. And since we are approaching the \$2 million mark this would be a good time to finish your pledge or think about donating at a higher level. I hope everyone had a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year and may your practice be successful and rewarding. **Tooley**

*From Your Old Chief*

## NEWS SECTION

Dale Misiek, DMD, a 1982 graduate of LSU OMS and Residency Program director for LSU OMS, 1984-98, is a new member of the Board of Directors of the OMS Foundation. The OMS Foundation has a mission and vision to improve the quality and safety of patient care by advancing innovation in oral and maxillofacial surgery research and education.

**CONGRATULATIONS DALE!** Dale is Vice President of the JKOMSF Board and continues to serve as the “Charlotte Chief” for the LSU residency program. He is now the senior member of a large group practice in Charlotte, N.C. where the LSU residents rotate in their 5<sup>th</sup> year of training. And by the way, Congratulations to Dale, a grandpa. His oldest son Matt and wife Carmen just had their first child.

Herbert D. Stith, DDS, a 1985 LSU OMS graduate, has served as a member of the AAOMS Committee on Government Affairs since 2014 and chair since 2017. As chair, Dr. Stith leads the committee in monitoring and working with the AAOMS Board of Trustees, other AAOMS committees and our Washington, D.C. lobbying representatives at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP to set and carry out the Association’s federal advocacy agenda. The CGA also fulfills a liaison capacity with component societies regarding state legislative/regulatory issues affecting the specialty. The CGA partners with the OMS PAC Board to encourage fellow/member participation in the political process by developing relationships with members of Congress through OMS PAC Support and in the Association’s grassroots

advocacy through opportunities such as the OMS Action Network and the Annual AAOMS Day on the Hill.

**THANK YOU HERB!** This is a very important time consuming voluntary contribution on behalf of our profession. The actions of the CGA are so important. They lead to profound benefits on the delivery of OMS care.

**Day on the Hill – Registration now open**

- Tuesday, April 9: First-timer training program, reception & dinner
- Wednesday, April 10: Morning program followed by congressional visits

2019 Event Details: ([AAOMS.org/dayonthehill](http://AAOMS.org/dayonthehill))

- Keynote speaker: Nathan Gonzales of Roll Call
- Funding available for 30 first-time attendees
- OMS PAC funding for three residents
- Current under-represented states: AK, AR, HI, IA, ID, MS, NH, NV, OR, RI, SD, UT, VT, WY

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**R**ick Willis, DDS, a 1979 graduate of LSU OMS, is the long time partner of Eric Geist, DDS, FACS. Eric is a past president of AAOMS and ABOMS. So you know who stays home to do all the work in that practice. Rick is a newly inducted member of the American College of Dentists. **CONGRATULATIONS RICK!**

Rick is also the current Vice President of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry. Let’s hope he is able to serve another term and become President.

