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## Alumni Student Convention, 2004

### Events at a glance

#### Thursday, February 5, 2004

Golf Tournament  
Exhibitors  
Student Table Clinic presentations  
Homecoming Reception  
OKU Dinner and Business Meeting, keynote  
speaker: Rella Christensen, PhD, "Current  
Trends in Dentistry" (School of Dentistry  
amphitheater, 6:00 p.m. for 45 minutes)

#### Friday, February 6, 2004

Missionary Dentist & Prayer Breakfast  
Exhibitors  
Scientific Sessions

- Contemporary Perspectives & Realistic Visions  
for the Future of Endodontics  
—James L. Gutmann, DDS
- Ethical Dilemmas in Dental Hygiene: Assessing  
the Principles  
—Phyllis Beemsterboer, RDH, MS, EdD

Hygienists & Assistants Luncheon  
Student Dedication Program

#### Saturday, February 7, 2004

Worship services  
Sabbath luncheon  
Vesper services featuring "Another Peace"  
Class reunions

#### Sunday, February 8, 2004

- Office Safety and Infection Control  
Symposium  
—W. Eugene Rathbun, DDS, PhD;  
Curtis Hamann, MD

## Kathleen Moore named assistant dean

The newest member of the School of Dentistry administration team is Kathleen Moore, MHIS.

The electronic media are increasingly involved in all areas of learning, communication, recruitment, and clinical records; administrative oversight for information technology is now essential.

The position of assistant dean for educational support services has been established in the School of Dentistry, and Kathleen Moore was recently appointed to fill this role.

This position will also encompass continuing education management, Alumni Association leadership, and spearheading the marketing activities for the School of Dentistry. Focus will be placed on developing fully-navigable teaching material, planning and building a more complete web site, and



continuing to create an efficient team of staff members to support the efforts of the School.

Kathleen brings to this position a quarter of a century's involvement with  
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## New appointments

### Dr. B. Daniel Hall

B. Daniel Hall, DDS, PG'95, has been named director of the International Dentist Program.

Dr. Hall first began interacting with IDP students in class, teaching them both complete denture and removable partial denture courses.

"The flavor of IDP is unique," he says. "The students come to Loma Linda from around the globe, often making great sacrifices to train in our School. The program's atmosphere is precious and tender—and this must be maintained."

Dr. Hall would like to continue building on the sound foundation brought to the program through the influence of faculty including Drs. Lloyd Baum; William Heisler; Mingway Lee; Bruce Pence, immediate past

program director; William Seibly; and John Whittaker.

Dr. Hall received his DDS degree from University of California, San Francisco in 1961 and served in the U.S. Army Dental Corps until 1963. Later, he began a private practice in general dentistry in Oceanside, California which he maintained for 30 years.

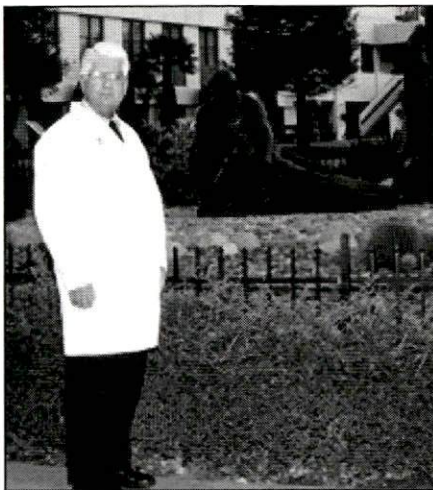
Dr. Hall began teaching at the School of Dentistry in the restorative dentistry department. In 1995, he earned a postgraduate certificate in prosthodontics from the School and began teaching full-time in the predoctoral prosthodontic program the same year.

IDP is 21 months in length, and new classes begin in the spring and fall  
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## New appointments...continued from page 1

of each year. Approximately six full-time and eight part-time faculty teach in the department.

It is a highly competitive program with more than 300 applicants competing for 16 positions each year. Applicants must have completed dental degrees in countries outside the United States. Upon finishing the program, the students earn a DDS degree from the School of Dentistry.



**Dr. B. Daniel Hall...named director, IDP**

### **Kathleen Moore named assistant dean...Continued from page 1**

the School, and long-term experience in continuing education, alumni functions, and managing the information technology staff.

