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# Dentalgram

A monthly publication of the dean's office  
for students, faculty, and staff

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It's time to sign up for the School of Dentistry-

## Family Retreat

Run, don't walk, to Dee in the department of restorative dentistry to sign up for this year's Family Retreat. (Or you could just call her at x44640.)

School of Dentistry Family Retreat is scheduled for October 1 to 3 this year. The later date will give more students the opportunity to attend.

As any who attended last year already know, this is the weekend to look forward to each year. Mere words cannot describe the bliss which comes from leaving phones, appointments, patients, problems, and smog (!), and escaping to the beautiful Pine Springs area.

Plans for this year include absolutely *no* continuing education, *no* business meetings, *no* committee meetings. What you *can* expect is plenty of time for sports, worship, shopping, eating, visiting, and general relaxation.

Students are working now to arrange for softball, volleyball, and basketball for Friday afternoon and Sunday morning. Bring your own

mitts for softball in case there aren't enough to go around.

Friday night will include a campfire with an old fashioned sing-along. Elder and Mrs. Richard Duerkson, a well-known pastoral couple, will be presenting special, family-oriented topics for Sabbath worship. As usual, talented students and employees will present special music on a variety of instruments throughout the weekend.

Sabbath afternoon will feature a hike and a trip to the Living Free Center for cats and dogs.

And then there's Saturday night. Just who was that dignified teacher cavorting around

in a dress and pigtails last year?!!

Only \$60 a room covers you and your spouse, and all meals. Extra children: ages 0-4, free; 5-12, \$6/meal; 12+, \$8/meal. Up to six will fit in a room. Up to six SD students may share a room and split the \$60. Or, you may come up just for Sabbath and enjoy lunch for free.

### Calling all *tuba* players!

If you play the tuba, you have the opportunity to claim a highly honored position in the official Family Retreat Hungry-Five German Oompah Band, which will make its professional debut performance at the upcoming retreat.

For more info, call Judie at x48289.

# The Current Report

## *Denti-Cal benefits to change*

Denti-Cal benefits for adults (ages 21 and over), except those who are under long-term care, will change on August 15.

Any NOA (notice of authorization) issued prior to August 15 and submitted for payment with dates of service on or after August 15 will be subject to processing under the guidelines of the new program.

Dentists are encouraged to submit a new "Treatment Authorization Request" for any of the procedures affected by the new basic program.

Following are the affected procedures:

- *oral surgery*—250, 252, 255-258, 267
- *periodontics*—451-453, 472-474
- *endodontics*—502, 503, 511-513, 530, 531
- *crowns*—650-653, 660, 663, 671, 672
- *prosthodontics*—680-682, 692, 693
- *removable prosthodontics*—700-706, 708, 709, 712, 716, 721-724

## *Careers in Dentistry draws crowd*

An enthusiastic group of interested individuals attended the Careers in Dentistry Workshop, held from July 18 to 20, under the leadership of Kenneth Pierson, DDS, assistant professor of dental anesthesia, and coordinated through the admissions office by Sylvia Davis, director, and Sandy Goldbach, assistant director. The workshop is held each summer for those who are looking at a career in health care as a possible professional goal, and who want to know more about dental hygiene and dentistry.

With the exception of two from Washington state, all participants were from California. The group included 18 who had expressed an interest in learning more about dental hygiene, and 24 with an interest in dentistry. Three members of the

group, Rohn Falter, Jan Panacek, and Laura Tellis, will be students in the School beginning this fall.

Activities included tours of the School provided by the Dental Student Association under the leadership of Jim Henderson, and a tour of the Medical Center, provided by Dick Schaefer, director of community relations.

The participants spent time in clinic "shadowing" dental students, and an evening in clinic charting with the dental hygiene students. Staff assisted them in learning how to take an x-ray during an evening in radiology. One of the favorite activities was an operative lab in which the prospective dentists had an opportunity to try their skills doing a wax-up.

Faculty participating included Bernard Byrd, Dennis Clark, Kay Clifford, James Crawford, Sylvia Davis, James Dunn, Paul Engen, Jerry Jablonski, James Kettering, Judson Klooster, George Lessard, John Leyman, Jaime Lozada, Douglas McKendry, John Peterson, Doug Roberts, Gayle Saxby, Clarence Schilt, Kenneth Wical, Jim Wise, and Klaus Wolfram.

