To all our alumni, faculty, students and staff,

Graduation this year produced another Eastman class that will light up the orthodontic world with contributions to provide exceptional patient care and serve our various orthodontic associations.

I enjoyed attending the graduation and it was wonderful to see everyone being acknowledged for their achievements. Moreover, it was heartwarming to meet the support group being friends, siblings and parents behind every student arriving from all over the world. It is difficult, if not impossible, to attain success on your own in a contemporary society; thus, my appreciation to all the supporters, including our faculty and staff, of our graduating class!

Our facility is being enhanced with a total renovation and to match this change our program is an evolving entity with new information being added on a consistent basis where needed, courses are being upgraded, research conducted and contributions made to the specialty. We are up there in the top ranks of the discipline.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CLINIC DIRECTOR DR. BOB MALLOY

Two years in the planning, purchase orders with more signatures than grace the Declaration of Independence, and a few walls painted….the renovation began June 30! Thanks to the support of the Alumni through the J. D. Subtelny Fund the clinic renovation will (was? hopefully?) be completed in August. It has been 20 years since the previous renovation and it is exciting to finally see the new clinic take shape. (See photo on the last page of this newsletter)

Along with the excitement of the renovation, we bid farewell to the Class of 2017 on June 30 and three days later welcomed the Class of 2019. It continues to be a source of amazement at the quality of young people that join our program. The months of summer were busy with orientation, GORP, and several other hands-on courses.

We are working diligently to train young orthodontic professionals ready to join the ever changing orthodontic landscape and we cannot do it without your continued support. We also want to thank the faculty members who continue to give of their time and expertise on a weekly or monthly basis.

Without them, it would be impossible to offer the experience that Eastman is known to provide.

Please feel free to contact any of us at Eastman with questions about your program and enjoy the renovation photos at the end of this newsletter!
**Dr. Matthew Cohen**

After graduation, I will be returning to my hometown of Atlanta, GA to practice orthodontics with my Dad, Barry Cohen. My favorite experiences at Eastman were treating and working with patients, getting to know them and their families, seeing their treatment progress and the excitement with their final result, and working with the devoted orthodontic assistants. I feel honored and privileged to learn by the hands of the Eastman orthodontic faculty, some of who taught my dad in the orthodontic department when he was a student; learning their knowledge and skills, which I will take into private practice and carry on the Eastman tradition.

**Dr. Daisy Ngo**

Each and every day at our orthodontic clinic is a great experience for me! Awesome opportunity to learn and interact with our professors and our colleagues…

To have a great chance to help our patients, to see them grow, to share our stories together…

As one said "Together we dance and united we soar" and that how wonderful my orthodontic department at the Eastman Institute and my second little home in the US are!!!

**Dr. Alberto Bordonaba**

After six years at Eastman, I’m thankful and grateful for having grown to unexpected levels of personal and professional maturity. I had the chance to make extraordinary friendships that will last a lifetime. Without a doubt, one of my favorite memories will be the call I received in October of 2015 from Linda Ferruzza to inform me that I had been accepted into Eastman Orthodontics. What a joy! It has been a pleasure to experience incredible fun times in the clinic, in class, and also outside of Eastman with my classmates; OPA dinners in Orlando, GORP, conversations with Dr. Talents, Dr. Malloy and Dr. Sweet about life in general; countless fond memories. Sadly every chapter comes to an end and new one begins, even one would prefer to never turn the page. After graduation I’ll be moving to NYC to join a private office and continue this amazing journey, never forgetting our unique Ortho family.

**Dr. Moataz Elmahdy**

The past two years in Eastman have been a true blessing. It was such an incredible experience, and by far, the best in my life yet! Those memories of joy, fun and absolute family warmth will never be forgotten. It all started at GORP all the way to "Opaa" in Orlando, and with its perfect end at the AAO convention in San Diego with the junior class- one can’t really ask for more. I hope I take all I learned, experienced and felt and live with the same spirit wherever the future takes me. Hopefully I’ll be teaching part time along with private practice.

**Dr. Stephanie Vinh**

One of the most unique and special aspects of the orthodontic program at Eastman is that it’s a family. I’m so honored and grateful to be a part, for the remarkable people that I’ve met, and for the treasured friendships that I’ve made. Thank you for the constant support, cherished memories, and laughter. Cheers!

My future plans include private practice and academics.

