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

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This issue

Construction begins

Student news

Department news

Employee of the Quarter

Ready, set, CONSTRUCT!

by Christy K. Robinson

"The contract has been signed, the job trailer is going up, and we're getting moving," says Ron Secor, MBA, clinics manager and acting associate dean for financial administration of the School of Dentistry.

"Jim Redfield [director of Dental Maintenance] has been and will be working daily with the project. I've kind of been working with him on the administrative end of this," says Mr. Secor.

McCarthy Construction, of Newport Beach, has contracted to build the new expansion to Prince Hall for \$2,858,237. Additional costs are involved, however, such as design, financing, and construction administrative costs.

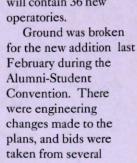
Major donors to the project are the Hutto-Patterson Charitable Foundation, the Loma Linda University Dental Group, Inc., the School of Dentistry Anesthesia Faculty, the Friends of Wilfred A. Nation, and the Weingart Foundation. general contractors. In the mean time, palm trees were removed, the parking attendant building was moved to the south end of the dental patient parking lot, and fencing has been set up.

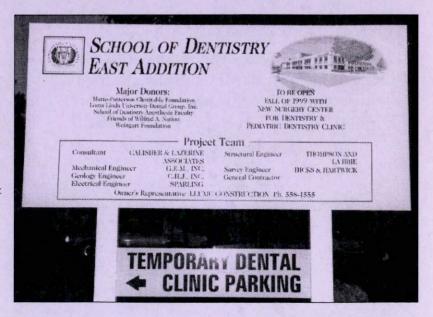
On the interior, the former student lab, which had been used for storage, is now cleared out and ready to meet its destiny. (Once the storage items were removed, Dental Maintenance used the lab as temporary headquarters while their suite was remodeled with new floor and ceilings and work stations.)

Soon, construction will begin in earnest, with trucks coming and going, concrete being torn up and oozed back down, the sounds of hammers, drills, and power tools filling the air, dust covering the nearby cars, and the day by day progress of plumbing and electrical fixtures being installed.

As the saying goes, "If you build it they will come."

The expansion will house the enlarged Pediatric Dentistry Clinic and the Surgery Center for Dentistry. A new student laboratory will be located on the ground floor, and the second-floor main clinic will contain 36 new operatories.





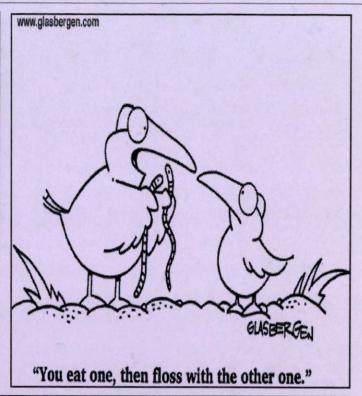


Students on the Move



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Lori
Christensen,
SN'00, and
Royce Nicola,
SD'00, were
married in a
December 23
ceremony at the
Calimesa SDA
Church. They
honeymooned at
Lake
Arrowhead,
Yosemite, and
the Napa Valley.



Clinic With a Heart

Sunday, February 21, 1999

Sponsored by the Dental Student Association

Donate your time, talent and treasures:
No volunteers turned away!
Needed: student dentists and hygienists,
clinic and office support personnel,
clinical faculty advisers, food servers,
gofers, etc.

Contact: Mary Hartwell at x44939, or Rolf Wuerch at the DSA office

FREE FOOD & T-SHIRTS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Health Professions, Professional & Graduate Student Lobby Day on Capitol Hill an annual event

Jan. 11 press release from American Association of Dental Schools (AADS)

Concerned health professions students, and professional and graduate students will meet with members of Congress on Student Lobby Day, Thursday, February 4, 1999 in Washington, DC, to discuss education issues.

Legislative briefings will take place on Wednesday, February 3, 1999, followed by Lobby Day on Capitol Hill on February 4.

Among the issues and concerns health professions students will address include:

- Student loan debt. Health professions, professional student, and graduate student debt is skyrocketing. Students graduating with professional degrees have seen their debt rise. For dental students the average range of debt was \$52,817 for graduates of public universities to nearly \$100,000 for graduates of private universities. Students graduating with a master's degree in 1992-1993 borrowed, on average, \$12,870. Their colleagues who graduated in 1995-1996 borrowed an average of \$19,245!
- Eligibility for the 'additional' unsubsidized Stafford Loan is a major issue AADS and other health professions organizations will push in the 106th Congress. Students will encourage Congressional members to join Congresswoman Karen Thurman's (D-FL) letter to Secretary Riley urging the Department of Education to level the playing field so that all health professions schools will have equal access to the

'additional' unsubsidized Stafford Loan program.

