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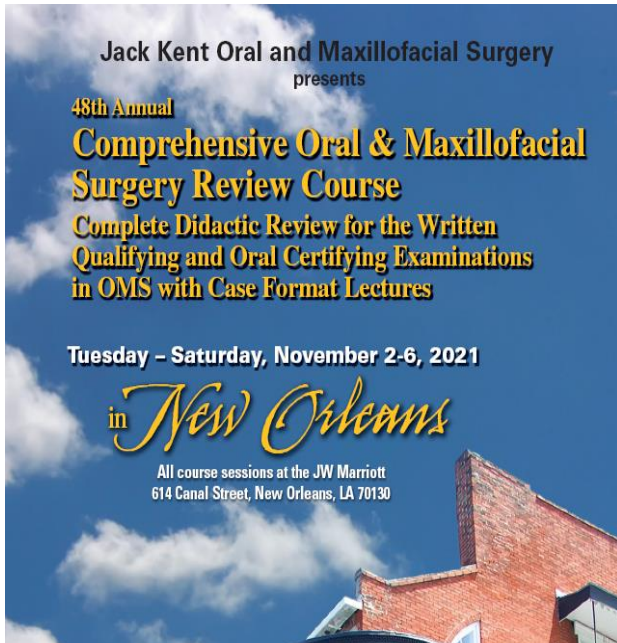
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**Tooley Towns, DDS,  
JKOMSFS President**

Dear Colleagues:

I'm glad to see that we are all slowly getting back to normal and the Foundation is taking advantage of it. We had a very successful Pearls course in April with a strong turn-out. We also had our Review Course in May and another one is scheduled for November to assist OMS Board applicants in exam preparation. At the Pearls course, the JKOMSFS Board of Directors voted to prepare a super chair application for LSU OMS in Dr Kent's name. If successful, our money will be matched by the state and it will be controlled by the OMS chairman. We will also maintain sufficient funds in the Foundation to continue business as usual. Our program director, Dale Misiek will be in charge of the super chair application.

Dr Kent and I attended the banquet for the graduating residents and the new incoming residents. Those graduating were given free tuition for a Pearls course as a gift from the Foundation. They were encouraged to join and show their appreciation to the program and faculty. The new residents were given the Haggerty – Laughlin textbook, Atlas of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery which is written and edited by many LSU alumni and faculty. Dr Kent and I were proud to present these books to help get them through the next six years and show them what an excellent program they are part of.

**Tooley**



*Dale Misiek, DMD*  
*JKOMSF Vice President*

**From the LSU OMS Program Director,**

Well, it has been an interesting 2 years for the LSU OMS program. First, we were very fortunate to entice Rob Laughlin to retire from the Navy to become the Department Chief. He obviously was a great choice as he was the immediate choice of Dr. Hollier as interim Dean after the untimely death of Henry Gremillion. He was at that time carrying three hats, Interim Dean, Department Chair, and Program Director. And while young and capable, there was not enough hours in the day to do everything. It was during all this happening that Rob and I had begun discussions for my return to my old job as Program Director. That became a reality July 24, 2020, and I am pleased to say that being back is better than I had thought. Also, shortly thereafter Rob has become the permanent Dean, and the school could not be in better hands.

The quality of residents these days is truly amazing, and despite all the setbacks and obstructions which accompanied Covid19, we have barely missed a step. While every other program in the country did virtual interviews last fall, we had live, in person interviews. We feel having this live interaction was instrumental in our highly successful participation in the Matching Program. We will be doing the same this year. Patients continue to be seen at UMC and the Dental School and the OR schedule, though not 100% of pre-Covid days, is still better than anywhere else in the country. We continue to maintain more than adequate numbers, so much so that for the 2021-2022 academic year we will be taking 5 new residents each year. Our younger faculty, Brian Christensen and Peter Park, have set a new bar for research and cancer care that will continue to grow, and with that the scope of our mission here in New Orleans will be expanding.

We have finally been able to get Dr. Kent to hand over the administration of the Review Course and PEARLS. It was tough to get him to let go, despite the fact that for years he has said he would like to hand over the reins. I still get emails from him daily, and this has been very helpful with this transition of responsibility. **“He will continue to write the JKOMSF/LSUOMS Alumni Association Newsletter, his favorite way of keeping in touch with all of you.”** Both the Review Course and PEARLS, though delayed, were held live and very successful attendance-wise. Interestingly, the Review Course may be the "Last Course Standing" of its' kind from here on down the road. As ABOMS returns to its normal exam cycle most of the other, courses appear to be Covid casualties.

The future of LSU OMS is better than ever. We hope to soon have the application sent in to the state for matching funds for what I like to refer to as a "Super Duper Chair". A normal Chair is \$1M with \$400K in matching funds from the state, a Super Chair is \$2M with \$800K matching funds. Our plan is for a \$3M Chair with \$1.2M matching funds, which would make it the largest Chair within the LSU System. This has only been possible through the generosity of loyal alumni and friends of our program. We hope that giving will continue to be an LSU tradition and I would like to send a personal plea to all of our alumni.

