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88 DDS, 19 postgraduate certificates, and 43 BS degrees awarded by School of Dentistry

by Christy K. Robinson

Graduation: It's so much more than a mortarboard and diploma, bouquets and spray string, *Pomp and Circumstance* and processional.

For administration and staff, it starts months before Memorial Weekend, selecting speakers, reserving time and space, preparing programs, ordering decorations and food and gifts, printing invitations and books and diplomas.

For participants, music must be mastered, speeches written and rehearsed, places marked for photography.

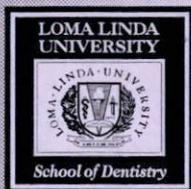
For students, the real celebrations begin about a week before they receive their diplomas. There are private parties, with cars lining the streets of nearby neighborhoods as friends and family arrive from out of town, sometimes from around the world. Then there are the awards chapel and banquet, a dental hygiene pinning ceremony, baccalaureate, and finally, commencement. (See pages 4-6 for award recipients.)

For invited guests, graduation began on Friday evening, May 22, with the 38th Annual Dental Hygiene Pinning Ceremony. Dental hygiene graduates paid tribute to their faculty and classmates, and dedicated their yearbook to Barbara Davis-Samuel, clinic coordinator. As Joni Stephens, professor, called their names and read anecdotes about graduates, Debra Gerger, assistant professor, pinned a specially-designed brooch on each senior. The program was followed by a reception in the Coleman Pavilion.

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The Estey and Carpenter families had two reasons to celebrate LLUSD graduation: married graduates Mark Estey and Erin Carpenter. Erin and Mark were president and vice president of the Dental Student Association, and Erin's father Mark is immediate past president of the Alumni Association. Pictured from left are: Linda Compston and Mickey Estey, Mrs. Gail Estey, Mark Estey and Erin Carpenter, both SD'98, Mrs. Barbi Carpenter, and Mark Carpenter, SD'80.

Also note the new signage on Prince Hall, in the background.



Graduation weekend at LLUSD



LLUSD faculty robed for baccalaureate and commencement processions at Magan Hall.

The Sabbath School program at University Church included medical and dental graduates as participants. Representing LLUSD was a violin/piano trio consisting of Stuart Yoon, SD'98, Katherine Im, SD'98, and Polly Sprague, SD'96.

Baccalaureate - Sabbath, May 23

At 10:45 a.m., faculty were gathered at Magan Hall, robed in colorful splendor for the baccalaureate service to be held in the church: medical faculty in forest green stoles, theology graduates in deep blue, philosophy graduates in red, dental hygiene in gold with lavender trim, and dental in lavender with gold trim. Graduates from foreign countries had interesting trim and soft velvet hats. Professors

with membership in honor societies wore scarlet stripes and medallions on ribbons. Commencement marshalls took up their ceremonial mace and sceptors.

Meanwhile, the doctoral and bachelors candidates were robing for the first time in their regalia, with the help of school staff.

When Dr. Kimo Smith, church organist, began the fanfare and introduction to Martin Luther's "A Mighty Fortress," the University marshalls, the platform party, and all graduates entered in ceremonial procession. The dental and medical faculty filled the chairs in the choir loft and the church orchestra and choir covered the platform and steps.

Dental participants in the baccalaureate service were Robert Clement, DDS, assistant professor of oral diagnosis, radiology and pathology; Mark Estey, SD'98; Sheela Loving, DH'98; and Kris Wilkins, DH'80, dental hygiene instructor. Dr. Estey and Ms. Loving spoke of the Christian influence and mission to humanity that the Loma Linda University experience had given to them.

Jerry Davis, ReID, director of LLU Medical Center chaplain services, gave the sermon entitled, "Sunscreen, Floss, Mutual Funds, and the Kingdom of God." His advice was to be open to taking advice, not to sacrifice loved ones on the altar of a career, and that professional growth should be slow, steady, and sure, like investing in mutual funds.

Recessing to "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," the faculty and graduates mingled on the campus green outside the church for several hours.

Commencement - Sunday, May 24

Several hours before the 6:00 p.m. service, graduates and their guests gathered on the grass to the west of Prince Hall, saving sections of chairs and taking photos of each other.

Alumni Association staff and volunteer helpers prepared the decor and food for the evening reception.

Dental hygiene and dentistry students robed at the church

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Commencement marshall and dentistry seniors enjoy the baccalaureate address, particularly the part about flossing every day.

fellowship hall with the help of School of Dentistry staff members, who also placed the graduates in order of procession.

The Loma Linda Academy Symphonic Band, conducted by Philip R. Binkley, contributed to the anticipation by playing Holsinger's *Homage*, before a fanfare and launch of Elgar's *Pomp and Circumstance No. 1*.

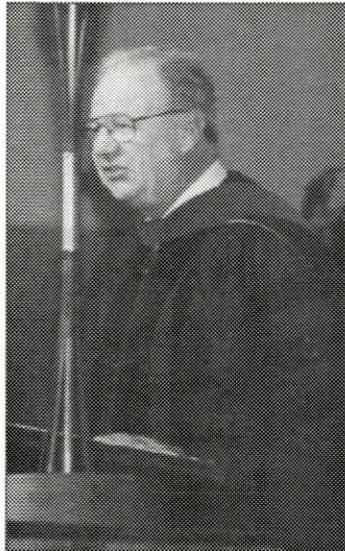
The academic procession's marshalls included Dr. Robert Clement and Daniel Tan, SD'75A, associate professor of restorative dentistry. They were followed by the scientific, religious, and clinical educators, and finally, by the graduates of IDP, professional certificate, dentistry and dental hygiene programs.

President Behrens and Dean Goodacre presented distinguished service awards to Mr. Nonie McAnally, Dr. Harold Schnepfer, Dr. Philip Boyne, and Dr. James Crawford. (See page 6.)

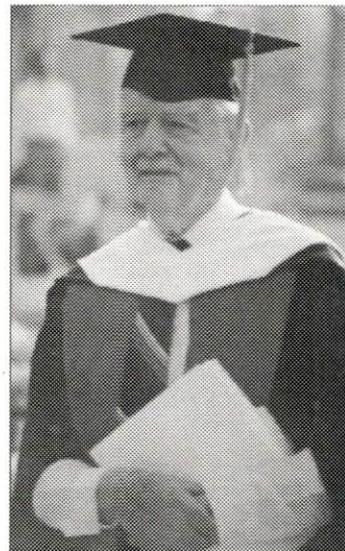
Dr. Goodacre introduced the commencement speaker, Dr. Paul Brand, emeritus clinical professor of orthopaedics, University of Washington, Seattle, whose address was titled "Guard What Has Been Entrusted to Your Care." In the speech, Dr. Brand confessed that as a young missionary physician to India, he'd had to act as his own dentist on occasion. He also noted that he'd spent equal parts of his life in financial security and in poverty, but that his time in service to humanity was the most enjoyable and rewarding of his life.

