On the cover, from the top down:
the Class of 2009 at the annual White Coat Ceremony; Edna Concepcion ’07 and philanthropist Dr. Susumu Miyata; Commencement 2006.

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The view from the peak does amazing things for our vision. Suddenly, we can see even broader and farther than we ever did before.

When we look around, we recognize that literally thousands of people—from students, staff and faculty to alumni, donors and friends—have helped us to arrive at this place. I would like to acknowledge the crucial support of the entire UCLA School of Dentistry family. In particular, I must give credit to our stable and highly capable leadership, including the associate and assistant deans, the chairs, the administrators and the members of our Board of Counselors.

In the spirit of renewed vision, I would like to propose a challenge: that everyone affiliated with the School of Dentistry, now or in the past, make a commitment to sharing this or her personal, professional and financial resources to build an even more promising future. Lend your professional expertise as a part-time clinical professor. Create a new community-based program that provides much-needed oral health care to the underserved. Realize the clinical application of your scientific research. Make a pledge toward the School's goal of a $30 million endowment.

I see an even higher peak in our future, and I've been here long enough to believe that by working together, we can reach it.

Sincerely,

No-Hee Park, DMD, PhD
Dean
The 2005-2006 academic year was a very successful and exciting one for the Office of Student Affairs. It is my pleasure to work with such bright and talented students and a support staff dedicated to providing exemplary student services. Our staff was responsible for coordinating the major events that celebrate our students’ milestones and achievements. I’d like to take this opportunity to share the year in review.
**White Coat Ceremony - September 16, 2005**

In September we welcomed the Class of 2009, making 88 additions to our highly qualified, diverse, and talented student body. Admission to the UCLA School of Dentistry remains highly competitive, with more than 1,500 applicants each year. In addition to identifying applicants with impressive academic credentials, the admissions process entails an interview which includes faculty and student input and has contributed to our success in admitting students with the interpersonal skills and humanistic values necessary to become outstanding dentists and future leaders in the profession.

The admissions process behind us, the highlight of orientation week was the annual White Coat Ceremony on September 16. At this event, the incoming students received a white coat as a gift from the Apollonians, the dental school alumni support group, and recited the dental student’s pledge before an assembly of proud family, friends, and faculty members.

**All School Picnic - October 16, 2005**

The Associated Student Body-sponsored All School Picnic was held on October 16 at Sunset Canyon Recreation Center. This event offers an opportunity for the entire dental school family of students, faculty, staff, and alumni to get together for food and fun. Our long-standing tradition of having the faculty grill the hamburgers and hot dogs while the students organize the games once again proved a wise division of responsibilities and a huge success. This year, everyone’s favorite new game was the pie-eating contest.

**Clinic Pride Days - November 19, 2005 and February 25, 2006**

These events are held on a Saturday morning for the purpose of cleaning the student clinic areas and the third floor wet lab. There is nothing like working side by side for a worthy cause to foster camaraderie amongst students, faculty, and staff. After the hard work, the group enjoyed lunch and the satisfaction of restoring pride in our clinic environment.

**Scholarship Ceremony - April 26, 2006**

The annual Scholarship Ceremony was held on April 26 to honor the 52 students who received scholarship support during the past year. A total of 30 awards were made in the areas of scholarship, leadership, community service, and clinical excellence. Honored guests included many of the benefactors whose generosity made these scholarships possible.

**OKU Banquet - May 24, 2006**

Epsilon Zeta Chapter, the UCLA chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the national dental honor society, held its annual banquet on May 24. Twelve students from the Class of 2006 were honored with alumni membership, and Karen Potter ’07 received the prestigious Kramer Award. Drs. Perry Klokkevold, Marvin Marcus, Sig Urbach, and John Yamamoto were recognized with faculty membership and Ms. Michelle Popowitz with honorary membership. Dr. Joseph Cooney received the prestigious Robert B. Wolcott Award for distinguished service to the dental profession.

**Senior Awards Ceremony and Banquet - June 2, 2006**

The Awards Ceremony and Senior Banquet in honor of the graduating Class of 2006 was held on June 2 at the beautiful Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades. The awards recognized achievement in diverse areas including scholarship, leadership, clinical excellence, community service, and research activity. A highlight of this event was the presentation of ten Dean’s medals for honors at graduation; seven for academic achievement and three for leadership contributions.

The Awards Ceremony was followed by a reception and banquet. During the banquet, the class leaders entertained the audience with an innovative slide show and presented awards of appreciation to faculty and staff who had contributed in special ways to their educational experience.

**Commencement - June 4, 2006**

The 2006 Commencement Ceremony was held on June 4 in Royce Hall. The keynote speaker was Dr. David C. Johnsen, Dean of the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. Dr. Kathryn Atchison was honored as Distinguished Faculty of the Year, and Dr. Byoung I. Suh was recognized as a generous benefactor of the UCLA School of Dentistry.

Congratulations to the 98 graduates in the Class of 2006! We wish all of them great success and happiness as they continue their professional journeys. Of note, half of these talented new dentists plan to enter a specialty program and another quarter of the class will pursue advanced training in general dentistry.

In addition, 44 residency certificates were awarded, and 17 Oral Biology graduate students received degrees in record numbers—six PhDs and 11 MS degrees were conferred this year. We salute your achievements.
Class of 2006

DDS RECIPIENTS

Manal Koudsi Abdelkarim
Leo Aghajanian
John Joseph Albus
Sarvenaz Angha
Leyla Arjang
Pedram Bina
Brett Christopher Brazeal
Ervin Benjamín Calvo
Danielle Q. Cao
Dana M. Casaus
May Chan
Brian M. Chavez
Naren Chelian
Curtis Jay Chen
Jennifer Ming-i Chen
Jason C.
Mi Young Chung
Ping-Lin Ben Chung
Jennifer J. Crowe
Anna Lynn Tongson De Guzman
Alnette Acero Dela Rosa
Mehrooosh Dianati
Francine Camila Estrada
Aarathi Claudia Fernandez
Michele Lynn Frawley
Inna Gelman
Alexis Jesus Gutierrez
Carmen H.A.
Katie S. Hadden
Iris Kesara Han
Daniel Han
Lecia Erin Harmer
Rebecca L. Hart
Babak Heidari
Joel B. Henriod
Julie Chi-Jen Horng
Tim Tienli Huang
Emily J. Hung
Lesley Yi-Ren Jeong
Rashid Kamdar
Shukan Kanuga
Enoch Seung Chun Kim
Katlilyn Jinsun Kim
Yasein Aileen Kim
Katherine Seohee Ko
Yoram Kohanzadeh
Lindsey Kiyo Koida
Amir Ardalan Korouri
Farzan Frank Laaly
Jennifer Karen Lamont
Kathryn Marie Le
Bruce Lee
David Li
Howard C. Liang
Trent Andrew Lofgren
Dipti Chopra Lombara
Kimberly Joyce Lugtu
Sabrina Mahil
Ferras Mashtoub
Kamran Massah
Jennifer Morgan Messenger
Ryan Joseph Monti
Kathy Mortazavi
Kyunghee Gina Muir
Brian Terumi Nagai
Amanda Yu-Wei Ngan
Chau Thai-Minh Ngo
Quy Thí Nguyen
Suzanne Nguyen
Daniel Nobel
Albert Lapus Pascual
Lee D. Pham
Taylor M. Olsen
Michael Steven Pollack
Babak Razmazma
Valentina Redden
Joshua Johnson Schneider
Wellin Shih
Payal Kaizad Shroff
Gurpreet K. Sidhu
Kyongmi Son
Henry Suarez
Midori Tachibana
Terry Yat Yeung Tang
Arya Tehrany
Deborah Arezu Termeie
Son Hoanh Tran
Maggie H. Trinh
Robert Joseph Virata
Benjamin Robert Walder
Ryan Christopher Wallace
Richard Benjamin Webster
Mitchell Aaron Wechsler
Anne Jiyoung Yoon
Ahmad Bayan Yosif
Sally Salomeh Yousefi
Cristina Zeuss Heller
Mandana Nasrabadzi Ziai

ORAL BIOLOGY

DEGREE RECIPIENTS

PhD
Avina K. Paranjpe
Flavia Queiroz Pirh
Marcela Romero Reyes
Lucy Jee-Hyun Sim
Antonia Maria Teruel Castellon
Thien (Sean) Truong

MS
Kathleen Marie Bales
Leonardo Carlos Ferrer
Bordador
Samson Hun Sun Cheng
Lyndsey Fou
Lecia Erin Harmer
Veta Mikus
Amanda Yu-Wei Ngan
Doina Maria Panaite
Lee D. Pham
Rana G. Shahi
Felix Kyle Yip

RESIDENCY

CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Advanced Education in
General Dentistry
Benjamin Pingtzee Sun
Vivian W. Huang
Matthew Patrick Kelley
Brian S. Kim
Rochelle Renee Skinner
Gregory Mung-han Wu
Alice Minh Bui
Alice Chun Feng Chang
Jennifer W. Chang
Kristina Shagamanova
Kristian Paul Tjon

Advanced Prosthodontics
Wayne S. Lyn
Giannmarco O’Brien
Devin L. Stewart

Dental Anesthesiology
Suher Baker

Endodontics
Grace Ying-wen Hsiao
Daniel Kim
Michael Luan Phuong Nguyen

General Practice Residency
Sze Wing Cynthia Au-Yeung
Richard Z. Chen
David Farivar
Tania N. Nelson-Chrystal
Amanda Jo Okundaye
Mi-Young Maggie Yoo

Maxillofacial Prosthetics
Niki Ghaem-Maghami
Mario Tuchman

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Robert Ferdowsmakan

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Internship
Ameer K. Chopra

Orofacial Pain and Dysfunction
Amr Bokhari
Mandeep K. Verrani

Orthodontics
Kathleen Marie Bales
Leonardo Carlos Ferrer
Bordador
Samson H. Cheng
Thien Duc Truong

Pediatric Dentistry/Orthodontics
Andrew Tuong-Linh Nguyen
John Phillip Waschak

Pediatric Dentistry
Rajneesh K. Dail
Mike Myungwhan Lee
Corina Ramirez
Jessica L. Robertson
Joel Grayson Sayre

Periodontics
Doina Maria Panaite
Michael Whang

Academic Honors
* Summa Cum Laude  † Magna Cum Laude  + Cum Laude
Award Recipients

SCHOLARSHIP CEREMONY

Regents Scholarship
Siarnak Eshaghian
Niloufar Nour-Mahdavie
Edward Surger
Shanna Kim
Leedia Riman
Israel Trujillo

Dean's Scholarship
Jonathan Do
Kristen Lowe
Jane Refela
Elaine Fok
Silva Megerdishian
Farnaz Shadpour
Peter Gabbay
Julie Nguyen
Robert Sharobiem
Vivien Lao

Shirley and Ralph Shapiro Scholarship
Jared Corbridge
Daniel Gill

Wyatt Rory Hume Scholarship
Funded by Mrs. & Mr. Ralph Shapiro
Jason Cho
Christopher Lai
Gilda Torossian
Jessica De Bord