Whether you have given in the past or not, our future depends on your support. Renewing previous pledges or giving for the first time will be welcome with open arms, and all our current and future residents thanks you. Paying it forward is gives you a good feeling, please try it! Be smart and be safe!!

### LSU OMS Alumnus Profile



Kathy and Joe



Michael and Emilie Zoldos with Baby Loa

#### Jozef Zoldos, '95

I was born in Toronto, Canada to immigrant Slovenian parents. I was the second of 5 children, and we were all brought up in a typical blue-collar home with loving and demanding parents. My childhood was typical and I was an average student throughout grade school and the beginning of high school. As I progressed in high school, I started taking my studies more seriously and was able to graduate with honors in most of my subjects. My undergraduate education was in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada but as I advanced through my undergraduate training, I decided I wanted more. I applied to and was accepted to the University of Toronto Faculty of Dentistry where I graduated with a D.D.S in 1988. While I was in Dental School, I became absolutely enamored with OMFS and decided that was the direction I wanted to head. After Dental School I completed an OMFS internship at Toronto Western Hospital, one of the

University of Toronto Teaching hospitals. At that time, a hospital-based internship was required in Ontario prior to applying to a OMFS programs. After the internship, I applied to Canadian OMFS programs. At that time, there were 3 English-speaking OMFS programs in Canada. I was accepted to the OMFS program at University of Toronto, my first choice, but I wanted more. In the late 1980s, there were a handful of dual-degree OMFS programs in the states so I started looking south of the border for different training that was available to me in Canada.

When I interviewed at American OMFS programs, my interview at LSU blew me away. I loved everything about LSU; Charity Hospital, the teaching staff, the resident camaraderie, and the spectrum of OMFS practice. I knew right away that LSU was the place for me. I still remember the interview with Dr. Kent. He was sitting behind his desk at the LSUSD behind a stack of slide carousels, books, and papers that acted as wall between me and him. I made a stupid joke when I sat down.....

something to the effect “thanks for cleaning up for me” and Dr. Kent returned a sneer in my direction. I thought that I blew it! In retrospect, fortunately for me, he probably just did not hear my stupid joke otherwise I probably would not have been accepted. *“Joe, I did recognize the joke and at that moment appreciated your cockiness. You see that is a feature of a leader. Jack.”*

After matching with LSU, my wife, Kathy, and I had decided to “take a chance” so we got in our car and came to Louisiana for 6 years. Upon our arrival to New Orleans, it took all of 8 hours before our car was broken into. After that, however, it was smooth sailing. Our Adventure in Louisiana was everything that we hoped it would be. We lived the Louisiana culture, we developed long-lasting friendships, and our son Michael was born there. Kathy and I truly loved all aspects of living in Louisiana and being trained to be a top-notch surgeon was just lagniappe.

After OMFS training at LSU’s inaugural dual degree program year, I wanted even more. I went to the University of Pittsburg and trained as a Plastic Surgeon and followed it up with a Hand/Microsurgery Fellowship. The Plastics and Hand programs in Pittsburgh have been ranked as a top-tier programs in the country for decades.

After the plethora of training that I had, it was time to get a job. I went to the University of Kentucky as a junior attending in the Plastics division. There, I had a wonderful experience training Plastic Surgery residents how to properly manage the face but it was not GeauxLSUTigerland. I lasted 2 years at the University of Kentucky before I moved to start a private practice in Phoenix, Arizona with one of my other co-residents from LSU who also trained in Plastics and Hand.

I stayed in Phoenix for the remainder of my career. The scope of my practice was predominately a reconstructive microsurgery practice managing hand issues, facial trauma and cancer reconstruction issues, and general body reconstruction. Our practice was bountiful and,

because of the excellent broad-based training that we had and the work ethic that was instilled in us, within 2 years we had undoubtedly the busiest hand/microsurgery practice in the country.

Over the past 7 years, we have concentrated our efforts into Exsomed, a medical device start-up company that I co-founded with my medical practice partner. This foray is infinitely harder and more complicated than the medical practice that we founded because there are so many factors that are out of our direct control and trying to deal with governmental and healthcare system bureaucracies. Nonetheless, our business has experienced exponential growth over the past 2 years with the introduction of some innovative devices for hand surgery. We are hopeful that we will be able to continue this growth and development for the next several years until a natural exit is in the books.

On a personal note, I have been together with Kathy, my first and only wife, since High School. We became American citizens during our journey together and we are both very proud to display the American flag. I certainly could not have done what I did without Kathy’s support and strength. I love her tremendously. In our relationship, we were blessed with one child, Michael who is now 31 years old and happily married to Emilie who is an Orthopedic Surgery resident at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. It appears that Emilie will be following my footsteps (at least partially) as she will be applying for Hand Surgery fellowships this upcoming year. We are all proud of her. Michael turned out perfectly; the kind of person that makes me proud on a daily basis. Michael and Emilie have given us our first grandchild, Lola....the new love of my life. She is now 10 months old. We all have been blessed with good health and fortune and truly, life could not be more perfect.

