ANNUAL CONVOCATION AND INDUCTION
DEAN’S MESSAGE:

I welcome this opportunity to bring greetings to the officers and members of Omega Chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon, and to thank you for your outstanding academic leadership throughout the past year.

In that regard, I want to cite the Class of 2013’s virtually 100 percent pass rate on part 1 of the National Board Examinations. As you know, the Class of 2013 distinguished itself by scoring 4 points higher than the national average, and between 4.5 and 8 percent higher than the national average in each of the disciplines. When you consider that the Class of 2012 scored a first-attempt pass rate of 100 percent on the National Board Exams last year, it becomes clear that NYU dental students are raising the bar on performance standards nationally.

But statistics tell only a part of the story. The engine that drives such success is fueled by our extraordinary faculty, exemplified by Omega Chapter members, whose talent and dedication, coupled with the incredibly hard work and intelligence of our students, is an unbeatable formula for success.

Equally important to our continuing success as a leading academic dental center is the construction, now underway, of a new, interdisciplinary health sciences education and research building directly across the street from the current NYU College of Dentistry. This is a unique opportunity that promises to be nothing short of transformational for our students, faculty, and the surrounding community. It will add significant teaching space to our college, allow us to relocate offices for student services and for two academic departments – biomaterials and biomimetics and epidemiology and health promotion – and free up existing space for research laboratories. Most important, through NYUCD’s collaboration with the College of Nursing and Polytechnic’s Department of Bioengineering, it will provide opportunities for a new model of healthcare education, delivery, and scientific partnership.

As we move forward with this endeavor, the role of Omega Chapter will be pivotal. With your help we will experience unprecedented innovation in dental education, the discovery of new knowledge, and the improvement of patient care. Thanks in large part to Omega Chapter, NYUCD has a heritage of innovation. I know that I can count on your passion, energy, commitment, and intellectual curiosity to bring the latest example of innovation – our new building – to fruition.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Bertolami, DDS, DMedSc
Herman Robert Fox Dean

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE:

As President of the Omega Chapter of the National Dental Honor Society, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) I would like to welcome all our members, new and old, to the fall newsletter. Membership has its privileges...no... membership IS a privilege. Membership in OKU is an earned privilege. It means something special. OKU is a special organization in that unlike many other “honored” societies, you cannot be self-nominated or merely apply to join. It is not a matter of paying an entrance fee or participating in a physical hazing. You have demonstrated something much greater to be a member. OKU membership is based on scholarship, leadership and ethics. Every member of this national organization has demonstrated this scholarly exceptionalism and ethics...our new inductees and our longest members!

OKU at New York University College of Dentistry has a long history of activity and success as an organization. This newsletter illustrates our commitment to academic excellence with the Dinner for Academic Excellence honoring outstanding third year students, the Kaufman and Alfano awards for academic excellence, OKU participation in student research day, welcoming freshman at the White Coat Ceremony, sponsoring the distinguished lecturer series in the fall and a convocation welcoming a new group of students to membership in May. This is an active chapter!

This year, the Omega Chapter will be even busier, updating our bylaws, preparing a pamphlet to be given to our freshman class describing our organization and co-sponsoring a one day seminar as our State of the Art lecture this fall. This winter, the Dinner of Excellence day will include our distinguished lecture series. We anticipate an active year for your Omega Chapter!

We welcome our new members to this newsletter and look forward to their careers as lifelong learners and their personal fulfillment as leaders in this profession. We welcome the activity of all our members in the Omega Chapter. Join in our pursuit of excellence!

Sincerely,

Mark S. Wolff, DDS, PhD
President
OMICRON KAPPA UPSILON OMEGA CHAPTER

Omicron Kappa Upsilon is a National Dental Honor Society founded in 1914 at Northwestern University School of Dentistry. The New York University College of Dentistry Chapter, Omega, was founded by charter on June 6, 1929, and is one of 51 active chapters in North America. Admission is based on scholarship and character and is determined by annual election by active members.

Alumni Members (Associate Members) are selected from the top 20% of the graduating class, as reported to the chapter annually by the Dean of Academic Affairs. From this listing, not more than 12% may be elected each year.