Roy Doumani-Shirley & Ralph Shapiro Scholarship
Funded by Mrs. & Mr. Ralph Shapiro
Melissa Chin
Jacob Cragun

Richard T. Beech Scholarship
Jason Cho
Jessica De Bord
Gilda Torossian

Steven S. Koh Scholarship
Shelby Padua

Pierre Fauchard Academy Scholarship
Jennifer Crowe

Dental Foundation of California Scholarship
Jennifer Crowe
Enoch Kim
Ryan Monti

UCLA Affiliates Scholarship
Benjamin Walder

Kellogg/ADEA Scholarship
Julio Moreno

CHELA Scholarship
Regina Espinoza

California Dental Association Foundation Scholarship
Cristen Dismuke
Raquel Ulma
Sean Young
Bryan Houbreg

Kathy & Randy Wall Scholarship
Trang Nguyen

George F. Baker Scholarship
Juan Carlos Mendoza

Delta Dental Scholarship
Francine Estrada
Paulencia Morris

Russ and Kathi Webb Scholarship
Anne Reeves

Board of Counselors Scholarship
Samantha Brenner
Thuy Tran Hoang

Bement Scholarship
Trish Barsanti
Woo Han
Julio Moreno
Fouy Chau
Chia-Lun Tsao

Yoshio Yamaguchi Scholarship
Ryan Wallace

SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY

Academy of General Dentistry
Katie S. Hadden

Academy of Osseointegration
Ryan Christopher Wallace

Alpha Omega Scholarship
Dana M. Casaus

American Academy of Craniofacial Pain
Brett Christopher Brazeal

American Academy of Oral Practice
Administration
Enoch Seung Chun Kim

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry
Katie S. Hadden

American Academy of Gold Foil Operators
Weilin Shih

American Academy of Implant Dentistry
Mi Young Chung

American Academy of Operative Dentistry
Michele Lynn Frawley

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology
Michele Lynn Frawley

American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology
Dana M. Casaus

American Academy of Oral Medicine
Michele Lynn Frawley

American Academy of Orofacial Pain
Kaitlyn Kim

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
Leicia Erin Harmer
Kaitlyn Kim

American Academy of Periodontology
Rebecca L. Hart

American Association of Endodontics
Jason Cho

American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
Lee D. Pham

American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
Dental Implant Award
Michele Lynn Frawley

American Association of Oral Biologists
Lee D. Pham

American Association of Orthodontics
Benjamin Robert Walder

American College of Dentists Southern California Section
Jennifer J. Crowe

American College of Prosthodontists
Mi Young Chung

American Dental Society of Anesthesiology
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

American Society of Dentistry for Children, So. Cal. Unit
Tim Tienli Huang

American Student Dental Association Award of Excellence
Ryan Joseph Monti
California Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
Kyungiee Gina Muir

California Dental Association
Jennifer Morgan Messenger

Comprehensive Patient Care Award
Mi Young Chung
Michele Lynn Frawley
Faina Gelman
Katie S. Hadden

Delta Dental Student Leadership Award
Enoch Seung Chun Kim

Dr. Theodore Berg, Jr., Award
Ryan Christopher Wallace

Eleanor Bushee Senior Student Dental Award
Michele Lynn Frawley

Excellence In Esthetic Dentistry
John Joseph Albus
Mehroosh Dianati
Ryan Christopher Wallace

Excellence In Fixed Prosthodontics
Brett Christopher Brazeal
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim
Joshua Johnson Schneider

Excellence In Operative Dentistry
Dana M. Casaus
Mi Young Chung
Jennifer J. Crowe

Excellence In Restorative Dentistry
Woo Daniel Han
Jennifer Karen Lamont
Ryan Joseph Monti
Taylor M. Olsen

Geriatric Dentistry
Emily J. Hung
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

Hanau Best of The Best Excellence In Prosthodontics
Woo Daniel Han

International College of Dentists
Lee D. Pham

International Congress of Oral Implantologists
Jennifer J. Crowe

June Ehrlich Geriatric Dentistry Award
Manal Koudsi Abdelkarim

Organization of Teachers of Oral Diagnosis
Jennifer J. Crowe

Pacific Coast Society For Prosthodontics
Michele Lynn Frawley

Paul Ehrlich Geriatric Dentistry Award
Enoch Seung Chun Kim

Pierre Fauchard Academy
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

Robert P. Thye Dental Alumni Award
Woo Daniel Han

Robert B. Wolcott Operative Dentistry Award
Katie S. Hadden

Section of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
Brett Christopher Brazeal
Dana M. Casaus

Section of Oral Biology
Lee D. Pham

Section of Oral Medicine
Ryan Joseph Monti
Joshua Johnson Schneider

Section of Oral Pathology
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

Section of Oral Radiology
Brett Christopher Brazeal
Woo Daniel Han
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

Section of Orofacial Pain
May C. Chan

Section of Orthodontics
Richard Benjamin Webster

Section of Pediatric Dentistry
Jennifer J. Crowe
Anna Lynn De Guzman
Faina Gelman
Suzanne Thi Nguyen
Daniel Nobel

Section of Periodontics
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim

Section of Public Health Dentistry
Taylor M. Olsen
Richard Benjamin Webster

Southern California Academy of Endodontics
Wellin Shih

Southern California Academy of Oral Pathology
Michele Lynn Frawley

Venice Clinic Award
Katie S. Hadden

Western Los Angeles Dental Society
Richard Benjamin Webster

Western Society of Periodontology Award
May C. Chan

Who’s Who Among Students In American Universities & Colleges
Dana M. Casaus
Naren Chelian
Jennifer J. Crowe
Michele Lynn Frawley
Katie S. Hadden
Enoch Seung Chun Kim
Kaitlyn Jinsun Kim
Ryan Joseph Monti
Lee D. Pham
Richard Benjamin Webster
Academic Programs

One of the ways in which the UCLA School of Dentistry fulfills its mission is by providing education and training programs guided by the principles of scholarship, integrity, diversity and mutual respect. The School launches promising careers in dental medicine with several academic degree programs including the Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS), the MS and PhD in oral biology, the combined DDS/MA, DDS/PhD and DDS/MBA, and thirteen post-doctoral/specialty training programs. As an adjunct to these academic programs, activities such as the Dean’s Leadership Institute, the Dr. Susumu Miyata Educational and Cultural Exchange, and numerous opportunities for community service further prepare the dental profession’s next generation of leaders. We would like to share an overview of the major academic happenings of the year 2005-2006.
ACADEMIC REFORM

Major reform of the predoctoral curriculum continues. The goals of the reform include improved integration of basic and clinical science; promotion of an evidence-based culture that fosters lifelong learning; more effective use of technology to enhance and deepen the educational experience; and increased flexibility in student scheduling to facilitate advanced clinical experience, leadership development and research during the DDS program.

At the 2005 Faculty Retreat, the Academic Reform Committee presented the six content themes which provide the organizational structure of the new curriculum:

1. Cariology
2. Periodontal Disease
3. Oral and Systemic Disease
4. Restoration of Form and Function
5. Dental Practice, and

The Faculty Executive Committee and the faculty at large approved the proposed curriculum template by a large majority and subsequently multidisciplinary groups of faculty, students and residents were formed for each of these themes. The effort to reform the dental school curriculum has received enthusiastic support from the faculty at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA who teach our basic science courses. These faculty members are represented on the theme committees and their experience in the reform of the medical curriculum several years ago has been invaluable to the dental school. A committee comprised of Dr. Joseph Cooney, Dr. Robert Lindemann, Dr. John Yamamoto and Dr. Karen Lefever will provide oversight and coordination among the theme groups. Additionally, Dean Park has committed $500,000 to support release time for faculty to advance the curriculum reform process.

MENTORING FUTURE DENTAL EDUCATORS

What is it really like to teach? UCLA School of Dentistry teaching apprenticeships answer that question by providing hands-on experience for future dental educators. Make no mistake; This is not just a shadowing program. Teaching apprentices perform the real-life activities of dental school faculty members in preparing and presenting didactic and laboratory instruction.

Now in its sixth year, the seminar course “Apprentice Teaching for Future Dental Educators” gives fourth-year DDS students the opportunity to design, develop and deliver a didactic curriculum in dental anatomy to the first-year students. A laboratory version of the course emphasizes the teaching techniques requisite for instruction in fine-motor skills and is offered in conjunction with the first-year dental waxing course.

Another opportunity for teaching experience is the “Basic Dental Principles” course developed by Jennifer Crowe, Class of 2006 and currently chaired by Gilda Torossian, Class of 2007. In this innovative program, third-year dental students teach and mentor undergraduate pre-dental students in lectures, laboratory exercises, and community service activities. This year, more than 60 undergraduates from UCLA and other area schools enrolled in the program with a team of 15 dental students as their instructors. Drs. Carol Bibb and Karen Lefever and Dan Hemmati ’07, a former science teacher, mentored the dental students in their preparation, while many members of the dental school faculty served as content advisors.

These teaching apprenticeships have been highly successful in inspiring a new generation of dental educators to meet the nationwide shortage of dental school faculty. They may be students today, but the teaching apprenticeships transform them into the professors of tomorrow.
PREPARING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The Professional Program for International Dentists (PPID) is an intensive two-year advanced standing program offering foreign-trained dentists a DDS degree from UCLA and the opportunity for licensure in the United States. The program, begun in 2002, is fully integrated with the traditional four-year DDS program. Following a rigorous orientation curriculum during the summer quarter, the PPID students join their classmates in third-year courses.

We have witnessed the PPID students excel both in leadership and academics. Dr. Audrey Yoon, Class of 2004, served as a fourth-year class officer and is now a UCLA resident in Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics. Dr. Lilian Cheng, also Class of 2004, holds a faculty appointment at UCLA in the division of Restorative Dentistry. Dr. Mandeep Vermani, Class of 2005, was selected for membership in Omicron Kappa Upsilon, dentistry’s national honor society. This is a notable accomplishment since she had only two years in which to earn this prestigious recognition.

Including the Class of 2006, 28 PPID students have graduated with a UCLA DDS degree. Four have entered specialty training in Prosthodontics, Orofacial Pain, Pediatrics and Pediatrics/Orthodontics. An additional 12 have continued their education in General Practice Residency or Advanced Education in General Dentistry programs. The remaining graduates have begun general practice in California, Georgia, Michigan, and Florida. The incoming PPID students joining the Class of 2008 received their dental training in China, Colombia, the Czech Republic, India, Korea, Romania, Taiwan and Venezuela. (See map at right.)

SERVICE LEARNING—STUDENTS APPLY DENTAL SKILLS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

The service aspect of the UCLA dental school curriculum is one that our students wholeheartedly embrace. When the weekend comes, they eagerly take their skills from the campus clinic to a variety of venues throughout Southern California, providing screening, education and care to low-income, homeless and other underserved groups. Among the most popular service projects are the carnivals and health fairs sponsored by the American Student Dental Association (ASDA).

