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# Dentalgram

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for students, faculty, and staff

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## The Current Report

### *Dental Foundation of California gives generous gift to School of Dentistry*

A gift of \$8,500 was recently presented to the School of Dentistry by the Dental Foundation of California, bringing their total gifts to the School since 1985 to approximately \$100,000.

These donations have been given to worthy students in the form of \$1000 to \$2000 scholarships. Every year seniors are chosen on the basis of several criteria. They must be in the top half of their class, demonstrate clinical excellence, and be in particular financial need. They must also show professionalism in patient management, and give evidence of personal responsibility and leadership capabilities.

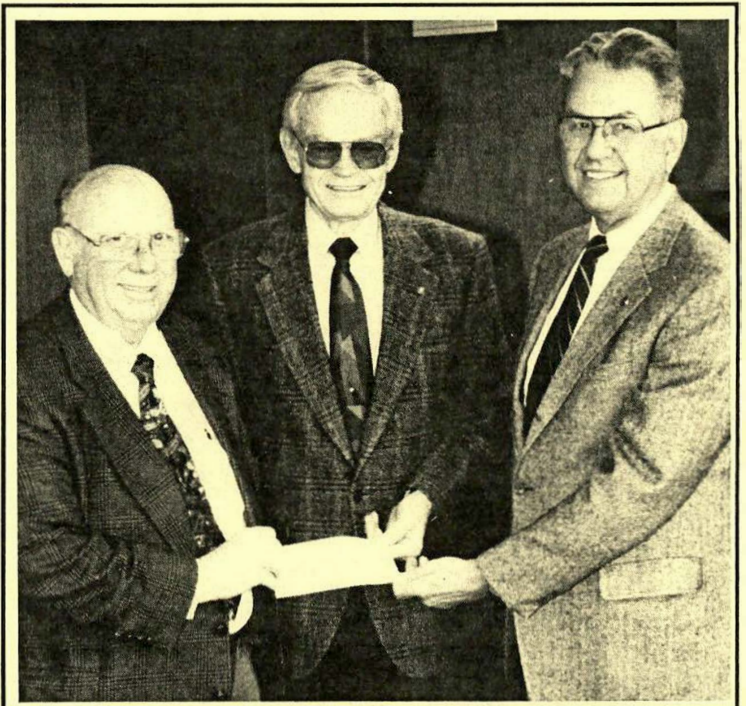
Last year five students received \$2000 scholarships. Recipients are announced each year during the awards ceremony in May.

The Dental Foundation of California has a long history of support and mentorship of the students of Loma Linda University School of

Dentistry.

In the early- to mid-1970s, the Foundation sponsored practice management seminars for dental students at LLU, USC, and UCLA. Since 1985 this non-profit group has given everything it makes to hygiene schools, community colleges, mobile clinics, dental technology programs, vaccination programs, and the three aforementioned schools. They are particularly interested in helping

*Drs. King (far left) and Gamboa (far right) present Dean Klooster with a check for \$8,500 to benefit students at LLUSD.*



students develop ethical principles and practice management skills.

The Foundation is assisted by members of four dental societies: Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, San Fernando Valley, and San Gabriel Valley. Despite their distance from Loma Linda University, involved LLU alumni and friends—such as Euell King, SD'59, and George Gamboa, DDS, part time associate professor of oral surgery at LLU, both Foundation board members—actively promote the School of Dentistry as a recipient of the Foundation's scholarships.

"Many of our most capable students have benefited by support from the DFC student scholarships. These alumni are most appreciative of the help provided them by the foundation; in some cases the awards came at crucial turning points in their student lives, when the continuation of their professional education seemed threatened by financial stresses," notes Judson Klooster, DDS, dean of the School of Dentistry.

### *Phonathon raises \$125,480*

The Century Club Annual Fund phonathon concluded in March with a total of \$125,480 in pledges received from alumni for the 1992-93 campaign. A total of 46 volunteers participated this year, many on several different evenings.

The phonathon is a major component of the Annual Fund campaign to raise funds which will support the central sterilization project and extramural programs in the School, as well as the important dental alumni student loan fund.

