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# Dentalgram

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## The Current Report

### What's inside this issue?

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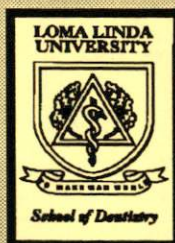
Boyne grant awarded

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trustees visit

Employees honored  
in community

Changes coming for  
application process

Employee of the  
Quarter named



### ADA president visits LLUSD

Dr. William Ten Pas, president of the American Dental Association (ADA), visited the School of Dentistry on March 8, 1996. He came in response to an invitation initiated by Tricia Williams, the junior class representative for the American Student Dental Association (ASDA).

His visit "was great for creating enthusiasm among the students for the profession as a whole," commented Williams. After his lunchtime meeting with the students, "they were excited about being in dentistry," she observed.

"He explained issues to us that are not easy for us to understand," Williams said. "He put them in terms we could relate to."

At a breakfast meeting with student officers and representatives of professional organizations, Dr. Ten Pas discussed the direction dentistry should be going. After a tour of Loma Linda University's Medical Center and School of Dentistry, he met the School administrators and department chairpersons for lunch. While the students ate lunch Dr. Ten Pas spoke about the areas of concern to them, and then answered questions.

Students who accompanied Dr. Ten Pas during his visit appreciated the interest he demonstrated with his questions.

"He was impressed with our clinical program," stated Glen Fung, junior class president. And students were impressed with him. "We felt confident to have him represent us [as dental students]," Fung said.

"He is a good example of what organized dentistry can do for the profession," Williams concluded.

Dr. Ten Pas is the first ADA president to visit the School.



From left to right: Damon Anderson, SD '98 Political Education Network, Tim Harris, ASDA representative for class of '98, Dr. William Ten Pas, ADA president, Tricia Williams, ASDA representative for class of '97, and Scott Parker, ASDA representative the class of '96.

### Periodontics receives new advanced program director

Max Crigger, DDS, MS, was appointed director of the advanced education program in periodontics March 11, 1996. Dr. Crigger's selection ends the approximately five-month effort by the search committee to fill the vacancy created following the resignation of Dr. Ulf Wikesjö last September.

Dr. Crigger received his DDS degree from Ohio State University in 1965, and both an MS in general pathology from the University of Rochester and a Certificate in Periodontics from Eastman Dental Center in 1972. Following completion of his

periodontal training at Eastman, Dr. Crigger came to California to join Dr. Richard Oliver in his periodontal practice in San Bernardino and teach half-time at Loma Linda University. He left the advanced education program in periodontics in 1991 to pursue a full-time private practice in the Upland-Diamond Bar area.

Dr. Crigger's return to the academic area is welcomed by his many friends both in the School and the dental community. He assumed his new responsibilities in early March and moved into his office on Taylor Street during the quarter break. He will be at the School four days a week and will maintain a one-day-a-week practice in the office of Dr. Gene Rathbun in Riverside.

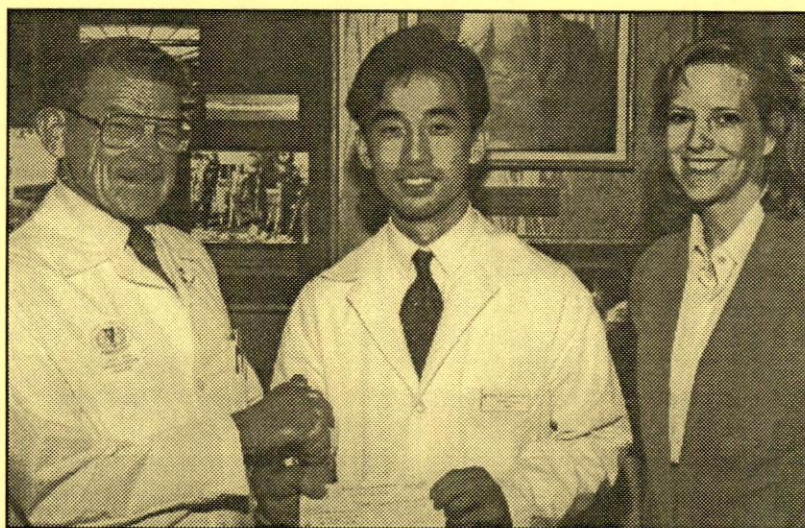


*Dr. Max Crigger*

### ***New classes taking shape***

The Admissions Committee is completing its task of selecting the applicants who will join the School of Dentistry family in September 1996. Of the more than 300 prospective students who were invited to the School for an interview, 88 will be chosen as members of the Class of 2000. Initially, more than 1,500 individuals applied. The class should be closed by mid-April as the confirmations and deposits, as well as refusals, come due.