She began her association with LLU in 1978 as the secretary to Dr. Judson Klooster when he was dean. Under his tutelage, Kathleen was able to grow professionally, moving into department assistant and director positions over the next two decades. In 1999, Kathleen added dental computer services to her continuing education and Alumni Association management roles, and she recently became involved with educational support services.

"The School of Dentistry has been good to me," remarks Kathleen. "I've been able to gain valuable experience in several arenas, and have been allowed to shape my professional life in a very satisfactory manner."

Over the years Kathleen has worked closely with several mentors, including Drs. Klooster, James Crawford, Leif Bakland, and Charles Goodacre. She credits these relationships for her professional

### **Dr. Yiming Li**

Yiming Li, DDS, MSD, PhD, has been named director, Center for Dental Research. Dr. Li has served on the faculty of the School of Dentistry since 1997, when he was recruited to become director of the biocompatibility and toxicology research laboratory, Center for Dental Research (CDR). In 2002 he was named director of the School's clinical research program.

"Our School is well-known for clinical excellence," he says. "Under Dr. Goodacre's leadership we are striving to elevate our research programs as well."

Currently the CDR consists of five areas: the biomaterials/clinical research program led by Dr. Carlos Muñoz, immediate past director, CDR; biostatistics, led by Dr. Jay Kim; biocompatibility & toxicology research laboratory, under the direction of Dr. Li; molecular biology & microbiology, led by Dr. Shahrokh Shabahang; and research services, led by Dr. Wu Zhang.

"We are planning to add two additional areas," confides Dr. Li, "esthetic dentistry and public health. The public health area is valuable. The University's mission is 'to

growth and satisfaction in the School.

With two teenage children, Kathleen and her husband, Bill Redman, are kept busy. All four family members are involved with the University: Bill is a security officer, 15-year-old Daniel works for clinical administration during his academic vacations, and 13-year-old Heather volunteers for various functions in the School.

"I like to work, and apparently some of this attitude has rubbed off on my family," says Kathleen. "I get really excited over tasks and achievements, and other things that most people probably find mundane. I frequently get so eager to accomplish things that I sometimes have to stop and remember the human side of life also."

Kathleen completed her Masters in Health Information Systems (MHIS) degree at Loma Linda University School of Allied Health Professions in 1999.

"The information I learned and relationships established during that program have given me the foundation for the role I will now be playing," states Kathleen. "I hope to build on that and be a real asset to the School of Dentistry for many years."



**Dr. Yiming Li... named director, Center for Dental Research.**

make man whole,' and this area will encompass programs for those in underserved populations."

The School's research arena is robust and has seen increased success in attracting extramural research funding, according to Dr. Li.

After receiving his DDS degree from Shanghai Second Medical University School of Dentistry, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, Dr. Li was an assistant teacher and researcher, for SSMU for nearly five years. He then participated in an exchange program with the United States for science, culture, and the arts. Dr. Li studied at Indiana University School of Dentistry, where he earned his MSD degree in 1984 and PhD degree in 1987.

For seven years (1990 to 1997), Dr. Li served as director, biocompatibility core facility, Indiana University Biomechanics and Biomaterials Research Center. At the same time, he served on the faculty of the Indiana University's (IU) graduate and dental schools, and was director of the electron microscope/confocal microscope facility (1993 to 1997). He also held a joint appointment in the department of pharmacology and toxicology at IU School of Medicine.

During his career, Dr. Li has served on numerous research, ethics, and faculty committees. He serves as a special reviewer for National Institutes of Health/National Institute for Dental Research small grant and grant applications, and reviews manuscripts for numerous professional journals, including the *Journal of Dental Research*; *Journal of the American College of Toxicology*; and *American Journal of Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics*, among others.

Dr. Li also is a professor, department of microbiology and molecular genetics, LLU School of Medicine, and is on the graduate faculty of the Graduate School.

# Alumni Student Convention, 2004

The 2004 Alumni Student Convention, will soon arrive—creating memories and marking milestones for dental and dental hygiene students; and providing a time for alumni and their families to reunite with classmates, attend continuing education courses, and enjoy the many events that have been planned.