In the fall quarter, ASDA created a “Dental Carnival” for approximately 150 children at the Boys and Girls Club of Venice. The dental students interacted with the children using puppets to teach them about oral health. The kids also learned about healthy diets and dental anatomy by playing games such as “Nutrition Ball-Toss” and “Animal Jeopardy.”
Garbed in scrubs, dental students talked to the children about careers in dentistry, and Paul Field, Class of 2008, dramatized an original story about the dangers of smoking. More than 30 dental students participated in the event which was organized by Tina Duong and Orly Hendizadeh of the Class of 2008.

The carnival booths and puppets made a second appearance during the holiday season as part of “Project Santa Claus” at the Martin Luther King, Jr./Drew Medical Center. This was a joint UCLA medical/dental student activity, with games, prizes, food and lots of toys collected by the UCLA chapter of the Hispanic Dental Society. Second only to Santa’s arrival was the excitement generated by the “put on the scrubs” relay race between teams from the Schools of Medicine and Dentistry. Tina Duong, Class of 2008, and Amy Nguyen, Class of 2007, organized the carnival, and Alfredo Paredes, Class of 2008, coordinated the toy drive.

The final ASDA weekend event this year was Give Kids a Smile (GKAS) Day, which coincided with the national service day sponsored by the American Dental Association. This year’s GKAS Day was held at the Tooth Fairy Cottage, part of the Inglewood Children’s Dental Center. Under the guidance of Dr. James Crall, chair of Pediatric Dentistry, and Dr. Shahrzad Sami, an assistant researcher in the section, third- and fourth-year dental students and pediatric dentistry residents screened the children. Meanwhile, first- and second-year students entertained the kids with puppet shows, stories and games teaching the importance of good nutrition and oral hygiene. GKAS was organized by Diana Reyes, Class of 2006.
DEAN’S LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE STUDENTS TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF DENTISTRY

Remember the names Tina Beck, Melissa Chin, Brett Lent, Aivan Nguyen, Karen Potter, Valentina Redden, Chad Rowan, Megan Rustad, Jossein Shahangian and Gilda Torossian. You’ll likely be hearing them again. That is because they are the 10 members of the DDS student body who participated in the Dean’s Leadership Institute this year.

Dean No-Hee Park created the Dean’s Leadership Institute two years ago to identify DDS students who demonstrate innate leadership ability and help them nurture it in preparation for meeting the challenges the future of dentistry will bring. Whether tomorrow’s dentists find themselves faced with questions regarding the right direction for curriculum development or the best way to address the problem of inadequate access to care, one thing is certain: the profession’s future leaders will need to be strong, creative thinkers capable of inspiring others to excellence.

During the winter and spring quarters of 2006, the Dean’s Leadership Institute met for ten weeks under the direction of Dean Park and Dr. Ronald Mito, Associate Dean for Clinical Dental Sciences. On the evening of Tuesday, April 25, 2006, Dr. Park and Dr. Mito presented the students with plaques recognizing their successful completion of the program. They look forward to watching the students continue their growth as dentistry’s newest leaders.

EXCHANGE OPENS WINDOW ON JAPANESE DENTAL EDUCATION AND CULTURE

For the past 13 years, Dr. Susumu Miyata, a Japanese educational entrepreneur and philanthropist, has sponsored an educational exchange program for the students of the UCLA School of Dentistry and two dental schools at Meikai and Asahi Universities in Japan. To date, 199 students have participated in this exchange program—128 from Meikai and Asahi universities and 71 from UCLA.

As part of the most recent student exchange, ten UCLA DDS students and two members of the faculty traveled to Japan during spring break. The group divided its time between Asahi University in Gifu and Meikai University in Tokyo, where they learned about the Japanese systems of health care and dental education. They also visited historical and cultural sites including Mt. Fuji and a Buddhist monastery as part of their immersion in Japanese culture.

Melissa Chin, Edna Concepcion, Danthanh (DT) Fields, Samuel Lee, Mindy Misawa, Hannah Oh, Karen Potter, Solomon Poyourow, Allen Rapolla, and Thien (Sam) Trang participated in the exchange this year. During a special ceremony at the School of Dentistry on May 2, 2006 they had the opportunity to personally thank Dr. Miyata for his generous support of dental students.

The Class of 2009 at a Glance
88 Students

| Female | 43 |
| Male | 45 |

Degrees

| Bachelor's | 87 |
| Master's | 1 |

Majors Include

Anthropology, biology, business, biochemistry, chemical engineering, chemistry, economics, electrical engineering, English, genetics, geography, molecular and cellular biology, natural sciences, neuroscience, nutrition, physiological science, psychobiology, psychology, public health, and sociology

Honors

6 graduated Summa Cum Laude
6 graduated Magna Cum Laude
14 graduated Cum Laude

GPA

| Average GPA | 3.56 |
| Average Science GPA | 3.5 |

DAT Averages

| PAT | 18.5 |
| Total Science | 21.8 |

Residency Status

| California | 76 |
| Arizona | 2 |
| Colorado | 1 |
| Connecticut | 1 |
| Florida | 1 |
| Idaho | 1 |
| Oklahoma | 1 |
| Oregon | 1 |
| Texas | 1 |
| Utah | 2 |
| Washington | 1 |

Age

| Youngest Class Member | 20 |
| Oldest Class Member | 35 |
Academic & Staff Personnel

Dr. Robert Lindemann
Associate Dean
Academic Programs & Personnel

Michelle Popowitz
Assistant Dean
Administration & External Affairs
ACADEMIC PERSONNEL

Faculty Appointments

The School of Dentistry appointed nine new faculty members this year:

Dr. Nadia Chugal to Associate Clinical Professor (Endodontics)

Dr. Moustafa El-Ghareeb to Adjunct Assistant Professor (Oral Surgery)

Dr. Thomas Lee to Assistant Clinical Professor (Restorative Dentistry)

Dr. Gerald Longhurst to Associate Clinical Professor (Endodontics)

Dr. Jun Song to Adjunct Assistant Professor (Oral Biology & Medicine)

Dr. Kenneth Trabert to Associate Clinical Professor (Endodontics)

Dr. Kenneth Troutman to Clinical Professor (Pediatric Dentistry)

Dr. Xinli Zhang to Adjunct Assistant Professor (Orthodontics)

Dr. Xiaofeng Zhou to Adjunct Assistant Professor (Oral Biology & Medicine)

Faculty Promotions

In addition, this year the School proudly promoted three members of the faculty:

Dr. Takahiro Ogawa to Associate Professor (Advanced Prosthodontics)

Dr. Kang Ting to Professor (Orthodontics)

Dr. Shane White to Professor (Endodontics)

Faculty Retirements

We bid farewell to three much-admired faculty members this year:

Dr. George Bernard (Oral Biology & Medicine)

Dr. Joseph Cooney (Advanced Prosthodontics)

Dr. J. Philip Sapp (Oral Pathology)

The School wishes the best to everyone in their new positions and in their retirements.

Faculty of the Year

Dr. Kathryn Atchison

Dean Park established the Faculty of the Year award in 2002 to annually honor one faculty member who has distinguished himself or herself in the academic arena. Each year, Associate Dean Robert Lindemann leads a committee to determine a candidate’s contributions to, and impact on, the School of Dentistry and also to consider a candidate’s national standing in his or her discipline and contributions made on the national stage. The recipients of the award are generally recognized as senior authorities and leaders in their fields. Professor Kathryn Atchison, the 2005-2006 honoree, exemplifies the profile of a distinguished faculty member. She admirably serves the UCLA School of Dentistry, the campus at large, and the dental profession in myriad ways. In her role as a professor of public health and community dentistry, Dr. Atchison teaches a course on the clinical applications of quality assurance and leads a seminar on the history and ethics of health policy issues. As an administrator, she currently fills the posts of Interim Vice Provost of Intellectual Property & Industrial Relations as well as Associate Vice Chancellor for Research. And finally, as a leader in organized dentistry, Dr. Atchison serves as the president of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry.

Teacher of the Year

Dr. Donald Fisher

The Class of 2006 chose to honor Dr. Donald Fisher as “Pierre Fauchard Teacher of the Year.” Each year, the Fauchard award is given to the instructor from whom the graduating class learned the most. As Professor Emeritus in the division of Restorative Dentistry, Dr. Fisher teaches all subjects, from simple fillings to complex oral rehabilitations. The students valued Dr. Fisher for his ready assistance with cases involving complex, advanced restorative dentistry.
Farewell to Faculty

Dr. Robert Lindemann on Dr. George Bernard

George Bernard’s retirement caps a dental career spanning an extraordinary seven decades. He is widely known as professor of dentistry and anatomy—as DDS and PhD—and his profound knowledge of these disciplines has benefited thousands of dental students and postdoctoral scholars since he arrived at UCLA in 1967. George’s college roommate, Pierre Fauchard, first acquainted him with the dental profession and we can thank the Frenchman for sparking George’s lifetime commitment to dental education and his interest in France, where George sojourned for a research sabbatical in 1970.

Highlights of George’s career include Chair of Oral Biology (1978-2002), inaugural Director of the Faculty Group Dental Practice, UCLA Distinguished Teaching Award 1997, mentor to more than 100 MS and PhD students, author of more than 200 scientific presentations, multiple School of Dentistry teaching awards, respected and innovative bone biologist with a prolific publication record, and many, many other career accomplishments and accolades.

George has a robust vocabulary, a quick wit, and a reputation as a compelling lecturer. In 1992, a symposium and Festschrift was held in his honor entitled “25 Years of Bone Biology with Dr. George Bernard.” The event illustrates the impact George has had on students and the respect they hold for him as educator and colleague.

George has begun a writing career during his retirement; he has a book awaiting publication in the popular press and one on American politics in preparation. Watch out, decade eight.

Dr. Donald Fisher on Dr. Joseph Cooney

Dr. Cooney’s primary values as a teacher when he taught with me were his demand for excellence and his attention to detail. He always had a very high standard to which he held the students. To a certain extent, he was a bit of a throwback to an earlier time in dental education, where excellence in the performance of dental treatment was the highest priority for any teacher in a dental school. Joe always put a very high premium on advanced training and having proper certification in his area of specialization. He had a master’s degree before he came to UCLA and then, while here, he passed the American Board of Prosthodontists examination and became a Diplomate of the Board. I was asked by Dr. Kratochvill to help him act as the school’s liaison in setting up the exam that year and making local arrangements involving our school. I can only say that when I saw the preparation that went into that exam on the part of the candidates, many of whom sent steamer trunks from all over the world with nearly complete laboratories in them, I realized the accomplishment that it represented. Everyone who has successfully passed the exam is, by definition, in a class of their own.

On a lighter note, and Joe would be the first to acknowledge it, he had a problem with leaving his keys inside his locked office. For a person with so much innate intelligence, I always found it incredulous that he did this so often. Oh well, to each his own.

Again, on a lighter note, Joe often demonstrated to me that he had a big heart. Two examples come to mind. The first occurred not long after my mother and then soon afterwards, my father, died in the mid-1970s. I had purchased a classic car to restore and after spending most of the night moving some of my parents’ belongings out of the space in the garage where the newly acquired car was to reside, I arrived at school the next day dead tired and quite unable to drive all the way to Anaheim to pick up the car and tow it home safely. I asked Joe at the last minute if he could come with me and help me bring the car home. We arrived home at 1:00 a.m. and placed the car in the garage—a feat I could never have accomplished without him. The second was when, back in the late 1970s, there was a big forest fire approaching our house in the Santa Monica Mountains. I happened to be taking Joe home that day and we saw it from the top of the parking structure. It was obvious that it was very near our house. I was due to go into a hospital for back surgery within days. He brought both of his cars up to our house to help us save some of our belongings. Few people I have ever known would have done either of these acts of mercy, let alone both of them.

