Dear Colleagues,

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Festive Season and have recharged for an exciting 2017. Thus, I wish you a Happy and Prosperous year ahead.

I can say that everything will go well this year as we started 2017 “like a house on fire!” Linda Ferruzza sent me a message at the start of the New Year to indicate that there had been a fire in a transformer in the basement below orthodontics at the EDC and although there was no damage to our clinic the smoke created some issues; the air had to be purified and we were on a delayed start for the year. However, our schedules are packed for a full semester ahead culminating in Graduation of our Seniors and the Eastman Centennial Celebration.

The Subtelny Fund Committee has been diligently at work to ensure that we obtain the necessary funding to facilitate our clinic facility renovation. It has been a long time since this occurred and our clinic is desperately in need of a make-over. I hope that this will be accomplished prior to the Centennial meeting to ensure that our visiting alumni can come and see where the new alumni are being educated. Moreover, it will be an opportunity to see your donations to the department at work.

We accepted a superb group of candidates who will start their pursuit of becoming orthodontists in July 2017. I often reflect on the caliber of candidate who applies to our program and ultimately becomes an alumnus. These new additions come with strong resumes and without doubt they will enhance our Eastman Alumni group in the future.
I receive various notes from prospective applicants during the year and practically to the letter they all agree that our program is one of the top. Needless to say my academic experience over the years supports this observation fully. We have the whole package, a total university experience. We provide excellent education, live in a great part of the world strengthened by an unmatched dental history and an alumni association that is extremely active and generous. Such a wonderful compliment also carries responsibility; we need to maintain this status! I count on our alumni world-wide to support our program.

This past year was again successful to say the least. Our scholarly efforts are very visible in the national and international orthodontic literature; look out for papers in 2017. Hopefully you will find these clinically helpful and educationally stimulating.

I had an opportunity to look at academic programs this past year through the review of a textbook on orthodontic education. In addition, I always reflect on past experiences; thus, I can confidently say that our Eastman orthodontics matches the best of the best. I realize how privileged we are to be part of this wonderful profession in the USA and more so, for me to be Chairman of such an amazing department. I am enjoying my academic life more than ever. Our students bring an intellectual richness from all over the world; our reward as faculty and staff is to see our residents grow and become professionals equipped with the right stuff to make orthodontics stronger. Our students make us as faculty better educators. Thank you for making it so rewarding. Departments across the country are daily in pursuit of candidates to fill positions in their programs. We are without a doubt in a fortunate position to have superb faculty; moreover, we have a strong, experienced team (both full-time and part-time faculty) providing our residents with an excellent education.

Our program evaluation is underway in preparation for our CODA site visit in 2018; our facilities will be excellent following the planned renovation and we consistently assess the program to ensure that we remain at the cutting-edge of clinical patient care as well as scholarly contributions to our profession. We cover the spectrum of clinical orthodontics in our program. I want to encourage our alumni to participate in the Graduate Program; come and share your expertise with us. Let me know if you have a clinical treatment or practice pearl to share and wish to visit us, I would be happy to create some time to support such participation.

I also want to take this opportunity to encourage you to attend the EIOH Centennial Celebration during the weekend of June 9-10. Dr. Ron Bellohusen and Linda Ferruzza have been communicating with you; I hope we see you all in Rochester in June! We have an orthodontic session with two well-known speakers Dr. Larry Wilford (well-known orthognathic surgeon from Dallas, TX) and Dr. Buzz Behrents (Editor-in-Chief of the AJODO and Director of the St. Louis Orthodontic Program). I would also like to have a short session with you during this weekend to obtain feedback as to your maturation as Eastman Orthodontists following your graduation.

Irrespective of the ups and downs of the economy we manage to provide the education required of a top-notch program. CONT. NEXT PAGE.
Funding, as you all know, plays a significant role to support our activities and I want to use this opportunity to thank the alumni for your continuous support of the department and wish to encourage you to continue this support of our program both financially and intellectually, as you have done in the past. Your generous financial donations orchestrated through the Alumni Executive play an important role in our development, our contributions to academic and clinical orthodontics and our continued effort to portray the Eastman image nationally and internationally.