The convention will be held Thursday, February 5, to Sunday, February 8, 2004, and marks the 44th anniversary of this event.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

On Thursday the Convention begins with the annual golf tournament at 7:30 a.m. at the Yucaipa Valley Golf Club. Students are invited to participate in the tournament for a special \$35 fee.

The same morning, attendees will learn about current research during Scientific Sessions (topics include endodontics, prosthodontics, operative/restorative dentistry, oral and maxillofacial surgery, and dental hygiene). They may also visit exhibitors' tables in the Wong Kerlee International Conference Center.

Dentists and dental hygienists viewing all Student Table Clinic Presentations and completing the *Table Clinic Questionnaire* will be awarded two complimentary California C.E. credits.

On Thursday afternoon, alumni will advise junior and senior dental students, and senior dental hygiene students during a special Student-Alumni Mentoring Session. In preparation for this event, students were asked to identify the types of practices they would like to learn more about.

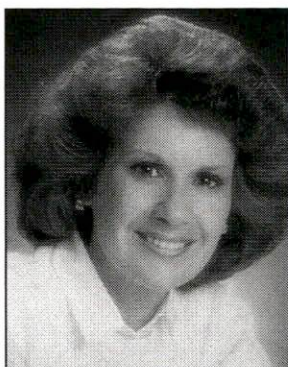
The Homecoming Reception will begin at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in the Wong Kerlee International Conference Center. Dress is casual for this event, and family is welcome.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

On Friday, Exhibitors' tables in Wong Kerlee International Conference Center will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In addition, Scientific Sessions will continue throughout the day. At 11:30 a.m. the Dental Hygienists and Assistants Luncheon will be held at Redlands Country Club.

From 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., informative guides will lead students and their invited guests on a tour of the School of Dentistry.



**Dr. Rella Christensen to speak during Alumni Student Convention**

**Date: Thursday, February 5**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Place: School of Dentistry Amphitheater**

**Topic: Current Trends in Dentistry**

Dr. Rella Christensen is the cofounder of Clinical Research Associates (CRA) and has directed CRA for 25 years. CRA is a nonprofit organization that tests and compares dental products to confirm efficacy and usefulness. She founded and directed the dental hygiene program at the University of Colorado and is a member of the International Association for Dental Research and the American Society for Microbiology. In 2002, she was honored as Distinguished Alumnus of Brigham Young University.

According to Kathleen Moore, MHIS, director, Alumni Association, and assistant dean for educational support services, comprehensive tours of the School provide valuable insight into the organization.

The day will conclude with a Student Dedication Service at 4:00 p.m. in the Gentry Auditorium. Lisa Beardsley, PhD, MPH, vice chancellor, academic affairs, Loma Linda University, will be the keynote speaker for this special event, sponsored by the Alumni Association.

The Service honors the dedication of the professional lives for members of the dental class of 2007 and the dental hygiene class of 2005; and students in their final year of the International Dentist Program.

Each entering student will be presented with a personalized, leather-bound Bible. The dental and dental hygiene classes of 2004 will receive a personalized laboratory coat embroidered with the School of Dentistry insignia.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

On Sabbath, Early Church at Worship (University Church of Seventh-day Adventists) begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Gentry

Auditorium, followed by Church at Study at 10:00. A second Church at Worship service will be held at 11:15.

The Sabbath luncheon will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the Campus Cafeteria (\$15/adult; \$5/child under 12).

At 4:00 p.m. Another Peace Gospel Choir, under the direction of Alan Woodson, SD'87, will present a vesper service in the Gentry Auditorium. Another Peace is an award-winning gospel choir founded in 1985, and made up of students and alumni from both La Sierra and Loma Linda Universities.

During the service Dr. Ronald E. Forde, director, service learning, will be joined by students sharing their experiences providing dental care to people in need locally and around the globe.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

The Alumni Student Convention concludes Sunday, with a symposium, "Office Safety and Infection Control."

Please plan to join us and stay for the entire Alumni Student Convention. Your participation is welcome!

*To learn more about the Alumni Student Convention, access:*

<http://www.llu.edu/llu/dentistry/alumni/>

AND SELECT "44TH ANNUAL ALUMNI STUDENT CONVENTION"

# Department news

## Welcome

• Please give a warm welcome to Mohammed Karawia, who has joined central sterilization as a sterilization technician.