To this day, I owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Dr. Kent and the entire LSU team for “taking a chance” on the Canadian guy in 1989. I cherish all of the memories and experiences from doing a residency at LSU. I would not trade that part of my life for anything. All of the rotations were perfect and they perfectly complimented the training to be an OMFS. The experience was at LSU was second to none for me. My time at LSU not only taught me to be a doctor and a surgeon but it provided me with long-lasting friendships that I will cherish until I depart this earth.



*Well Joe and Kathy, you have done very well. We are all very proud of you. Your class was the initial 6-year dual degree class. So we are grateful for you and your classmates blazing that unproven 6-year course, where no other man has been before. All eyes were on you guys at the medical center downtown. You were a Geaux from the very start and all those who have followed you thank you for showing medicine downtown how good a program we have. Joe, I remember your comment to me that you learned as much craniofacial surgery from Dale Misiek and I, then you did from subsequent training. Also, I would remind everyone that Joe Zoldos was the only OMS resident ever to be selected by General Surgery to serve as Chief of Surgery during nighttime hours at Charity Hospital. Jack*



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## LSU OMS Alumnus Profile



Jeanne Dyess (L), Dr. Brian Dyess (C), Chris Dyess (R)

### **Brian Dyess, DDS '88**

Getting into dental school was an adventure for me, but as the story goes, the adventure was just beginning. In my third year of dental school, an oral surgery class taught by Michael Kinnebrew highlighted a Lefort I surgery. I was amazed and enthralled in what this surgery could do. So, I began to hang around with oral surgery residents that would let me: Knipe, Dyzak, Emison, Geist, and Philippe to get a feel for what this residency was about. A red shirt year in Shreveport and I was able to join the chosen few.

In an oral surgery program with a faculty of Jack Kent, Michael Kinnebrew, Michael Zide, Jim Quinn, and Alex Acevedo who were so active in research and publishing articles, there was not a month without an LSU publication in a major journal. Turnover, that is essential in any academic setting, saw the arrival of Dale Misiek and Mike Block, who continued the excellence during my residency. How could I not be excited about being in a program in which one of your staff members was willing to go to the mat and possibly fight with another service staff to protect their own resident?

There was not another place in the country that I wanted to be in for oral surgery.

After flirting with practicing in Florida, I elected to stay in Louisiana to practice, and hopefully continue to hunt and fish, the things I had grown up enjoying. I entered an office with Lynn Philippe in which we maintained solo practices, but was a partnership in every other way. I have known Lynn since dental school, he has been a good friend, he was my best man in my wedding, and he still remains one of my closest friends. Early in my practice we had difficulty with H&P privileges, treatment of midfacial fractures, alveolar cleft grafting, and even obtaining our own iliac crest grafts. Most of these difficulties were with plastic surgery and really had nothing to do with our training, but competition for the cases involved. The Parameters of Care and core privileges documents of AAOMS, plus several general surgery doctors that had worked with us, helped get us through these difficulties. The institution of EMTALA also removed the cash incentive, and we soon began to receive not only more consults, but less grief. As we were able to overcome these problems, we continued with mainstream oral surgery: osteotomies, TMJ surgeries, pathology with reconstruction, dentoalveolar and implant surgeries, and of course, trauma.

I spent time heading the P&T committee and dental division in our hospital, had a seat on the medical executive committee which helped me develop connections within the community. With some of these relationships, Lynn and I, along with statewide oral surgeons, went to the legislature and tried to improve insurance coverage for TMJ patients and patients born with congenital disorders. That has been a slow, but eventually successful process. I was president of the Louisiana Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons in 2005 during the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. I was able to watch the outpouring of aid from state oral surgery components to help the oral surgeons impacted by Katrina and its aftermath. AAOMS and its members

were certainly instrumental in helping the Gulf Coast community recovery.

A few years after beginning my practice, I met a beautiful surgery nurse who worked across the hall from my office. We had so many common interests that our time together was special and we have been happily married for over 24 years, now. We have three children: Christian, Jaime, and Daniel, all of who are still in college. I still love to hunt and fish, and try to get away when I can. Golf can still spoil a good walk as noted by John Feinstein. I can always find time to go to a good LSU football, basketball, or baseball game. The most difficult part of my professional and personal life came in 2002 when I was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. Several miracle drugs and one autologous stem cell transplant later, and I am in remission and continue to do well. The most prominent remaining scar are the vertebral fractures that left me no longer at 5' 11" but a svelte 5' 8".