- Expanding the income phase-out limits and increasing the amount of deductible interest on qualified student loans so more health professions students may benefit from the 'above the line' Student Loan Interest Tax Deduction is an issue students will advocate for on Capitol Hill.
- Reduce student debt, and also encourage health professions students to pursue academia and research and provide care to underserved populations by advocating for enhancements in and expansion of federal loan repayment program opportunities at the National Institutes of Health, National Health Service Corps, and Indian Health Service.

This is an annual event. For information on next year's Lobby Day, contact Michael Agosta, NAGPS Legislative Director, e-mail <legdir@nagps.org> or call 202-639-8420; or contact Gina G. Luke, Legislative Analyst and Public Affairs Officer, American Association of Dental Schools, e-mail <LukeG@aads.jhu.edu>, phone 202-667-9433 ext. 128.

The National Association of Graduate Professional Students (NAGPS) can help any interested health professions students reserve a hotel room and assist students in making appointments with Congressional members on the Hill.

Found: the stuff you lost

The following are unclaimed items in Lost and Found. To claim lost items, please call Marie Worcester in Clinic Administration at x82119 and identify item. Conversely, if you find something you think someone has lost, please bring it to Clinic Administration.

Clothing:

large dark blue sweatshirt
paisley bow tie
women's beige sweatshirt
cordurouy hat
white sweater with logo on front
large striped shirt
large beige sweatshirt with logo on front
X-large gray terry sweatshirt
black terry jacket
gray and blue jacket

X-large pullover sweat jacket large white sweatshirt one men's dress shoe (right shoe)

Books:

The Dental Clinics of North America (April 1982) The Dental Clinics of North America (January 1978) Seven Promises of a Promise Keeper A Cry in the Night Could You Not Tarry One Hour

Miscellaneous Items:

2 watches miscellaneous dental supplies Pyrex portables case 3 umbrellas

Department News

Administration

• Ron Secor, MBA, clinics manager for the



School of Dentistry, has been appointed as Acting Associate Dean for Financial Administration. He will retain his title of clinics manager. Mr. Secor will move to Room 5518 on the fifth floor, where he can be

reached for help with questions about School finances.

Clinic Administration

Zolton Horvath will be replacing Jodi Staff as assistant supervisor in oral surgery; Jodi Staff is replacing Michelle Rice as supervisor in Patient Relations; Michelle Rice is replacing Alisa Wilson as supervisor in Implant Dentistry. Alisa Wilson, RDA, OSA, will be clinical research coordinator in the Biomaterials Research Center. Antonio Cuevas, son of Gracie Cuevas in pediatric dentistry, has joined the Central Sterilization staff. Jesus Rodriguez has been hired as a dental assistant in GANR. Joseph Melgoza, son of Maria Melgoza in Implant Dentistry, has also joined the Central Sterilization staff. Tami Saylors has been hired as a dental insurance specialist for pediatric dentistry.

Educational Support Services

In January, the staff of ESS have helped more than 30 student teams print and assemble table clinics; they've produced table clinic brochures; designed, printed, and mounted signs and posters for the convention; designed graphics for publication in scientific journals; updated and maintained the dental website; scanned an estimated 1000 slides and photos; provided bookkeeping and receptionist support; imaged another 400 slides; produced two Dentalgrams, the DENTISTRY journal (now at press), the IDP newsletter, a continuing dental education catalog, and the convention guide, including photography, writing and typesetting; shot and edited videos and still photos; came up to speed on the new digital video editing

system; made movies for computer playback; attended a video makers expo; worked with Media Services and

Telecom to deliver video and audio of simultaneous surgeries from the GANR clinic to the Coleman Pavilion for continuing education in surgical endodontics; and printed

photos for publication.
Unbelievably, that's just the abstract!

ation International Dentist Program

- During the Alumni-Student Convention, you are invited to visit the IDP trailer set up behind Gentry Gymnasium. The trailer will be sent to the Universidad de Montemorelos, in Nuevo Leon, Mexico. NASDAD is working to finance the startup of a Spanish-language dental school there.
- The textbook *Operative Dentistry*, by Baum, Phillips and Lund, has now been translated into the Russian language. The book is already read in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Indonesian.