Faculty Members (Active) are selected from the dental college faculty and are those who have been teaching full time for three years or part time for six years. These faculty members must have made outstanding contributions to the art, science, or literature of dentistry.

Lifetime memberships may be granted to active (faculty) members who have been members for 30 years and who have reached the age of 60. Lifetime members are exempt from dues and retain all of the privileges of active members while they remain on the dental school faculty. Omega Chapter is interested in the accomplishments and activities of our members.

Please advise the secretary of your current address so that we can keep our rosters current and you can continue to receive our mailings. We would appreciate having your email address so that you will be able to receive all our future electronic newsletters which will keep you abreast of all the wonderful activities of the Omega Chapter as well as the Annual Convocation and Induction information.

White Coat Ceremony

Dinner of Academic Excellence
EVENTS CALENDAR
2012-2013

- September 4th, 2012, Tuesday
  White Coat Ceremony, 4:30pm, Skalad Auditorium

- Friday, November 02, 2012
  OKU Implant Symposium: “Controversies and Clinical Challenges in Dental Implantology”, 8am to 4:30pm, Skalad Auditorium
  Moderators: Dr. Steven Engebretson, Chair, Dr. Arthur Ashman Department of Implant Dentistry and Dr. Kenneth W.M. Judy, Co-Founder & Co-Chairman, International Congress of Oral Implantology
  Click "Register Now" and enter the code OKU upon check-out.
  Reception after Symposium, 4:30pm to 5:30pm at NYUCD Commons

  ***Update: Event delayed due to Superstorm Sandy – New date to be determined.*****

- Tuesday, February 12, 2013
  Distinguished Lecturer Series: Dr. Arthur Caplan - Ethics of Face Transplantation
  1pm to 2pm, Room 3W
  Dinner for Academic Excellence
  The dinner will be held at the NYUCD Commons by invitation only. Please contact Dr. Maureen McAndrew, (mm154@nyu.edu) for more information.

- Wednesday, February 20, 2013
  Omega Chapter Business Meeting, 1pm to 2pm, Room 3W

- Sunday, March 17, 2013
  Supreme Chapter Meeting/ADEA: Seattle, Washington
  Meeting will be held in Washington State Convention & Trade Center Seattle, Washington, USA

- Thursday-Friday, April 18-19, 2013
  Annual Research Day
  This event is sponsored by the Office of Research at the College. As it has for many years, our Omega Chapter provides judges for the competition and presents the OKU Omega Chapter Award to the undergraduate DDS student with the Outstanding Poster presentation in either basic science or clinical science. The Award consists of a certificate as well as monetary award.

- Thursday, May 09, 2013
  Annual Convocation and Induction Dinner
  RESERVE THIS DATE: The Water Club Restaurant; 6pm – The convocation induction of new members. For more information, please contact Dr. Michael Ferguson (mbf2@nyu.edu)
# OKU Omega Chapter Officers and Committees

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- David Glotzer, CH
- Michael Ferguson, CH (Alternate)

## Auditing/Finance
- Ivy Peltz, CH
- Esther Kuyinu
- Rima Sehl

## Awards
- Elise Eisenberg, CH
- Lisa Antonoff
- David Lefkowitz
- Gail Miranda
- Mitchell Lipp

## Convocation
- David Glotzer, CH
- Ken Allen, Co-CH
- Elise Eisenberg
- Michael Ferguson
- Esther Kuyinu
- Andrea Schreiber
- Gerald Klaczany
- Rima Sehl

## Member Relations
- Harvey Wishe, CH
- Gerald Klaczany
- Rima Sehl
- Jill Fernandez

## Membership
- Kenneth Allen, CH
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- Robert Glickman
- Paul Rosenberg
- Arthur Schackman
- Ashok Soni
- Anthony Vernillo
- Harvey Wishe
- John Calamia
- Gary Goldstein
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## Publications
- David Glotzer, CH
- Ivy Peltz
- Esther Kuyinu

## Nominating
- Elise Eisenberg, CH
- Mark Wolff
- David Glotzer
- Rima Sehl
- Jill Fernandez

## Student Activities
- Maureen McAndrew, CH
- Michael Ferguson
- Martine Mandracchia
- Rima Sehl
- Harvey Wishe
2012-2013 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