Rex Gabel, DH'98, and Shane Witherow, SD'98, class presidents, responded to Dr. Brand's speech. Jolene Parker, DH'98, and Kevin Hszieh, SD'98, provided music for the commencement ceremony.

President Behrens conferred degrees on the candidates, and Dean Goodacre awarded diplomas. Mark Carpenter, SD'80, adjunct assistant professor, presented diplomas to his daughter Erin and son-in-law Mark Estey; James Dunn, SD'69, associate



Left: Jerry Davis, RelD, director of LLUMC chaplain services, spoke at the b accalaureate.



Right: Paul Wilson Brand, MBBS, was the speaker for the commencement service.

professor, presented the diploma to his son Marc Dunn; and Klaus Wolfram, SD'71, MS'73, assistant professor, presented the diploma to his son Steven Wolfram.

On behalf of all graduates, Dr. Goodacre thanked the parents, siblings, spouses, children, and other family and friends of the graduates for their support and loving concern during the Loma Linda years.

Air horns blasted and celebratory pink and green spray string shot through the air as the newly-degreed graduates

recessed down the center aisle and accepted bouquets of flowers.

The Alumni Association, directed by Kathleen Moore, provided an elegant reception under a pavilion at the north end of the mall. In addition to gourmet chocolates, fruit, and raspberry lemonade for families, graduates were given class photo panels, license plate frames, tee shirts, an alumni directory, and a tote bag.



The sixth-story view of commencement exercises.

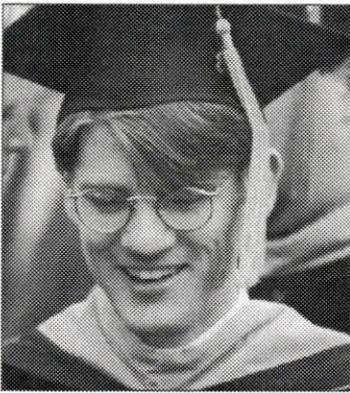
Awards presented to



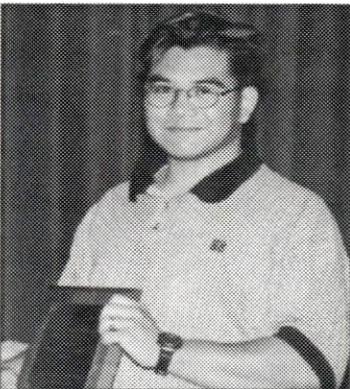
LLU President Behrens with Erin Carpenter



Kathrine Eldridge



Shane Witherow



Tony Ramillosa

School of Dentistry students and faculty were honored with awards of certificates, plaques, monetary scholarships, and society memberships in several end-of-year ceremonies. The majority of awards were announced at the May 20 awards chapel, with several more given at the May 20 senior banquet and at the May 24 commencement.

Following are awards, their recipients, and abbreviated criteria for the awards. Unless otherwise noted, recipients are graduating seniors.

DENTISTRY

President's Award
Erin Carpenter

Scholastic achievement, leadership, congruence with mission of the University

American College of Dentists
Matt Bruner
Erin Carpenter

Desire to practice general dentistry, in top third of class, outstanding attributes conducive to doctor-patient relationships

American Dental Society of Anesthesiology
Amable M. Mauad

Proficiency in anesthesiology and pain control

American Society of Dentistry for Children
Stuart S. Yoon

Care and attention to patients; clinical skills

American Association of Orthodontics
Marc C. Dunn

Exceptional interest in development of oro-facial complex; abilities in orthodontics

Preclinical Basic Sciences
Marc Larson, SD'00

Achievement in basic science, outstanding scholastic achievement, motivation, attitude toward learning

American Association of Endodontists
Amable M. Mauad

Outstanding ability and special interest in endodontics

Dental Foundation of California Scholarships
Peter R. Bond

Lan T. Duong
Sonja F. Finnie
Dong J. Kim

Reuben A. "Tony" Ramillosa

Top half of class; professionalism; personal responsibility, leadership, quality of patient care

American Student Dental Association
Mark E. Estey

Scholarship, leadership in extracurricular activities and/or local community service

School of Dentistry, American Association of Oral Biologists

Kelvin A. W. Hill

Critical thinking, participation in original research, scholarship, achievement in oral biology

National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists (NASDAD)

Damon A. Anderson

Character, conduct, commitment to goals and objectives of NASDAD

SmartPractice Doctor-Patient Relationship
David Rogers, SD'99

Chang Y. Chung

Exceptional interpersonal skills with patients, clinical excellence.

Delta Dental Student Leadership
Shane Witherow

Scholarship, outstanding service or accomplishment in dentistry, public service commitment, leadership skills

Pierre Fauchard Academy
Kathrine Eldridge

Leadership, outstanding accomplishments, dedication to advancement of dental literature

Pierre Fauchard Academy Scholarship
Shane Witherow

Potential of developing into outstanding leader in dental profession

California Dental Association
Brian Black, SD'00

Charles Calder, SD'00

Kerisa Elloway, SD'00

Shelton Hsu, SD'00

Trent Listello, SD'00

Fred Ou-Yang, SD'00

Scholastic merit, sophomore class

LLUSD Oral Surgery Department

Robert W. Mower

Exemplary attitude, achievement, exceptional interest in oral surgery

Omicron Kappa Upsilon/William S. Kramer
Jeffrey C. Payne, SD'99

Scholarship, character, potential for advancement of dentistry and service to humanity

Southern California Academy of Oral Pathology
Kathrine Eldridge

Excellence in general and oral pathology

American Society of Dentistry for Children
Harry T. Albert

Proficiency, performance, care in patient treatment, and special interest in pediatric dentistry

LLUSD students, faculty

American Academy of Oral Medicine
Kelvin A. W. Hill
Outstanding achievement in oral medicine

Teledyne Water Pik Prosthodontics
Cindy A. Sumarauw
Clinical proficiency, initiative in complete dentures

American Academy of Periodontology
Steven M. Wolfram
Exceptionally good treatment of periodontal patients at LLU

Southern California Academy of Endodontists
Sheila A. Graham
Proficiency, special interest, excellent clinical ability, exceptional concern for patients

ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician
Yong "Sam" Kim, SD'99

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology
Sheila A. Graham
Outstanding interest, accomplishment, and promise in oral pathology

Fixed Prosthodontics Department
Kathrine Eldridge
Outstanding skill and proficiency in fixed prosthodontics

Ben W. Oesterling
Reuben A. "Tony" Ramillosa
Superior clinical performance in removable partial denture prosthodontics, professional competence, kind and compassionate manner with students and patients