In closing, I would like to again express my appreciation for your support during 2016 and wish you all a wonderful New Year! Come and visit us at Eastman during 2017!

Sincerely,

Dr. P. Emile Rossouw, BSc, BChD, BChD(Hons-Child Dent), MChD(Ortho), PhD, FRCD(C)
Professor and Chairman

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CLINIC DIRECTOR DR. BOB MALLOY

If any of our alumni are sentimental about Rochester winters, I am here to remind you that, yes, it is still snowy and cold. Maybe you miss those days... or maybe not! Because as you may recall, there’s no better way to start your day than turning a 20-minute commute into an hour and a half adventure in a whiteout. Ah, the charms of Upstate New York. And yet, despite blizzards, icy roads, and frozen hands, I am here to tell you that all is well at Eastman.

Our residents continue to do an amazing job in both their classes and clinic. Whether through presentations on varied topics, progress in their research projects, or patient care, they go above and beyond what is expected of them. Mentors like Dr. Rossouw and Dr. Fishman continue to provide input and guidance in the development of their research topics. As always, the backbone of the residents’ clinical experience is the many part-time faculty members who willingly share their expertise and knowledge on a daily basis. Without them, Eastman Orthodontics would not be the same. Clinically, we are working to create a model of efficiency that will prepare residents for the real world practice. Our second year residents are making excellent progress towards graduation in June. The first year residents are a pleasure to work with, in part, due to their collegial spirit. And, in October, we chose the six members of the Class of 2019. We are confident that these individuals will be a wonderful addition to our Eastman family.

With the EIOH Centennial Celebration scheduled for June, we are making progress with the remodel of our orthodontic clinic. The plans are finalized, the colors selected, and we look forward to having our new clinic in time for the celebration in June. Of course, these wonderful improvements are made possible by the generous donations of our alumni. Without the support of the Subtelny Fund, none of this can happen. As always, we are indebted to these alumni for their continuous support!

We are always available to answer any questions you may have about what is happening in your program here at Eastman. I hope everyone has a great year in 2017! We look forward to seeing you at the AAO in San Diego!
ORTho CLASS OF 2018

Hani Al Sibai was born and raised in Homs, Syria. He earned his Dental degree in 2007 from MISR University for Science & Technology, Egypt. Before he was accepted into the Orthodontic residency at Al Baath University, Syria, he did a one year GD internship and OMFS fellowship. In 2014 he started his TMJD & Orofacial pain residency at Eastman Institute for Oral Health. He is very glad that EIOH granted him the chance to fulfill his unaccomplished dream of being an orthodontist, a dream that started in Syria in 2009.

Hani enjoys discovering new places, swimming, cooking and reading about sports cars.

Andrea Frantz was born and raised in Scranton, Pennsylvania. She attended the University of Pennsylvania, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Health and Societies in 2011. Following college, Andrea completed Temple University’s dual degree Master of Public Health and Doctor of Medicine in Dentistry program. She graduated with her DMD and MPH, Epidemiology and Biostatistics concentration, in May 2016. While in dental school, Andrea worked for The Children’s Dental Health Project, a non-profit dedicated to improving children’s oral health, located in Washington, D.C. Andrea is extremely thankful and excited to join the Eastman family and begin her training in orthodontics. In addition to dentistry and public health, Andrea enjoys reading, exercising, exploring, the outdoors, and trying new foods.

Leah Peres was born and raised in Rochester, New York. She attended the University of Rochester for her bachelor’s degree in economics before moving to Philadelphia, PA where she attained her DMD from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine with honors. Leah is very excited to return to the Rochester area for her orthodontic education and looks forward to becoming an official member of the Eastman Dental family. During her free time, she enjoys traveling, cooking, hiking and is an avid fan of the Syracuse Orange and New York Yankees.