• Welcome back to Isabel Panaguiton. Isabel has returned to the Surgery Center for Dentistry.

## Congratulations!

• Congratulations to Kathy Paragon who works as a dental assistant in the pediatric dental clinic. Kathy has earned her CDA certification; congratulations also to Lisa Sanchez who works in graduate periodontics. Lisa has earned her OMSA certification.

## See your news here!

• Dentalgram is actively collecting news about School of Dentistry departments and students for publication. Please forward information about happenings and events; exciting things your department is doing; research, visitors, what faculty are doing, where they are going, papers they've written and/or presented, places they've recruited, student activities, outreach, and interesting newsnotes about students, and more. If you have any doubt as to whether your news should be included in *Dentalgram*, please don't hesitate to call and check. Email [nyuen@sd.llu.edu](mailto:nyuen@sd.llu.edu) or call ext. 44984 with your news!

## FEATURED EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: Karla Aguilar

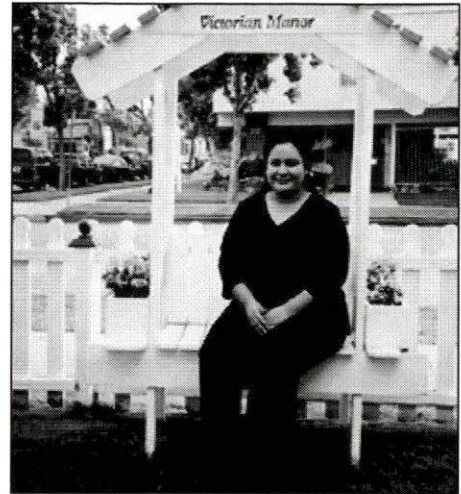
Karla Aguilar, RDA, OSA, has worked in the periodontic residency clinic since 2000 when she completed her dental assisting training with Upland Regional Occupational Program (ROP).

As she considered various careers Karla wanted to choose a profession where she could help people. Experiences in her life convinced her that working in a dental profession would be the best place for her to use her skills and talents.

"During my training with ROP," she remembers, "I completed rotations within areas in the School of Dentistry, including endodontics and International Dentist Program. The specialty programs the School offers make it very convenient for the patients, and this helped convince me to work here."

During her dental assisting training, Karla won a statewide competition and represented California in a nationwide dental assisting competition in Nashville, Tennessee. "Not only was it an exciting experience," she says, "but it was fun traveling, which is something I enjoy." Other places she has visited include Hawaii and Pennsylvania.

In the four years she has worked in the periodontic residency clinic, Karla has



*Karla Aguilar, pictured here at Victorian Manor in Anaheim during a celebration for her birthday, is the featured employee of the month.*

appreciated "working with a team that is so connected—with the purpose of helping our patients."

Planning for her future, Karla enjoys learning and hopes to one day apply for a training program in radiology.

When not at work or traveling, Karla enjoys being godmother to her niece and nephew, who are 7 and 9 years old. She also enjoys playing beach volleyball.

## Computer policy

It is School of Dentistry policy that personal computer hardware may NOT be maintained, configured, or upgraded by LLU employees during work hours.

In addition, the School pays site license fees for software which is to be used strictly for LLUSD purposes. It is unlawful to load this software on personal computers.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Moore, assistant dean for educational support services, at [kmoore@sd.llu.edu](mailto:kmoore@sd.llu.edu) or ext. 48056.

## January birthdays

Beth Bernotas	Fac Endo
Carole Brodeur	Vol - Peds
Fran Clark	Insurance
Kristie Cortez	Sterilization
Adrian Cruz	Clinic
Jeri Fowler	Grad Endo
Annabelle Galvan	Cont Ed
Leo Galvan	Maint
Amalia Hernandez	Dent Records
Elizabeth Hernandez	Implant
Kate Johnson	Dent Lab Serv
Dana Lane	Hygiene
Madga Lavergne	Peds
Omari Onyangi	CDR
Isabel Panaguiton	SCD
Jim Redfield	Dent Maint
Freddy Ruiz	SCD
Jeannine Smiderle	FDO
Samara Stirl	Dent Rec & Operator
Carol Wall	Clinic Supply
Kristy Williams	Grad. Ortho

**T**he Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you.

Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged.