Applications for the dental hygiene class increased by 5% over the previous year. The committee has 170 applicants for the 40 places in the class.



*Philip Boyne, DMD (left), presents the first grant of \$6,000 from the Philip Boyne Bone Research Award Endowment Fund to Dr. Phillip Chang (center) and Dr. Sandra Find of the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery of Loma Linda University Medical Center.*

*It is anticipated that the study will produce information helpful in reducing the healing time in bone formation and possibly make unnecessary the use of bone grafts in reconstruction of cranial defects.*

*The research award endowment was established by Dr. Boyne of the oral and maxillofacial surgery department in the School of Dentistry, to fund the work of residents involved in bone repair associated with cranio-facial anomalies to improve methods of regenerating bone and treating congenital defects in children.*

### ***Dr. Crane honored for community service***

Dr. Earl Crane, long-time faculty member and friend of the orthodontics department, is being honored for his involvement in establishing the Children's Dental Health Center. The Center, which has served disadvantaged children for 49 years, will be renamed the Dr. Earl R. Crane Children's Dental Health Center. An article about Dr. Crane and his ties to the Center appeared in the March 18 issue of the *Sun-Telegram*.

Funded primarily through the efforts of the Assistance League of San Bernardino, the Center helps more than 2,500 schoolchildren each year who do not have insurance or public assistance for dental and orthodontic care. The Center is located at 580 W. Sixth Street.

Dr. Crane will be honored officially at the Assistance League's annual Headdress Ball April 27 at the National Orange Show.

### ***ROP recognizes SD Employees***

Barbara Long and Mary Hartwell received special honors from the Baldy View Regional Occupational Program (ROP) at its annual affiliate recognition ceremony last month.

Recognized for developing an excellent rotation for the dental assisting students, Barbara Long was one of 12 people honored for their participation in various programs coordinated by the ROP. Barbara heads a team of dedicated professionals who are always willing to share their expertise while guiding Baldy View ROP dental assisting students through their training.

Barbara started her career in the dental field when she was in high school. After school she interned in a dental office and learned on the job. "They didn't have ROP in the 'dark ages,'" she said.

Mary Hartwell, assistant clinic manager, received the Superintendent's Award in recognition of her leadership and involvement in the affiliation. She was one of two people to be awarded the distinction this year.

Both women came to Loma Linda University in 1979.

### *School of Dentistry hosts Hutto-Patterson Foundation trustees*

Mrs. Clare P. Hutto, president of the Hutto-Patterson Charitable Foundation, visited the School of Dentistry with two Foundation trustees to present the second \$50,000 payment toward their grant of \$250,000 for the new Pediatric Dentistry Clinic.

Dean Charles Goodacre and the pediatric dentistry department hosted Mrs. Hutto, Eileen Hutto Powers and Richard Dougherty at a special luncheon on March 28. Also attending were guests Noni Patchett and Dorothy Patchett.

The grant was awarded to support the construction of a new Pediatric Dentistry Clinic, plans for which are being developed.

During the luncheon residents in the pediatric dentistry program introduced themselves and talked about some of their special patients, expressing appreciation to Mrs. Hutto and the Foundation for their support in making a new clinic a reality in the School of Dentistry.

### *Admissions testing procedures changing*

Starting in June, prospective students of dental classes beginning in 1997 can complete their applications on a computer and mail the diskette to AADSAS in Washington, D. C., reports Sylvia Davis, director of admissions. Students taking the DAT will also be able to use computers. With the 1998 application cycle, applicants will be able to apply via e-mail.

These improvements were announced at the recent AADS meeting in San Francisco which Ms. Davis attended.

Admissions officers from the 54 US dental schools have been studying ways to streamline the process while providing necessary information to each school for the selection of its class. A task force started a year ago on remaking the AADSAS application.