Organization of Teachers of Oral Diagnosis
Mark E. Estey
Excellence and promise in oral diagnosis, outstanding graduating senior

American Assn. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons
Jeffery A. McFadden
Outstanding aptitude and achievement in oral and maxillofacial surgery

California Dental Association
Robert W. Mower
Scholarship, clinical proficiency, performance giving promise of outstanding professional achievement

American Association of Women Dentists
Kathrine Eldridge
Academic excellence, outstanding leadership

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology
Peter R. Bond
Exceptional interest and accomplishment in dental radiology

American College of Prosthodontists
Babak Ershaghi
High academic and clinical proficiency in prosthodontics, interest in graduate training

Quintessence Publishing Co. Award
Stuart Yoon
Research achievement

Quintessence Publishing Co. Award
Sonja Finnie
Clinical achievement in periodontics

Quintessence Publishing Co. Award
Kelvin A. W. Hill
Clinical achievement in restorative dentistry

American Academy of Dental Practice Administration and Organization of Teachers of Dental Practice Administration
Tracy N. Chen
Professional growth in managerial skills, outstanding performance in four-handed dentistry

Academy of Operative Dentistry
Kathrine Eldridge
Superior quality in operative dentistry

G. Hartzell & Son Clinician
Stuart Yoon
Clinical excellence in periodontal instrumentation, diagnostic and treatment planning

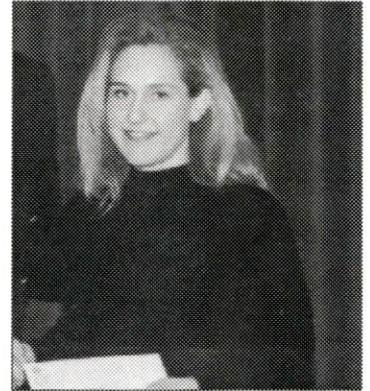
American Academy of Implant Dentistry
Marc P. Steiner
Special interest in implant dentistry

Omicron Kappa Upsilon membership
Marc C. Dunn
Kathrine R. Eldridge
Sonja F. Finnie
Kelvin A. W. Hill
Dong J. Kim
Amable M. Mauad
Robert W. Mower
Reuben A. Ramillosa
Sony Thomas

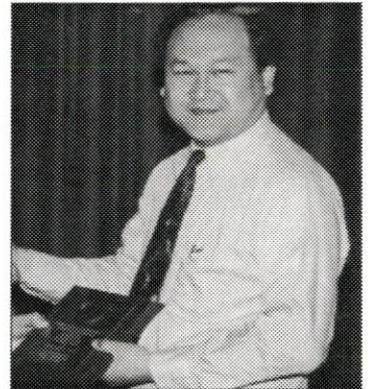
Faculty

Mike Fillman, SD'74, MS'84
Jaime Lozada, DDS, PG'87
John Whittaker, BDS
George Maeda, PhD (Hon. membership)

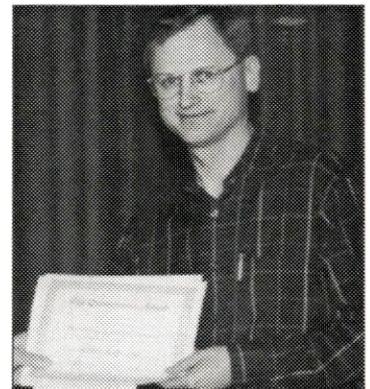
International College of Dentists
Jeffery A. McFadden
Professional growth, high potential for career, recognition of meritorious service to profession



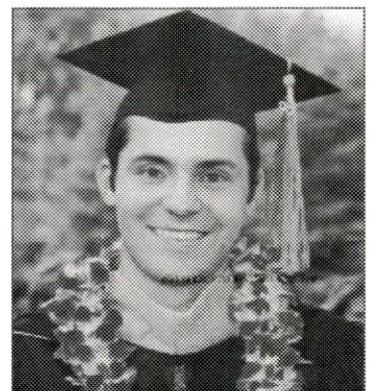
Sonja Finnie



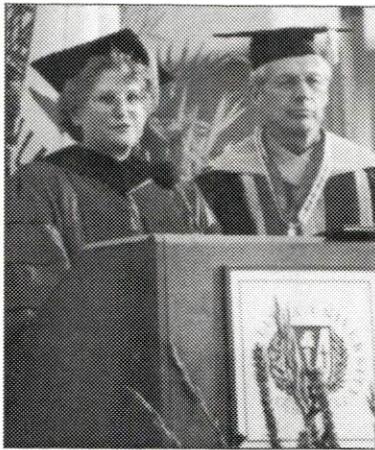
Stuart Yoon



Kelvin Hill



Amable Mauad



Dr. B. Lyn Behrens, University president, with Dr. James M. Crawford, recipient of the University Distinguished Service Award.



Dr. Harold E. Schnepfer receives his award from Dean Charles J. Goodacre.



Dean Goodacre presents the award to Dr. Philip J. Boyne.

Academy of General Dentistry

Brian D. Smith

Potential for becoming outstanding general dentist, personifies objectives of Academy

Alpha Omega Fraternity Scholarship

Sonja F. Finnie

Highest scholastic average for 4 years

Wilfred A. Nation Award

Duane Tamashiro

Exemplifying characteristics of "love God, love family, love patients"

M. Webster Prince Award

Shane Witherow

Scholarship, leadership, stewardship

Alumni Association Student of the Year

Erin Carpenter

Leadership, pursuit of scientific knowledge, active role in Alumni Association

University Distinguished Service Award

James M. Crawford, SD'60, MPH

James M. Crawford received the Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the School of Dentistry, Loma Linda University in 1960, and the Master of Public Health degree from Harvard University in 1969. After completing the DDS degree, he served several terms as a missionary dentist to Thailand; and held staff positions in the Appalachians, Bangkok, and Massachusetts. Dr. Crawford joined the faculty of LLUSD in 1970, where his appointments have included director of continuing education, chair of the Department of Educational Services, associate dean for educational services and admissions, and his current appointment as executive associate dean. Additionally, he served the University's School of Public Health from 1970-1986 as teacher, department chair, associate dean, and twice-appointed dean. Dr. Crawford, who is internationally known for his communication and healthful living seminars, has been the recipient of numerous awards from the American College of Dentists, Delta Omega Honor Society, Pierre Fauchard Academy, International College of Dentists, and has been honored for his humanitarian activities by the cities of Colton, California, and Bangkok, Thailand. In 1995, Dr. Crawford was awarded the School Distinguished Service Award for Dentistry in recognition of more than 28 years of service during which he has touched the lives of countless students, alumni, and practitioners in this country and abroad. In recognition of his long and distinguished service to the University as a teacher and administrator, the University Distinguished Service Award is presented to Dr. Crawford.

