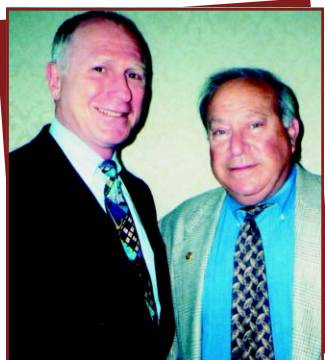


# A MESSAGE FROM YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



## *Dear Alumni and Friends:*

It is our pleasure on behalf of the Alumni Association of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, Dental School, University of Maryland, Inc. to announce that after five years, we have agreed to unite once again with the Dental School.

On May 18, 2002, a resolution was passed at the annual membership meeting that approved an agreement for re-affiliation, established changes in the organization's Constitution and By-Laws, and confirmed with the former, internal alumni association, a mutually acceptable Board of Directors and officers. This followed a resolution by the former internal alumni association to cease its operation once these conditions were met, in order to form one unified alumni organization. As a result of these votes, the two alumni associations have agreed to operate as one independent alumni association, which will now conduct business under the name above.

Ratification of the agreement and recognition by the Board of Regents is expected in the fall. Dean Richard Ranney has already indicated that he will support this action. Congratulations and sincere thanks are in order to Dr. Ranney, Dr. Warren Morganstein, members of the Transition Committee including Drs. Harry Dressel, Sylvan Feldman, Mel Kushner, John Patterson, Bill Patteson, Shelley Silverman, Bob Wilson, the boards and officers of both organizations, and Ray Alcaraz and Neil McCabe of the School's Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

We now plan on working with the School to increase and improve the benefits that alumni receive. We will assist in the sponsorship and coordination of CE programs, regional receptions and of course, Alumni Weekend. We will work with the School in providing alumni information on the School's Web page, while searching for new and exciting ways to support alumni and the School. Your participation and suggestions are key to our success. Please let us know your ideas!

These are exciting times at the Dental School. A unified Alumni Association, the construction of a new, state-of-the-art building, new Dental School leadership, and increased alumni events and activity all working to meet the needs of our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and supporters. We are pleased to begin our new journey during this positive time.

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