Dr. Russ Christensen on Dr. J. Philip Sapp

Dr. Phil Sapp has retired from the UCLA School of Dentistry after almost thirty years. Only after a yearlong sabbatical in southern California would his wife, Julie, sanction a move here in 1978. He had been recruited unsuccessfully by UCLA before. Both from Nova Scotia, Phil and Julie preferred to remain closer to home at the University of Western Ontario.
Once they became accustomed to life here, recruiting Phil to our University and our climate was much easier.

The first noticeable change in the section of Oral Diagnosis, Medicine and Pathology upon Phil’s arrival was a greater emphasis on scientific scholarship. Bill Boggs and I were junior faculty then. Dr. Sapp encouraged our scientific development and provided some relief from a heavy clinical commitment. In those days, our section covered the Oral Pathology Laboratory, Oral Medicine Clinic, emergencies, oral diagnosis, treatment planning, and coverage for conscious sedation throughout the school except for oral surgery. Phil spent years bringing a more focused mission to the section with a greater emphasis on scholarly activities.

Perhaps his administrative skill was his greatest gift to our school. I challenge anyone to name any of our faculty who were more prepared or more organized for meetings. Our bylaws, our curriculum, our disciplinary code, our strategic plan, and even the structure of our Faculty Executive Committee all bear his mark. We needed a strong leader and Phil provided that leadership. Long-term faculty members have not forgotten his contributions. Newer faculty might know of his impact on the Appointments, Promotions and Appraisals Committee. Faculty from universities across the country also realized his talent. With huge national faculty support he became a candidate for the presidency of ADEA (then AADS).

His students, both UCLA alumni and students throughout the world who learned Oral Pathology from his highly successful textbook *Contemporary Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology*, will remember Phil the longest. Education has always been the first priority in his academic life; he has made a real difference in dentistry with his efforts.

If you want to engage Phil in conversation these days, education strategies, odd odontogenic tumors, and the latest hot research findings will still attract his interest, but his grandchildren, fly-fishing, canoeing, golfing and sports in general will really light up his enthusiasm. Maybe you won’t see him lacing up his skates or turning double plays any more, but he is returning more to the athletic activities of his youth. We all wish him the best.
Faculty & Staff Honored by OKU

Dr. Karen Lefever on Dr. Joseph Cooney

Dr. Cooney’s career has been one of service to our school and to the profession of dentistry. I first met Joe Cooney as a member of the Curriculum Evaluation Committee in 1990. This was the group charged with developing an evaluation plan for what was then termed the “new curriculum,” a curriculum of which Joe had been one of the key architects. Now we find him once again devoting much of his time and energy to another curriculum reform. His leadership in the Academic Reform Committee, characterized by vision, patience and practicality, has responded to our concerns and hesitancies while keeping us focused on the goal and moving toward it.

In addition to his curriculum work, Joe has served four terms as chair of the Faculty Executive Committee, five years as Associate Dean of Clinical Dental Sciences and 10 years as Director of the Advanced Prosthodontics Residency Program. He has been a mentor and role model to his residents, to the DDS students in Advanced Treatment Planning and, on many occasions, to his colleagues. It was my pleasure to nominate Dr. Joseph Cooney for the Robert B. Wolcott Award.

Dr. Henry Takei on Dr. Perry Klokkevold

Dr. Perry Klokkevold, an associate professor and the Director of the Postdoctoral Periodontics and Implant Surgery Program at UCLA, is an outstanding educator, clinician, administrator, lecturer and clinical researcher who has mentored and inspired countless students and dentists. Formally trained in periodontics, implant surgery, hospital dentistry, conscious sedation and computer science, Dr. Klokkevold is a rare educator-clinician. His outstanding skills with the computer enable him to present difficult topics in a clear, easy-to-understand manner and make him a highly sought-after lecturer both nationally and internationally. Dr. Klokkevold has been active in continuing education courses, especially in Japan, where for the last five years he has participated in the UCLA-Meikai University-Asahi University joint courses, and proved a very popular and effective educator in both didactic and hands-on presentations. At UCLA, Dr. Klokkevold lectures on the undergraduate and graduate levels. He has published extensively in numerous journals and textbooks, and was recently selected as a co-editor of the 10th edition of Carranza’s Clinical Periodontology, the most widely used periodontology text in the world. Dr. Klokkevold was recently appointed as Site Examiner of Dental Schools by the American Dental Association, a credit to his administrative abilities and evidence of the respect of his peers. He also was recently honored by the American Academy of Periodontology for his teaching and mentoring skills.

Dr. Fariba Younai on Dr. Marvin Marcus

I met Marv nine years ago when I moved to the UCLA School of Dentistry. Of course, I have known of him for a lot longer than that. That is because you cannot do a search on any topic related to oral health services research and not come across Marv’s name. I think everyone can agree that medical research in an academic setting has three main components: basic science research helps us understand the mechanisms of disease, clinical research helps us use that knowledge in order to fashion the best therapies, and health services research allows us to broaden our focus and apply what we have learned to larger populations. Of course, it also gives us tools to measure our effectiveness. For more than 35 years, Marv has done just that. His journey has taken him from NYU to Columbia University to private practice to the U.S. Navy Dental Corps and ultimately to UCLA with a few exotic locales in between, like Monte Carlo.

His contributions to the dental profession, both at the community and at the university levels, are significant and in many ways immeasurable. He has remarkable accomplishments in teaching, funded research, publications, development of educational resources, creating community programs and many more areas. What is unique about Marv is that he has done all this with a light approach and a level of humility that is refreshing. It is an honor to introduce a colleague, a friend and a complete mensch, Dr. Marvin Marcus, to the OKU family.

Dr. Diana Messadi & Dr. Carol Bibb on Michelle Popowitz

Michelle Popowitz was nominated for OKU Honorary Membership in recognition of the many contributions she makes to the School of Dentistry on behalf of our faculty, staff, and students. The career pathway that brought Michelle to her current position as Assistant Dean for Administration and External Affairs includes a law degree from Loyola Law School, an MPH from UCLA, and private practice at a law firm specializing in health care transactions. Given this background, she is an incredible resource, always helpful and knowledgeable when it comes to legal issues, and willing to share her time and expertise to resolve complicated human resource questions.

Michelle describes her days as “unpredictable” as she troubleshoots issues that arise around the School, and she says that she is never bored. She is greatly appreciated for her open door policy, highly respected for her administrative and problem-solving skills, and well liked for her collegiality and sense of humor.
Dr. Jay Watson on Dr. Sig Urbach

Dr. Abraham (Sig) Urbach graduated from the University of California San Francisco School of Dentistry in 1961. From 1961-1963 he served as a General Dental Officer in the U.S. Air Force Pacific Command in Okinawa. Since 1963 he has been engaged in the practice of general dentistry, currently in Northridge, California.

Sig became a volunteer faculty member at UCLA in 1993. He served as instructor in the first-year Dental Anatomy course, and in the first-year Clinical Evaluation course. When the Clinical Occlusion course was moved to Restorative Dentistry, Sig became a faculty member in that division. He teaches courses in dental anatomy, preclinical operative dentistry, esthetic dentistry, clinical occlusion and clinical restorative dentistry. He also presents lectures in the dental anatomy and clinical occlusion courses and provides closed-circuit demonstrations of waxing techniques in those courses. Sig is dedicated to student learning. He will generously remain after class in order to help students complete their laboratory projects. He also volunteers to teach in our evening simulation laboratory exercises. During the recent clinic pride day, Sig came in on a Saturday morning to help clean the clinic.

Dr. Urbach has been active in the San Fernando Valley Dental Society by serving on its Speakers Bureau and its Ethics and Membership Committees. Sig served as President, Treasurer and Secretary in Optimist International. For five years, he was Chairman of the Oratorical Contest. Five of the students he coached won contests at the regional, national and international levels.

On the basis of his excellent service to UCLA School of Dentistry, organized dentistry and his community I am proud to introduce Dr. Abraham Urbach to membership in Epsilon Zeta chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon.

Dr. Karen Lefever on Dr. John Yamamoto

Dr. Yamamoto is an active and productive member of our school community. Since 2002, he has been a full-time faculty member in the Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry. As a member and the current Chair of the Curriculum Committee, John has given tactful yet strong leadership in a period of uncertainty and change. In his role as Director of the Venice Dental Center, he has collaborated with colleagues in specialty areas to expand the treatments opportunities for students and patients. He is the Co-Project Director of the “Community Oral Health Initiative: Partners, Program and Pipeline,” funded through the California Endowment, and Co-Investigator in a grant from UniHealth Foundation to develop a model that integrates primary medical and dental services. John also is a dedicated and talented teacher and mentor much appreciated by the students for his accessibility and enthusiasm. He has volunteered countless hours, mostly on weekends, to advise and accompany students conducting screening programs and health fairs throughout the Los Angeles Basin.

Above all, John defines what it means to be a colleague. He invariably treats his fellow faculty members with respect even when he disagrees with them, and he is ever-willing to help advance the educational program of the School, whether through covering health fairs, mentoring students or just making an extra trip to campus to proctor an exam, give a lecture or attend a late afternoon (often into early evening) meeting. It is my pleasure to welcome him to the OKU Society.

Thank you

Thank you to all our alums who have provided financial support or their time to assist the UCLA Dental Alumni Association with our projects and events.

Your Alumni Association is dedicated to assisting dental students and enhancing their educational experience at the UCLA School of Dentistry.

If you have not already done so, please take advantage of our free alumni courses and events. Contact us at:

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STAFF PERSONNEL

Fiscal Year 2005-2006 New Hires

The School was very busy on the staffing front this year, creating new positions as well as recruiting for positions vacated by staff members who were promoted.

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Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Promotions to New Area/Position

Additionally, a number of staff members moved to a new area or received additional responsibilities during the year.

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Outstanding Staff Member of the Year

This year marked the fourth time that the School of Dentistry selected an Outstanding Staff Member of the Year. We were so pleased to recognize Sha’Ron Botts from the General Clinic with this honor.

Sha’Ron Botts

Sha’Ron began working at the School of Dentistry on October 17, 1980. “I actually started in the faculty group dental practice when it was located on B level. I worked with a great group of people (both faculty and staff). When this position became available (DAU) I was reluctant to take it but the faculty (the same ones teaching on the clinic floor) felt that my work ethic and personality would be great for the students. I see myself as an encourager,” Sha’Ron says. Sha’Ron has seen many changes in her time at the School as she has gone from chairside assisting to her current role as a Group Practice Administrator. Sha’Ron continues: “I am now encouraging and training our new staff members (Cynthia, Rafi and Nancy) as they learn the role of the group practice administrator. I feel confident that soon the training wheels will be off and they will enjoy doing this as much as I do. The most important advice I’ve given them thus far is to start each day with a smile.”