Ms. Davis says she is excited about the changes utilizing advancing technology. With the application pool growing every year, the value of having information more readily available



*Left: Mrs. Clare Hutto presents a check for \$50,000 to Dr. Charles Goodacre, dean, at a special luncheon held March 28. The gift was the second payment toward the \$250,000 grant made by the Hutto-Patterson Charitable Foundation of Los Angeles for a new Pediatric Dentistry Clinic.*

increases. These changes will assist the admissions offices, as well as the committees, in the selection of future dental students.

## **From the Dean**

### *Dentalgram has new editor*

It is a pleasure to announce the appointment of Laurie Wilson as editorial coordinator in the School of Dentistry as of April 1, 1996. She replaces Sheila Elwin-Jasionowski, who, moved to Georgia in February.

Laurie's duties include serving as editor of the *Dentalgram* and managing editor of *LLU DENTISTRY*. In addition she will assist with other writing and editing assignments as needed.

Currently, Laurie is enrolled in a master's degree program in the School of Public Health, majoring in international health, so she will be dividing her time between her studies and her work at the School.

Prior to coming to Loma Linda, Laurie spent four years in Kenya where she served as editor and book department manager at Africa Herald Publishing House.

We welcome Laurie Wilson to Loma Linda and to the School of Dentistry.

*Charles Goodacre, DDS, MSD*  
Dean



*Laurie Wilson*



### *Thank You*

The recent (March 7-22) Western Regional and Nevada Dental Board Examinations held at the School went smoothly due to the hard work of many staff members.

I would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's "boards" another success. Our students and the visiting teams always appreciate the help provided in making the stressful days more manageable.

Thank you all,  
*Mary Hartwell*

### *Examination support crew Clockwise from top left:*

*Marion Wood, maintenance*

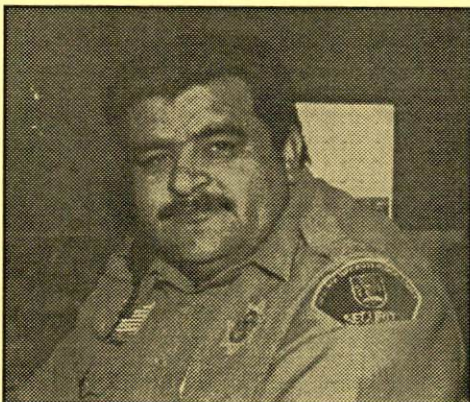
*From radiology, emergency and screening — Front row, Pen Braister; second row (left-right), Gloria Martinez, Carol Sorrells, Cindy Adell; last row, Danielle Mault, Jennifer Pasta, Stephanie Nevins.*

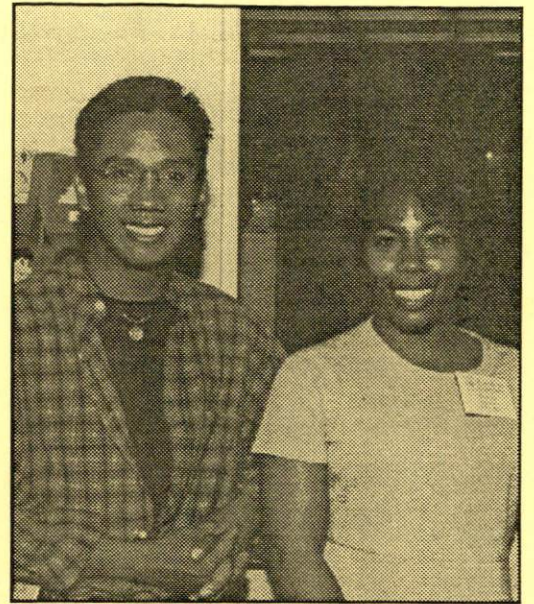
*From sterilization (left -right): Dr. Gary Davis, Elaine Elias, Josonjia Thompkins, Jamie Schmidt, Roger Stover.*

*Pictured from left to right are Maricella Solis, clinic coordinator; Phil Desroches and Stan Lillard, maintenance; Susan Davis, operator; Chuck Yetter and Robert Johnson, maintenance.*

*Jose Martinez, gate security*

*Irene Marutsos, sterilization*





*Examination support crew, continued  
Clockwise from top left:*

*The cooks got a little "stir crazy". From left to right, Christina Khachatourian, Miriam Yanez, Marci Stirl.*