BIOGRAPHIES

President-, Mark Wolff, DDS, PhD., is Professor and Chair of the Department of Cariology and Comprehensive Care and Associate Dean for Pre-doctoral Clinical Education at the New York University College of Dentistry. Mark is a 1981 graduate of the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine and a 1982 Graduate of the Stony Brook General Practice Residency. Mark became a full time practitioner starting a family dental practice in Stony Brook Long Island, focusing on medically compromised patients and esthetic dentistry. He still maintains a small part-time practice there. He entered dental education as a part-time faculty while enrolled in a PhD program in Oral Biology and Pathology, completing his degree in 1997. During that time, he served as Chair of the Department of General Dentistry and Director of Operative Dentistry at Stony Brook. He was Director of their Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program for two years. In 1999, Mark became a full-time member at Stony Brook and helped to develop and implement the first paperless dental school in the nation. Mark has conducted a wide variety of laboratory and clinical research projects with over sixty funded projects completed. He has mentored nearly 100 DDS students in summer research projects during his career. Mark joined NYUCD in 2005, where he designed, developed, and implemented an extensive curriculum in caries risk assessment/minimal intervention and has designed dental information systems to monitor the risk of the entire dental patient populations. He was the founding Councilor of the ADEA Cariology Section. He has authored or co-authors over 50 papers and text chapters. He has served as the principal or co-principal investigator on more than $5 million in grants.

President Elect-, Elise S. Eisenberg, DDS, MA-, is Senior Director of Informatics and Clinical Professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Health Promotions at the New York University College of Dentistry (NYUCD) and is the course director for the D1 Healthcare Informatics course. Elise is a 1984 graduate of NYUCD, has practiced general dentistry in New York City and Washington, DC and became an NYUCD faculty member in 1991. She currently serves as the Secretary / Treasurer of the NYUCD Faculty Council and serves on the NYUCD Executive Management Committee, the NYU Teaching Technology Committee, as well as other NYUCD and University committees. Elise is the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Leadership Institute Alumni Association Vice President and an ADEA Curriculum Change and Innovation Liaison Representative for NYUCD. She is the founding chair of the ADEA Council of Sections Special Interest Group ‘Teaching and Learning with Emerging Technologies’ and previously served as an officer and councilor of the Dental Informatics section and as the ADEA Annual Session TechExpo Program Coordinator. Elise has taken a leadership position in the use of technology in dental education and was a plenary speaker at a recent Apple World Wide Developer Conference. She has also presented numerous lectures and symposiums at national professional meetings and has authored or co-authored several papers. Elise is an alumnus of the ADEA Leadership Institute (2001) and the Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) program (2006) and is the current recipient of the 2011 ADEA/William J. Gies Foundation Education Fellowship.

Vice President- David L. Glotzer, DDS is a Clinical Professor in the Department of Cariology and Comprehensive Care. David is a 1954 graduate of New York University (NYU) obtaining a B.A and is a graduate of NYU College of Dentistry earning his D.D.S. degree in 1958. He retired from the Army Reserves as a Colonel, AUS-ret. achieving the high decoration, the Legion of Merit. David has been involved in two major areas of interest at the College. One is the paradigm shift in treating caries from a surgical to a medical approach and to the understanding that caries, a bacterial infection, is a reversible multifactoral process. He is Director of the D2 course in Restorative Dentistry. The second is an initiative to define a role for dentists in a public health surge response to a major disaster. This includes being on the Dean’s Committee for Catastrophe Response, involved in curriculum changes, developing an emergency management plan, and participation in a DHS grant with the School of Medicine. He is a Consultant to the ADA Council on Dental Practice for Emergency Preparedness/ Disaster Response. He has many peer- reviewed publications in this area. David is a Mentor to new students, serves on the Committee on Academic Review and Standards at the College. He is also a consultant examiner for the Northeast Regional Dental Board.