Outstanding Supervisor of the Year

This was the first year that we recognized a Supervisor of the Year. The first recipient of this award was Chris Khachikyan, also from the General Clinic.

Chris Khachikyan

Chris got his start at UCLA as an AA II in August of 2001. “I began working in the billing office doing billing and customer service. Soon I was a back-up person in the chart room. I prepared deposits for the general clinic, and I verified the daily cash reports for all the clinics. I came up with a few ideas and improvements which made my boss realize that I was ready for a challenge. Soon enough, he realized that I was capable of leading the unit. He created a new position for me and promoted me to AA III-Supervisor in July of 2004,” Chris explains. Throughout the following year, Chris proved to be very dedicated to his job. He made positive changes which resulted in increased responsibilities and a promotion to his current position as an Administrative Specialist Supervisor in August of 2005. Chris continues: “I love my job for many reasons, but the main one is most definitely the fact I never do the same things every day. I always deal with a wide variety of tasks, which include customer service, accounting, billing, banking, supervising, managing projects, training staff, and creative problem-solving within my area of supervision. I also enjoy helping the staff in other areas of Dentistry, providing my expertise and resolving challenging issues.”

Staff Retirements Fiscal Year 2005-2006

We had mixed emotions in bidding farewell to seven long-standing members of the School: Marie Coronado, Beverly Cressey, Patricia DeVito, Mark Hunt, Toni Knier, Elisabeth Kronauge and Teresa Miller.

Marie Coronado

Marie Coronado retired in November 2005 after more than 20 years of service to UCLA. She started in the UCLA Payroll Office as a clerk in 1982 and then transferred to Dentistry in 1991. “Marie’s dedication to her job was very important” to her, said Steve Shaevel, Marie’s former supervisor. “She enjoyed good food, having lunch with friends, and shopping, and retired in order to re-join her family in her native Chile.”

Beverly Cressey

Beverly (“Bev”) started working at the UCLA School of Dentistry in October 1975. A hygienist in the Encino practice where she worked also worked part-time in the Maxillofacial Clinic. “She told me there was a job opening for a dental assistant. Thanks to her, Dr. Beumer hired me to be the first dental assistant for the new GPR/Hospital Dentistry residency program,” Bev said. “I have fond memories of Dr. Wolcott and doing gold foils with him. He was a great inspiration to me. I also have great memories of the Christmas parties, Halloween costume parties, Dr. Andy Wong’s annual Thanksgiving dinner for the clinic staff, senior banquets and videos, and experiences teaching students in the clinic. My warmest memory is of the friends I have made over the years—faculty, staff, and students.”

Patricia DeVito

Patricia DeVito started employment with UCLA School of Dentistry in January 1970 and except for a break of about three-and-a-half years, remained an employee of the School until her retirement in June 2006. She worked in the Orthodontics Clinic for about 22 of the total years, but had returned to managing patient accounts in the Business Services Office for the last few years before her retirement. “My
fondest memories are from the early '70s and '80s,” Patricia said. “Dentistry was still fairly new and had a close-knit family atmosphere. I enjoyed interactions with co-workers and have always enjoyed working with the students and residents. It was rewarding and satisfying because they were always so appreciative of the help. It was interesting watching them grow and function more independently, and on the other side they taught me a great deal about dentistry. And then a whole new crop of students would start, and the cycle started over.”

Mark Hunt

Mark Hunt retired in September of 2005 after providing 31 years of service to the School. During his time here, Mark was very active in student recruitment. He showed a special talent for teaching hand skills to students, and taught himself to play saxophone during his lunch breaks.

Toni Knier

Toni Knier retired in January 2006 after six years of service to Advanced Prosthodontics, which were preceded by ten years of service to the graduate school of management. Toni retired to Washington where she is taking canoeing lessons and enjoying the northwestern landscape with her husband, Rick.

Elisabeth Kronauge

Elisabeth began at the School in 1990 as the Supervisor of Clinic Finance. “Two years later I was asked by Dean Cherrick to head the Academic section of Finance (State Funds, Contract & Grant, Gifts, CE etc.). I stayed in that position until 2001, when I became the CFO,” Elisabeth explained. “My best memory will be the wonderful friendships that I made during the time I was at School: My very, very loyal accounting office staff and the friends (Wolcott, Cooney, Krasny) with whom I had breakfast and lunch for the last 16 years.”

Theresa Miller

Theresa Miller retired after working at the School of Dentistry for 30 years. She is fondly remembered by Maxcine Young and Sandy Laderas for being a phenomenal craftswoman. Tere enjoyed quilting and scrapbooking and was well known for decorating her office for all the holidays as well as creating personalized cards for special occasions.
Research Activities

Fiscal year 2005-2006 was a very exciting time for research here at the School of Dentistry. We made significant progress in our research programs in the areas of bioengineering, bone biology, cancer, health services, microbiology, immunology, pain and saliva diagnostics. We successfully and smoothly adapted to electronic grant submissions to the NIH. Of particular note this year was the healthy increase we experienced in the number of young dentist-scientist and oral health researchers who were awarded K, F and T career development and research training awards from the NIH.

Across the country and around the world, the UCLA School of Dentistry is recognized as a research intensive institution. Our national (NIDCR) ranking holds at seventh place for the second year in a row, and our collective goal is to make the UCLA School of Dentistry the premier U.S. dental school for oral health research.
NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The year started off with the Dental Research Institute (DRI) hosting the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Annual Salivary Proteome Joint Meeting in December 2005. There were approximately 60 attendees from across the country at this 2-day conference. NIH representatives were there as well to discuss the work being done through a U01 grant (of which the School of Dentistry is a proud recipient).

Once again, the School of Dentistry made an excellent showing this year at the annual scientific meetings. This particular year the AADR and ADEA meetings were held in Orlando, Florida March 9-11. The School was well represented at the AADR with a total of 32 oral and poster presentations by both students and faculty. There were many highlights of this year’s meeting. A particularly noteworthy event was the announcement that Marcela Romero, a student from Dr. Anahid Jewett’s lab, was honored with First Place in the AADR Pfizer Hatton Awards Competition. Marcela’s research was sponsored by UC MEXUS/CONACYT. The competition is designed for junior investigators (junior, senior and post-doctoral) who exhibit potential for a productive career in dental research.

Additionally, Dr. David Wong, Associate Dean of Research and Director of the Dental Research Institute, was selected to be the Keynote Speaker for the first morning of the AADR Annual Meeting. His talk, “Salivary Diagnostics: Powered by Nanotechnologies, Proteomics and Genomics,” was well attended.

One of the most exciting aspects of the meeting was our presence in the exhibit hall. Once again, Ms. Moira Stovall and the students of UCLA School of Dentistry operated our booth. There were a large number of attendees who stopped by and gained vital information about the research and various post-doctoral programs currently sponsored by UCLA. The students once again added a special touch to the presentation.

This year, the IADR was held in Brisbane, Australia in June. We were equally represented at this meeting with numerous oral and poster presentations.

In the discipline of endodontics, we see that the UCLA School of Dentistry is educating the current and future leaders in endodontic clinical practice and research. UCLA students and alumni made a very strong showing at the recent American Association of Endodontics meeting in Honolulu. Eight recent UCLA DDS graduates, currently enrolled in endodontic specialty programs around the country, presented. Additionally, four graduates of UCLA specialty residency programs presented. And UCLA was the only school in the world to have three current dental students presenting. UCLA Faculty and students continue to make their presence known in research. We continue to investigate and obtain support for the various areas and fields of study that will advance the science of dentistry.

ON THE LOCAL FRONT

Student Research Poster Competition

The School of Dentistry’s annual Student Research Poster Competition and Awards Ceremony was held the evening of May 11, 2006. Dental, graduate and postdoctoral students competed in separate categories, displaying the research posters they presented this past year at the AADR, ADEA, CDA and other scientific meetings. Cash prizes from Western Dental were matched by funds from Dean Park and awarded to the following students:

DDS Student Winners

First Place
Ping-Lin Chung, Mentor: Dr. Diana Messadi
Morris Poole, Mentor: Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae

Second Place
Jason Cho, Mentor: Dr. Shane White
Amanda Ngan, Mentor: Dr. Shane White
Trang Nguyen, Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
Karen Potter, Mentor: Dr. Shane White

Third Place
Bryan Houlberg, Mentor: Dr. Robert Lindemann

Graduate Student/Resident Winners*

First Place
Marcela Romero, Mentor: Dr. Anahid Jewett
Lin Zhu, Mentors: Dr. Wenyuan Shi & Dr. Felicia Qi

Second Place
Raphael dos Santos Silva, Mentor: Dr. Robert Merrill
Vetea Miklus, Mentor: Dr. Shane White

* No second place awards were granted to graduate students or to residents.
Seed Grant Winners Announced

In the spring quarter of the fiscal year, Dr. David Wong, Associate Dean of Research, put out a call for applications for the School of Dentistry’s seed grants. A total of 17 applications were received and reviewed. Because of the quality of these applications, all 17 were approved and funded. The Dental Research Institute will fund the faculty seed grants and the School’s Research Office will fund all the dental/graduate/postdoc applications. Below are the names of the faculty and student seed grant winners along with the titles of their research projects.

DDS Student Seed Grant Winners

Jeffrey Kim, Mentor: Dr. David Wong
“Identification of Cellular Partners Interacting with Cyclin G2”

Gary Lau, Mentor: Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae
“Purkinje Cell Culture Study”

Jared Lee & Sean Young, Mentor: Dr. Stuart White
“A Comparison of Cone-Beam Tomography versus Conventional Film for Caries Diagnosis”

Trang Nguyen,* Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
“Characterization of Genes that Upregulate Mutacin I Production of S. mutans”

Collin Tsai, Mentor: Dr. Anahid Jewett
“Elevated VEGF Secretion when NK Cells are Induced to Undergo Cell Death During NK – Tumor Interaction”

* Student is currently a DDS and Master’s degree student.

