

UNMC College of Dentistry

For Alumni & Friends of the Division of Endodontics, Department of Surgical Specialties

Message from Dr. Williamson



Greetings from the little Division of Endodontics in the Department of Surgical Specialties!

Much has happened over the past year. We had a change in the leadership of the Advanced Education in Endodontics Program. I took over for Dr. Stephenson officially in September 2021. Funny, we haven't seen much of him since he retired! He does manage to let us know he is still kicking with emails and texts. We all hope he is

thoroughly enjoying his retirement with Bartley.

We have had several 'rock stars' come to Lincoln to present seminars to the residents. Dr. John Olmsted was here in the fall of 2021, Dr. Martin Trope was here in April, and Dr. Ashraf Fouad visited via Zoom for a fantastic microbiology lecture. All were extremely well received!

Drs. Randy Middleton and Anne Wiseman were kind enough to travel here to speak to the residents and help in the clinic. It's great to have so many good people associated with our program! Additionally, we hosted Drs. Keith Krell and Craig Noblett for our first 'Exit Exam' in May. This is an exam which very much mimics the case history portfolio and oral exam portions of the ABE exam.

We are saying 'Congratulations and farewell' to our two senior residents, Drs. Jernberg and Karim. As far as we know, Dr. Karim is landing in Texas. And Dr. Jernberg? Who knows? I just know they will keep in touch and continue to be a part of the UNMC Endodontic family. We wish them the best!

As Tim and Arif depart, we will be welcoming in two new first-year residents, Drs. Alex Lopez and Kelsey Wenger. Funny as it may seem, they are both graduates from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. I knew them there and worked with them as students. They are both extremely excited to test the Husker waters!



2022 Graduation (from left): Drs. Lane Stephensen, Tim Jernberg, Anne Williamson, Arif Karim and Hany Makkawy.



2022-2023 Residents (from left): Drs. Alex Lopez, Robert Grode, Kelsey Wenger, Neil Bresnahan, Petar Georgiev and program director Anne Williamson.



Dr. Lane Stephensen and Bartley.

We are gearing up for interviews for the 2023 class. I have been reviewing LOTS of amazing applications and we will be interviewing in late July. Our class of 2023 will consist of three residents to keep our ongoing total of five.

I have had the great fortune to have several UNMC alumni, and even one from the University of Washington, volunteer to come to Lincoln to help with the residents. It has been so good for the residents to get practicing endodontists here to hang out with them in the clinic. Thanks to Brett Cawley, Anne Wiseman, Kia Stack, Ammon Anderson, Randy Middleton, Jamie Ring and others.



We had a familiar face join our team on July 1. Dr. Michael McNally will be with us full time! This is very exciting for everyone — the students, residents and faculty. We welcome Dr. McNally and are anticipating great things from him. He has been part of our department for a very long time in an adjunct position and we are so

happy to have him here full time.

Accreditation (naughty word) is looming large. We go through the process in early October. Everyone in the

school has been working tremendously hard to pull all the documents for our self-study together. It takes a nation it seems. We all will be breathing a huge sigh of relief once this is all over.

I wanted to let everyone know that our Endodontic Alumni CE Day will be on Friday, October 14. We are very excited and lucky to have Dr. George Bruder coming to lecture. If you know Dr. Bruder, you know he is a ball of energy, has great information and is a fantastic lecturer! I believe we have settled on surgical endodontics for his lecture, although, he has been known to throw a lot of other stuff in the pot as well. We hope you all will plan on attending! Details and RSVP information is below.

As always, we welcome your attendance and thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in October.

My best,

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Upcoming Events

Friday, October 14 Endodontic Alumni CE Day

- Starting at 8 a.m.
- Speaker: Dr. George Bruder
- Location: UNMC College of Dentistry, Lincoln
- Please RSVP by Thursday, September 15 to Deb Dalton, ddalton@unmc.edu, or Emily Gish, emily.gish@unmc.edu

Friday, October 28 College of Dentistry Alumni Reunion

- Speaker: Dr. Sreenivas Koka, "Patient Care That Makes a Profound Difference"
- Location: UNL East Campus Union, Lincoln
- See details & register at: unmc.edu/dentistry