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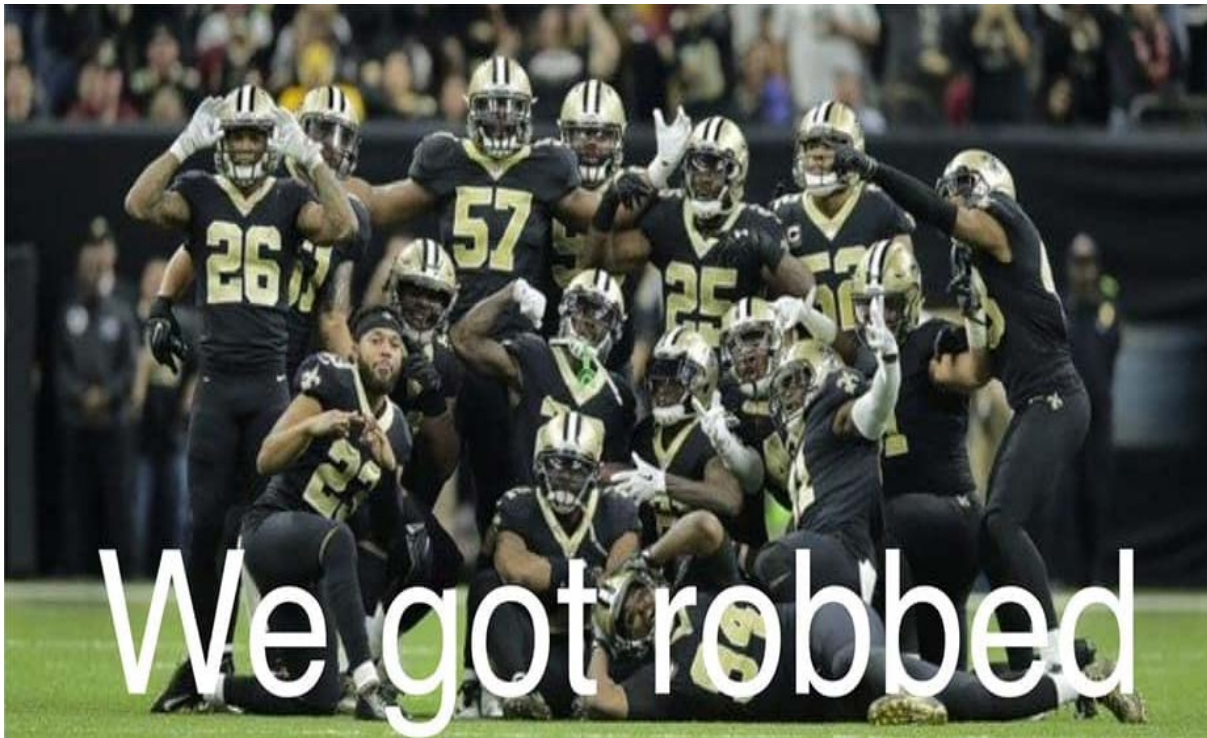
Dr. John Pavel, age 73, San Jose, CA, died peacefully in the arms of his beloved wife, Barbara, on September 23, 2018 after an amazing and valiant 17 year battle with Multiple Myeloma. He was recognized by all the medical personnel who knew him as a fighter who never gave up his will to live. John received a Degree in Associate Arts from Long Beach City College in 1965. He then attended UCLA from 1965-66, Cal State Long Beach 1966-67, and earned his DDS at the University of the Pacific in San Francisco, 1967-71. He did a dental internship at UCSF, Mt Zion Hospital from 1971-72. **John then moved to New Orleans and completed the 3-year residency in OMS in 1975 and then became a Diplomat of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.** John was in private practice in New Orleans until he and Barbara relocated to San Jose, CA in 1981. He had his own solo practice in 1986 until the medical problems from his cancer forced him to retire in 2007. He was a member of California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the Santa Clara County Dental Society where he served as Chairman of the Diversion Committee to help dentists and dental personnel get treatment for chemical dependency problems.

John was very proud of his 37 years of sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous and shared his story with many people in order to help and encourage them. He was an avid student of natural healing and alternative medicine and earned a certificate in Head and Neck Acupuncture in 1993 from the CA Certified Acupuncturists Association at UCSF School of Dentistry Dept of Continuing Education. John was devoted to his wife and their canine "fur kids" (Scruffy, Casey, Maggie, Sudi and Fiona), and enjoyed RV travel with them for many years. He was avid hockey fan with his inlaws who moved from New Orleans to California and provided a positive influence in John's life. He loved working outdoors on their vacation property in Placerville, CA from 1999-2013. John was known for his kindness, gentleness, humor, and his sweet smile that charmed everyone.



## NEWS SECTION

Colleagues, our beloved New Orleans Saints during the NFC championship game on January 20 took a serious blow, A NO-CALL, on a single pass play in which there were two obvious penalties. Failure of referees to throw flags derailed the Saints righteous path to the Super Bowl. Millions watched a two prong blatant penalty of pass interference and helmet to helmet targeting by a Los Angeles Rams cornerback on a Drew Brees pass to Tommy Lewis with less than 2 minutes in the game. An obvious call would have meant a Saint victory as time ran out. The referees, 4 of the 7, from the Los Angeles area, left their hands in the pocket. Why? It is speculated the NFL wanted a big market team to win, not the New Orleans market, the smallest in the league. Why was Roger Goodell silent on a possible applicable NFL rule that would have repeated nearly 2 minutes of play. Is it OK for human error not to blow the whistle, just blow the game? As Bill Goldring, father of one of our newest JKOMSF donors says, "it is forgivable to say nothing out of ignorance; it is inexcusable to remain silent once awareness dawns". And NFL, don't tell us it would cost \$100 million to rightfully replay the last two minutes of the game and delay Super Bowl. Is that the cost when other major sporting championships are delayed by bad weather? And so all Saints fans and players suffer needlessly, but remember the words of Drew Brees, "I've spent this last week navigating the heartache and disappointment from the game," "I refuse to let this create any negativity or resentment. I embrace the challenge. So keep your chin up, hold your head high, puff your chest out because WE are the Who Dat Nation and WE will always persevere."