Patrick was born and raised outside of Binghamton, NY. He received a B.S. in biology from SUNY Geneseo in 2012, and went on to dental school at the University at Buffalo, where he graduated this May. He is thrilled to be a part of the Eastman orthodontic family, and cannot wait to begin working with the faculty and residents. In his free time he enjoys traveling, cooking, running, soccer, racquetball, and all outdoor activities.

Mike Skrobola was born in Rochester, NY, and raised in Middletown, NY. He attended Lafayette College and graduated with a BS in biology in 2012. In 2012 he was accepted into UB dental school class of 2016. He graduated in May and is excited to begin his orthodontic training at Eastman this summer! He enjoys weightlifting, football, and spending time with friends and family.

Alberto Tostado was born in Arizona but was raised in Sonora, Mexico. He attended Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo Leon in Monterrey, Mexico. He received his DDS in 2014. His journey in the United States began with a 1 year Postdoctoral Advanced Education in Orthodontics at Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, which he finished in May of 2016. He is anxiously to start his Orthodontic Residency at Eastman. In his free time he enjoys playing various outdoor sports, especially golf and he is also a car fanatic.
DEPARTMENT EVENTS AND NEWS

This year’s annual Graduate Orthodontic Residents Program (GORP) was held at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The trip kicked off a marathon month of traveling and programming for the first year residents. The six juniors rented a mini-van, captained by Dr. Patrick Scannell, and made the 7 hour journey together. After a fun night of socializing with other residents and dental school friends, Team Eastman went kayaking in the Huron River, and managed to be the wettest group to return back after an epic water fight. The following day, we attended many lectures and met Dr. James McNamara. The weekend culminated with a wonderful picnic and had the opportunity to play some games out on the field of the Big House, followed by a glow-in-the-dark 80s themed rave to close out the weekend. This year’s

Dinner with UB Residents After spending some time with the SUNY Buffalo residents at GORP, our first year residents met up with the Buffalo class after completing the lab course at Great Lakes Orthodontics Lab in August. The group spent the evening at Riverworks in Buffalo playing pickle ball, watching roller derby and having dinner on the water. Pictured below are the Eastman residents on the left and the UB residents on the right.

CONFERENCES COURSES AND MORE

Holly, Taz, Daisy and Matt, all second year residents attended the 120th Tweed Study Course offered by the Charles H. Tweed International Foundation in Tucson, Arizona. Not only they came back with awesome wire bending skills, but also with bleeding fingers and a great tan.
Eastman Ortho does Skaneateles

In May of 2016, the already graduated class of 2016, the current 2nd years and also the TMJ residents were invited by our beloved Dr. Fishman to enjoy a boat ride in the beautiful Skaneateles Lake. We had a wonderful time.

Later on, in late December, Dr. Fishman also invited everybody to enjoy the annual Charles Dickens Festival in Skaneateles, NY. The day began with donuts and hot chocolate in the Skaneateles Bakery followed by shopping, interacting with all of the Christmas Carol players, and lunch at Johnny Angels. Dr. Fishman then invited everyone to warm up at his house for dessert. We were fortunate to have the most picturesque snowfall to really help get into the holiday spirit. Thanks Dr. Fishman for such a fun experience!

In April of 2016, one of our clinical instructors, Dr. Deborah New, invited the 2nd year residents to visit her beautiful practice in Chili, NY. We had a chance to shadow, and also test the new iTero Element Scanner. Thank you Dr. New!
OUR STAFF

This year, Barb Birecree celebrated her 40th year working at Eastman Institute for Oral Health. Her many years of work are highly appreciated. Thank you very much for your dedication and love to our Orthodontic Department Barb!

…and our new staff…

Vanshay McKnight was born and raised in Rochester. She has two beautiful children, and she has been a dental assistant for three years. She was newly transferred from the Pediatric department to ours.