—Deuteronomy  
31:8 NIV

## Six graduates from Loma Linda Academy are daughters of members of the dental class of 1978



The Loma Linda Academy class of 2003 includes six young ladies whose fathers were classmates in the School of Dentistry class of 1978. They celebrated by taking this photograph. The fathers and daughters are (pictured from left): Doyle and Darlene Nick; Gary and Karlene Meyer; Mavern and Monledy Suprono; Robert and Natalie Jung; Randy and Megan Pennington; and Rudy and Nathalie Bustamante.

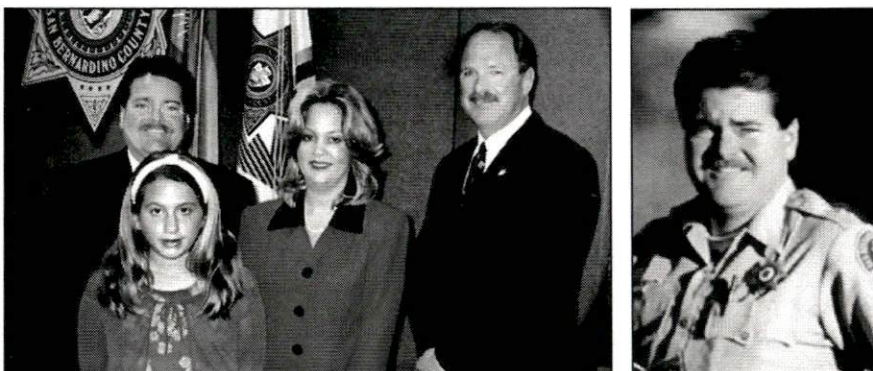
## Faculty development

You may earn a health professions educator certificate or master of science degree from LLU. This will enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of student learning in your classroom and clinic; assist you in planning for effective learning experiences in the classroom and clinic; Strengthen your skill in academic administration; improve student and peer evaluations of your teaching; improve your classroom performance and become a better lecturer; and be recognized for excellence and expertise in health professions education.

You may earn this certificate over time using your LLU tuition benefits. For more information, contact: Lisa M. Beardsley, PhD, MPH, vice chancellor, academic affairs. Phone: (909) 558-4542; email [lbeardsley@llu.edu](mailto:lbeardsley@llu.edu)

—Submitted by Doyle Nick

## Corporal Tim Lotspeich receives Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award from Victor Valley Footprint Association



Left: Tim Lotspeich, Lana Lotspeich, clinic supervisor, orthodontic department; daughter Jana Hay; and Gary Penrod pose when Corporal Lotspeich was promoted from deputy to corporal. Right: Corporal Lotspeich was named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.

For the second year Tim Lotspeich, corporal, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Barstow station, was named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Victor Valley Footprint Association. Corporal Lotspeich is married to Lana Lotspeich, clinic supervisor, orthodontic department.

Each year the organization asks the law enforcement stations in the high desert to submit the name of one law enforcement officer under their command as a candidate for this award, along with a summary of

their accomplishments during the year. The officer is honored during a special dinner and presented a Certificate of Appreciation for being chosen by their station.

Following is a quote from Corporal Lotspeich's commander: "In summary, Tim's enthusiasm, energy, and productivity have made him one of the most effective members of law enforcement in the Barstow/High Desert area. He is a valued asset of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department and the high desert community."

## Early Selection Program Agreement with Antillean Adventist University *Fred Kasischke, assistant dean, admissions*

The School of Dentistry and Antillean Adventist University are pleased to announce the signing of an Early Selection Agreement to go into effect January, 2004.

Loma Linda University School of Dentistry enjoys the benefit of an informal association with 12 Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities situated in Canada, Puerto Rico, and the United States. Each of these schools collaborates with the School of Dentistry in carefully preparing Christian young adults for the rigors of the dental and dental hygiene programs. LLUSD currently boasts representatives from each of these 12 undergraduate institutions.

Antillean Adventist University, located in Mayaguez on the western edge of the island of Puerto Rico, is one of the 12 schools. The warmth of Christian community is felt as soon as one sets foot on the campus and is deepened as one interacts with the students, staff and faculty. Academic excellence and spiritual growth are seen as equally important parallel pursuits by this university; the students are encouraged to learn and serve.