Chris Dyess (L), Danny Dyess (C), Jaime Dyess (R)



I actually began teaching LSUSD undergraduate students in 1989 after a request from Jim Quinn. I've continued to help with resident education in Baton Rouge since that invitation. It was a good decision as many of the students that I taught have become dentists in Baton Rouge and several of them have gone on to become my close personal friends and professional associates. Now, LSU has expanded its oral surgery presence in Baton Rouge and I have accepted a move to a full time position by our new dean and department chairman, Rob Laughlin. I have had the opportunity to train and practice in an incredible era for oral and maxillofacial surgery. To be able to have trained with Dr. Kent and the incredible staff at LSU has been an opportunity that not many oral surgeons can say they have had. To be able to have studied and participate in lectures from some of the most accomplished surgeons in our profession's history, my fellow LSU residents and I have truly been able to stand on the shoulders of giants and continue their work.

*Brian, thank you for all the years contributing to your patients and to our LSU OMS residency through your part time position and private practice, and now through your full time teaching position at the new OMS clinic at OLOL medical center in Baton Rouge. Jack*

### LSU OMS Alumnus Profile



**Bob Debes, DDS**

Colleagues, this is a very special occasion to recognize our oldest living Charity Hospital alumnus, Dr. Robert (Bob) Randolph Debes. Bob Debes, age 94, is not a true LSU OMS alumnus, but his loyalty to LSU and myself and his dedication to OMS qualifies him as one of us. You see Bob was an intern at Charity Hospital in 1953 when the Korean War interrupted his training. While in the Air Force Bob met Edward C. Hinds, DDS, MD, the new chair at U. of Texas in Houston. Dr. Hinds offered Bob a teaching position at U T after his 2 years in the Air Force. He stayed for one year at U. Texas and then returned to Charity to finish his internship in 1957. In those days some of our residencies, known as Oral Surgery, not Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, had a pyramid structure. 2 or 3 individuals would be selected for training with the understanding that there was funding for only one to finish the program.

Since Bob was familiar with the new U. Texas program in Houston he elected to finish his training with Dr. Hinds (1957-59). At that time he was one of a very few Oral Surgeons to have 3 years of training. Bob then opened a practice in downtown Houston which was very successful for over 40 years and has held the rank of Clinical Professor at University of Texas Dental Branch for well over 60 years since 1956!!! Bob has a BA from Lamar College and Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degree from Baylor University. He is a dedicated Baylor alumnus and graduate from Baylor College of Dentistry. During his time practicing oral surgery in Houston he was a sporting consultant serving the oral surgery needs for the Houston Oilers NFL football team, Houston Mavericks professional basketball team, and the Houston professional hockey team. He held membership/fellowship in 10 local, state, and national dental and oral surgery societies and was privileged to practice in the major hospitals in the Houston area. Bob was a dedicated local servant having served as President of the Houston District Dental Society and Houston Society of Oral Surgeons. He served on the Board of Directors or held trustee membership in several schools, dental, or medical associations. He credits his success to his wife Dolly who died in 2001. In my view, Bob's greatest contribution to our specialty is his authoring two textbooks, "Looking Back" and "Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery" which cover 65 years on the history of my old training program, U. of Texas OMS at Houston. There are no equals to these manuscripts on OMS history, in the United States. And for this and his 63 years of service to the U. of Texas OMS, Dr. Robert R. Debes was honored in 2019 by the OMS department and the University.

*Many of you have witnessed the frequent presence of Bob Debes at the LSU OMS Review courses through the years. His attendance, like none other, was as often as some of our renown speakers. Thank you Bob for being a forever student of LSU Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Jack*

*"Thank you to all 3 LSU Alumni for helping me with your PROFILES"*

John N. Kent, DDS, FACD, FICD  
Boyd Professor and Former Head  
LSU Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery



Distinguished Friend of  
LSU Oral & Maxillofacial  
Surgery

Dear Colleagues, it gives me great pleasure to accept this Biography from Samuel McClugage, PhD.

*Jack Kent, DDS, FACD, FICD, Boyd Professor, Former Head of LSU Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*



Samuel McClugage, PhD, a lifelong friend of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and LSU School of Dentistry, received his undergraduate degree at Millikin University and graduate education at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. He completed his postdoctoral research in the Department of Anatomy and received his PhD at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. He moved to New Orleans and became an Assistant Professor of Anatomy at LSU Health Sciences Center. Dr. McClugage served as Acting Head and Interim Head of the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy on several occasions. He was appointed as the Director of Admissions for the School of Medicine in 1995; then to Assistant Dean for Admissions; and became Associate Dean for Admissions in 2000. In 2007, he was appointed as Professor and Head of the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy. The largest of all basic science departments, it is involved in teaching over 25 courses in the various schools of the Health Sciences Center including medicine, dentistry, allied health, graduate school, and nursing.

Over the years, Dr. McClugage has published over 70 research articles and book chapters and has served on various scientific editorial boards. He has been a mentor and advisor to many students through the years including our OMS residents who obtained a PhD in Anatomy. He has served on various boards including the New Orleans Board of Advisors for the National Youth Leadership Council. He also was a past consultant for Proctor and Gamble. He has served on over 85

Committees in the various schools of the Health Sciences Center as well as serving as Chair for many of them. He continues to Chair Search Committees for past/current Chancellors and Deans.