School Distinguished Service Award

Harold E. Schnepfer, DMD, MS

Harold E. Schnepfer completed the DMD degree at the University of Oregon in 1946 and the MS degree in restorative dentistry at the University of Washington in 1954. Under faculty appointment at Loma Linda University since

1952, he began active teaching service in the department of restorative dentistry in the summer of 1954. Dr. Schnepfer was founder and for 30 years director of the Loma Linda Gold Foil Seminar -- a study group that provided an important in-service training opportunity for many faculty members. He co-authored a textbook on dental materials as well as a textbook on gold foil restorative dentistry techniques, which has been translated into several languages. He was a founding member of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators and received the Distinguished Master Award from this organization in 1994. He is a fellow both of the American and International College of Dentists, and is a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon. An exemplary clinician and teacher, Dr. Schnepfer has been a source of inspiration to hundreds of dental students at Loma Linda University. It is with pride in his accomplishments and contributions to the work of the School of Dentistry faculty that the school presents to Dr. Schnepfer the School Distinguished Service Award.

School Distinguished Service Award

Philip J. Boyne, DMD, MS'61

Philip J. Boyne earned the DMD degree from Tufts University in 1947. He completed specialty training in oral and maxillofacial surgery at the US Naval Dental School in 1955 and a Master of Science degree from Georgetown University in 1961. After a distinguished career as an oral surgeon with the US Navy, he held faculty as well as administrative appointments at the University of California, Los Angeles, in both the dental and medical schools. Subsequently he served as dean and professor of oral and maxillofacial surgery at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio. During this time he was elected to the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, where he became president. In 1978 Dr. Boyne was invited to join the faculty of Loma Linda University. For 16 years he was professor and director of the Advanced Education Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He retired as program director in 1994 but continues an ambitious program of teaching and research related to this graduate program. Dr. Boyne, who was research editor of the Journal of Oral Surgery of the American Dental Association from 1970-1982, is internationally respected for his research contributions in the area of bone physiology and its clinical applications in oral and maxillofacial surgery. He has authored more than 175 published articles and textbook chapters. In 1976 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. He is a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon and a fellow of the American and International Colleges of Dentists. He has received numerous honors and awards for teaching excellence throughout his professional life. For these elements of distinction -- and because of the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow faculty members and by his current students and those of many previous years, the School of Dentistry is pleased to present to Dr. Boyne the School Distinguished Service Award.

Senior student and faculty banquet

The May 20 sun was low in the western haze as vehicles drove a few hundred feet in elevation up the San Bernardino Mountains and turned off at the Arrowhead Springs Christian Conference Center. Along the one-mile drive, one could see tiny canyons filled to the brim with sunflowers and yellow mustard blossoms, the city of San Bernardino in the distance. Streams with cold snowmelt mixed with 170-degree sulfur springs which gushed gallons of water and steam at the side of the road. Further up the hillside, one could see the old health spa buildings and hotel, outlined in white lights, which have become a Christian conference center.

A buffet dinner was served at 7:00 in the hotel's elegant dining room. Outside the dining room, the sun set behind a smooth lawn, and the lights of the Inland Empire twinkled on. The La Sierra University String Quartet provided classical and romantic period music.

Donald Beglau, SD'62, associate professor of restorative dentistry, was Master of Ceremonies.

Faculty and friends of the School presented the awards. In addition, Dean Charles J. Goodacre announced that LLUSD pen/pencil sets, wrapped in gold, were being given to graduating seniors, and that the Wuchenich Foundation had provided the book *Helping and Healing*, by Ed Pelegrino, to each senior.

Matt Bruner, SD'98, played a video he'd spliced together of seniors and clinic staff interacting. There was much laughter as he cut between old TV shows and current students.

The banquet was sponsored by the School of Dentistry, its Alumni Association, and Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the national dental honor society.



Graduating seniors enjoyed the evening of music, food, and awards.



From left, Mrs. and Dr. Jaime Lozada, Dr. and Mrs. William Frank, Dr. B. Lyn Behrens and husband Dave Basaraba, Mrs. and Dr. Charles J. Goodacre.

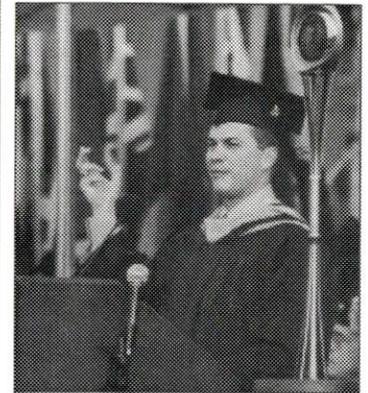
Dental Hygiene celebrates achievement -- in awards chapel and pinning ceremony



Dental Hygiene Class of 1998



Michelle Hoffer was enmeshed in sprayed-on silly string.



Rex Gabel gives class response to commencement address.

DENTAL HYGIENE

Dental Hygiene Student of the Year
Michelle Smith Hoffer
Excellence and professionalism; the ideal student

California Dental Hygiene Association
Kristin Puuia
Outstanding dedication and leadership skills

Tri-Country Dental Hygiene Society
Emma Flores-Lowenberg
Contribution to community oral health

Tri-County Dental Hygiene Society
Tearee Hantz
Contribution to community oral health

Tri-County Dental Hygiene Society
Jolene Parker
Contribution to community oral health

Tri-County Dental Hygiene Society
Kristin Puuia
Contribution to community oral health

Dean's Award
Kimberly McFadden
Excellence in clinical ability and professionalism

Bates Award
Maryann Liu
Tamela Meyer
Notable achievement during training

Middleton Award
Taunya Claybrook
High standards of service, spiritual leadership and dedication to church and humanity

Mitchell Award
Rex Gabel
Most outstanding leader

Clinician's Award
Taunya Claybrook
Outstanding achievement in clinical performance

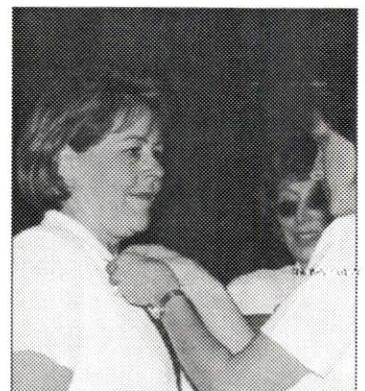
Sigma Phi Alpha Award
Shannon Blankenship
Tearee Hantz
Maryann Liu
Elizabeth Senne
National honor society: scholarship and character

Research Award
Team: Tamela Meyer, Tearee Hantz, Maryann Liu
Team: Jill Honce, Jennifer Moon, Rex Gabel
Outstanding achievement in dental hygiene research

Klooster Award
Allyson Gimby
Supportive, generous, enthusiastic, passionate spirit of giving



Taunya Claybrook was lauded for exhibiting a positive Christianity.