LLUSD has been pleased to have several Antillean graduates in our DDS degree

program within the past five years, and we would like to encourage even more.

To facilitate that, an agreement was signed this fall which will encourage qualified students to come to Loma Linda University during the summer before their senior year. They will spend four weeks learning about the dental profession, shadowing students, doing research, and attending classes. They will then attend classes during the fall quarter at

LLUSD, and the credits will transfer to Antillean Adventist University as a requirement for their bachelor's degree.

It is believed that the Early Selection Program has the rich potential of exposing students to the everyday life of a dental student, as well as the positive dynamics of



*Top row, from left: Mrs. Ana D. Torres, registrar; Mr. Misael Jimenz, vice president for financial affairs; Alicia Mardillos, director of the department of sciences and computing. Bottom row, from left: Dr. Fred Kasischke; Dr. Myrna Costa, president, Antillean Adventist University; Mr. Otoniel Cabrera, vice president for academic affairs.*

the dental profession.

LLUSD is delighted to announce the partnering with Antillean Adventist University for this mutually beneficial program and hopes that, as a result, an increasing number of students will join the School of Dentistry in preparation for Christian service.

## Dean's List for autumn quarter released by office of academic affairs

The office of academic affairs extends congratulations to students who achieved dean's list status for autumn quarter.

The eligibility requirements for achieving Dean's List status 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; and complete at least 12 units of coursework during the quarter.

The academic review committee reviewed the performance of all students for the spring quarter and voted to include the following students on the Dean's List:

### Dental—class of 2007

Chad Abby, Christine Aufderhar, JoDevenne Bilbao, Leslie Butler, Jeffrey Carter, Brian Chan, Eunduk Choi, Curtis Chu, Diana Clinciu, Joseph Collins, Michael Cooper, Krystle Fenton, Tiffany Graham, Christian Hoybjerg, Kwang Dong, Andrew John, Tyler Johnson, Bethany Kronberg, Charles Kwon, Tiffany Lamberton, David Lee, Melissa Lee, Timothy Lewis, Wini Zerline Luong, Christopher Morris, Travis Nelson, Timothy Oh, Jamie Pragasam,

Kongkiat Ratanatharathorn, Mary Ritter, Matthew Sanders, Stuart Segura

### Dental—class of 2006

Jordan Buzzell, Scott Dexter, Cameron Fuller, Chad Gustafson, Matthew Gustafson, Jack Hamilton, Daniel Hayden, Justin Holder, Elena Jacob, Brandon Kearbey, Malinda Kearbey, Donald Kim, Tomas Kutansky, Brent Leggett, Laura Dray Pierce, Erik Sahl, Kevin Salgado, Soo-Young Song, Nancy Tang, Pamela Vigna, Wade Williams

### Dental hygiene—class of 2005

Tracy Adams, Jacqueline Becerra, Claudine Caballera, Michelle Carrick, Gina Cuccia, Amy Ferrence, Bekki Griffin, Kelly Harklerode, Dana Hawkins, Jenae Kerbs, Lindsay Landis, Kelli Lyon, Patrice Lyon, Stacey Malcomson, Jung Im Kimberly Romero, Rebecca Sanchez, Lindsay Saunders, Kristin Van Ryn, Emily Vixie, Melissa Vogt, Lorrie Wilson, Debra Zawistowski

### Dental hygiene—class of 2004

Melyssa Ankrum, Heather Borso,

Rebecca Dahlke, Alycia Jackson, Ann Lee, Amber Preciado, Lisa Walker

### IDP—class of May, 2005

Khaloud Attar, Tarana Chhatriwala, Jeong Suk Kim, Emmanuel Klein, Jorge Menendez, Mei-Ting Nieh, Yuliya Sorkin, Pratibha Vegulla

### IDP—class of December, 2004

Feras Awad, Rodrigo DeMarco, Navpreet Dhaliwal, Ghias Jabbour, Kusam Kahwach, Yutdhasak Kjornrattanawanich, Vladislav Loshkarev

### IDP—class of May, 2004

Marcelo Bada, Fadi Bitar, Lilia Herrera, Yong Liu, Raji Mathew, Saramma Benn Thomas, Hongwei Wang

**"That old law about  
'an eye for an eye' leaves every-  
body blind."**

**—Martin Luther King, Jr.**

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FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

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## In memoriam—Erwin A. McDonald, SD'61

Erwin A. McDonald passed away December 28, 2003. He was born October 7, 1921, in Salem, Oregon. His mother, Adelia Fisher-McDonald, moved to Salem, Oregon, from Alberta, Canada, with his four brothers and two sisters. He attended school in the basement of the local Adventist Church with six grades in one room; a second room had grades 7 to 9 in it.