Secretary-Treasurer-, Michael Ferguson, DMD completed his D.M.D. training and AEGD Certificate at Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine (GSDM). He has taught pre-doctoral and post-doctoral residents in dentistry at Boston University GSDM and at Harvard University School of Dental Medicine as well as at the Harvard Medical School. He is currently the co-director of fixed clinical prosthodontics at NYU College of Dentistry. His clinical areas of expertise include diagnosis, treatment planning, and restorative dentistry. He has been an active clinician, researcher and teacher since 1989. His research areas of interest include, tooth whitening/color and pre-clinical and clinical/didactic academic education programs. His most recent collaborate project included a satisfaction survey of patients receiving implants at NYUCD. Dr Ferguson has authored/co-authored numerous peer reviewed articles and has recently co-authored a book entitled "Clinical Cases in Prosthodontics". His mission as an educator is to teach ethical sound treatment planning and proper treatment sequencing and to assure an extensive clinical experience using the latest proven techniques and materials. As a teacher, he has an expertise in curriculum development including Problem Based Learning (PBL) and electronic case-based course materials. He lectures to the undergraduates, is actively involved in clinical supervision, and mentors both students and faculty in the clinics. He serves nationally as a CODA/ADA consultant, and is a member or chaired educational committees school wide and nationally.
OKU Distinguished Educator Lecture Presents:

**Ethics of Face Transplantation**

**By Dr. Arthur Caplan**, renowned ethicist and Founding Director Division of Medical Ethics, NYU Langone Medical Center

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Room: 3W

ARTHUR LEONARD CAPLAN

Currently the Drs. William F and Virginia Connolly Mitty Professor and founding head of the Division of Bioethics at New York University Langone Medical Center in New York City. Prior to coming to NYU he was the Sidney D. Caplan Professor of Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine in Philadelphia where he creates the Center for Bioethics and the Department of Medical Ethics. Caplan has also taught at the University of Minnesota, where he founded the Center for Biomedical Ethics, the University of Pittsburgh, and Columbia University. He was the Associate Director of the Hastings Center from 1984-1987.

Born in Boston, Caplan did his undergraduate work at Brandeis University, and did his graduate work at Columbia University where he received a Ph.D. in the history and philosophy of science in 1979. Caplan is the author or editor of thirty books and over 550 papers in refereed journals. His most recent books are *Smart Mice Not So Smart People* (Rowman Littlefield, 2006) and the *Penn Guide to Bioethics* (Springer, 2009).

He has served on a number of national and international committees including as the Chair, National Cancer Institute Biobanking Ethics Working Group; the Chair of the Advisory Committee to the United Nations on Human Cloning; the Chair of the Advisory Committee to the Department of Health and Human Services on Blood Safety and Availability; a member of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Illnesses; the special advisory committee to the International Olympic Committee on genetics and gene therapy; the ethics committee of the American Society of Gene Therapy and the special advisory panel to the National Institutes of Mental Health on human experimentation on vulnerable subjects. He recently served as the Co-Director of the Joint Council of Europe/United Nations Study on Trafficking in Organs and Body Parts. He is currently the ethics advisor to DOD/DARPA on synthetic biology.

He has been a member of the board of directors of The Franklin Institute, the Iron Disorders Foundation and the National Hemophilia Foundation’s Ethics Committee. He is on the Board of Visitors of the Columbia University School of Nursing. Caplan writes a regular column on bioethics for NBC.com. He is a monthly commentator on bioethics and health care issues for WebMD/Medscape. He appears frequently as a guest and commentator on various other national and international media outlets.

Caplan is the recipient of many awards and honors including the McGovern Medal of the American Medical Writers Association and the Franklin Award from the City of Philadelphia. He received the Patricia Price Browne Prize in Biomedical Ethics for 2011. He was a person of the Year-2001 from USA Today. He was described as one of the ten most influential people in science by Discover magazine in 2008. He has also been honored as one of the fifty most influential people in American health care by Modern Health Care magazine, one of the ten most influential people in America in biotechnology by the National Journal, one of the ten most influential people in the ethics of biotechnology by the editors of Nature Biotechnology.

