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Dentalgram

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

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The Current Report

Surviving the earthquake: alumni and faculty respond

Many alumni and some faculty of the School of Dentistry practice and live in the area of greater-Los Angeles which was ravaged by the 6.6 magnitude earthquake of January 17.

Most escaped total devastation, and are currently picking up the pieces and returning to practice. Some did not,

however, and lost nearly everything. Our hearts and prayers go out to all of them as they struggle to resume normality.

Following is a sampling of alumni located in various areas and how they were affected. Many thanks to all, who were so willing to share their stories.

Linda Braatz, PG'82, (*Granada Hills*) had to evacuate her building. It has been "yellow-tagged" to indicate entering at your own risk. She was able to evacuate all her equipment to her garage, and has found a temporary spot to practice. (*see picture next page*)

Joseph Caruso, SD'73, MS'75, (*Newhall*) professor and former chair of orthodontics, was hit hard. His entire orthodontics practice was totaled and his half of the office building was demolished. Equipment, instruments, records: all was lost. He is pulling together, however, and has arranged to practice in another office two days a week.

Maurice Cutler, MS'70, (*Sherman Oaks*) experienced some earthquake damage at his house in Encino. His Sherman Oaks endodontics office wasn't directly damaged by the earthquake, but the sprinkler system went crazy and flooded everything. However, he says there's more mess than damage, and he's up and running.

Calvin Devnich, SD'66, (*Glendale*) reports that all is well with his practice. In

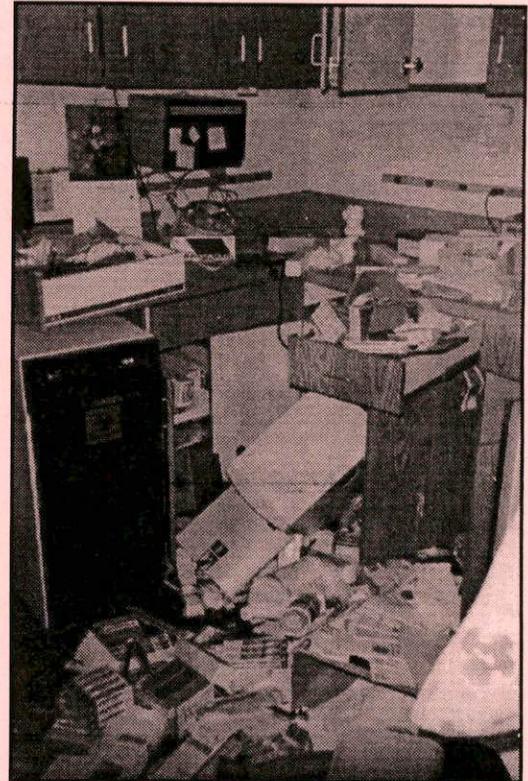
fact, the block which houses his practice was the only one for miles around that had electricity. He even treated a patient who drove up from San Diego on the very day of the quake. His home has some cracks, but nothing too serious.

Mona Hosseini, IDP'92, (Los Angeles) lost her practice. The first quake only caused breaking glass, and the professionals in the medical/dental building thought it was still safe. The first big aftershock, however, totaled the building. All her equipment, instruments, charts, insurance records, etc., were lost. Dr. Hosseini is currently getting professional advice on how to recoup.

Roger Lindner, SD'57, (Pasadena) had no damage done to his practice. All is fine.

Timothy Poon, SD'82, (Burbank) reports that he is still standing. Pictures fell, windows cracked, and files fell over, but there was no structural damage to his practice. Unfortunately, he had just remodeled, so this means another remodeling, but he's happy to be practicing.

Elisabeth Remboldt, SD'75, (Simi Valley) had all her equipment moved about six inches. There was no structural damage, but there were about two feet of computers, files, etc., piled on the floor. When contacted one week after the quake, she was still using boiled water to treat hygiene patients, and hoping to start general dentistry within the week.