Graduate Student Seed Grant Winners

Schryl Castaneda, Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
“Elucidating the Regulatory Mechanism for Exopolysaccharide Production in Myxococcus xanthus”

Avina Paranjpe, Mentor: Dr. Anahid Jewett
“Prevention of HEMA Mediated Toxicity”

Marcela Romero, Mentor: Dr. Anahid Jewett
“Inhibition of TNFa Production Enhances Functional Activation of Immune Effectors Against Oral Cancers”

Lucy Jee-Hyun Sim, Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
“Analysis of the Chemotaxis Signaling Pathway and the Role of Chymotrypsinlike Methyl-Accepting Chemotaxis Proteins (MCPs) in the Pathogenesis of Treponema Denticola”

Lin Zhu, Mentor: Dr. Fengxia Qi
“Exploring the Putative Regulatory Interactions between Glucosyltransferase C and Mutacin I Gene Expression in Streptococcus mutans”

Faculty Seed Grant Winners

Dr. Tara Aghaloo, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
“Parathyroid Hormone and 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D3 Induced Distinct Modifications of the Vitamin D Receptor”

Dr. Shen Hu, Oral Biology & Medicine
“Lectin Protein Array for Molecular Analysis of Oral Cancer”

Dr. Anahid Jewett, Oral Biology & Medicine
“In vivo inhibition of NFkB and TNF-a for the expansion of tumor inhibitory immune effectors in oral tumors”

Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae, Orthodontics
“Coping with Oxygen Level via Hypoxia-Induced Factor-1 in the Skeletal Muscle”

Dr. Fengxia Qi, Oral Biology & Medicine
“Molecular Basis of Interspecies Interactions in Dental Biofilm”

Dr. Ki-Hyuk Shin, Oral Biology & Medicine
“Tumor Suppressive Effect of hnRNP G on Human Oral Cancer”

Dr. Jun Song, Oral Biology & Medicine
“Roles of TNFR2 in Prostate Cancer Development”

We were very pleased by the quality of the seed grant applications this year. We are confident that these awards will deepen our students’ commitment to research and set them on a course that will prepare them for careers in academic dentistry. Moreover, we are confident that the grants made to faculty will generate new data that will result in future successful grant applications to both federal (e.g., NIH and NSF) and private (e.g., American Cancer Society and March of Dimes) funding agencies. We look forward with eagerness to what new discoveries the coming academic year will reveal.
NEW RESEARCH GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006*

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* Some new grants may be multi-year awards, however only Year 1 amounts received are reflected in this table.

TOTAL RESEARCH GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006

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Puk CK, Gamradt S, Wu BM, and McAllister D: The effects of short-term stimulation on fibroblast spreading in an in vitro 3D sys-


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Clinic Operations

Fiscal year 2005-2006 was another outstanding year for the operations of the dental student and postgraduate/resident dental clinics. Our success is due to the significant efforts of the entire team, including students, residents, faculty and staff, who work diligently and efficiently together. I would like to especially recognize and thank our part-time and volunteer faculty who take precious time away from their practices to share their expertise and play an indispensable role in our teaching programs. We could not operate our training programs without you! If you are a practitioner interested in joining our volunteer faculty, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will be happy to connect you with a representative of the appropriate clinical area for further discussion.

Dr. Ronald Mito
Associate Dean
Clinical Dental Sciences
WESTWOOD DENTAL CENTER

In last year’s report, I introduced you to Jeffrey Goldstein, MBA, PhD, our new Dental Center Director appointed to oversee our clinical operations. In the short time that Dr. Goldstein has been in his post, he has worked tirelessly to improve the clinical operation for all its users—students, patients, faculty and staff. These efforts have resulted in dramatic enhancements to the patient care process. Dr. Goldstein has received countless words of praise from the students for the leadership qualities he has exhibited.

As is often discussed, one of our challenges is recruiting patients to Westwood. Our patients generally come from a radius of 25 miles and many could be classified as the working poor who rely on public transportation. Over the past year, we have embarked on a targeted marketing campaign to increase the pool of patients. This work has paid off as we have experienced a dramatic influx of new patients. While the volume of patients is good and we have countless patients with complex treatment plans, we are continuously challenged to find patients with basic dental needs appropriate for treatment by the new dental student. Our greatest need is to attract patients who are healthy and require basic procedures, such as simple endodontics as well as basic operative and fixed procedures. As has always been the case, it is a constant challenge to identify patients who require partial dentures. We will continue to think creatively in our efforts to communicate the availability of our services to these patient populations.

Last year I announced our marketing effort geared toward the UCLA graduate students who, in general, are an ideal patient pool—they tend to have simple needs, they are close by and they possess an understanding of and appreciation for the training environment. We have implemented a novel approach to targeting this group and created a Marketing Selective course for dental students who learn how to create presentations and materials which they present to specific graduate student groups. Through these activities, students gain hands-on experience in marketing a practice and also reap the benefits of enhanced patient flow. The credit for this effort goes to Ms. Karen Potter who as a third-year student led the marketing team. Through the efforts of Karen and her fellow Marketing Selective members, and with a generous donation from Eurodent Laboratory, the UCLA contract lab which caters lunch to graduate student attendees, we have experienced an influx of new patients.

In 2005, we announced the creation of the $100,000 Patient Subsidy to help offset some of the cost of dental care for specific patients identified by students and faculty. This past year, Dean Park generously increased the subsidy to $150,000. This increase is largely due to our fundraising efforts. The students, patients and all the faculty give our heartfelt thanks to all of you who have supported our Apollonian Society and sincerely hope that your generosity will continue.

Looking ahead, in July 2006 we will implement a dramatic change in the organizational structure of the general clinic, again to enhance the student experience and to become more patient-centered. Many of our alumni readers will recall the “home cubes” concept which existed during the ’70s and part of the ’80s, but was abandoned due to budget reductions and the consequent loss of faculty positions. However, as a result of our solid management efforts and through the committed support of Dean Park, I am pleased to report that we have revived this idea and have created the Group Practice Model. The general clinic will be divided into four Group Practices, each comprised of teams of fourth-, third- and second-year students. Each practice will be headed by two half-time Group Practice Directors (faculty mentors) and a Group Practice Administrator (office manager) and each student team will be assigned to its own operatory. This dramatic change in the organization of the clinic will nearly double the number of available patient appointments however, the design is very faculty intensive. Thus, we are constantly seeking part-time faculty, especially in the areas of Restorative Dentistry and Periodontics. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Dr. Richard Stevenson, Chair of the division of Restorative Dentistry, at (310) 794-4387, or Dr. Paulo Carnargo, Director of Predoctoral Periodontics, at (310) 825-0928.

WILSON-JENNINGS-BLOOMFIELD
UCLA VENICE DENTAL CENTER

The Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center is our model for community-based service and education. The program continues to serve indigent patients, the elderly, and the homeless with many patients referred by the nearby Venice Family Clinic—a local Federally Qualified Health Center.

I would like to recognize Dr. John Yamamoto for his dedicated service as Director of the UCLA Venice Dental Center. Dr. Yamamoto has a passion for community service and has spearheaded the successes that Venice is experiencing.

We are now in the second year of a curricular change which allows for enhanced continuity of care by making the student experience at the Venice Dental Center “longitudinal.” Students now rotate to Venice one specific day per week for an entire quarter allowing them to develop longer-term relationships with patients as they follow up on procedures requiring multiple appointments. We also have a Venice Senior Select program which provides fourth-year students selected from a competi-
tive applicant pool with an additional opportunity to provide comprehensive care one-half day per week for two quarters. The students enjoy rotating to Venice as they are placed in an environment that approaches the private setting with large, spacious operatories and the expectation that they will adeptly see more patients per day.

The Advanced Education in General Dentistry program continues to play a critical role at the Venice Dental Center by providing advanced services to patients with more challenging needs. A graduate of this program is expected to have the wide and in-depth skills and knowledge required for the practice of general dentistry, and to be comfortable interacting with various dental specialties. Dr. Chun-nan (Eddie) Lin is the program director.

As announced last year, we are very proud of our relationship with Nara Bank and the Venice Dental Center. Through the efforts of Dean Park, Nara Bank has committed to subsidize $10,000 of patient care per year over the course of a five-year period. In addition, Nara Bank is offering low-interest loans to indigent patients. Since the inception of the relationship, we have partnered with Nara Bank to hold free patient screenings at several bank locations and have served hundreds of individuals in this manner.

We are proud to announce that on July 1, 2006, we will open our new Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program at the UCLA Venice Dental Center. This program begins with two residents who will experience all phases of training for the treatment of the child patient with an emphasis on interfacing with the community. My congratulations go to Dr. James Crall, Chair of the section of Pediatric Dentistry and to Dr. Kenneth Troutman, Director of the Pediatric Residency Programs at both Westwood and Venice.

We also are in the midst of planning an expansion to the Venice Dental Center to provide new clinical space for the pediatric dentistry program. The renovation plan includes 7 additional operatories, several enclosed rooms, a separate reception area and support facilities. This expansion is made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, longtime benefactors of the School of Dentistry and the UCLA campus.

**PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY AT THE INGLEWOOD CHILDREN’S DENTAL CENTER**

The UCLA School of Dentistry is proud to continue its collaboration with the Inglewood Children's Dental Center. This Center provides multidisciplinary care to children who have no other access to dentistry and simultaneously promotes their positive health behaviors. The dental students give high marks to their experiences at the Inglewood clinic. We wish to acknowledge the Children’s Dental Center—especially the dedication to public service demonstrated by Dr. Cherilyn Sheets—and look forward to a productive and mutually beneficial long-term relationship.

**FACULTY CLINICS**

In the University of California system, faculty in the health sciences must generate a portion of their salary in order to be compensated at an appropriate level. In most cases, the faculty practices serve as the primary resource for this supplemental funding. We are proud of the high quality of care provided by our faculty practices and appreciate the important role that they play in providing faculty support.

The largest faculty practice is the Faculty Group Dental Practice, a multidisciplinary practice consisting of general practitioners as well as a number of specialists. It is located across Westwood Boulevard in the 100 Medical Plaza Building. Other faculty practices, divided by specialty, include: the UCLA Periodontics Clinic (also located in 100 Medical Plaza); the UCLA Orofacial Pain and Oral Medicine Faculty Group; the Oral Pathology Diagnostic Laboratory; the UCLA Dental Anesthesia Service; the UCLA Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons; the UCLA Maxillofacial Prosthetics-Hospital Dentistry practice; and the UCLA Oral Radiology Service (all located within the School of Dentistry).

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On the whole, the UCLA School of Dentistry clinical operations continue to remain financially stable—in many instances during a period of growth. I cannot emphasize enough how much our success is due to the hard work of our dedicated faculty and staff. Thank you to all who have invested yourselves in the School of Dentistry.
In the four decades since it was founded, the UCLA School of Dentistry has evolved into one of the leading schools of dental medicine in the world, as measured by the quality of its teaching, research activities, and patient care programs. This record of excellence would not have been achieved without the generous support of its alumni and friends.

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Academic Unit: Advanced Prosthodontics, Biomaterials and Hospital Dentistry

Chaired by Dr. John Beumer, the division consists of the sections of Removable Prosthodontics, Biomaterials, and Hospital Dentistry. In addition to teaching in the predoctoral program in each of these three disciplines, the division also conducts residency programs in Prosthodontics, Maxillofacial Prosthetics and General Practice. The Jane and Jerry Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology, a world-recognized research enterprise in the areas of bone-implant interfaces, tissue engineering and wound healing, is also housed within the division and is directed by Dr. Neal Garrett.

TEACHING PROGRAMS

The division has just completed a thorough review of its third-year educational programs. Electronic programs of instruction with voiceover narrations were developed for Removable Partial Dentures, Advanced Prosthodontics, Implant Dentistry, and Head and Neck Cancer and Maxillofacial Prosthetics. The Implant Dentistry course was moved into the spring quarter and underwent significant changes. Six laboratory sessions devoted to diagnostic wax-ups, fabrication of radiographic and surgical templates, and impression-making were incorporated. In addition, a surgical placement exercise was provided for each student. The clinical experiences provided by the Straumann Surgical Dental Clinic ensure that our students receive significant experiences in Implant Dentistry.