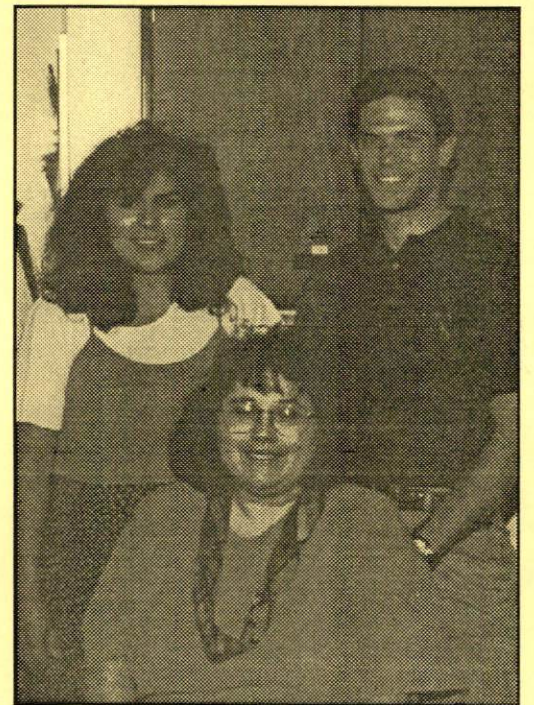
*Clinic supply: Audree Garaza and Rochelle Gittens.*

*Floaters: Left, Miriam Yanez, Andrew Haglund, Marci Stirl, seated.*

*Assisting with the Nevada Boards, Laurie Parker (left) and Melinda Gurley.*

*From left to right, Jackie Ronan, Floyd Ferguson, and Linda Carlilse, dental supply; Trini Briano, housekeeping.*

*Carol Reid, assistant to the WREB during the examination.*



# Faculty/Alumni Bulletin

## Periodontics

Several faculty members from periodontics made presentations at the recent International Association of Dental Research (IADR) in San Francisco. They were **Drs. Ulf Wikesjö** (in collaboration with Pamela Baker), **Thor Sigurdsson**, **Georg Tellefsen**, **Per Nygaard-Ostby**, and **Leonardo Trombelli**. **Dr. Lauralee Nygaard**, a recent graduate from the advanced education program, also presented. **Dr. Dimitris Tatakis** attended the meeting.

## Orthodontics

Associate Professor **Willis Schlenker**, DDS, MS, gave a poster presentation at the International Association of Dental Research (IADR) meeting in San

Francisco last month. Dr. Schlenker's research covered the effects of surface treatment on plastic orthodontic brackets bond strength.

**M. Toufic Jeiroudi**, DDS, MS, professor and advanced program director, orthodontics, made presentations in Saudi Arabia, March 11-17. He was the keynote speaker at the opening ceremony of the Third Annual Dental Meeting in Makkah (Mecca), presenting "The Nonsurgical Treatment of Class III Malocclusion." In Jeddah he conducted a two-day course for the Saudi Orthodontic Society on "Principles of Bioprogressive Therapy." He gave a two-day course in Riyadh for the orthodontic residents at King Saud University on bioprogressive therapy.

## Students on the Move

**Dr. Monica Bijlani**, senior resident in implant dentistry, lectured at the American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID) Western Regional meeting on April 13, 1996. Her presentation is titled "Use of SIM/ PLANT™ to predict the density of grafted bone in the maxillary sinus: A comparative study between C.T. computer analysis and the bone density of biopsied sites."

Another of her abstracts, titled "An innovative clinical technique for surgical reconstruction of the interdental papilla"

was accepted for presentation at the World Congress of Aesthetic Dentistry sponsored by 3I in Dallas on April 19, 1996.

**Dr. Anne Beress**, graduate student in orthodontics, presented a poster at the IADR meeting in San Francisco in March. Dr. Beress presented "Bracket bond strengths using polymer- and silica-thickened etching gels."

**Dr. Mario Flores**, periodontics student, also attended the IADR in San Francisco.

## Newsnotes

### New honor awarded

**Trini Briano**, housekeeping, became the first employee to be honored as the Schools Employee of the Quarter.

Recipients of the honor are chosen by a committee comprising faculty, staff and students in the School.