Linda Braatz had to dig through the wreck in her office to salvage equipment and records. She is practicing elsewhere temporarily.

Dental family help at quake site

Students and faculty from Loma Linda comprised the only dental team assisting quake victims in the week following the January 17 shake-up.

It began when **Lori Lang's** (SD'95) father, a medical doctor, heard people complaining about their teeth while he was working with the Adventist Community Services medical van.

Lori was contacted, and went to **J. B. Jablonski**, director of extramural programs, with a proposal to take students and faculty to the ravaged areas. Dr. Jablonski thought this was an excellent idea, handed over the



The dental van was set up next to the Adventist medical services.

dental van keys, and put Lori in charge of arranging the outing.

Dental juniors **Lori, Bart Soper, Marie Durflinger, Schubert Sopian,** and dental hygiene senior **Jennifer Conrad** decided to participate under the supervision of **Todd**

*... in charity
there is no
excess; neither
can angel or man
come in danger
by it.*

Francis Bacon
1561-1626

Milledge, DDS, assistant professor of pediatric dentistry.

After a two-hour journey, the group set up next to the Adventist medical van and began inviting patients to their area.

Adults and children were given basic screening examinations. The students advised them of what work they would need to have done, then referred them to free clinics in their area. Everyone was given a toothbrush,

as well. Even a few National Guard servicemen came over for examinations, says Marie Durflinger.

The group did screenings for about six hours. Due to sanitation concerns, they decided against any further treatment.

While working, they were interviewed by the Los Angeles Times and U.S. News and World Report, and were video taped by Channel 13.

Students on the Move

Student to attend research conference

Alan Herford, SD'94, will be attending the 30th Annual Dental Students Conference on Research, sponsored by the Warner-Lambert Oral Health Products Group and the American Dental Association.

He has received the distinction of being nominated by the American Association of Dental Research's LLUSD student research group to be a student representative at this event.

Alan will travel to the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, during April for the four-day conference.

The goal of the conference is to introduce outstanding dental students to dental educators, scientists, and administrators, and to make them aware of the wide scope of careers available in dental research.

IDP welcomes new students

The international dentist program is happy to welcome six new students in the January class.

Lucy de Guzman is from the Philippines. She received her degree there, and has just finished an MS degree in orthodontics at the University of Pittsburgh.

Jolet Domingo is also from Manila, Philippines, where she received her degree. Her current home is in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Paola Guglielmoni is from Genova,

Italy, where she received her degree. She practiced general dentistry in Italy before applying to Loma Linda.

Steven Hong Lim Lee is from Malaysia, but graduated in Mangalore, India. He is employed by Penang Adventist Hospital and will be returning there after completing the DDS program.



Michael Da-Kang Liaw is from Taipei, Taiwan. After serving two years in the military as a resident dentist, Michael came to the U.S. and received his MPH from the University of Michigan.

Mei-Ling Wang is also from Taiwan. She received her degree from National Taiwan University and did a four-year residency at Taiwan University Hospital. In 1991 she moved to Bellevue, Washington, with her husband and child.

Student worker needed

Work-study eligible student needed for clerical/secretarial position, 15-20 hours a week.

Computer literacy mandatory.

Teaching Learning Center

Evans Hall 207

Contact Dr. Shirani de

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x88625 or 478-8625

Cart check coming up!

The next cart check date is March 4 at 1 p.m..

This is mandatory for all classes with carts.

Faculty/Alumni Bulletin

Administration

• **Barbara Bostwick**, director of development, was among board members installed by the Loma Linda Chamber of Commerce at their annual Community Awards and Installation Dinner on January 27. Barbara will serve as vice president for community affairs for the Chamber during 1994.