Notably, he chaired the curriculum committee for many years and he chaired the search that brought Dr. Larry Hollier back to the campus as Dean in 2004. Dr. McClugage served on 10 various committees for the Association of American Medical Colleges including serving as Chair for the Group on Student Affairs for the southern region which had oversight for over 42+ U.S. medical schools. He also served on the Steering Committee for the Association of American Medical Schools.

Dr. McClugage has had numerous honors over the years. An Endowed Professorship was named in his honor, the Samuel G. McClugage Professorship, in 2008. He was the recipient of a Pharmacia award from the Microcirculatory Society to visit research laboratories in Scandinavia. He has received numerous awards for outstanding teaching including the Student Appreciation Award for Excellence in Teaching. He was also awarded as the Best Preclinical Professor in the School of Medicine. He has been nominated for an Aesculapian Society Excellence in Teaching Award numerous times. Dr. McClugage was also elected into the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society. He was named Honorary Alumnus of the Year in 2004. In 2009, he received the Association of American Medical School's Exemplary Service Award. He is married to Katherine St. Amant, MD and has a son who is a neurosurgery resident in Birmingham, Alabama.

**From Dr. Mark Welch, former LSU OMS Program Director** – Sam became faculty in the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology in 1971. I first met him in 1973 when I was a first year dental student. Sam and Dr. Marilyn Zimny were the primary faculty in Dental Gross Anatomy. It seemed to a first year dental student that Sam was all knowledgeable and that proved to be close to correct. All the students knew that he was very approachable when it came to questions about anatomy. They also knew that for every question he answered, he would ask you two in return. He had the ability to make you want to learn and was never too busy to help a student out. We all learned early that Sam was not a morning person. I think his preferred starting time was around 9:30 AM. This was fine with his students because he could be found in his office for questions well into the night. I remember many nights sitting in his office with my classmate O'Dell Marshall at 11:00 PM. He was surely a treasure of knowledge. Sam has always been a great friend of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department. Dr. Zimny had started a post graduate Head and Neck Anatomy Course, but it was Sam and my future partner Randy Malloy that really made the course what it became. No other residency program has anything that can even come close to matching this course. Over the years Sam has called me many times concerning this course. It's his baby, and as such he is very protective of it. Many of the post graduate dental programs participate in this course but Sam has always made sure that it primarily meets the level of knowledge he feels our OMS residents require. Since his retirement, Sam still calls me to make sure "His Baby" is still up to snuff. His 50 years associated with LSUHSC has truly been a blessing for all of us who got to know him. From all the present and past Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery residents, we wish Sam and his lovely wife Katherine many happy years of retirement."

**From: Mark Welch, DDS**

Former Program Director

Former Acting Department Head

LSU Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

## **OMS News Bits**

### **Matthew Fowlkes, '14**

1) My wife and I finally completed our adoption we have been working on since late 2018. We adopted a 3 year old girl from India and picked her up in India in March. Here is a photo of us at the Taj Mahal. Our family is now 3 boys and 1 girl. *"Very good news Matt". Jack*



### **Rigo and Stephanie Cornejo, '00**

2) Dr. Kent, I hope that you are well and that life is returning to normal after this last very trying year. We are well and our practices are both thriving. 🍷 *Jack*

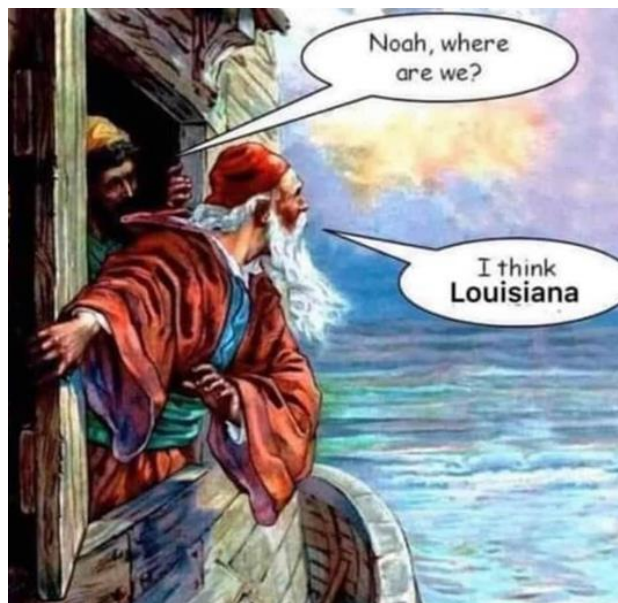
### **Matt Hearn, '04 / Ron Achong '05**

3) Just celebrated my 50th birthday with Ron Achong. Good to hear from you, Dr. Kent. *"Great photo guys" Jack*



### **Rick Barsan, '84**

4) I retired in 2012 after practicing in CA and moved to Reno. Single now and spending a time pursuing my three favorite activities, numbers 2 and 3 being traveling and scuba diving. When in Reno, hiking, biking, kayaking, snowshoeing are always on the agenda. Doing well on 1 1/2 new knees replaced in 2019. *"Glad retirement is serving you well Rick. You do deserve it". Jack*