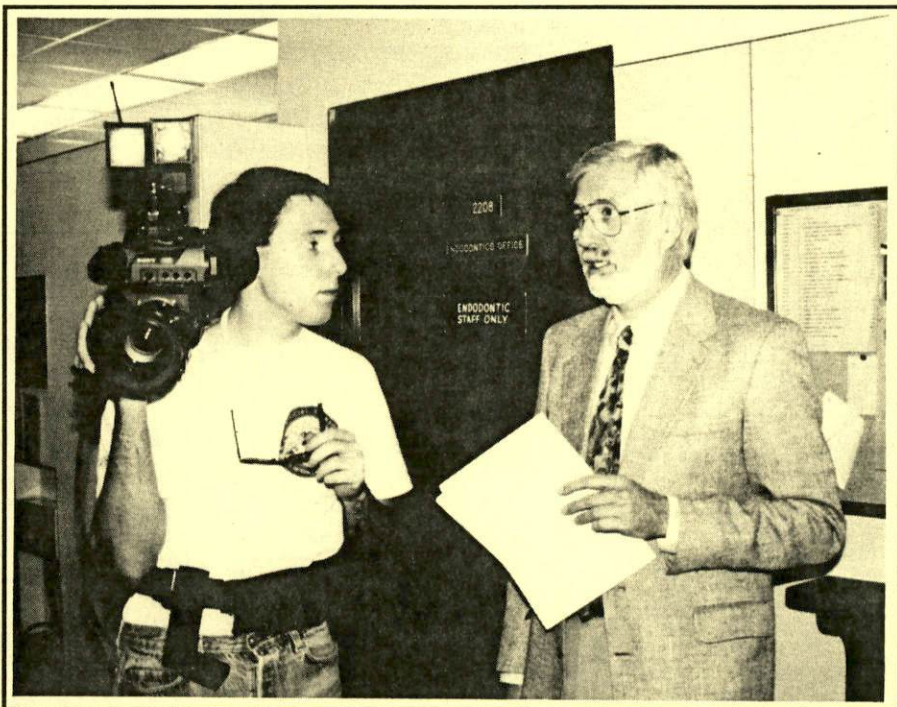
Participating in the phonathon this year were Thor Bakland, Jeff Barlow, James Beltz, Michael Boyko, Mark Carpenter, Pam Caviness, Sandra Chan, Alden Chase, Robert Clement, William Coffman, Mervin Ellstrom, Lori Everett, Eldon Fedun, Dan Flores, Michael Fox, Art Garner, James Harris, Bill Heisler, Randy Hoff, Bob Jung, Judson Klooster, and

Fred Knight.

Others were Dan Kunihiro, Hank Mercado, Dave Moore, Gary Moore, Michael Moore, Wil Nation, Quint Nicola, Richard Parker, David Rynearson, Mary Samida, Don Sand, Willis Schlenker, William Seibly, James Sellas, Randy Szutz, Tony Theodorou, Steve Tracey, Duane Wacker, Dave Westerberg, Eun Whi Whang, Ken Wical, Gary Wuchenich, and Dennis Zingler.



*Eun Whi Whang, SD'93*



*Recently, Leif K. Bakland, chair of endodontics, was interviewed for the David Horowitz consumer program on CNBC, a nationwide syndicated program. The issue concerned the problems with the use of "Sargenti Paste," a formaldehyde containing root canal paste. The program was aired during February.*

# Students on the Move

## *Mission trips held over spring break*

Two groups of students traveled to Mexico during spring break to provide free dental work.

Five students and two dentists went with Students for International Mission Service to El Hongo on March 20 and 21. Included in the group were Stephanie Bregman, Roger Brown, Kiran Dhesi, Rasika Jain, Andy Wu, and Drs. Linda Martinez and Todd Milledge.