Maryann Liu receives her pin.

Students on the Move

The Academic Review Committee voted to reward outstanding academic performance by publication of a Dean's List each quarter. The eligibility requirements are:

- achieve a term grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than a B-
- receive no Incomplete grades for the quarter
- complete at least 12 units of coursework during the quarter

The Committee reviewed the performance of all students for the winter quarter 1998 and voted to include the following students on the Dean's List:

IDP

Fariba Zarrabi
Najwa Shaja
Mohamed Ahmed

Class of 2001

Jeremy Burden
Samuel Demirdji
Brian Hanratty
Mark Honce
Philip Jo
Sooho Joe
Jeremy Johnson
John Kavanagh
Jin-Hyuk Kim
Kyo Sung Kim
Michael Knoll
Kenneth Krauss
Hyun Min Lee
Cherisse Loo
Mueni Mutinga
Annie Ngo
Holly Nguyen
Dan Nydegger
Won Hum Park
Aaron Soeprono
Scott Steedman
Myduyen Tran
Robert Wells

Class of 2000

Brian Black
Charles Calder
Michael Costa
Christopher Cox
Madelyn Fletcher
Trisha Jen
Marc Larson
Christopher Sechrist
Meerweis Stanisai
Todd Young

Hygiene Class of 1999

Alisa Bowker
Jennifer Brown
Melissa Fullgrave
Aprille Gungl
Delight Gunnarsson
Jill Hodson
Claire John
Wendy King-DeCamp
Holly Knauf
Alisa Lorenz
Kelly Mullin
Cristin Murdoch
Amy Nettles
Veronica Nieto
Sonja Oliekan
Angela Pai
Kelvin Palafox



Mary Ann Parmiter
Beth Platner
Rebekah Schultz
Krista Sundahl
Jeanette West
Deborah Westcott

Hygiene Class of 1998

Shannon Blankenship
Taunya Claybrook
Tearce Hantz
Ellen Kim
Maryann Liu
Kimberley McFadden
Nikole Melendy
Tamela Meyer
Dawn Neely
Elizabeth Senne

Notes from 2K

by Brian P. Black

The Class of 2K has already begun planning Commencement 2000 by searching for appropriate speakers to address our class. After several lengthy sessions, class officers compiled a list of potential candidates and associated commencement topics shown below.

| <u>Speaker</u> | <u>Topic</u> |
|----------------------------|---|
| President Bill Clinton | -- <i>Ethical Practice Management</i> |
| Dr. Jack Kevorkian | -- <i>Long-term Treatment Planning for Elderly Patients</i> |
| Dennis Rodman | -- <i>Professional Dress and Attire in the Workplace</i> |
| Jerry Springer | -- <i>Effective Communication in the Workplace</i> |
| The Spice Girls | -- <i>Achieving Success Through Substance and Talent</i> |
| O.J. Simpson | -- <i>Universal Precautions</i> |
| Macaulay Culkin | -- <i>Career Longevity: Making a Career That Lasts</i> |
| John Gotti (via satellite) | -- <i>Running a Family Practice</i> |

Department News

All faculty are invited to attend the next Faculty Advance Seminar, which is scheduled for Friday, September 18. It will be held in the Wong Kerlee Conference Center.

There will be a continental breakfast at 7:45 a.m. The seminar will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 2:00 p.m.

Lunch will be served. All full-time and half-time faculty are required to attend. Charles J. Goodacre, DDS, MSD
Dean

Steven G. Morrow, SD'60, MS'84 associate professor of endodontics, received his *Diplomate pin* in recognition of being certified by the American Board of Endodontics. Three additional alumni of the advanced education program in endodontics at LLU were also recognized by receiving their *Diplomate pins*: Patrick Ohara, DDS, MS'91, Philip Waterman, DDS, MS'92, and Gary Wuchenich, SD'77, MS'94. By having four alumni recognized as *Diplomates*, LLU had the largest group of any program. We congratulate each one on the achievement of Board certification. Pictured: Drs. Leif K. Bakland, Robert Frank, Steven Morrow, John Ingle, Phil Waterman, Pat Ohara, and Gary Wuchenich.



Center for Dental Research

• Yiming Li, DDS, MSD, PhD, professor of restorative dentistry, has a paper entitled *Dental Amalgam: Update on Safety Concerns* published in the Journal of American Dental Association, Volume 129, pages 494-503, April, 1998. He serves as the senior author, in collaboration with Dr. Chet Siew and Brian Shearer, both of the ADA. The paper is used as an Association Report of ADA Council on Scientific Affairs.

• Dr. Li had a paper translated to Spanish and published in *Archivos De Odonto* in Spain (Volume 14, Number 2, pages 108-114, 1998). The title of the paper is *Toxicological Considerations of Tooth Bleaching Using Peroxide-Containing Agents*.

• Dr. Li is co-author of a paper entitled *A Study on the Relationship between Fluoride Levels in Drinking Water and Dental Caries*, which was published in *Journal of Environment and Health* (Volume 15, pages 51-54, March issue, 1998) in China. The paper is based on the collaborative studies supported by NIH.

• Dr. Li will be attending the 76th IADR Meeting between June 24 and 27, 1998 in Nice. He will present a paper entitled *In Vivo Safety Evaluation of a Hydrogen Peroxide-Based Tooth Whitening Gel* on June 26, 1998. He will also serve as co-chairman for a session on June 25.

Clinic Administration

• Welcome to Ellis Jones as our new volunteer coordinator. Ellis is in need of our used magazines, in good condition, for the main lobby. Also if you know of any mature adults interested in volunteering their time, have them contact Mary Hartwell's office. They are mainly needed at 7:30 - 9:00 am and at 12:30 - 2:00.

Welcome to new employees:

• Our new sterilization department supervisor is Jسونija Thompkins.

• Patricia Stokes came from our Chaffey rotation is now in sterilization.

• Mario Mariscal to sterilization

• Kelly Horta came from Medical Center Employee Health to radiology.

• Jeni Christian has left clinic administration to become our new PBX operator.

• Marie Worcestor has left radiology to go to clinic administration.

• Congratulations to Pablo Carrillo for receiving his DA certification!

• Dr. Donald Beglau, associate professor of restorative dentistry, will visit several dental alumni in Alaska this summer.

Endodontics

The fifty-fifth annual session of the American Association of Endodontists (AAE) was held in New York in early May and the School of Dentistry was well represented by faculty members and graduate students.