*Our 2021 half year New Orleans rain fall total has exceeded the average annual total. Kind of like 2016.*

**OMS News Bits Cont' 2****Wes Emison, '84**

5) Had a phone call from rich Barsan a few years ago that he was thinking of doing the Escape from Alcatraz Sharkfest Swim San Francisco, but thankfully he did not. *"Priceless history Wes" Jack*

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**OMS News Bits Cont' 3****Chris Haggerty, '08**

6) What a great turnout we had for both PEARLS and for the Review Course. It lets people know that we are getting back to a more normal existence. *"Yes Chris, we may have been one of the very first surgical organizations to reinstitute "in-person education". Jack*

**David Blaha, '84**

7) I just retired from my second career as Associate Professor of OMFS at Creighton University School of Dentistry and Adjunct Faculty to University of Nebraska OMFS residency program. My first career was private practice OMFS for 30 years and part-time Clinical Instructor at UNMC College of Dentistry. *"Well done you Cornhusker". Jack*

**David Baughman, '03**

8) I have been appointed by the Governor to represent District 2 on the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry. I look forward to the newsletter. *"Glad you are on board David". Jack*

**Arshad Kaleem, '16**

9) Dr. Kent, I hope you and Virginia are doing well and staying safe. Me and wife (Saima) are doing well here in Miami. I was lucky to have been awarded the Faculty Educator Development Award (FEDA) by AAOMS for three years (2020-23). The award is given annually to only 4 young faculties who demonstrated commitment in educational training of residents, leadership and research. Other than that, life is good. I hope we are turning the corner on Covid. I hope to see you soon. Sorry I could not make it to Pearls this year but hopefully next year. *"Congratulations AK". Jack*

**Greg Zieman, '87**

10) I am pleased to announce that my son Matt has joined us in practice!! It is a rare blessing that has been given to me!! I am forever grateful to Dr Kent and the second-to-none staff he assembled that was able to bring out the best in me!! Thanks again!! *"Solid OMS practice. Tiger trained #1 and Bama trained #2". Jack*

**Tim Lang, '95.**

11) I am pleased to report that I sold my vibrant OMFS practice to a 2020 LSU Shreveport grad named William Bell, IV, DMD, MD. He hails from NC and has multigenerational family connections to New Orleans. He began practicing here in Melbourne July, 2020. Annabelle and I are planning some fun time exploring the Rockies/West and visiting our adult children, Brian and Claire, who are both happily married, and engaged in their respective careers in Virginia and Connecticut. So far we have been blessed with a grandson, Liam, age almost 2. Annabelle and I plan to split our time between Florida and Park City, Utah, where we own homes, engaged in outdoor activities as much as possible. *"Great career Tim!" Jack*

**Alberico Sessa, '03**

12) I have been running a full cosmetic surgery practice in Sarasota, Florida now for 14 years, have been a board examiner with the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery for the last 4 years, and am about to start training my fourth Fellow. I have a General Cosmetic Surgery fellowship accredited by the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery. If anyone is interested in learning cosmetic surgery, please call me. All are welcome for a day, a week, or a 1 year fellowship. *"Glad to know Al". Jack*

**Brian Kelley, '13.**

13) I am currently practicing with Clay Chandler, '09 at Lafayette Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. This past year I was selected to become an examiner for ABOMS and looks forward to this participation in our specialty board. In addition, my wife Erin and I brought their second daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth, into the world on May 4<sup>th</sup>. *"Two congratulations Brian". Jack*

**Skelly Kreller 77'**

14) Jack, I hope you're doing well. After retirement in 2015 I ran for the City Council in Mandeville against an incumbent and won, 70% to 30%! Now I am 1 of a 5 member City Council in Mandeville. I must be crazy as all of my friends remind me! *"Congratulations Skelly, I guess". Jack*

**OMS News Bits Cont' 4**

**Michael Zide, LSU OMS Program Director 1978-84**  
Now retired in Dallas, Texas.



I live next door to a friendly 90 yr old guy, and he and I have become great friends. He is from New Orleans, keeps an LSU banner in his front yard, a retired oil geologist. One of his sons, Kip Tindell, started Container Store. 3 weeks ago, his visiting cousins from Mississippi starting banging on my door since

he told them a doctor lived next door. They told me he collapsed. On evaluation, he was gray, pulseless and dead. I smashed him on the chest, did 2 rounds of CPR and opened his airway- and he took a short breath, then another, then another, and in a few minutes later he opened his eyes... awake as the EMTs arrived. Subsequently, he was diagnosed w pulseless v tach - got amiodarone- and an AICD.

The son thanked me for helping him and I asked him to donate to the Kenny Gambrell Parkland residents' fund. He and his wife said they would. Kenny was a lab man at UT for almost 40 years, made splints for Drs. Bob Walker, Doug Sinn, Ed Ellis and others, and trained hundreds of residents. He retired last year, went to a family Thanksgiving, caught Covid, called his pal Ghali for help, but eventually died. We all loved his friendship.