After graduation, I will be moving to Saratoga Springs, NY to practice as an associate in a private practice.

I will miss Eastman, where I made some of the best friendships of my life. I will miss the lunchtime laughs, the resident outings at AAO, the Eastman soccer league, and adventures and ski trips with the crew.
DEPARTMENT EVENTS AND NEWS

In February, senior resident Dr. Moataz Elmahdy was the winner of the 2017 Eugene L. Gottlieb Student of the Year award from the Journal of Clinical Orthodontics, presented by American Orthodontics. Dr. Taz has won over $8,000 worth of prizes from American Orthodontics and Dolphin. Dr. Taz was presented his award in San Diego at the 2017 AAO meeting at the residents’ reception sponsored by American orthodontics. Alum Dr. Robert Keim presented the award. We are so proud of you Dr. Taz! Way to go!

In April, first year residents attended the 122nd Tweed Study Course offered by the Charles H. Tweed International Foundation in Tucson, Arizona. They had a great time meeting residents from other programs and other countries. They returned with sore fingers, sunburns and lots of great stories!

Eastman Ortho Goes Orange! Now that Dr. Malloy has made the move to Rochester, we couldn’t let him forget his Kentucky roots! In February, members of the department went to see the Syracuse Orange battle the Louisville Cardinals in a dramatic overtime game. Unfortunately, the Orange lost, but everyone still had a fantastic time!
AAO San Diego 2017

The annual AAO meeting in San Diego was another one for the books. Senior resident Dr. Holly Yuen (left) was selected as a Charley Schultz Resident Scholar for her research, for which she presented a poster. Alumnus Dr. Robert Keim and current residents (below) attended the residents’ reception sponsored by American Orthodontics to present the JCO Student of the Year award to second year Dr. Moataz Elmahdy. It was wonderful to gather as a family at the Annual Eastman Alumni Association Reception. We look forward to next year in Washington, D.C.!
Centennial Celebration!

The Eastman Institute for Oral Health celebrated its 100\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary this June. Visitors from all over the world came to celebrate and attend the scientific symposium. The orthodontics sessions featured Dr. Larry Wolford, renowned oral surgeon, and Dr. Rolf Behrents, the current editor of the AJO-DO among other notable speakers over the two days. Friday evening kicked off the celebration with the orthodontic alumni dinner followed by the Centennial Gala on Saturday evening, held at the Hyatt Regency hotel.
Once again, Dr. Deborah New graciously invited our first year residents to visit her office. This time, they were accompanied by visiting alum Dr. Angelo Miraldi, who also visited our residents in the clinic.

In honor of Staff Appreciation Week, our department leaders treated our clinical assistants to a wonderful lunch at Grappa. Thank you for all you do!

Jamie Jones has joined Laurie at our front desk. Jamie was born and raised in Rochester. She loves watching scary movies and enjoys spending time with her niece and nephews. She says the best part about her job is being able to meet new people and help them when she can. Welcome Jamie!

Dr. Shaima Malik has joined our full time faculty, taking on innumerable roles in clinical instruction, the first year biomechanics course, senior ABO review, and creating a new course with Dr. Joe Sweet called “Something Old, Something New” - a seminar style course as a tribute to Dr. Subtelny and HotSeat. Dr. Malik works tirelessly to make sure our residents are receiving the best quality education.

Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Malik ('14)
Graduation 2017

This year’s commencement ceremony was held at the medical center with remarks from former ADA president Dr. William Calnon. Dr. Leonard Fishman was awarded the coveted 2017 Bejan Iranpour Award for Excellence in Clinical Education. The award was presented at the 2017 Commencement Ceremony. We are very proud of you Dr. Fishman! Also, Dr. Daisy Ngo was presented the Buonocore Award for her clinical research on impacted canines. Following the ceremony, residents, families, faculty and staff celebrated at the Hilton Garden Inn at College Town, with after hour activities at Grappa! Congrats graduating residents, we will miss you!!

Eastman Faculty featured in “Seminars in Orthodontics”

If you’ve read your June edition of “Seminars in Orthodontics,” you may recognize some familiar names as the contributing authors. As the guest editor, Dr. P. Emile Rossouw enlisted the expertise of our department to author content related to the topic of retention. Dr. Robert Malloy, Dr. Shaima Malik, and Dr. Ali Bahreman all contributed. It was a very proud moment to see the Eastman name out in print!
Welcome Ortho Class of 2019!