When Erwin was 14½, he earned a permit to drive to school and he drove himself and three others to school. In the 10th grade he transferred to Laurelwood Academy in Gaston, Oregon, where he became friends with a teacher and his wife. They were invited to teach at Gem State Academy in Caldwell, Idaho, and Erwin went with them. He began working part-time in a bakery and was sent several times to Detroit, Michigan, to pick up new panel delivery trucks—which he enjoyed immensely.

The country was gearing up for possible war, and Norman McDonald, Erwin's younger brother, encouraged him and a few friends from Laurelwood Academy to find work in Bremerton Navy Yard in Washington State. He joined them and completed a program to become a journeyman pipe fitter.

In 1944 Dr. McDonald was drafted, and was stationed at Camp Polk, Louisiana. Shortly after WWII ended he moved to Loma Linda and opened a plumbing business; he also began selling insurance at night.

While in Loma Linda, he became good

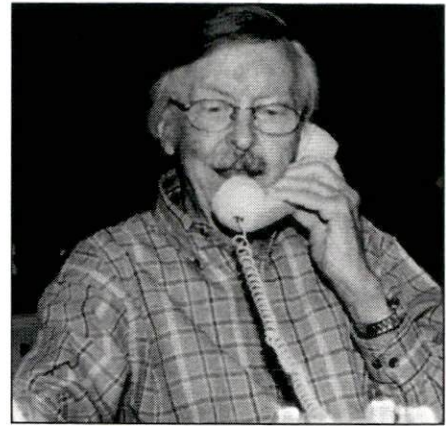
friends with Dr. Lloyd Baum, professor emeritus, who urged him to attend University of Redlands at night for two years, and then he was accepted into the School of Dentistry.

Dr. Mac is the most familiar name by which his children and many colleagues have known him, conveying the respect and admiration they felt for him. Dr. Judson Klooster, then a part-time faculty member, became acquainted with Dr. McDonald while he was a dental student (1959–1961).

Dr. Mac graduated at the end of Dr. Charles Smith's first year as dean and was immediately recruited for faculty service in the department of restorative dentistry. In addition, he began a private dental practice in San Bernardino. In 1967 he was elected to the national dental honor society, Omicron Kappa Upsilon. In 1980, the School's Alumni Association elected him Alumnus of the Year.

His teaching role continued through 1981, when Dr. Smith recommended to the University president that Dr. McDonald be invited to serve as a member of the Loma Linda University Board of Trustees. There he and his former dean, Dr. Smith, served together as Dentistry's representatives from 1981 through 1990.

Dr. McDonald had lifetime memberships in organizations including the American Dental Association, California Dental Association, Tri-County Dental Society, and National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Den-



*Dr. Erwin A. McDonald, helped establish the yearly Phonathon.*

tists. He practiced dentistry until he was 79.

He was active in the School of Dentistry Alumni Association and Century Club. He is credited with starting the alumni Phonathon in 1972, actively participating until 2001. He had leadership roles in Campus Hill Adventist Church; and served the University Church of Seventh-day Adventists as elder, deacon, Sabbath School superintendent, and as a member of the Church Board. He also was part of numerous mission trips to Mexico (several of them with Liga International), beginning in 1981. He served on the Liga Board from 1982 to 1987. He enjoyed participating in outdoor activities with his family, including desert off-roading, snow skiing, water skiing, houseboating; he and his wife, Pearl, enjoyed traveling and taking cruises.

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### *Dr. Ebenezer Johnson presents seminar in India*



*Ebenezer Johnson, BDS, SD'81, assistant professor, International Dentist Program, recently gave a lecture presentation and table clinic on direct gold restoration with E-Z Gold, in the department of conservative dentistry & endodontics, Sri Ramachandra Dental College & Hospital, in Tamilnadu, India.*