Student participants included Chris Amezcua, Danette Barr, Krista Bitterman, Jennifer Braaksma, Alan Brant, Curtiss Castonguay, Evelyn Catuira, Renee Christensen, Cherin Chung, Isabel Corral, Carrie Cox, Cliff Cullings, Angela DeMase, Jason Dittberner, Marc Dunn, Melissa Endsley, Rohn Falter, Sonja Finnie, Jason Fundell, Shelly Glass, Amber Goldbach, Marianne Igros, Jese Kinkead, Jack Krajekian, Fran Lewis, Rhonda Louis, Lauri Marsh, Lisa Mather, Alicia Mesa, Rebecca Muzio, Curtis Olsen, George Pace, Jan Panacek, Clair Parker, Aripa Patel, Jennifer Pennell, Sophia Peralta, Jonathan Reth, Jared 2

*The primary sign  
of a well-ordered  
mind is man's  
ability to remain  
in one place and  
linger in his own  
company.*

Lucius Seneca  
c. 4 BC - 65 AD

## *A word to the wise*

A warning to all who sometimes park their cars on Taylor Street: the city no longer marks tires in the two-hour parking area. They record your location on a computer and keep up with time that way. Therefore, if you go out to check and don't see any chalk marks, you're not necessarily safe. They've been checking quite religiously, and ticketing all over the place.

Ruminson, Jack Shea, Lisa Sohn, Corey Steinbrunn, Marc Steiner, Cindy Sumarauw, Laura Tellis, Vitru Tran, Tina Truong, Linda Varda, Ann Valadez, Ngocle Vu, and Teri Wikesjö.

The DSA provided breakfast for the group on Tuesday morning. The event ended with a dinner in the fellowship hall of the University Church, at which time they received their certificates.

### *Slogan contest announced*

The annual DSA-sponsored slogan contest for Patient Appreciation Week will be held from Monday, August 2, to Friday, August 27.

This year's prize will be one quarter of free parking in the K-lot, directly behind the School of Dentistry.

Students, faculty, and staff, place your entries in the box next to the patient relations office.

## Students on the Move

### *IDP welcomes new student, visiting clinician*

One new IDP student was not mentioned in the last issue of *Dentalgram*. Suk Lien Chiu, from Hong Kong, attended dental school in Taiwan and received her degree from Kaohsiung Medical College. Lien was born in Vietnam, where she lived until the communist government took over; she and her family then moved to Hong Kong.

Also welcomed to the department is Vitaly Bondar, DDS, a visiting dentist from Moscow, Russia.

Dr. Bondar is here for a three-month period of professional training, assisting and treating patients. He expects to refine his professional skills, and to observe and be instructed in a clinical setting. Dr. Bondar will return to Russia to work in a clinic at the Adventist Seminary outside Moscow.

Dr. Bondar has had five years of dental training in Dnipropetrovsk in the Ukraine. He has a brother who is a student dentist there. Dr. Bondar has worked in a Seventh-day Adventist health center in Moscow.

A special welcome goes to Drs. Chiu and Bondar.

### *DFF sponsors Sabbath outing*

Dental Family Fellowship held Sabbath school at the Idyllwild Thousand Trail Resort Camp on Saturday, July 24. A group of over 25

met and car-pooled to the location.

Sam Sheu, SD'94, accompanied a "sing along with the birds" on his guitar, and then gave a short Bible talk.

Later the group enjoyed a potluck lunch, played Bible charades, and went on a hike.

Accompanying faculty included Art (assistant professor of oral diagnosis) and Betty Garner (director of dental records), Fred (assistant professor of restorative dentistry) and Cheryl Reth, and Irv (director of graduate prosthodontics) and Edie Logan. Auville Krause, SD'95, was the student organizer.

Upcoming Sabbath school classes will be led by the following people: August 7, Wil Nation, chair of pediatric dentistry, and Lauralee Nygaard; Aug. 14, J. B. Jablonski, assistant professor of oral surgery, and Maria Sheu; Aug. 21, Doyle Nick, assistant professor of restorative dentistry, (student to be decided); Aug. 28, (faculty/staff to be decided) Sam Sheu. DFF won't meet over the Labor Day weekend.