Cyrus Aghdam was born and raised in Bowie, Maryland. He attended the University of Maryland where he obtained a bachelor's degree in Bioengineering. He then went on to earn his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Maryland School of Dentistry in Baltimore. He is excited to join the Eastman family and fulfill his dream of becoming an orthodontist. In his free time, Cyrus enjoys traveling, spending time outdoors, and relaxing with family and friends. He is a big basketball fan, his favorite team being the Washington Wizards.

Mohammed Al Azzawi was born and raised in Baghdad, Iraq. He attended the University of Baghdad for his dental degree and Master’s degree (Laser in Dentistry) before moving to Malaysia where he obtained his PhD in orthodontics from the University of Science Malaysia with honors. Mohammed spent the last four years in California before coming to Rochester volunteering and working with the International Rescue Committee to help new refugees and underserved communities through the intensive case management program. Now, he is very excited to be a part of the Eastman Dental family for his orthodontic education. During his free time, he enjoys traveling with family, cooking and following cars.

Cynthia Micaroni was born and raised in Utica, NY. She completed her undergraduate studies at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, NY, where she got a B.S. in Biology. She attended University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and graduated in May 2017. Cynthia just got married in June, and her husband is a pediatric dentistry resident at SUNY Buffalo. In her free time, she likes cooking, baking, cake decorating and spending time in the Adirondacks. Cynthia loves Upstate NY and plans on returning to Utica to practice someday!

Colby Cajero is from DeQueen, Arkansas. She attended the University of Arkansas for her bachelor's degree in kinesiology (WOO PIG SOOIE!). Then she moved to Dothan, Alabama where she worked as an orthodontic assistant for two years before moving to Los Angeles, California where she attained her DDS degree from the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of the University of Southern California. After completing her DDS degree, she moved to Farmington, Connecticut to complete an Orthodontic Research Fellowship at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Colby married her high school sweetheart, Justin, in September 2015. For fun, Colby likes to travel, eat, scuba dive, and binge watch various television series on Netflix (currently, she is watching The Office).

Sam Obamiyi is originally from Nigeria, where he had most of his education including dental school at the University of Ibadan. He then practiced general dentistry in Nigeria before his family immigrated to Calgary, Canada. Sam is joining the Eastman Orthodontics program after completing a Fellowship in Orofacial Pain and Temporomandibular Joint Disorders at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health. Sam likes to travel and has had the opportunity to visit four continents across the world so far. He is also a soccer enthusiast. He loves to go up to the Rocky Mountains at Banff, Canada with his wife and daughter whenever they get the chance.

Vincent Santucci was born in Berkeley, California, and relocated to Rochester, New York, for a short period before settling in Wichita, Kansas. He attended the University of Kansas for his bachelor’s degree in cellular biology followed by moving to Kansas City where he attained his DDS degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Vincent was very excited to return to Rochester to continue his education with the AEGD before gaining the opportunity to join the orthodontic family here at Eastman. During his free time he enjoys spending time with his bride to be, two dogs and staying active.
**Dr. Matt Rogers** and his wife Heather welcomed baby Katherine Charlotte Rogers on January 21, 2017.

**ALUMNI NEWS**

Lots of July nuptials!

Above: Dr. Chris Baker & Margot Anich

Left: New grad Dr. Moataz Elmahdy & Stephanie Chapin

Below: New grad Dr. Holly Yuen & Soha Jafarzade

**Dr. Maureen Wood** has made the move back to Rochester to work with Dr. Stan Drabik in Webster, NY. We are thrilled to have her back home and so excited to have her increase her teaching days with our residents.

**Dr. Shiva Khatami** has become a diplomate of the ABO in February of 2017, and became a full member of the Angle Society in April. Additionally, she will be featured as the author of a chapter in the fourth edition of “Clinical Reasoning in the Health Professions” to be out in print in 2018.
Dr. Ron Ramsay has welcomed his sixth grandchild and second granddaughter (left). What a beautiful family!

**ALUMNI NEWS**

**Dr. Robert Bray** was awarded the “Eugene and Pauline Blair, AAOF, Distinguished Service Award” for having made exceptional contributions to the furtherance of the missions and goals of the AAOF, presented at this year’s AAO Annual meeting in San Diego. Additionally, the AAOF has announced the establishment of the **Robert James Bray Biomedical Research Award** as long overdue recognition for all of Dr. Bray’s accomplishments and dedication to the advancement of the profession. Congratulations Dr. Bray!