RESEARCH

Dr. Ichiro Nishimura and his Weintraub Center colleagues have been awarded an NIH grant entitled “Molecular Probing for the Mechanism of Neuropathic Pain.” Extremely difficult to treat, neuropathic pain is a devastating condition affecting 1.4% of the US population. To date, the team has engineered and tested a novel gene transfer system which utilizes a cationized gelatin/plasmid DNA (GC/DNA) nano-particle with promising results. This project is the fruit of multidisciplinary collaborations with Dr. Igor Spigelman, a neurophysiologist in the division of Oral Biology and Medicine, and Dr. Yasuhiko Tabata, a materials scientist from Kyoto University in Japan.
The UCLA Academic Senate has awarded Dr. Ichiro Nishimura and Dr. Neal Garrett a Faculty Research Grant entitled “The Role of SNPs in the wit3.0 Gene in the Process of Restoration and Maintenance of the Human Jawbone Following Tooth Extraction.” Tooth extraction is the most frequently performed surgical treatment in dentistry. After initial healing, continuous jawbone resorption persists in some patients for unidentified reasons resulting in the loss of alveolar bone. The goal of this project is to obtain the first genetic information from our patients who exhibit severe bone resorption. After obtaining IRB approval, Drs. Nishimura and Garrett enrolled the first group of study subjects and isolated chromosomal DNA samples. Their hope is to identify the genotype/haplotype of the fgfrlopi2 gene, which may provide the basis for future gene diagnosis of post-extraction residual ridge resorption.

This year, the division hosted three graduate students from the Department of Bioengineering, UCLA Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science; Devang Thakor, Jake Wang and Audrey Lin have completed their dissertations and received their PhD degrees. Dr. Thakor has been awarded a prestigious Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Japanese Society for Promotion of Science. He moved to Kyoto, Japan to join Dr. Yasuhiro Tabata’s laboratory in the Institute of Frontier Medical Science, Kyoto University. Dr. Wang has been accepted to the NIH-funded postdoctoral research training program at the University of Connecticut. He will move to Farmington to join Dr. Ernst Reichenburger’s laboratory. Dr. Lin will join the Weintraub Center as a Postdoctoral Fellow and further explore molecular trafficking mechanism in periphery neurons.

Dr. Takahiro Ogawa has continued his work toward making dental implant surfaces more bioactive. He has filed eight provisional patents and two international patents based on his new technologies. With his new physicochemically modified surface, virtually 100% of the implant surface is covered with bone after a suitable period of healing as compared to the 30-60% achieved by previous surfaces. Another nanotechnology-based surface technology he has developed helps establish implant anchorage in bone four times faster than the currently used implant surfaces. His studies on understanding the molecular mechanism of bone-implant integration and the development of new implant surfaces are currently supported by an NIH grant. Dr. Ogawa also developed a detoxified and osteoconductive bone cement for use with orthopedic implants. Several companies have expressed a strong interest in licensing this technology.

Dr. Ogawa hosted six visiting postdoctoral scholars during 2005-2006. Under his mentorship, Dr. Frank Butz was awarded the prestigious IADR Frechette Prosthodontics Research Award and the Academy of Osseointegration Research Award. Dr. Hideki Aita and Dr. Wael Att were finalists for the IADR Arthur Frechette Award. Dr. Nori Kojima was selected as an IADR Implant Research Award finalist. Dr. Hideki Aita was awarded the second place research award by the Japan Prosthodontics Society.

Dr. Anahid Jewett of the Weintraub Center has discovered a chemoprotective agent that eliminates the toxic side effect associated with the use of dental composite resins. Provisional patents have been issued and several companies have expressed interest in licensing this new technology. She continues her work studying the molecular mechanism associated with the development of oral cancers.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Dr. John Beumer received the Ackerman Award from the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics in recognition of his contribution to the art and science of Maxillofacial Prosthetics. Dr. Beumer also received The Jerome and Dorothy Schweitzer Research Award from the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics.

Dr. Roumanas was appointed to the National Board Exams Prosthodontics Test Construction Committee.

Dr. Eleni Roumanas and Dr. John Beumer were both appointed for five-year terms as Fulbright Senior Specialists. Their first assignment was at the University of Szeged in Hungary where they recently spent two weeks working with local surgeons and dentists, updating their colleagues regarding the newest methods in rehabilitation and maintenance of patients treated for head and neck cancer.

Dr. Neal Garrett and the Weintraub Center conducted a “by invitation only” symposium devoted to tissue engineering in Missillac, France last summer. The leading international figures in tissue engineering attended and conducted spirited discussions. The conference was sponsored by The Borchard Foundation with additional contributions from Conexao, G.C. and Straumann. A follow-up conference is being planned.
Academic Unit: Associated Clinical Specialties

Chaired by Dr. E. Barrie Kenney, the division of Associated Clinical Specialties is comprised of the sections of Endodontics, Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry and Periodontics, all of which are involved in educational programs for dental students, postdoctoral residency programs for specialty education, continuing education, and university and public service. Each section functions with significant autonomy so that each specialty controls its own contributions. This year, the division continued to expand its clinical services and experienced an increase in production of nearly a quarter of a million dollars over the previous year.

TEACHING PROGRAMS

The interim chair of the section of Endodontics is Dr. Gerald Longhurst. Predoctoral didactic and preclinical courses in the second and third years of dental school provide students with the technical knowledge required for the diagnosis and treatment of patients with endodontic disease. The students gain clinical experience during the final two years of the program. Under the directorship of Dr. Nadia Chugal, postdoctoral training in Endodontics continues to be a two-year program. The program offers a wide range of didactic and clinical endodontic experiences, prompting more than 100 applicants to vie for three resident slots each year. The Endodontic Continuum is a continuing education program, directed by Dr. Bernice Ko, with a compact schedule of two four-day sessions which makes it accessible to practicing general dentists.
The section of Orthodontics is chaired by Dr. Kang Ting. The mission of the UCLA Section of Orthodontics is to improve the health of the people of California by educating students and practitioners in dentofacial orthopedics and orthodontics by researching the causes, prevention, and treatment of malocclusion and skeletal imbalances, and by providing service to our patients and the community. The section of Orthodontics places special emphasis on providing care to underprivileged children and children with craniofacial anomalies. The Predoctoral Director is Dr. Jeanne Nervina. The orthodontic postdoctoral/residency program is 36 months long culminating with a certificate in Orthodontics and a master’s degree in Oral Biology with special emphasis on diagnosing and treating patients with craniofacial anomalies. Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae is the Program Director.

The section of Pediatric Dentistry is chaired by Dr. James J. Crall who was appointed in January 2004. This section offers predoctoral didactic, laboratory and clinical instruction that prepares graduates to provide diagnostic, preventive and therapeutic oral health care for children. Dr. Clarice Law has been appointed Director of the Pediatric Dentistry Predoctoral Program. Under her direction, the section operates clinical service programs dedicated to pediatric dentistry on campus at the UCLA Children’s Dental Center and UCLA Medical Center, as well as at the Children’s Dental Center in Inglewood (CDC-Inglewood) and the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Clinic. The CDC-Inglewood program began in the spring quarter of 2005 as a replacement for the Roybal program which was discontinued in March. The section also operates a 27-month residency program that annually accepts five residents. In conjunction with the section of Orthodontics, the section of Pediatric Dentistry offers a four-year combined Pediatric Dentistry/Orthodontics advanced education (residency) program.

Dr. E. Barrie Kenney holds the Tarrson Family Endowed Chair in Periodontics. This dental student clinical education program has continued its growth with increasing emphasis on surgical experiences. In addition, the use of electronic audio-visual presentations has been accentuated and this has included the PPID lecture series. This year, fourth-year dental students were given special lectures to prepare them for the Western Regional Board Exam and the graduating class demonstrated excellent performance. Preliminary work has been initiated to broaden the application of basic sciences to the teaching of periodontics as part of the new curriculum. Dr. Paulo Camargo is the Director of the Periodontics Predoctoral Clinical Teaching Program. The dedicated part-time faculty is one of the strengths of our section and we have invited several general dentists and hygienists to teach alongside our excellent periodontists.

Dr. Perry Klokkevold has been very successful in his role as Director of the postdoctoral program and has been supported by an excellent and stable part-time faculty. The resident experiences continue to expand with more complex bone grafting procedures and advanced implant cases. This year’s graduates performed well in all aspects of the program. Dr. Michael Whang performed exceptionally well in his competency exams. Dr. Doina Panaite was selected as a finalist for the Kramer Scholarship (an American Academy of Periodontology prestigious award). Dr. Whang will join the predoctoral faculty and Dr. Panaite will continue her training as an implant fellow at UCLA. The graduates of 2005 have passed Part I of the American Board of Periodontology Diplomate exams and one of the graduates of 2004 has become a Diplomate. Dr. Klokkevold and the postdoctoral faculty are very proud of these accomplishments.

On the continuing education front, UCLA Periodontics has continued its international presence with preceptors from more than five countries visiting our campus. Our faculty members have lectured throughout the nation and in many other countries around the world.

RESEARCH

Dr. Camargo has been conducting human clinical trials studying the application of novel molecules in the regeneration of intrabony defects in collaboration with the periodontal research group at the University of Belgrade in Serbia. He also recently concluded a human clinical trial evaluating the effectiveness of the modified apically positioned flap in increasing the dimensions of attached gingiva, and that work was performed in collaboration with the University of Londrina in Brazil. At the basic science level, Dr. Camargo continues to study the effect of prostaglandins on mineralization by cementoblasts at the cell and molecular biology levels. Working with our residents in Periodontics, he is evaluating the clinical applications of prostaglandins in the regeneration of periodontal defects and in the preservation of the alveolar ridge following tooth extraction.

Dr. Crall continued to serve as Director of the HRSA Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s (MCHB) National Oral Health Policy Center, one of only four MCHB-funded policy centers in the nation, during the 2005-06 academic year. In this role, Dr. Crall oversees research and development activities that seek to inform and influence policies related to improving maternal and child oral health. The National Oral Health Policy Center is co-located in the UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities in order to take advantage of collaborative relationships with faculty from the UCLA Schools of Medicine, Public Health and Public Policy. The Policy Center’s annual budget is $325,000.
Dr. Nadia Chugai’s current project focuses on understanding the relationships between Candida “infections” and root canal infections in HIV/AIDS patients with the purpose of developing more effective therapies and improved endodontic prognosis for this group of patients. Dr. Nadia Chugai was the Co-Investigator with Dr. Weryuan Shi, PI, on a pilot study (supported by Pfizer) to explore in vivo dental biofilm.

Dr. Mo Kang’s research, supported by the NIDCR/NIH and the Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation, focuses on elucidating the mechanisms of cellular senescence, immortalization and development of oral cancer. Dr. Mo Kang presented his research findings at the AACR and AADR meetings. He authored 10 original papers and presentations.

Dr. Susan Kinder Haake’s research program focuses on understanding at a molecular level how periodontal bacteria function as pathogens in oral and extraoral infections in humans. Current NIH-funded research projects center on the development of genetic systems for molecular manipulation of periodontal bacteria to enable studies of pathogenesis. Progress in the 2005 to 2006 year includes published reports on the development of novel vector systems and, for the first time, engineering of genetic mutations in the periodontal pathogen Fusobacterium nucleatum.