Lloyd Baum, DMD, professor of restorative dentistry here, and Melvin Lund, DDS, MS, who recently retired from teaching at Indiana University, were among the founders of the LLU School of Dentistry. Ralph Phillips, MS, DSc, the other author, is deceased.

Oral Surgery

Wayne K. Tanaka, DDS, FICD, associate professor and chair of the



department of oral surgery, and Liviu Eftimie, DDS, PG'98, have been inducted into the Southern California Society of Oral and

Maxillofacial Surgeons, at the January 16-17 meeting in Palm Springs.

At the same meeting, Phillip Boyne, DMD, MS'61, FACD, professor of oral surgery, was honored with a Distinguished Service Award. The citation reads, "In recognition of his many contributions and years of service as clinician, educator, consultant and researcher. He is an internationally known researcher in bone physiology and its clinical application in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery. He has presided many years over the Society's annual residents program. He has earned our utmost respect by his tireless efforts on behalf of our specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery which are deeply appreciated. With sincere gratitude this award is presented by the members of the Southern California Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons."

Periodontics

Connie Carlson, administrative secretary in the department office, has been critically ill since New Year's, and has undergone several heart surgeries. Let us join in prayer for her recovery.



Jeri Fowler, RDA, CDA, assistant supervisor in the endodontic clinic, proudly displays the evidence of her forthcoming progeny. She and her husband "tried for 12 years" to get in the family way, she says.

Factoids, Miscellaneous

• Jan. 26, 1875 - Electric dental drill was patented by George F. Green.

• The electric chair was invented by a dentist.

Sugar was first added to chewing gum in 1869
 Pavilion for continuing education in by a dentist (William Semple).

Our give lended option and printed.

 Lucy Hobbs Taylor was the first woman in the US to become a certified dentist (1867).



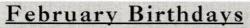
Parking notice

As of Monday, February 1, 1999 all parking will be in either the G lot or the outlying lots around campus. K/Dental Patient Lot will be for dental patients only. Those who have assigned parking in the K/Dental Patient Lot and have returned the memo sent to you will have automatic access to the G Lot starting February 1.

If you have not returned the memo or do not have assigned parking already, you will need to contact Dental Maintenance department and LLUMC Security.

If you cannot get a parking assignment by Monday, you will be able to park in U, N6, and gravel area of X Lot. Do not attempt to park anywhere else or you may be ticketed. Rideshare parking will be to the west of Gentry Gym, except during the Alumni-Student Convention. At that time Rideshare parking will be in regular parking in X Lot.

Thank you for your cooperation during the construction phase of the School of Dentistry.



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Irene Marutsos	Central Sterilization
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Edith Wiggins	GANR
Synnove Golden	Insurance - Volunteer
Tami Saylors	Pediatrics
Christine Morales	Orthodontics
Marilyn Saverino	IDP
Beverly Whittaker	FDO



Carol Russell named Employee of the Quarter

by Rosemary Passmore

Our newest Employee of the Quarter is a bubbly, energetic, eager beaver receptionist at Faculty Dental Offices, named Carol Russell.

Carol starts her day by getting up at 3:00 a.m., at which time she cleans her house. Then she and her neighbor walk her two West Highland Terriers for 45 minutes. After that exercise, Carol gets ready for her job, where she has worked for the past 12 years, greeting the patients with a beautiful smile that makes them feel very comfortable.

Carol has three children, four grandchildren, and a wonderful husband who prepares gourmet dinners for her when she gets home.

Adopted as a child, Carol has been able to find eight brothers and sisters living in Indiana, "which has really enriched my life," she says.

Her co-workers say, "We are very fortunate to have Carol with us."

Carol, we are very proud to know you. Keep up the excellent work!

Following are the comments made by coworkers when they nominated Carol for Employee of the Quarter:

- Always helpful with others. Hard worker and hardly ever complains.
- Carol is a great receptionist here at FDO. She always has a cheery smile for all of us and our patients. She is very dedicated to her job and deserves this great recognition!
 - · Happy personality, warm and friendly.
- Patients always ask for her always friendly and laughing. Gets along with everyone! Always working, never sits still. She flies. She deserves this recognition.

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