Mahmoud Torabinejad, DMD, MSD, PhD, professor and director of graduate endodontics serves as Sixth District Director on the AAE Board of Directors. He also serves as the National Chair of the Association's Foundation in which he was instrumental in promoting a research fund that has been of great benefit to students in advanced endodontic programs across the country, including the one at Loma Linda University. The most recent recipient of research funding was Dr. Geoffrey Okada for his project *Inflammatory modulation in replacement root resorption*, for which he received \$6500.00.

Dr. Torabinejad was one of the featured speakers at the scientific session in which he participated in an all day course on *Procedural Challenges in Endodontics*. In addition, Dr. Torabinejad was the mentor and co-author of the following graduate student and visiting scholar research presentation (*Denotes presenter):

Geographic distribution of specialty workforce in California. M. E. Gomes*, D. H. Snider, M. Torabinejad.

Quantitative assessment of dentin bridge formation following pulp capping with Mineral Trioxide Aggregate (MTA). D. J. Junn*, P. McMillan, L. K. Bakland, and M. Torabinejad.

Evaluation of crack formation following root-end cavity preparations. M. Yamaguchi*, H. R. Abedi, M. Torabinejad.

In recognition of his many contributions to endodontics, the French Society of Endodontics honored Dr. Torabinejad during the AAE meeting with their 1998 Louis I. Grossman Award.

Several other faculty members and graduate students from the department of endodontics attended and participated in the many activities available during the annual session of the American Association of Endodontists, including

serving on committees: Drs. Leif K. Bakland, Robert Frank, John Ingle, Lee Maddox, John Munce, Sean Noorvash, August Tang, Hiroaki Tokonabe, Marshall Gomes, Geoffrey Okada, Douglas Snider, Lynn Diaz, Keith Komatsu, Kurt Marcks, and Chomquan Tongbaiyai.

Orthodontics

- **Joseph Caruso**, SD'73, MS'75, and **Michael Fillman**, SD'74, MS'84, attended the annual Association of Orthodontists meeting held in Dallas, Texas, May 17-20. Also attending were both first and second year graduate orthodontic students. In addition, the second year students sat for the written exam of the American Board of Orthodontics.

- **Leroy Leggitt**, SD'84, MS'92, attended the Foundation for Orthodontic Research annual meeting held in Cancun, Mexico, May 20-22. At the meeting, he presented a prototype interactive CD regarding the Ricketts library that was developed by **Ivan Dus**, MD, of the orthodontic department.

- Adjunct professor **Dr. Victor West**, from the University of Melbourne, Australia, also attended the Foundation for Orthodontic Research meeting in Cancun, and subsequently spent time at the department in May and June.

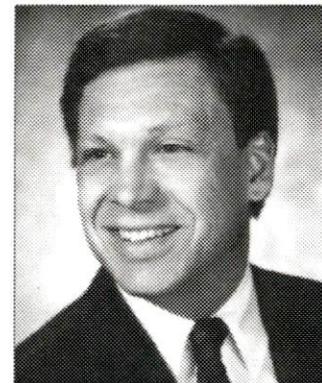
Periodontics

- **Dr. Paola Guglielmoni** and **Dr. Ananya Promsudthi** will graduate from advanced periodontics this year. Dr. Guglielmoni defended her thesis during the third week of May.

Restorative Dentistry

- **Dr. Chet Siew**, chief toxicologist and chairman of the ADA's Department of Toxicology, recently gave a seminar for faculty and staff on *Estrogenicity of Dental Sealants and Composite - Myth or Reality?*

- A research article by Drs. **Anthony Tjan**, **Daniel Tan**, **Jenny Sun**, and **Albert Tjan** was published in the December 1997 issue of the *American Journal of Dentistry*. Their article, entitled "Marginal Leakage of Amalgam Restorations Pretreated with Various Liners," shows that glass ionomer cement, used as a total cavity liner, significantly reduces microleakage at the amalgam/tooth interface, comparable to that of using an adhesive resin liner. An important variation with this study was the condensation of amalgam onto a cement-lined preparation while the cement was still "wet." A clinical application of this technique would be as a cavity liner under amalgam restorations in root caries, providing benefits of reducing microleakage as well as releasing fluoride.



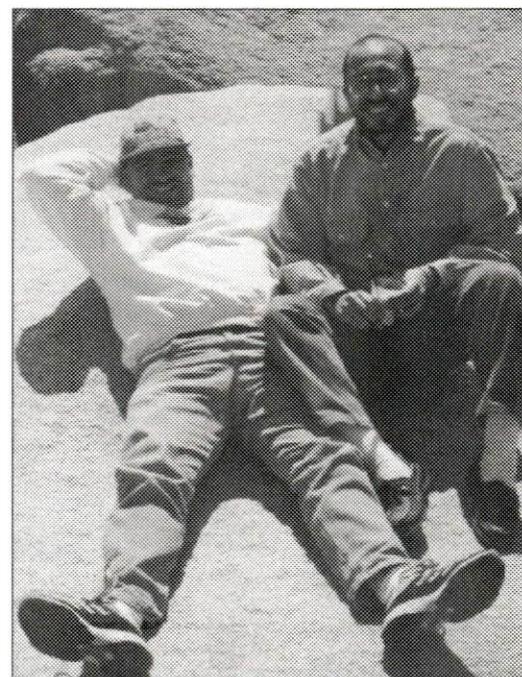
In the July **Dentalgram:**

an interview with
Fred Kasischke, DMin,
new assistant dean for
admissions, service learning
and spiritual nurture in the
School of Dentistry.
He has been associate pastor
of University Church for 23
years, where his primary focus
has been on family and young
adult ministries.
Dr. Kasischke will assume his
new duties on July 1.

International Dentist Program

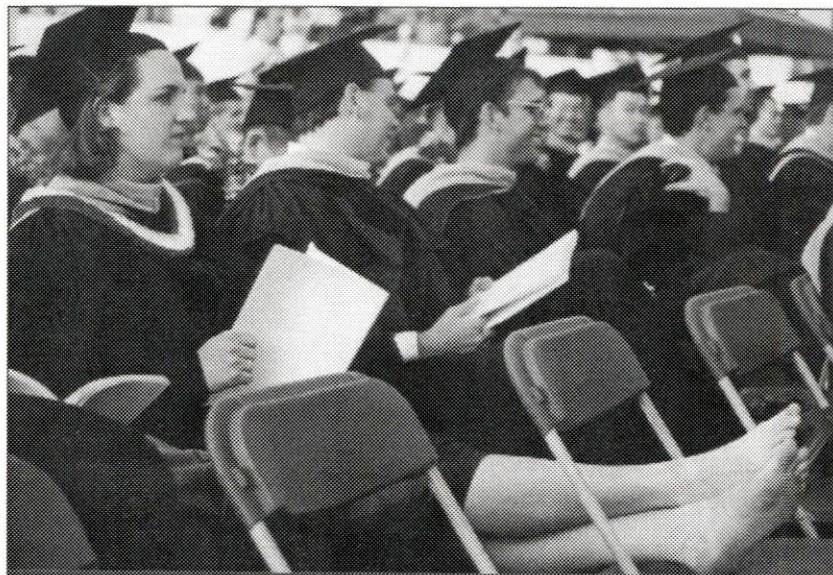


On April 26, the International Dentist Program took its annual trip to Joshua Tree National Monument to see the spring flowers. Fifteen students, their families, and two faculty, had a grand time in the high desert.