Hopefully, this will help seed the fund, and start something wonderful like LSU Jack Kent Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery fund. *"Thank you Michael for all this positive News as a retired Parkland Tiger". Jack*



Ghali and Jack at the May-June OMS Review Course 2021



### In Memoriam, A Sorrowful April, 2021



Dr. Bernard Clyde Hollier, 88, of Alexandria, Louisiana passed away April 24, 2021. Clyde attended Louisiana State University and Loyola School of Dentistry. He completed his residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, LA 1959. Clyde was a diplomat of the American Board of Oral Surgery. He began his practice in Lake Charles and soon moved to Alexandria to join Dr. C. J. Brown. Clyde practiced for over 37 years in "Alex" where he took in Ronnie Marks, DDS in 1974 and David Carlton, DDS in 1982. He also served as President of the medical staff at St. Frances Cabrini Hospital in 1979 and Rapides General Hospital in 1981. He volunteered his time teaching at the Cleft Palate clinic at LSU Medical Center in Shreveport.

On his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, Clyde made his first solo flight which began a passion for aviation that lasted over 70 years. He enjoyed many other hobbies including hunting, fishing, gardening, cooking, traveling, snow skiing and LSU sports. He is survived by his lovely wife Jane of 60 years, five children, and a great many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Jack

**Eric T. Geist, DDS, FACS**  
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### Greetings from the Secretary/Treasurer

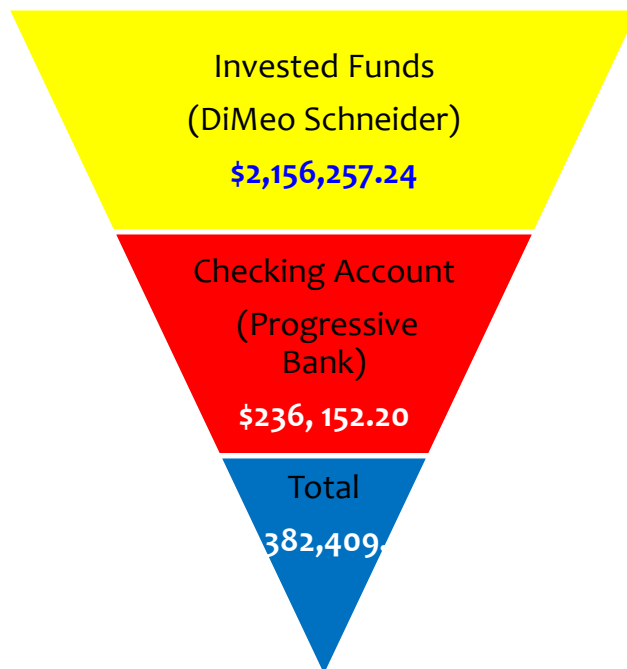
Summer Greetings from warm and muggy Monroe, Louisiana,

I hope all of you are having a safe, fun and prosperous post Covid.

Currently, the JKOMSF has a balance of \$2,156,257.24 in the investment account, along with \$236,152.20 in the checking account. That gives us an overall balance of \$2,392,409.44

In addition, we have 15 members with outstanding pledge balances totaling \$136,950.00.

Clearly, this venture has been very successful, and speaking for myself and the Board of Directors, we are immensely grateful to the alumni that have generously supported the foundation. I firmly believe that this Foundation will not only appropriately honor its namesake, but will also ensure a lasting legacy to the outstanding residents and faculty that have brought this program to lasting prominence.



*Eric*

Eric T Geist, DDS FACS



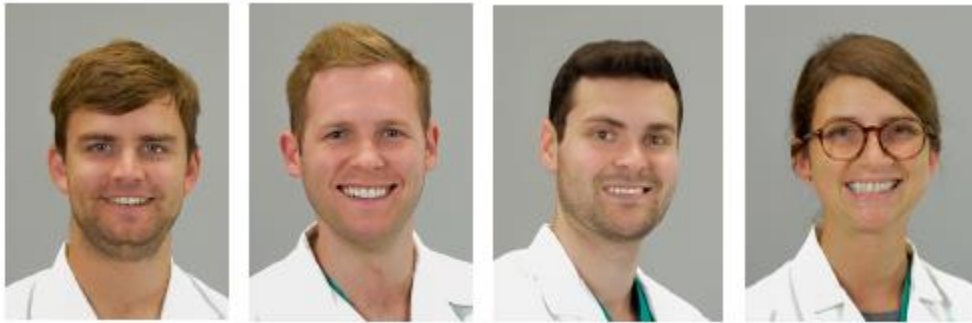
RESIDENCY PROGRAM NEWS



Chief Graduation Trip – No Fishing Trip This Year!