• **James Crawford, DDS**, associate dean for dental educational services, will be fulfilling the dean's duties in his absence

Oral & maxillofacial surgery

• **Bernard Byrd, DDS**, chair, was invited to participate in the U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service's Distinguished Educator Tour of medical and tactical units at Randolph AFB, Lackland AFB, Brooks AFB, and Wilford Hall Medical Center, all in the San Antonio, Texas, area. The highlight of the visit was the time in the flight simulator where Dr. Byrd "flew" a T-37 jet in a take-off, roll and loop and landing. Fabulous!

Periodontics

• **Earl Fu, DDS**, current president of Taiwan Academy of Periodontology, has joined the School of Dentistry as a visiting professor to work for one year in periodontology and oral implantology. Welcome!

• **Joo Sung Chung, DDS**, has successfully finished his preceptorship program in the advanced education section of periodontology. He has been accepted into the implantology program. Congratulations!

Research

• Several faculty members have had grant proposals approved:

Linda D'Antonio, PhD, associate professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery, *Quantitative Measures of Perioral Motor Control in Patients with Congenital or Acquired Disruption of the Oromotor Complex*; \$4000.

Jean-Marc Tiesche, PhD,

Update on the dean

Dean Judson Klooster's prostate surgery on Friday, January 28, was very successful and his recovery is going well.

Currently, he is resting at home, and is scheduled for abdominal aortic aneurism surgery on Friday, February 4.

One interesting event showed evidence of how much a "family" the School is. Six faculty and staff (who are either Dr. Klooster's blood type or universal donors) donated blood for the dean: **Jan Bakland**, advertising; **Julie Cranfill**, advanced periodontics; **Ron Dailey**, administration; **Nancy Davidson**, finance; **Carl Imthurn**, computer services; and **Judie Yakush**, finance.

In related circumstances, **Jeannie Stoddard, PT**, donated blood for **Frances Cyphers**.

assistant research professor of physiology, *Parotid Hormone Secretion in Response to the Ingestion of Combinations of Various Diets in the Pig*; \$4000.

Donald Beglau DDS, associate professor of restorative dentistry, *A Comparative Study of Tensile Strengths of Amalgam to Dentin with Different Bonding Systems*; \$2033.

Ulf Wikesjö, DDS, PhD, professor and director of advanced periodontics, *Periodontal Repair in Dogs: Effect of a Freeze-Dried decalcified Bone Allograft on Regeneration of Mineralized Tissues in Supraalveolar Periodontal Defects*; \$4000.

Petra Wilder-Smith, BDS, assistant professor of endodontics, *Laser Use for Localized Pulp Surgery in Vital Dogs' Teeth*; \$4000.

Orthodontics

• **Victor C. West, BDSC**, has joined the orthodontic faculty as a visiting professor from Australia. Dr. West is here to initiate the organization of the Robert M. Ricketts Library. Previously, Dr. West was associate professor and head of the orthodontics department at University of Melbourne. Welcome!

Attention faculty !!!

A committee has convened to add oral health questions and study topics to the ongoing Adventist Health Study.

This committee is now actively recruiting ideas for questions and areas that it should be considering.

If you have any suggestions, please contact George Lessard at x48070, or contact your department chair.

Alumni-Student Convention Special

Convention coming up

The annual Alumni-Student Convention will be held February 23 to March 1, 1994. Besides table clinics and continuing education, there will be over 80 exhibitors, conducted tours, banquets and luncheons, and the always-popular golf tournament.

Mini-clinics on Thursday and Friday will be offered to alumni for a small fee. Students may attend without charge as space allows. The scheduled clinic topics include bonded amalgam, caries diagnosis, caries management, treatment planning, AIDS, implant prosthodontics, endosteal implant placement, complications of dentoalveolar surgery, plastic periodontal surgery, contamination of water systems, and OSHA regulations.

Larger classes include a lecture on oral disease for dental hygienists and assistants. A workshop for registered dental assistants will also be offered on trouble-shooting x-rays.

The Second Annual Ronald E. Buell Endodontic Symposium, an all-day workshop and luncheon, will include six different lectures. The Fifteenth Annual Anesthesia Symposium, also an all-day event, will feature guest lecturers and a panel of speakers.