Meanwhile, the Tuesday night Bible Fellowship continues to meet and is going very well. The group averages around 12, and is currently studying Daniel and Revelation at the request of several students. Any who are interested in joining should contact Betty Garner or Dan Zunitch, SD'95.

## *Attention!!!*

Contributors to *Dentalgram* will still get reminder calls for the September issue,

but there will be **NO pick-up for next month.**

All materials should be sent by

**September 3**

(extended deadline this month only) to

Sheila Elwin-

Jasionowski at the Graphics Studio, or to Florence Wetmore in room 5508.

*Dentalgram* will be out by the second full week of September.

# Faculty/Alumni Bulletin

## *Administration*

- Thor Bakland, DDS, executive associate dean, attended a meeting of the administrative board, Council of Hospitals, American Association of Dental Schools, in Washington, D.C., July 21 and 22. Dr. Bakland is the current chair of the Council, one of six Councils of the AADS.

- Barbara Bostwick, director of development, attended the Sixth Annual Conference on Philanthropy, June 27 to 30, in Colorado Springs, CO.

- William Heisler, DDS, associate dean for clinic administration, attended the Academy of General Dentistry, held July 17 to 21, in San Diego. At the convocation ceremony on Monday afternoon, Dr. Heisler received his key and plaque as a Master in the Academy. Dr. Heisler has been a member of the AGD since 1969, and achieved Fellowship status in 1976. Attainment of the Masters in AGD recognizes at least 600 hours of continuing education credit beyond the Fellowship level. Of these, 400 must be "participation" courses, and all dental disciplines are covered with minimum hour requirements. Dr. Heisler was one of 64 dentists in this year's Masters class.

## *Endodontics*

- Mahmoud Torabinejad, DMD, professor of endodontics and director of graduate endodontics, gave a one-day continuing education course, *Root Canal Preparation*, to the Academy of Endodontists of the Republic of China in Taipei City, Taiwan, July 10.

## *Oral & maxillofacial surgery*

- The graduating class of 1993 honored Bernard C. Byrd, DDS, chair of the department, by dedicating the 1993 annual to him. The announcement of this honor was made by Todd Dingman, DDS, editor of the annual, at the graduation ceremonies on June 13. It came as a

*Whoever is  
careless with the  
truth in small  
matters cannot be  
trusted with  
important  
matters.*

Albert Einstein  
1879-1955

complete surprise to Dr. Byrd, who was already on the platform to administer the Dentist's Pledge to the graduating class.

- Philip Boyne, DMD, director of the graduate program, attended and participated as a panel member on one of the sessions at the Portland Bone Symposium in Portland, Oregon, held July 21 to 24. The session featured presentation by leaders in industry on state-of-the-art developments in prosthetic devices, fixation, biodegradables, bone graft substitutes, and other exciting frontiers in research and development. The symposium was sponsored by the School of Medicine, Oregon Health Sciences University.

Dr. Boyne was also invited to attend and speak at the 18th Congress of the International Association for Maxillo-Facial Surgery in Leuven, Belgium, July 29 to 31. He spoke on *Maxillofacial bone reconstruction with immediate placement of osseointegrated dental implants*.

## *Pediatric dentistry*

- The pediatric dentistry department would like to thank Todd Milledge, SD'88, for the past year in doing such a fine job as clinic director. We congratulate him and Rick Nichols, SD'93, on being the first residents in our recently established graduate program.

## For Your Information

**A stress tip:**  
*Next time you're feeling the stress of a difficult situation, ask yourself how your favorite cartoon character—like Bart Simpson or Garfield—would handle it. This might cause you to pause and chuckle.*

### ***Paul Revere, pioneer dentist***

*(excerpted from Topical Times, July-August, 1993, Vol. 44, No. 4)*

The postal administrations of most countries have paid scant attention to dentists and dental health. The U.S. is no exception, issuing only one stamp directly associated with dental science.

Dentistry as a branch of medical sciences is of relatively recent vintage. In the past, dental problems were generally left to local elders and "wise women."