From March 22 to 25, a larger group worked at the Clinic of Hope for Children in Rosarita under the leadership of J. B. Jablonski, DDS, director of extramural programs. Participants included William

Bailey, Stephanie Bregman, Paul Murashige, Albert Tom, Don Kim, Maria Sheu, David Remiche-Vu, Yvette Felipe, Leland Raymond, Jay Din, David Gilbert, Jaime Gonzalez, David Samaniego, Lena Yacoub, Russ Wimer, Dan Bui, Debra Finch, and Dr. Reggie Padgett.

## *Student conduct committee acts*

The student conduct committee recently met to discuss two incidents. Two students were caught cheating on a quiz; for both it was a first offense. The students were assigned 150 hours of community service to be served in some sort of dental community outreach run by the School of Dentistry.



# Faculty/Alumni Bulletin

## **AADS/IADR**

• Loma Linda University School of Dentistry was well represented at the recent meetings in Chicago of the American Association of Dental Schools and the International Association of Dental Research.

Attending one or both meetings were

Leif K. Bakland, DDS, chair of endodontics

Thor Bakland, DDS, executive associate dean

Fred Berry, DDS, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Barbara Bostwick, director of advancement

Steve Christiansen, SD'93, DSA president

Ron Dailey, associate dean for student services

James Dunn, DDS, associate professor of restorative dentistry

Marie Durflinger, SD'95

Ralph Feller, DDS, chief of dental services at the VA Hospital

Richard Finkelman, DDS, PhD, associate professor of periodontics

Theresa Guillen, DH'94

Mark Haney, DDS, graduate periodontics student

William Heisler, DDS, associate dean for clinic administration

Clifford Herrmann, PhD, associate professor of biochemistry

Carey Hughes, DH'93

Hildur Karadottir, instructor of dental hygiene

James Kettering, PhD, professor of microbiology

Judson Klooster, DDS, dean

Jacob Lee, DDS, associate professor of pediatric dentistry

George Lessard, PhD, director of research planning

Lamont Murdoch, SD'94

Todd Murdoch, associate dean of financial administration

Harold Nemetz, DDS, professor of international dentistry

Per Nygaard-Ostby, DDS,

*It is not because  
things are  
difficult that we  
do not dare,  
it is because we  
do not dare that  
they are difficult.*

former visiting associate professor of periodontics

Robert Riegel, DDS, assistant professor of restorative dentistry

Willis Schlenker, DDS, assistant professor of orthodontics

Knut Selvig, DDS, PhD, visiting professor of periodontics

Thor Sigurdsson, DDS, visiting associate professor of periodontics

Tricia Starrett, DH'93

Georg Tellefsen, DDS, associate professor of periodontics

Anthony Tjan, DDS, professor of restorative dentistry

Ulf Wikesjö, LDS, director of advanced education in periodontics

Warren Yow, DDS, associate professor of restorative dentistry

Those who attended were involved in various meetings, workshops, and presentations, including the following: Dr. L. Bakland was one of the speakers at the joint symposium, *Priorities for Future Dental Pulp Research*, and presented a research report on *Odds Ratios for Associated Factors in Pulpitis*. The latter was co-authored by Shelley Aronson, SD'84, PG'92, and M. A. C. Frankson, MD, a graduate student in epidemiology. Dr. Bakland also served as immediate past-president of the Pulp Biology Group of the IADR.

Ron Dailey was chair of the financial aid section, and attended workshops on testing effectiveness, success skills for students, and faculty evaluations.

Drs. Dunn, Berry, Riegel, Nemetz, and Schlenker gave poster presentations, and Dr. Heisler gave an oral presentation. Drs. Berry and Riegel also attended workshops on problem-based learning and critical thinking, psycho-motor skills, and writing better tests.

Dr. Lee gave a poster presentation, which was co-authored by Dr. Tjan and S. Y. S. Lee. And, student Steve Christiansen also presented a poster project.

Todd Murdoch attended meetings on business and finance, and—on a side note—visited Northwestern

dental school while in town. He notes that, like LLU, Northwestern is heavily dependent on clinic productivity and has a similar class size. Mr. Murdoch spent one morning with their financial officer, making comparisons between the two schools. He reports that LLU compares very favorably. Our school, while maintaining similar tuition, is able to employ a greater support staff due to substantial clinic revenue—an important by-product of clinic productivity.