Sarah Coppola is also a native of Rochester. She is an alumna of Our Lady of Mercy High School and Rochester Institute of Technology. She has worked at EIOH since August, 2016. Sarah has previously worked as an educator and administrator, and loves her job as Division Secretary. Her hobbies include crafting, gardening, and volunteering.

Welcome both to our family!

DEPARTMENT EVENTS AND NEWS CONT:

Dr. Gallo, one of our clinical instructors and professors, is a NYS certified coach. He has been coaching at the high school level since 1998 both as JV and assistant varsity coach. In 2016 his team won the NYS championship in the biggest classification. Now he moved onto assisting coach at Sr. John Fisher College. CONGRATS Dr. Gallo!

YEAR END CELEBRATIONS

Halloween 2016 with a Harry Potter theme

Traditional Thanks Giving lunch
Rose Chen (Class of 2011), and her husband welcomed in July a baby girl into their lives, her name is Maddison Wang. Congratulations! She wrote to us saying: “These past few months have been quite the learning curve, and maybe even more challenging than going through orthodontic residency! Actually, no, nothing is more stressful than hot seat!”

Joana Godinho (Class of 2007) welcomed baby Ines on February 26, 2016.

ALUMNI NEWS

Dr. Maureen Wood (Ortho Class of 2012) has received her ABO Certification. CONGRATULATIONS DR. WOOD!!

Torin Chenard (Class of 2006) was mentioned in a recent AAO newsletter publication and also on NBC 7’s (San Diego). Dr. Chenard is rallying the community to gather donations for Haitian refugees who are living in camps in Tijuana. Orthodontist Torin Chenard is preparing for his third trip to take donations of food and blankets to one of the shelters at a Tijuana church, as part of a blanket and food drive he calls “Bussin’ Blankets to Baja.” He delivers the donations in his VW bus.

Dr. Ali Bahreman, known for his many accomplishments and contributions to dentistry, teaching and patient care during his 50+ year career, is retiring. After graduating as the top student from Tehran University Dental School, he came to Eastman for a Pediatric Dentistry Fellowship in 1964 and completed his Specialty in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedic training, combined with a master’s degree in 1967.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION DR. BAHREMAN!!
Dear Fellow Eastman Orthodontic Alumni:

This past March during the Annual Luncheon the 73rd American Cleft Palate–Craniofacial Association meeting in Atlanta, the J. Daniel and Joanne Subtelny research award for Clinical Orthodontics was awarded for the third consecutive year.

The $5,000.00 Clinical Orthodontics award for 2016 was shared by Matthew Hiersche, MD and Richard Kirschner, MD from The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, for their project entitled “Investigation Of The Oral Microbiome In Children With A Complete Cleft Lip And Palate Pre- And Post-alveolar Fistula Closure”. Dr. Figueroa was present during the award ceremony to meet Dr. Kirschner, one of 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 and Cleft Palate Foundation honoring the legacy in cleft care of the Boss and his beloved wife Joanne.

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 Cleft Palate Foundation, the charity arm of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, to continue your ongoing support.

- Online donations: www.cleftline.org/donate/
- Checks payable to: Cleft Palate Foundation

Mail to:
Cleft Palate Foundation
1504 E. Franklin St., Suite 102
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

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 the Subtelny family, Pedro Santiago and myself our warm felt thanks.

Sincerely,

Alvaro A. Figueroa

One of the recipients of the 2016 Subtelny Clinical Orthodontics Award, Dr. Richard Kirschner (Center) from the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, with Marilyn Cohen (Right), Presidents of the Cleft Palate Foundation and Dr. Alvaro Figueroa (Left), Eastman Orthodontic Alumni.
FROM YOUR ORTHO FAMILY

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017

BRING ON 2017 AND 2018!

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

Many thanks to everyone who made this edition of HOTSEAT happen.

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Don’t forget to visit the EIOH webpage to learn about all the upcoming events to celebrate the centennial!