Other classes include the topics of treatment appliances for fixed and removable prosthodontics, esthetic restorative dentistry, and medical emergencies.

The convention will also feature daily prayer breakfasts, with speaker Steven Daily, DMin, PhD, chaplain at La Sierra University. These are held from 7 to 7:45 a.m. in the student/faculty lounge, and are free to all.

The Wedgwood Trio will perform a mission benefit program, Friday at 7:30 p.m., at the University Church.

*Let us dare to
read, think,
speak,
and write.*

John Adams
1735-1826

You can be a sponsor for \$15, which includes a special reserved seat and a reception with the performers. The suggested contribution for general seating is \$5.

The hygienists and assistants will have their annual homecoming/business luncheon at the Arrowhead Springs Christian Conference Center.

The dental auxiliary is planning several guest speakers: Dolley Carlson on the *ABC's of Friendship and Romance in Marriage*; Rebecca Baker on beauty tips gathered from 15 years of modeling; and Vickie Marquaratt offering *Personality Reflections* and full make-overs.

Class reunions will be held on Saturday, February 26. Honor classes are 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, and 1984.

For more information on times and locations, or to pre-register, please contact the alumni office at 824-4399.

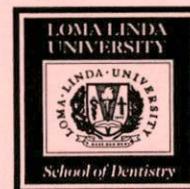
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FEBRUARY 24 TO MARCH 1, 1994

Loma Linda University Dental Alumni Association **ALUMNI-STUDENT CONVENTION**

- Welcome: Alumni and Non-Alumni - We have something interesting for you!
- More than 100 exhibitors and informative table clinics
- Continuing Education and Mini-Clinics
- Food, fun and fellowship
- Sports and social events

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Newsnotes

*The fate of
unborn millions
will now depend,
under God,
on the courage
and conduct of
this army*

*We have,
therefore,
to resolve to
conquer or die.*

George Washington
1732-1799
(Address to troops
August 27, 1776)

Welcome

• You may have heard more laughter coming from the first floor halls in January. **Joni Stephens**, former dental hygiene chair, has rejoined the department, and the students, faculty, and staff join in welcoming her return to academia. She is busy with clinic, classes, and accreditation preparations. It's as though she never left. (Joni, that wintry weather in Illinois was too cold, huh?!!) A warm and "shaky" welcome home to California from all of us in Prince Hall.

• The pediatric dentistry department welcomes the return of **Dr. John Peterson** from his recent bout with illness. We wish him continued improvement in his recuperative phase.

• A warm welcome is also extended to **Patti Coleman, RDA, OSA**, who has recently joined the oral surgery department.

Congratulations

• Yeah! **Ada Beltran** in implantology passed her OSA exam.

• Two new "byrds" have been sighted in Orlando, Florida. **Bernard Byrd** has new twin grandsons, born to Barry and Cheri Byrd: Tyler Christian at 6 lb. 9 oz., and Cole Allen at 6 lb. 12 oz. Dr. Byrd now has *five* grandsons and *no* granddaughters!

Get well soon

We bid **Frances Cyphers** farewell as she retires, and wish her a fast recovery from upcoming surgery. Our prayers are with her.

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Loma Linda University School of Dentistry

presents

Clinic With a Heart

Providing the community with free dental procedures (including one or more of the following):

- examinations
- x-rays
- fillings
- cleanings
- extractions

*(First-come, first-served basis;
service provided by students and faculty)*

**Sunday, March 6, 1994
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

For directions and more information, call 824-4551, beginning February 12.

Presidents Day
February 21





Blood drive draws a crowd

The recent blood drive drew 54 people who wanted to donate. Of these, 40 were able to give blood, and 15 of those were "1st-timers." This is an extremely high number, according to the blood bank.

The drive was

coordinated by Marci Stirl, floater, and Chuck Yetter, dental maintenance.