Drs. Lessard, Herrmann, Finkelman, Haney, Sigurdsson, Selvig, Kettering, Nygaard-Ostby, and Wikesjö also presented papers. In addition, Dr. Wikesjö successfully orchestrated an IADR symposium on wound healing models in periodontal reconstructive surgery. The symposium is shortly to be published in the *Journal of Periodontology*. Additionally, during the meeting Dr. Sigurdsson, his wife—Ms. Karadottir, and Dr. Wikesjö were invited as guests to the Hu-Friedy company.

Some repeated issues which came up at the AADS meeting were on teaching critical thinking skills; developing technologies in dentistry and "informatics" (how we process information and using technology to assist students); diversity issues, including women, minorities, and cultural differences between students, faculty, and patients; and health care reform legislation.

*(Special thanks to those who supplied information to assist in compiling this report.)*

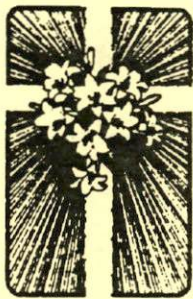
### **Interdepartmental**

• The divisions of continuing dental education, oral implantology, and international dentistry hosted two groups of foreign dentists during March.

The first group included one from Honduras, three from Argentina, three from France, two from Chile, 15 from Mexico, and one from the United States. Dr. Mario Flores served as interpreter for the

***Attention,  
departments!  
We would like to  
include  
information  
about your  
visiting  
professors in  
Dentalgram, but  
don't always  
hear about them.  
Please make a  
note to call  
Sheila at x4984  
whenever you  
have information  
on visitors.***

## Happy Easter



*For if God does  
not exist it would  
of course be  
impossible to  
prove it;  
and if he does  
exist it would be  
folly to attempt it.*

Sören Kierkegaard  
1813-1855

Spanish-speaking dentists. Lecturers included Drs. Milos Boskovic, Philip Boyne, Ulysses Dutler, Robert James, Michael Klein, Jaime Lozada, and Timothy Welch.

The second group consisted of 11 dentists from Taiwan. Dr. Ming-Way Lee served as interpreter. Lecturers included Drs. Boskovic, Boyne, Dutler, James, Klein, Lee, Lozada, and Welch, as well as Drs. Bruce Pence and Ralph Roberts.

- Six faculty members are attending a special seminar, *Peer Coaching: Improving Classroom Instruction*, being held Tuesday and Thursday nights, March 30 through April 30, in the faculty reading room. The event is taught by three noted specialists in faculty development and teaching/learning improvement in professional education, Drs. Norman Powell and Eugene Gascay, from the LSU School of Education, and Dr. Gail Rice, from the Schools of Allied Health Professions and Public Health. Those attending from the School of Dentistry are Cheryl Eller, and Drs. Mike Duggan, Leroy Leggitt, Lin Martin, Todd Milledge, and Klaus Wolfram.

### *International dentistry*

- Ming-Way Lee, DDS, assistant professor of international dentistry, was recently inducted as a Fellow to the Academy of Dentistry International. Congratulations on this accomplishment.

### *Oral & maxillofacial surgery*

- Mark Womack, DDS, assistant professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery, has been notified that he successfully passed the certification examination for oral and maxillofacial surgery, and is now a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He successfully passed the written portion last September, and the oral examination in February. Congratulations!

- Philip Boyne, DMD, director

of the oral surgery residency, was one of the presenters and was a course director in a CE course on *Rigid Fixation*, given by the School of Dentistry on March 28. He also presented another CE course on March 15, *Advances in Dentistry*, and a third course on *Implant Prosthodontics*, March 8.

Dr. Boyne was also a guest lecturer at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 2. He spoke to the residents in oral and maxillofacial surgery on various problems in bone grafting.

### *Orthodontics*

- Bernard Byrd, DDS, chair of orthodontics, was recently honored by the Air Force. Sgt. Peach and Col. Spade presented Dr. Byrd with a plaque during one of his classes, thanking him for all his help as a liaison for the Air Force.