IDP classmates Juan Gonzalez and Mohammed Ahmed enjoy the spring sunshine at Joshua Tree.

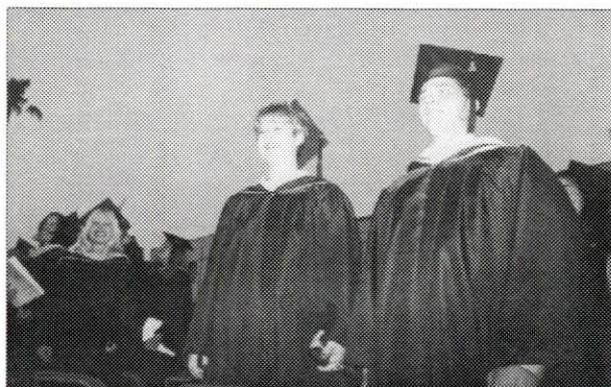
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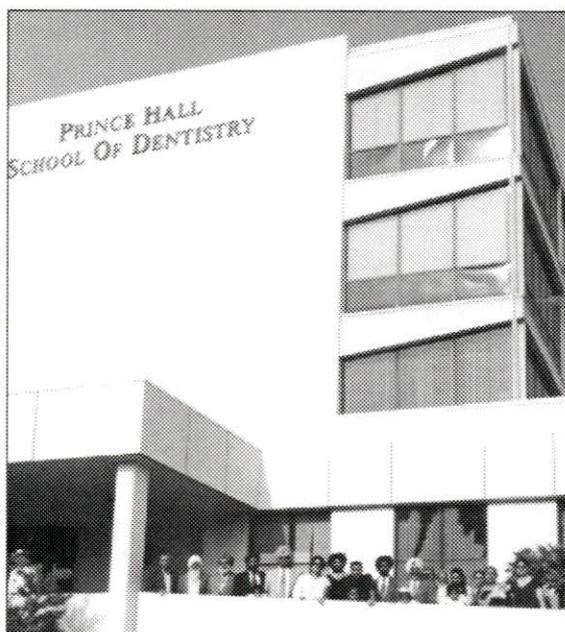
Holli Riter's breath of fresh air.



James Edwards, SD'98, donates his mortarboard to his hatless infant.

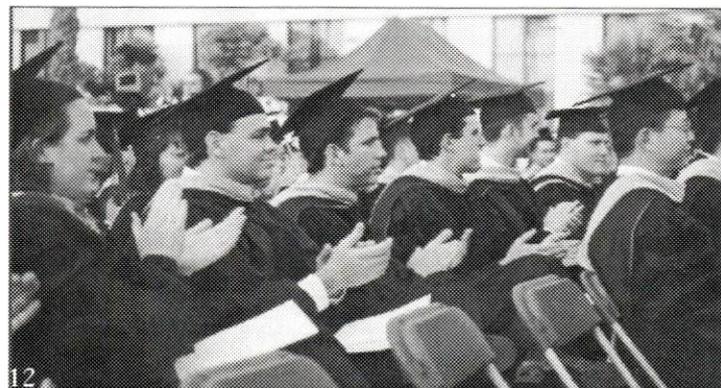


Hoffer, Gimby and Gabel, DH'98, smile as President Behrens confers degrees upon them.



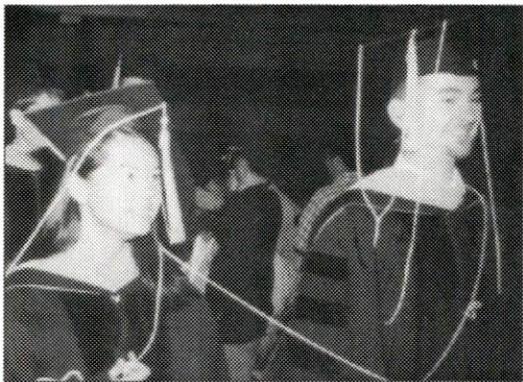
Gurrinder Atwal's family came from England, India, and the United States, to honor him upon his graduation from the International Dentist Program.

Many volunteers helped host the Alumni Association reception for graduates and their families after commencement.



SD'98 applauds class president Shane Witherow (right photo) as he gives his response to the commencement address.

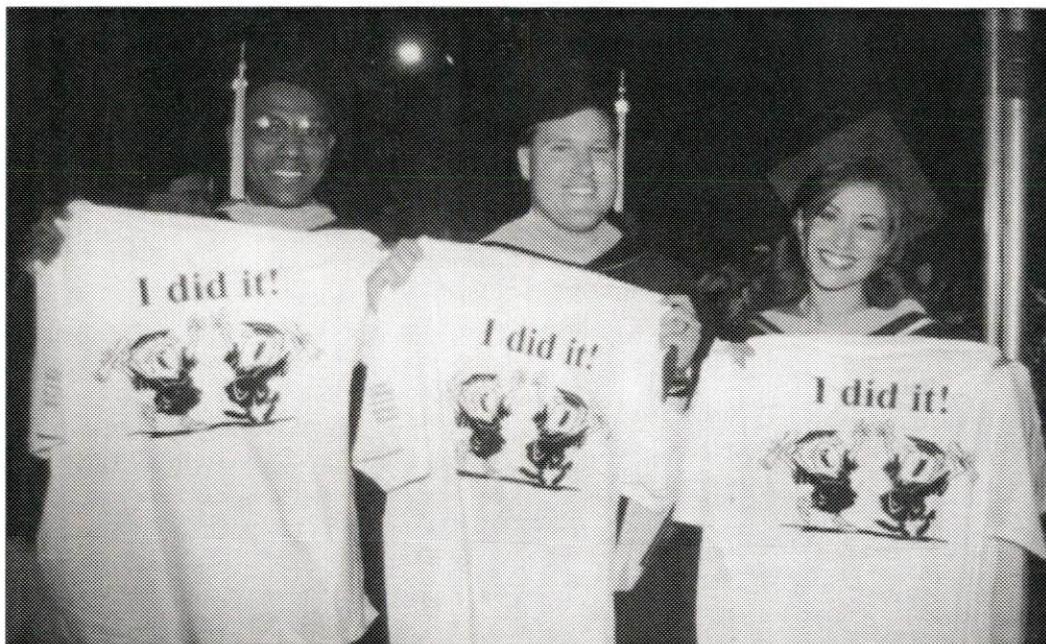




A blizzard of pink and green spray string fell on recessing graduates.