Dental care of the local inhabitants was not clearly addressed in the early days of colonial America. Visitors from abroad often remarked on the bad condition of colonists' teeth.

The making of dentures was usually practiced by the mechanically gifted, but the production of dentures was seldom their main occupation.

One pioneer American dentist who has been depicted on U.S. postal items is Paul Revere (1735-1818). For much of his life, Revere was hardpressed to earn a living for his large family . . . and attempted varied avenues for meeting his economic needs. His foray into dentistry was one of his more innovative activities.

Revere advertised as follows in the June, 1770, *Boston Gazette*:

"Paul Revere . . . continues the business of a Dentist and flatters himself that from experience he has had for these two years (in which time he has fixt some hundreds of teeth) that he can fix them as well as any surgeon dentist who ever came from London. He fixes them in such a manner that they are not only ornamental but of real use in speaking and eating. He cleanses the teeth and will wait on any gentleman and lady at their lodgings. He may be spoke with at his shop opposite Dr. Clark's at the north end where the gold and silversmith's business is carried on."

### ***X-ray information available***

CDA— "X-rays: Detailed Answers to Frequently Asked Questions," originally published in the March, 1993, issue of *Compendium*, is now available in reprint form from Kodak Dental Products.

The question-and-answer format article covers 16 of the most commonly asked questions in a straightforward manner. Questions range from the necessity and recommended frequency of dental radiographs to radiation dosages from x-rays to recommendations for patients undergoing radiation therapy.

Free copies of the reprint (#D3-70) can be obtained by contacting Eastman Kodak Company, Dental Products, 343 State Street, Rochester, NY 14650-0547, or calling 800/933-8031.

### ***Tips for learning software***

*(reprinted from communication briefings)*

If you're dealing with an executive who thinks that employees can cost-effectively learn new software from the documentation, you might want to use this approach to get your point across.

Leonard Steinbach, information center manager at the State University Health Science Center in Brooklyn, tells grudging bosses: "Giving someone a software manual and saying, 'Learn this program' is equivalent to handing someone a copy of a Voltaire novel and a French/English dictionary and saying 'Please translate the novel.'"

# Newsnotes

## *Parking lot sale a success*

The Employees Association parking lot sale, held July 18, was a success, earning \$1165.

If you missed this sale, you missed a great opportunity to buy good items at a very low price. Television, radios, clothes, furniture, cabinets, desks, lawn mowers, bicycles, dishes, lamps, and much more were sold. The profits will go toward the remodeling of the student/staff lounge. Cost estimates for this project have been approximated at \$30,000.

The Employees Association would like to thank everyone who donated items. Special thanks also goes to all who donated their time and effort to making the sale a success:

Isabelle Aceves	Nancy Pulliam
Jairo Ayala	Shirley Purucker
Ada Beltran	Gloria Ramirez
Debbie Catino	Linda Roddick
Richard Cross	Evie Roach
Debbie Finch	Dee Scheuerman
Brenda Fullerton	Sam Sheu
Ruben Hernandez	Marci Stirl
Kevin Kuniyoshi	Patty Tappen
Monica Lange	David Vu
Charles Lillard	Miriam Yanez
Debbie Medford	Chuck Yetter

In the future, the Employees Association will be conducting several different activities to generate funds to help finance the remodel.

## *Farewell to Joni*

Joni Stephens spent her last day as chair of dental hygiene on Thursday, July 22.

The Stephenses will be moving to Champaign, Illinois, where her husband has accepted a position as a nurse anesthetist.

We wish her the best in her new home. She'll be missed!

*The Lord gave us  
two ends—one  
to sit on and the  
other to think  
with.*

*Success depends  
on which one we  
use the most.*

Ann Landers

## *Welcome*

• Welcome to **Keith Hoffmann, PhD, SD'83**, who has joined the full time faculty of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Dr. Hoffmann completed a seven-year combined program at LSU in New Orleans, LA. He and his wife, Loriann, have six-year-old twins and a 16-month-old, and reside in Redlands. Welcome home, Dr. Hoffmann!

• Pediatric dentistry wants to welcome the newest members of their faculty: **Shahanaz Bonyan-poor, DDS**, who completed her pediatric dentistry residency at Boston University, and **Melva Sosa-Wyatt, DDS**, who completed her residency at Louisiana State. Welcome aboard!