Congratulations to the LSU OMS Residents who finished this past June 2021



**Megison,  
Andrew  
DDS, MD**

**Murnan,  
Eric  
DDS, MD**

**Rowan,  
Brian  
DMD, MD**

**Zoccolillo,  
Michelle  
DDS, MD**

### ***2021 Graduating Chiefs:***

*Andrew Megison, DDS, MD – Chattanooga Oral and Facial Surgery  
– Chattanooga, Tennessee*

*Eric Murnan, DDS, MD – Cincinnati Oral Surgeons – Cincinnati, Ohio*

*Brian Rowan, DMD, MD – Alpine Surgical Arts – Boise, Idaho*

*Michelle Zoccolillo, DDS, MD – Atrium Health – Fellowship –  
Charlotte, North Carolina*

# Prom Night Class of '2021



LSU OMS Faculty and Alumni Attendance



Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning

Orrin Hatch





Outgoing chiefs at Prom Night



Dale and outgoing chiefs



Rob, Jack, and Jon at Prom Night



**2021 Categorical Interns:**

*Dylan Racha, DDS – University of Buffalo Dental*

*Ian Richard, DDS – University of Buffalo Dental*

*James Vegrzyn, DMD – Boston Dental*

*Kristen Wolaver, DDS – University of the Pacific*



**Racha,  
Dylan  
DDS**



**Richard,  
Ian  
DDS**



**Vegrzyn,  
James  
DMD**



**Wolaver,  
Kristen  
DDS**

**2021 Non-Categorical Interns:**

*William Black, DMD – University of South Carolina*

*William Chakar, DDS - USC*

*Brian Cherny DMD – University of Illinois Chicago*

*Anthony Lepre, DMD – University of Buffalo*



**Black,  
William  
DMD**



**Chakar,  
William  
DDS**



**Cherny,  
Brian  
DMD**



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Anthony  
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**2021 Non-Categorical Interns:**

*Amir Maki, DMD - Temple*

*Joonho Phiyo, DDS – LSU*

*Edward Rudisill, DDS – LSU*

*David Vaughan, DDS – University of Minnesota*



**Maki,  
Amir  
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**Our New Chief OMS Residents who will finish in June 2022**



**Clarot,  
Samuel  
DDS, MD**



**Hironaka,  
Michael  
DDS, MD**



**Scogin,  
Zachary  
DDS, MD**



**Williams,  
Travis  
DMD, MD**

## OMS Schedule

### ***Tuesday, November 2, 2021***

- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM **Management of Oral, Head and Neck Infections**  
*Thomas Hynn, DMD*
- 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM **Medical Management of the Surgical Patient**  
*Dayton W. Daberkow II, MD, and John Neary, DDS, MD, FACS*
- 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch Provided, 30 min morning and afternoon breaks
- 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Dental Implants**  
*Michael S. Block, DMD*

### ***Wednesday, November 3, 2021***

- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Principles of Anesthesia**  
*Stuart E. Lieblich, DMD*
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch Provided, 30 min morning and afternoon breaks
- 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **TMJ Disorders and Facial Pain**  
*M. Franklin Dolwick, DMD, PhD*

### ***Thursday, November 4, 2021***

- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM **Cleft Lip and Palate and OSA**  
*G.E. Ghali, DDS, MD, FACS*
- 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM **Maxillofacial Trauma**  
*G.E. Ghali, DDS, MD, FACS*
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch Provided, 30 min morning and afternoon breaks
- 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM **Oral and Head & Neck Surgical Pathology and Reconstruction**  
*Eric R. Carlson, DMD, MD, FACS and Kitrina Cordell, DDS, MS*
- 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Evening CPC with Dinner**  
*Eric R. Carlson, DMD, MD, FACS; Kitrina Cordell, DDS, MS; and Molly Rosebush, DDS, MS*

### ***Friday, November 5, 2021***

- 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM **Oral and Head & Neck Surgical Pathology and Reconstruction**  
*Eric R. Carlson, DMD, MD, FACS and Kitrina Cordell, DDS, MS*
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch Provided, 30 min morning and afternoon breaks
- 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Cosmetic Maxillofacial Surgery**  
*Jon D. Perenack, DDS, MD*

### ***Saturday, November 6, 2021***

- 6:00 AM – 7:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 7:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Surgical Orthodontic Management of Facial Deformities**  
*Brian Farrell, DDS, MD and Myron R. Tucker, DDS*
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM Lunch Provided, 30 min morning and afternoon breaks
- 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM **Dentoalveolar Surgery and Complications**  
*Mark C. Fletcher, DMD, MD, FACS*

— Thank you and travel safely —

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Your JKOMSF Board of Directors

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(PLEASE PRINT)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Address is: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Office)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have included the Jack Kent Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation in my will.

I plan to give a gift of:

\_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Life Insurance

\_\_\_\_\_ Property Estimated Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The gift transfer will occur at the time of my death or the death of my spouse, \_\_\_\_\_, in the event that I predecease my Spouse.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I will send the JKOMSF a copy of the codicil or necessary modification to my will which describes my legacy gift

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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