Faculty gathered at Grappa after the fall faculty meeting
Dr. Mike Spoon is the current Vice President of the North Atlantic Component of the Edward H. Angle Society, while Dr. Ron Bellohusen is serving as secretary.

Dr. Chris Roberts was recently installed (May 2017) as the AAO Trustee for the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists and is slated to become the AAO President in 2020.

Dr. Debbie New is holding a position as NESO State Chair for the AAO-PAC. Dr. Maureen Wood is serving as the Communications Director for NESO and Dr. Lauren Vitkus is serving on the Communications Committee for NESO. We look forward to the annual NESO meeting in Boston this fall!

ALUMNI NEWS

Dr. Ron Bellohusen was also featured in the NESO July eNews in a reflection piece. Dr. Bellohusen recollects his experiences in the profession, and his time in residency. You can find the link at: https://www.neso.org/state-of-the-profession-through-the-loupes-of-dr-ron-bellohusen/

Dr. Marni Phillips was recently awarded the Frederick J. Halik Award from 7th District Dental Society recognizing a new dentist who has demonstrated leadership and initiative in the profession. Congrats Dr. Phillips!
Dear Fellow Eastman Orthodontic Alumni:

This past March during the Annual Luncheon the 74th American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado, the J. Daniel and Joanne Subtelny research awards for Clinical Orthodontics and Speech were awarded for the fourth consecutive year.

The $5,000.00 Subtelny Orthodontic Clinical Research Grant for 2017 was awarded to Paul Pown Raj Iyyanar, MS for the project entitled: "Hoxa2 regulates osteogenic differentiation through Bmp signaling during palate development - Implication in cleft palate pathogenesis"

The $5,000.00 Subtelny Speech Pathology Clinical Research Grant for 2017 was awarded to Eugene Park, MD for the project entitled: "Cross-Linguistic Speech Evaluation in Patients with Cleft Palate"

Both Drs. Figueroa and Santiago were present during the award ceremony to meet the recipients.

The Orthodontic Alumni from Eastman should feel extremely proud for supporting clinical research in craniofacial orthodontics and speech. This support is given to the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association honoring the legacy in cleft care of the Boss and his beloved wife Joanne. We encourage our orthodontic residents doing clinical research projects in the cleft/craniofacial field to apply for the grants. Also any of our Alumni doing clinical research in the field are encouraged to apply. The application form is simple and easy to complete.

We want to keep this legacy going so we are again asking for your support. We initially requested $500.00 to cover two years of support from each of you. Annually thereafter, we are asking you for a $250.00 donation to continue this long-term commitment to honor the Subtelny’s.

If we were not able to reach some of you when we originally requested support for the Subtelny Grants, you can still send your $500.00. If you already donated, a big thank you! To request future donations we will be communicating with you yearly through the HotSeat Newsletter and the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) to continue your ongoing support. Please note that your $250.00 a year will do a lot to foster orthodontics and speech research. In addition these grants give the Subtelny’s and the Orthodontic Department at Eastman IOH the recognition they deserve. The Subtelny name and the Alumni are acknowledged yearly at the Annual Meeting of the American Cleft Palate Craniofacial Association. Please keep their legacy going and donate yearly.

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Donors should designate the Subtelny Research Grant Fund on their check or online giving. We thank the generosity of all the alumni that have committed to the continuity of the grants. On behalf of the Subtelny family, Pedro Santiago and myself our warm felt thanks.

Sincerely,

Alvaro A. Figueroa
Pedro Santiago

RIGHT: Drs. Figueroa and Santiago presented the two $5,000.00 checks for the recipients of the 2017 Subtelny Orthodontic and Speech Clinical Research Grants to Marilyn Cohen, LSLP (President, Cleft Palate Foundation) and Robert J. Havlik, MD (President, American Cleft Palate Craniofacial Association). March 14-18, Colorado Springs, Colorado.
Clinical Renovation

Thanks to the generosity of the Subtelny Fund, the orthodontic clinic and seminar room were all able to be completely renovated in the summer.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you have announcements to be published in the next HOTSEAT publication or if you are interested in contributing by writing, please contact Linda Ferruzza at linda_ferruzza@urmc.rochester.edu

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