Above, dental student Jennifer Rowland is checked by a blood bank technician. Marilyn Fitch (right), IDP, lies comfortably during the procedure, and talks with the blood bank coordinator.



*Friendship
is the marriage
of souls.*

Voltaire
1694-1778

Appreciation corner

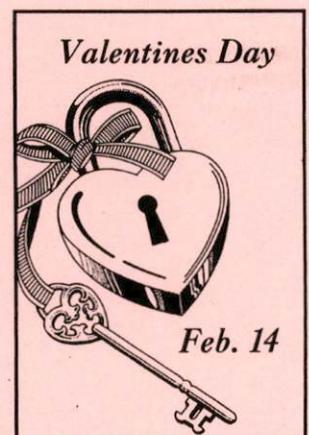
Our admissions and recruitment office is the "gateway" to the School. **Sandy Goldbach** is not only the "voice" of our School to hundreds of callers, but is the cheerful and supportive guide for all applicants. No doubt every student has felt the sense of being cared for as Sandy and her part-time workers have made sure that every step of the application process is in order, making calls to let them know what is needed, setting up appointments for interviews and tours, and keeping their nerves calm as each file is prepared for admissions committee. Of the well over 1000 applicants each year, each one is treated as a prospective student. All receive the same computer set-up work, analysis of the file, and letters of response.

Sandy has the untiring energy and sense of organization that makes us all

happy to be around her. No matter how many pressures are on her or how many impatient callers are on the four phone lines in her office, she takes time to be helpful and supportive to those around her. Those who interview the applicants hear comments of appreciation every day for Sandy and how well she cares for their needs.

During the summer, you will find Sandy visiting many schools and career fairs, enthusiastically sharing information for those who are considering a career as a dentist or a dental hygienist. She also has a major role in behind-the-scenes preparations for the Careers in Dentistry Workshop held each year.

Sandy, for your smile, for your efficiency, for your constant help to so many of us, we appreciate you!



Happy birthday

Wishing a happy day to all born in February.

Judy Adams, insurance
Susan Canale, patient bus/cashier
Fran Crawford, orthodontics
Frances Cyphers, academic admin
Ellen Daniels, oral surgery
Marianne Davis, orthodontics
Elaine Elias, infection control
Marilynann Fitch, IDP
Sandy Goldbach, admissions
Sharon Hanson, academic admin
Patty Italiano, DAU
Ann Marshall, oral implantology
Irene Marutsos, infection control
Debbie Medford, grad endodontics
Cathy Nelson, oral implantology
Laurie Parker, adv periodontics
Nancy Pulliam, infection control
Jackie Ronan, dental supply
Barbara Samuel-Davis, IDP
Ulf Wikesjö, advanced periodontics

Thanks

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

Barbara Bostwick, development
Bernard Byrd, oral & max surgery
Julie Cranfill, advanced periodontics
Fran Crawford, orthodontics
James Crawford, educational services
Ron Dailey, academic administration
Nancy Davidson, financial admin
Marie Durlinger, SD'95
Mary Hartwell, clinic administration
J. B. Jablonski, extramural missions
George Lessard, research planning
Donna Minder, IDP
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Nancy Pulliam, infection control
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Karen Simpson, dental hygiene
Marci Stirl, floater
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What do you really think?

We're going to try out a new idea in *Dentalgram*.

We've received a suggestion for *Dentalgram* to designate a short column to provide a forum for ideas, opinions, and suggestions from faculty, staff, and students.

You may have ideas/opinions on curriculum, clinic, regulations, etc. Contributions on varied topics are welcome.

Please send your literary efforts to Sheila at the Dental Graphics Studio. Anonymity is fine, but if you would like to invite personal discussion, please feel free to sign your name and we will print it with your ideas.

The first offering will be printed in the next issue of *Dentalgram*.

The Way I See It

Feel free to use this form. All contributions should be submitted by the 25th.