## For Your Information

### *Join the ranks of Bach and Beethoven (ha)*

Loma Linda University is searching for a new theme song which embodies the inspirational, healing philosophy of the institution.

Prospective composers/lyricists should come up with several inspirational lines followed by a line or stanza capturing the distinctive thrust of each School (Allied Health, Dentistry, Graduate, Medicine, Nursing, Public Health, Religion), though not necessarily mentioning them by name. Wrap it up with closing lines, and submit to

Theme Song Project  
W. Augustus Cheatham, VP  
for Public Affairs, LLU  
Loma Linda, CA 92350

The chosen song will become the property of LLU and

the authors must completely sign over all copyrights. An honorarium of \$500 will be given to the winner.

Send lyrics no later than June 30, 1993. If including music, send a complete manuscript, including accompaniment of melodic line. Recordings should be sent on a labeled tape in a padded envelope. Include a typewritten lyric sheet, with names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all involved.

### **Library has new dental acquisitions**

The following new dental literature is now available at the Del E. Webb Memorial Library:

- *Esthetic dentistry: a clinical approach to techniques and materials*
- *Essentials of oral histology and embryology*, Leslie Gartner
- *Periodontology today: proceedings of the Conference "Periodontology Today" held in Zurich, May 6-8, 1988, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the European Research Group for Oral Biology*
- *The principles and practice of dentistry: including anatomy, physiology, pathology, therapeutics, dental surgery, and mechanism*, Chapin Harris
- *Minor surgery in orthodontics*
- *A collection of ceramic works: a communication tool for the dental office and laboratory*

### **Women needed for study**

Women, ages 18 to 60, who are either 50 or more pounds overweight or right at desirable body weight are needed for a study on eating habits.

## **Newsnotes**



### **Welcome**

We would like to welcome two new employees to the dental school family: Kathy Olsen in urgent care, and Carol Wical in data entry.

Also, Michelle Rice, who came to work temporarily in graduate

Food/exercise records will be recorded for two weeks. Participants receive reward package consisting of computerized nutrition analysis and body fat testing, valued at \$150.

If interested, contact the department of nutrition and dietetics, SAHP, at 824-4593 before April 12. Research assistants will contact you for additional screening.

### **ASLLU officers elected**

Congratulations to all the newly elected 93-94 ASLLU officers.

PRESIDENT	Scott Elliott <i>MD/PhD student</i>
VICE PRESIDENT	Dean Lee <i>pharmacology student</i>
FINANCIAL VP	Schubert Sopian <i>dental student</i>
SOCIAL VP	Heidi Hamilton <i>PT student</i>
RELIGIOUS VP	no candidate: <i>to be appointed by student senate</i>

Special thanks goes to Scott Parker, Richard Guthrie, Mike Newton, Dave Wilkenson, Kristy Macias, Denise Edwards, and the election committee for their tremendous effort in getting the ballots distributed to their classmates.

### **Sports season coming**

Attention sports fans: basketball, floor hockey, indoor soccer, softball, and volleyball all begin at the University Activities Center on Monday, April 12. Check at the gym for more information.

*Chance favors the trained mind.*

Louis Pasteur  
1822-1895

### **ASLLU Beach Vespers**

Coronal del Mar  
Friday, May 7

Come enjoy food, song, and friends; call x44979 for more info

*Sponsored by Open Door and Upper Room vespers*

periodontics, has decided to stay and is now in patient relations.

### **Congratulations**

Several new members have been added to the School family. Congratulations to the following:

• **Ed Granillo**, in the patient business office, was married on February 20 to Patricia Pedroletti in Palm Springs. Mrs. Granillo is a jeweler, and originally from Sweden. Welcome Patricia, and we wish you both the best.

• **Mary Hughes**, supervisor of graduate periodontics, and her husband, Joe, are proud parents of Jonathan Joseph Hughes, 7 lbs., 2 oz., and 20" long.