**LSU OMS Residents' Corner***Steven Nelson, DDS, MD**Resident, JKOMSF Board Member*

January 8, 2019 marked the end of an era. Our interim chairman, Dr. Mark Welch, officially retired. While all of us are selfishly upset that he will not be here until the end of our residency, I know that we are all happy to see him start his next chapter.

Dr. Welch graduated from LSU School of Dentistry in 1977, and subsequently graduated from the LSU Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program in 1980. He then began a practice in Lafayette with Randy Malloy, DDS, PhD, where he worked for 29 years. He was appointed part time Assistant Professor in 1984 to help with dental student lectures and curriculum. Shortly after Dr. Malloy died in 2008, he began to staff the residents. In 2010 he became full time faculty, then program director in 2014, and finally interim chairman of the LSU OMS department in 2017. While I could write for much longer on all of the accomplishments of Dr. Welch, the point that I am trying to get across is how much he was incredibly valued by the residents as part of this program. There was never a time we felt uncomfortable approaching him. He was omnipresent at the hospital clinic, and we knew we could always reach him after hours if we needed him.

The selflessness he displayed by returning to help the residents after spending so much time in private practice is something none of us will forget. Dr. Kent said that Mark responded to the residents' needs within seconds of their requests and responded even when not on call. It is also hard to overstate what an incredible knowledge source he was. I was fortunate enough to take his advanced head and neck anatomy course that he taught to the residents. When asked a question about a specific topic, he could always recite every detail without hesitation. During Monday morning conferences, his insight into treatment plans and options was invaluable to us. He was much like

the famous New Orleanian surgeon Rudolf Matas, whose colleagues felt that, "By consulting him they could extract more information from his encyclopedic mind than they could obtain from a visit to a library."

Dr. Kent stated that since he has retired three times now, Dr. Welch still has at least two more to go. While I will continue to hope for his return before I finish, I have come to terms with the fact that it is unlikely. However, I know I can speak for all residents, both past and present, that we are very thankful for all the knowledge and wisdom he has imparted on us during his time at LSU.

**Plans for Fifth and Sixth Year Residents**

Our fifth and sixth year residents have begun making plans for life after residency.

Brian Christensen, Tyler Smoot, Jillian Rozanski, and John Schier are the graduating residents this year, and Steven Nelson, Danielle Wilt, Sergei Kuznetsov, Sami Alshehry, and Ryan Hinkle will be the class of 2020.

Dr. Christensen is planning for a full time academic career and is currently interviewing for positions. Dr. Smoot is moving to Pensacola, Florida to join a practice with LSU alumni Dr. Mark Greskovich and Dr. Kevin Dean. Dr. Rozanski is entering private practice in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Schier will be moving back to his home state in Indianapolis, Indiana to enter a private practice.

Dr. Nelson is planning on moving back to his hometown of Baton Rouge, Louisiana to enter a private practice. Dr. Wilt and Dr. Hinkle are each applying for private practice positions, with the location not yet determined. Dr. Kuznetsov will be practicing full scope oral and maxillofacial surgery in New York City and the Tri-state area. Dr. Alshehry is applying to fellowships in craniofacial reconstruction.



*Geist, DDS, FACS*  
*JKOMSF*  
*Secretary/Treasurer*  
*Report*

First of all, I want to extend the warmest holiday greetings to all of our donors. Overall, despite the ups and downs of the market, 2018 was a good year for JKOMSF.

We had a total of \$184,366.85 come in to the foundation this year. This included \$4,050 made on the Pearls course from the ACOMS and two \$25,000 gifts on behalf of a former patient of Dr. Kent's from Jane Goldring and Alan and Diane Franco. I want to recognize Ronnie Marks for initiating and arranging the meeting of Ms Goldring and Mr. Franco with Dr. Kent. We also received \$6,175 on behalf of Dr. Richard Akin. We are currently hovering around the 1.8 million dollar mark primarily because of the current market down trend. Special thanks to Jim Horner, Wes Emison, Ed Boos and David Baughman on completing their pledges and to Harry Morse for increasing and completing his. We are awaiting the final reconciliation for the 2018 review course. It will definitely be a very positive figure. I also want to thank our new donors Dr. Matthew Fowlkes, Dr. Curtis Bishop and Dr. Reo Pugao.





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