• Also warmly welcomed is **Mary Zunitich**, new secretary in continuing education. Mary is the wife of dental student Dan Zunitich.

## *Grammar tips*

Never place a comma between two sentences or independent clauses. This is one of the most serious errors a writer can make.

*Example:* "The boss arrived late, she blamed her tardiness on car trouble."

These two sentences should be separated by either a semicolon (;) or a period. If they are separated by a semicolon, the first letter in the word "she" should *not* be capitalized.

If you're unsure whether you've made this error, separate the phrases on either side of the comma. If they can stand alone and make sense as a complete sentence (i.e. "The boss arrived late." *and* "She blamed her tardiness on car trouble.") then you need periods or semicolons.

## *Get well soon*

Best wishes to **Andrew Wu, SD'95**, for a speedy recovery. Andrew is currently recuperating at home from a recent hospital stay.

*Simon's Law  
of Destiny:  
Glory may be  
fleeting, but  
obscurity is  
forever.*

***In remembrance***

Kathy McDonald passed away on June 12 in Fresno. —

Kathy was an RDA who received her initial training from a dentist in Visalia and then attended LLU, receiving certification and training as an expanded duty dental assistant.

She worked in the DAU/team department at the School for several years. A warm smile reflected her loving heart, and those who knew her felt nourished and uplifted in her presence.

We will miss you, Kathy! We will see you in the morning.

***What would Jesus do?***

There are times when I feel that the world is beyond hope; people kill, cheat and steal, should I sit around and mope? What would Jesus do?

As a Christian I should be kind and loving, full of joy; and I guess that's true of me 'til I'm crossed, boy oh boy! What would Jesus do?

Greeting visitors at church service, have them sign a card right then; am I angry and/or nervous if they walk off with my pen? What would Jesus do?

I was cut off on the freeway, partly due to the congestion; do I honestly have the leeway to fight back? That's the question. What would Jesus do?

This old earth is almost through, all the signs around agree; should I worry about you . . . or just take care of me? What would Jesus do?

*by Ellis R. Jones*

***Appreciation corner***

Do you know the name of the first person to greet our patients each day? This person is not an employee of the LLU School of Dentistry, but as a member of the security department staff, Jose Martinez is there to serve our school each morning—to answer questions, give directions, assure our patients of a place to park, and maintain security for the “front door” of the dental school. He is always cheerful, courteous, and helpful to all who pass through the gate. There aren't many people who would be willing to endure the confinement and solitude of such a position, and few of us realize the number of complaints and problems that come his way.

Jose is married and the father of two children. He is well on his way to a degree in theology, and is a highly

respected youth leader at the Corona Spanish Seventh-day Adventist Church. His co-workers hold him in high regard for his dedicated Christian lifestyle and spirit of helpfulness. Not only does he serve as an ambassador of good will for the School of Dentistry, but, most of all, for his Heavenly Father.

***Happy birthday***

*Wishing a happy day to all August babies.*

Sheila Elwin-Jasionowski, graphics  
Mildred Jenkins, LL endodontics  
Cathy Mahle, pediatric dentistry  
Jodi Staff, data entry  
Marci Stirl, clinic floater  
Ruth Summers, oral surgery  
Richard Tinker, graphics

***Congratulations***

Congratulations to Sheila Aultman and Steven Morrow, DDS, associate professor of endodontics, on their recent marriage. The church ceremony was performed in St. Helena, California, on July 24. They will be living in Grand Terrace, and we wish them all the best!

***Thanks***

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

Judi Adams	dental insurance
Thor Bakland	academic admin
Barbara Bostwick	development
Philip Boyne	oral & max surgery
Bernard Byrd	oral & max surgery
Cynthia Carter	data entry
James Crawford	educational services
Sylvia Davis	admissions
Betty Garner	dental records
Jeri Haley	pediatric dentistry
Mary Hartwell	clinic administration
William Heisler	clinic administration
Ellis Jones	dental graphics
Donna Minder	IDP
Dawn Pellerin	endodontics
Evie (& Bob) Roach	dental records
Debra Tuttle	dental hygiene
Florence Wetmore	educational serv
Chuck Yetter	Employees Assoc