• **Maria Rosado**, implantology, and husband John welcomed Tatiana Mariah Danielle Rosado on January 29. She weighed 8 lbs, 3 oz., and was 19 1/2" long. Their son, Tommy, is pleased with his little sister.

### *Don't go with the "Flo"*

As many are aware, trauma and/or disaster are travel companions with **Florence Wetmore** (dental educational services).

Witness her most recent expeditions to

Hawaii—during which Hurricane Iniki came full force; and to Maryland—where she arrived just hours preceding the "Storm of the Century." Some may also have noted that whenever Florence leaves, the Southland suffers an earthquake.

**Ellis Jones** (dental graphics), who was in Washington, DC, during The Storm, reports that if he'd only known Florence was going, he would have rescheduled his vacation.

In the interest of those still planning vacations this year, we have discovered that Florence will be in Pennsylvania during the last of May, and in Las Vegas during mid-September. You may wish to plan accordingly. We love ya, Florence (we just don't want to travel with you)!

### *Appreciation corner*

Everyone knows that the main clinic is the center of activity for

the dental school—particularly as graduation draws near. We also know that Kat's desk is the nerve center of the clinic. Without the support and perseverance of **KAT DEGHIONNO**, our days would be even more stressful.

Kat is one of those rare people who can care for many challenges at the same time—locating clinic chairs for students on the waiting list, finding backup patients for board candidates, finding instructors for students, finding students for instructors, finding tour guides, and trying her best to avoid having to reschedule a waiting patient. Many have experienced Kat's "miracles"—with both people and facilities—that have enabled them to meet deadlines or make the right contacts.

Even though her day is filled with unnumbered details to be cared for, Kat has time to care for the personal needs of the students. She always takes time to send get-well cards, staying in touch with the successes of alumni, recognizing and caring for those in need of an extra bit of support and encouragement.

Thank you, Kat, for being there for all of us, and for being willing to do the extra details that make our lives easier.

### *In sympathy*

The School family extends its sympathy to several members who are experiencing illness or loss.

**Dr. Ming-Way Lee**, IDP, is currently in Taiwan with his family due to the recent loss of his brother.

**Keith Ogawa**, student, is in the hospital recovering from brain surgery for a benign growth.

**Scott Brookshire**, student, severely cut a tendon in his hand, delaying his graduation for a time.

Our fearless leader, **Dr. Judson Klooster**, is recovering nicely in the Medical Center after a mild cardiac problem.

We want to remember these folks in our prayers and with our support.





## **Happy Birthday**

*Wishing a happy birthday to those born in April.*

Anahid Benzatyan, collections  
Stella Calderon, endodontics  
Darrell Cyphers, advancement  
Susan Davis, operator  
Sandy Duran, orthodontics  
Ellis Jones, graphics studio  
Anna Koon, insurance  
Monica Lange, floater  
Mary Marcarian, research giving  
Vicki Rempel, records  
Thor Sigurdsson, periodontics  
Duane Wacker, restorative dent  
Florence Wetmore, educ serv  
Miriam Yanez, floater

## **Correction**

We regret the error in the March *Dentalgram*, listing Dr. Ulf Wikesjö as director of graduate education in endodontics. He holds the title of director of graduate education in *periodontics*. There was some debate between departments as to whether this was a promotion or a demotion; nonetheless, profuse apologies for this mistake. . .

Apologies also to Odie Fontoura, insurance, whose name was misspelled in the last issue.

## **Thanks**

*Thanks to all who contributed to this issue of Dentalgram.*

Leif K. Bakland, endodontics  
Thor Bakland, academic admin  
Barbara Bostwick, advancement  
Eric Chacon, ASLLU  
Julie Cranfill, periodontics  
James Crawford, educational services  
Ron Dailey, student services  
Mary Hartwell, clinic administration  
J. B. Jablonski, extramural missions  
Judson Klooster, dean  
Donna Minder, international dentistry  
Kathleen Moore, continuing education  
Rosemary Passmore, oral surgery  
Florence Wetmore  
Ulf Wikesjö, periodontics  
Nancy Yuen, University relations

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