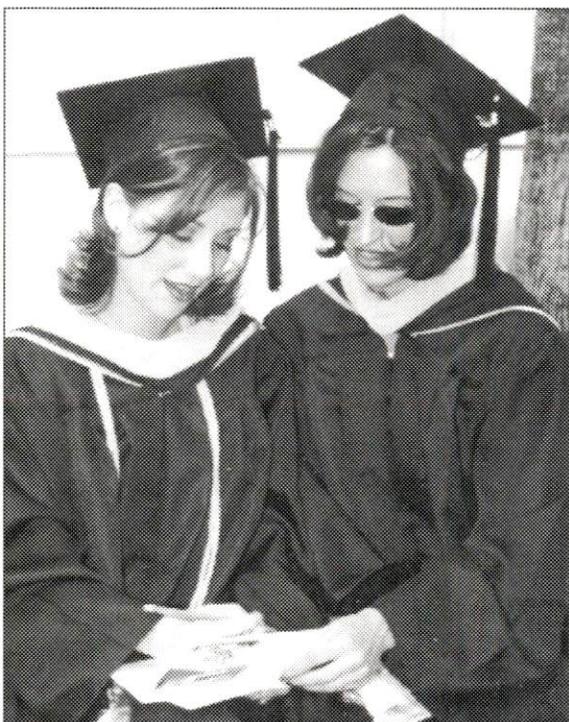
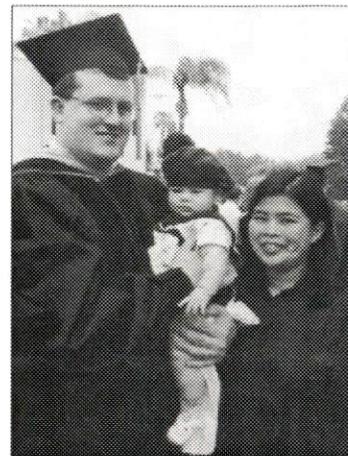


Dr. Livio Florian Eftimie, a Master's candidate in oral and maxillofacial surgery, brought his baby to witness Daddy's diploma.

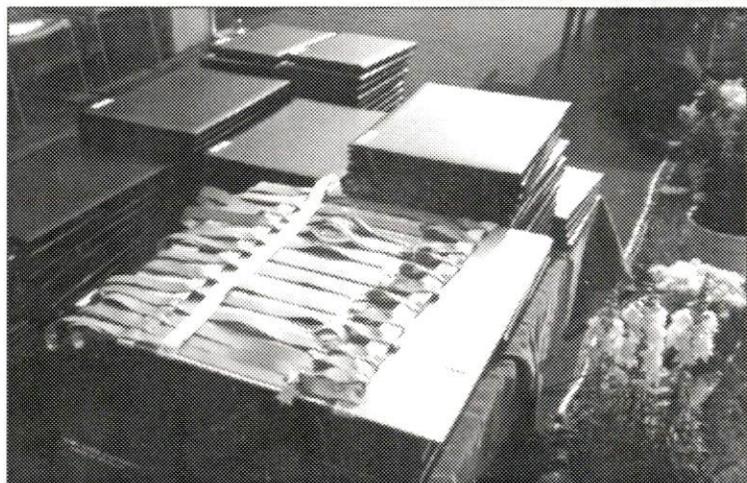


Postdoctoral, doctoral, and baccalaureate students celebrate their accomplishments.

Below: Peter Bond, SD'98, shares a moment with his wife and child.



Debbie Jones and Jill Honce, DH'98, sign graduation cards at the last minute before marching.



Diplomas and OKU medallions adorn the presentation table just before the commencement service.

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SD professor awarded Australian medal

Victor C. West, adjunct professor of orthodontics in the School of Dentistry, was awarded a gold medal and appointed to the position of Member of the Order of Australia early in April, honoring his "service to dentistry in the field of orthodontics as an educator and administrator, and to the community."

The honor system was instituted by Queen Elizabeth in 1975, as an Australian society of honor for the purpose of according recognition to Australian citizens and other persons for achievement or for meritorious service. Appointments as Members of the Order of Australia are made for service in a particular locality or field of activity or to a particular group, for service worthy of particular recognition.

Dr. West has been chairman of the department of orthodontics at the University of Melbourne [Victoria] School of Dental Science for 30 years, and came to Loma Linda University as a faculty member and Ricketts Library curator, by invitation of Joseph M. Caruso, SD'73, MS'75, MPH, chairman of the orthodontic department here at Loma Linda.

"Dr. West has done an awful lot in the community [in Australia], not only in orthodontics, but as a dentist for some of the major sports teams over there," says Alden



Dr. Victor West

Chase, SD'60, MS'63, professor in the School of Dentistry, a friend and colleague. "He's a very articulate writer, with a quick wit, and very jovial. He holds an engineering degree, and a degree in law, and is able to converse on any subject in dentistry. When here in Loma Linda, he really works with the students, and they all like him. He'd work with them until midnight, sometimes, on their theses and research."

When in Loma Linda, Dr. West works as curator of the Ricketts Library, a collection of materials, books, cases, scientific and anatomic models located across the hall from the Randall Visitor Center. He and Ivan Dus, MD, assistant professor of orthodontics, are cataloging the legacy of Dr. Robert M. Ricketts, one of the foremost orthodontic researchers in the world, according to Dr. Chase. They are in the process of storing the records in digital format for further development of tutorial materials which would be Internet-accessible.



Dr. West's Order of Australia medal

CDA Director-Select passes away

by Kenneth E. Lange, DDS, President

It is with heartfelt sorrow and personal regret that I inform you that CDA Executive Director-Select Thomas P. Nagle succumbed to a massive stroke on Saturday, May 2. He began showing symptoms of a stroke Thursday evening, which upon hospitalization, quickly grew in magnitude, resulting in loss of brain function. He was 53.

Mr. Nagle was scheduled to begin his duties as executive director of the California Dental Association the following morning, Friday, May 1, and had been meeting with volunteers and staff for the past several weeks in anticipation of assuming his duties. A rapport had developed on which great accomplishments could be built. We mourn for Tom, his wife Paulette, his two sons ages 14 and 15, and for us, who now will not have the opportunity to work with this incredibly gifted man. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, colleagues and friends.

A decision was to have been made at the May 16-17 Board of Trustees meeting, relative to steps necessary to fill the executive director position.