He holds seven honorary degrees from colleges and medical schools. He is a fellow of the Hastings Center, the NY Academy of Medicine, the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, the American College of Legal Medicine and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.
2012 ANNUAL CONVOCATION

Kramer Award presented to Christina Chao:
Mark Wolff, Christina Chao, Maureen McAndrew, and Dean Charles Bertolami

Presentation of the Dr. Michael Alfano Award for Excellence in Research to Emad Abdou (no picture posted)

New Faculty Inductees: Wayne Kye, Vera W. L. Tang Kenneth Kurtz, Igor Chikunove, Marchi H. Levine and Silvia E. Spivakovssky

President's Medal to Outgoing President awarded to Jill Fernandez
Martin Roy, Jill Fernandez, Mark Wolff and Michael Ferguson

New Life Members presented to Bert Gaster, Elliott L. Janofsky, Gerald S. Hoch & Barry S. Myers
In Photo: Mak Wolff, Bert Gaster, Dean Charles Bertolami & Martine Mandracchia

Honorary Member presented Michael O' Connor
Mark Wolff, Michael O' Connor, Cosmo DeSteno & Dean Charles
Standing: Ralph Cunningham, Gary Goldstein, Mohammad Alavi, Steve Bergen
Seated: Aishwarya Indiramohan, Juliet Bergen

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Seated: Robert Schoor, Alvydas kulkeris, Karen Mak, Neal Herman

Standing: Nicholas Zawada, Deepa Chaudhury, Steve Resnick, Eric Studley, Mohammad Allamarvdasht, Benjamin Godder
Seated: Fred Moore, Stanley Turetzky, Euna Kim, Kelly Hwang

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Seated: Sergio Garcia-Rivera, Vida Monsour, Adam Kinzer, Carly Gutstein
THE DINNER

Seated: Louis Terracio, Yoojin Shin, Dr. Hah, Vera Tang

Standing: Mijin Choi, Soomin Jung, Igor Chikunov, Cosmo DeSteno, Christopher Ortiz, Justyna Balicka
Seated: Ashok Soni, Leila Jahangiri, Debbie Kurtz, Kenneth Kurtz, Marjan Moghadam

Standing: Paul Lazan, Thikampha Bertrand, Leigh Busch, Michel Obaid, Alexandra Pantzis
Seated: Mangayarkarasi Mathiyazhagen, Rima Sehl, Bert Gaster, Martine Mandracchia, Scott Rothenberg

Standing: Bapaniah Penugonda, Kirsten Schmidt, Kamen Genov, Timothy Adams, Catherine John
Seated: Andrew Schmidt, Anthony Vernillo, Ciara Schofield, Lyle Schofield, Andrew Schenkel
THE DINNER

Standing: Jonathan Low, Hung Tran, Peter Romanowski, Marie Duguay
Seated: Miriam Robbins, Joan Phelan Sarb Tatia Low, James LoPresti

Standing: Herb Gross, Ajay Singh, Michael Sultan, Bruce Brandolin, Dominick Conguista, Leslie Petosa
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Standing: Peter Sacks, Alvin Ngai, Glenn Marrus, Gerald Klaczany, Mitchell Erwin, Robert Boylan
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Standing: Sam S. Bae, Jimmie Kong, Mark S. Wolff, Elaine K. Bajana, Michael Ferguson
Seated: Elise Eisenberg, David Glotzer, Kenneth Allen, Matthew Miller, Laura Bacigalupo
THE DINNER

Standings:

Silvia Spivakovsky, Arizl Spivakovsky, Richard Vogel, Michael O’Connor, Cosmo DeSteno
Seated: Charles Bertolami, Michelle Yuching Chou, Eric Budiman, Stuart Hirsch

Standings:

Peter Mychajliw, Anthony Pallata, Robert Glickman, Alireza Hamidzadeh, Arta Sabouni
Seated: Firas Najeeb, Lana Daqwood, Arta Sabouni, Ahmed Tamim

Standings:

Jerome Lish, Neha Jiwani, Munir Jiwani, Ronald Maitland, Arthur Schackman
Seated: Umar Malik, Ayesha Farooq, Bijan Khakneger Moghadam, Mohit Jindal, Ankush Jindal

Standings:

Manpuneet Singh, Bhaskar Joshi, Manila Nuchhe Pradhan, Stan Dawkins
Seated: John Calamia, Kenneth Magid, Harmon Cooper, Ritu Mohan
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