Trini was recognized for his pleasant attitude, wonderful smile, and willingness to take on unpleasant jobs or tasks outside his job description.

Trini started working at the School of Dentistry more than 10 years ago, when he suggested to **Mary Hartwell** that he could keep it cleaner than it was being kept.

Trini and his wife Mary have two adult daughters. Kathy is a nurse in New York and Beth works for the social services.

Congratulations, Trini. We are proud of you.

*Our love of what is  
beautiful  
does not lead  
to extravagance;  
our love of the things  
of the mind  
does not make us  
soft.*

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**Trini Briano**

### Thanks

Thanks to all who contributed to this issue of Dentalgram.

Leif K. Bakland, endo  
Barbara Bostwick, development  
Julie Cranfill, graduate perio  
Fran Crawford, ortho  
Nancy Davidson, financial admin  
Sylvia Davis, admis  
Charles Goodacre, dean  
Mary Hartwell, clinic admin  
Robert Kiger, perio  
Joy Pastor, student affairs  
Rosemary Passmore, oral surg  
Florence Wetmore, dental ed services

### Welcome

The following employees are new to the School of Dentistry.

- **Jon Dunham**, GANR
- **Kim McFadden**, OSR
- **Barbara Kinney**, dental records
- **Cathy Moore**, pedo (while Jeri Haley is on surgery leave)
- **Mary Della Johnson**, hygiene (while Jennifer Christian is on maternity leave)

### Surprise!

**Steve Cantrell** was "shocked as could be" a few weeks ago when about 40 people pulled off a surprise baby shower in his honor, says co-worker **Linda Carlisle**, one of the planners of the event.

The baby shower, complete with Steve's parents, white cake, punch, and gifts had Linda, **Christine Fitch**, **Jackie Ronan**, and **Floyd Ferguson** secretly conspiring for a month.

Steve and his wife Joye welcomed firstborn Samuel Martin Cantrell on March 16. Congratulations!

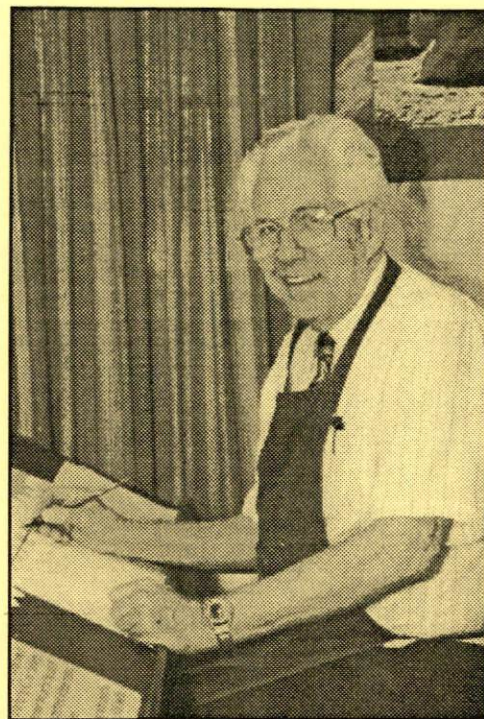
### Farewell

**Christine Fitch** (RESA) has moved to Orange County where her husband is now a member of the California Highway Patrol. **Trina Roderick** has transferred from dental records to take **Kathy Olsen's** duties, while Kathy assumed Christine's position.

### Happy birthday

*Best wishes to all April babies*

Donna Branstetter, data entry  
Anahid Benzatyan, patient business  
Susan Davis, clinic admin  
Sandra Duran, orthodontics  
Gary Hill, dental lab  
Ellis Jones, graphics  
Stephanie Nevins, radiology  
Helen Rushton, pediatric dentistry  
Linda Sjolander, LL endodontics  
Stella Suba, endodontics  
Michelle Tindall, LL endodontics  
Jim Tuttle, orthodontics  
Dr. Duane Wacker, restorative dent  
Florence Wetmore, dental ed serv  
Laurie Wilson, graphics  
Miriam Yanez, clinic administration  
Frank Zimmerman, dental lab



*Cake and punch greeted visitors to graphics on April 16 in honor of Ellis Jones' 75th birthday. Posters placed around the School informed colleagues and friends of the event. Congratulations, Ellis, and may you have many more!*

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Laurie Lee Wilson

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