Dr. Klokkevold continues to make progress in implant-related research. Recent efforts are to develop clinical projects. He has an approved IRB for oral extraction site study and a pending application to evaluate bone loss around implants evaluating patients treated at UCLA during the past 10 years.

Dr. Nervina is Co-Principal Investigator on a $1,600,000 NIH R01 grant awarded to Dr. Sotirios Tetradis. She also is the Principal Investigator on a $540,000 NIH K08 grant.

Dr. Ting has an ongoing $1,800,000 NIH R01 as the Principal Investigator and a $310,000 NIH R21 grant as the Co-PI. Dr. Ting is also the Co-PI of a new $400,000 UC Discovery grant. Dr. Ting’s research paper "Overexpression of Nell-1 Induces Massive Apoptosis, Exencephaly, and Cranioskeletal Deformities During Embryonic Development" is scheduled to be the cover paper in Laboratory Investigation in July 2006.

Dr. Shane White’s research focuses on how genes and their proteins make functioning teeth. He is also involved in the development of a diagnostic ultrasound system capable of identifying invisible cracks deep within teeth and beneath radiopaque restorations. This year, he gave two presentations at the annual meeting of the American Association of Endodontics in Honolulu, Hawai’i and authored nine papers in peer-reviewed journals.

RECRUITMENTS, RETIREMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

New faculty at the orthodontics clinics include Dr. Holly Moon, who provides clinical instruction at the Venice Dental Center, and Dr. Merilynn Yamada, who provides clinical instruction at the Orthodontics Postgraduate Clinic.

The orthodontics clinic is recruiting additional clinical staff to further improve the quality and efficiency of patient care.

In Pediatric Dentistry, recruitment of two full-time faculty members was initiated in August 2004. One search has been successfully concluded with the appointment of Dr. Kenneth Troutman as Director of the Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program effective August 1, 2005. He previously served as residency program director at UCSF and Columbia University. Recruitment for the second position remains active. Part-time faculty are being hired, primarily for predoctoral clinical program instruction in the interim.

Mr. Walter Amaya was appointed Administrative Assistant in the endodontics clinic.

Theresa Miller retired after 20 years of service to the School, 12 of which were dedicated to the section of Endodontics.

Dr. Shane White was promoted to full professor.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Drs. Camargo and Klokkevold both received the American Academy of Periodontology outstanding teacher and mentor award.

Dr. Crall was reappointed as the Child Advocate for the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and member of the Academy’s Board of Trustees. In addition, Dr. Crall was selected to be a Visiting Professor at Howard University as part of the American Academy of Pediatrics Community Access to Child Health Program.

Dr. Perry Klokkevold was awarded membership in the Epsilon Zeta chapter of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society. In addition, Dr. Klokkevold was selected as a primary reviewer for the Academy of Osseointegrations’s State of the Science on Implant Dentistry. Dr. Han is co-reviewer. Together, they conducted a systematic review of the literature to evaluate the effect of smoking, diabetes and periodontal disease on implant outcomes. The Academy of Osseointegration conference will be held August 1-3, 2006. Dr. Klokkevold became a site visitor for the American Dental Association Commission on Accreditation for postdoctoral Periodontics.
Dr. Jeanne Nervina received the American Association of Orthodontists Junior Faculty Award.

Dr. Kang Ting, Professor and Thomas R. Bales Endowed Chair, has been named a Fellow in the Leadership Institute of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA). This distinctive program selects promising faculty members at academic dental institutions and guides them through intensive development in leadership and organization theory, higher education management, team and network building, in addition to other aspects of personal and professional growth.

Dr. Shane White was appointed chair of the UCLA Faculty Welfare Committee.

The initial speaker in the Endodontics Distinguished Lecture Series was Dr. Syngcuk Kim, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Endodontics at the University of Pennsylvania. His topic was Endodontic Microsurgery. This series is to become an annual event.

This year, the Endodontics Section initiated a reception during the AAE meeting in Honolulu, Hawai‘i.

The Orthodontics Junior Faculty Development Campaign was a success; More than $75,000 in pledges was received. The donors were Dr. Thomas Bales, Dr. Robert M. Cuenin, Dr. Harry Dougherty, Dr. Juan M. Font, Dr. Christoph F. Haar, Dr. Darin B. Iverson and Dr. Mark E. Truman, Dr. Peter D. Jeon, Dr. Andrew Kapust, Dr. Sora Lee, Dr. Stephen J. McAuliff, Dr. Elizabeth McNabb, Dr. Yen P. Miao, Dr. Son Nguyen, Dr. Shama L. Pizza, Dr. Robert Sheffield, Dr. Paul J. Styrt, Dr. Martin H. Thurston. More than half of these generous donors are graduates within the past 10 years.

Dr. Norman Nagel made a pledge of $500,000 for the Orthodontics Clinic Endowment.

The orthodontics clinic’s net income has grown 13 percent during the past year to more than $800,000 without any increase in overhead.

The 10th Edition of Carranza’s Clinical Periodontology was completed in 2006. This is the number one text in the world and is recognized as a UCLA publication because of the editorship of Drs. Newman, Klokkevold, Carranza and Takei, and the associate editor, Dr. Kenney. Its publication will be a groundbreaking event as this text will have an electronic version with online updates and expanded resources not possible in a print-only textbook.

The annual UCLA Periodontics Alumni Reception was well attended with an ever increasing number of graduates from our Postdoctoral and Preceptorship programs gracing this event with their presence. The Association of Periodontics Alumni and Friends, under the leadership of an alumni board headed by Dr. Camargo in 2005 and Dr. Melnick in 2006, conducted two professional development seminars during this period.
Academic Unit:
Diagnostic & Surgical Sciences

Chaired by Dr. John Yagiela, this division comprises the sections of Dental Anesthesiology, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. As a group, these sections share many common interests with their medical counterparts.

Correlating the basic science curriculum with clinical dental practice is a particular strength of the division’s predoctoral curriculum. All sections of the division are also heavily involved in postgraduate education, and two sections, Dental Anesthesiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, offer residency programs of study. Patient care is provided in the predoctoral and postgraduate clinics, the Faculty Group Dental Practice, the UCLA Medical Center’s main hospital and outpatient surgical center, and private practitioners’ offices. Finally, members of the division are strongly engaged in basic and clinical research, often in collaboration with colleagues in the Schools of Dentistry, Medicine, and Engineering.
TEACHING PROGRAMS

Dr. Peter Moy of the section of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery continues to serve as Director of the highly successful UCLA Dental Implant Center where dental students, residents, fellows, and faculty members perform implant patient care. He also directs the UCLA Nobel Biocare Fellowship program in Surgical Implant Dentistry.

The second annual meeting of the UCLA Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency Alumni Association, held April 21-22, 2006, was highly successful. Former UCLA resident Dr. Gary Parker gave an inspirational presentation on his work aboard the Mercy Ship Anastasis. Gary Parker has devoted his entire career to performing surgery to treat the facial tumors and deformities of patients in Africa. Dr. Michael Block, Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Louisiana State University, gave a highly educational presentation on the subject of bone grafting and dental implants.

Recruitment is underway for a new Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology faculty member to replace Dr. Philip Sapp, who retired in September 2005. In the meantime, Dr. Russell Christensen, with help from Dr. Sapp, who is serving on a recall basis, is maintaining the teaching, patient care, and other collaborative activities of the section.

RESEARCH

Chief Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Resident Dr. Mario Tuchman received a fellowship award from the Synthes corporation, which funded his trip to Spain in April 2006 to study advanced techniques in facial trauma surgery.

Dr. Sotirios Tetradis of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology is the principal investigator on two NIH grants pertaining to osteoblast function and cementoblast differentiation. During this year, his second PhD student and two MS students completed their training under his direction. He and his laboratory published seven manuscripts, mostly pertaining to his research under the NIH grants.

Dr. Stuart White of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology completed his NIH grant on radiographic signs of osteoporosis in dental radiographs. This work found that subjects with osteoporosis have alterations of the trabeculae and inferior border of the mandible. Such findings may be used to identify patients at risk of having osteoporosis.

Dr. John Yagiela of Dental Anesthesiology is serving as a consultant to Novalar Pharmaceuticals which is developing a drug to reverse local anesthesia. He presented the first paper on this new agent at the American Association of Dental Research meeting in Orlando in March.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Dr. Alan Felsenfeld of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery was selected to serve at the statewide level as Editor of the Journal of the California Dental Association. Under his leadership, the journal won a prestigious Maggie Award in the Medical, Dental & Related Services/Trade category for its February 2005 issue focusing on ergonomics in the dental office. The award was presented April 21, 2006 by the Western Publications Association. Dr. Felsenfeld also was named the UCLA School of Dentistry’s Alumnus of the Year and honored at a luncheon held on April 29, 2006 during the CDA convention.

Dr. Harold Hargis of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery received two high honors this year. At the statewide level, the California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons dedicated its annual meeting in May 2006 to Dr. Hargis for his lifelong contributions to the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery. At the national level, he received word that he has been selected to receive the prestigious Daniel M. Laskin Award for Outstanding Predoctoral Education in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He will be honored during the Opening Ceremonies of the 88th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons to be held in San Diego in October 2006.

Dr. Christine Quinn of Dental Anesthesiology was recently elected to the office of Vice-President of the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists.

Dr. Vivek Shetty of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery was elected to serve as Chair of the Academic Senate for all of UCLA during the upcoming year. In the 73-year history of UCLA’s Academic Senate, Dr. Shetty is the first faculty member from the dental school to assume this important campus-wide leadership role.

Dr. Stuart White was elected to the position of Councilor of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements; he is the only dentist to hold this position.

Dr. John Yagiela was recently elected to the office of Vice-President of the American Dental Board of Anesthesiology.
STRAUMANN SURGICAL DENTAL CLINIC

The Straumann Surgical Dental Clinic opened in January of 2004. In a relatively short period of time, the Clinic has helped to improve the quality of life for many patients undergoing treatment at the UCLA School of Dentistry and a number of patients from the private community sector. At the same time, this clinic advances the education of the dental students by giving them hands-on experience in Implant Dentistry. Last year, the students from the Class of 2006 restored at least one implant case and many of the advanced students treated two or more patients, while the more difficult cases were treated by surgery residents, implant fellows, and faculty members of the Surgical Dental Clinic.

The Straumann Surgical Dental Clinic is capable of handling any case regardless of its complexity, making it an appealing treatment center for the public as well as a boon to dental students wishing to enhance their educational experience.

NOBEL BIOCARE RESEARCH AND SURGICAL IMPLANT FELLOWSHIP

The Nobel Biocare Research and Surgical Implant Fellowship was established in July of 2004. It is a one-year program with emphasis on both research and clinical participation.

This year we had an oral and maxillofacial surgeon as well as a periodontist participating in the fellowship program. The prerequisite of having completed a residency in either oral and maxillofacial surgery or periodontics enables a fellow to perform complex surgeries on medically and dentally compromised patients under the guidance of Dr. Peter Moy.

Dr. Moy also oversees the various research projects under investigation by the surgical fellows as well as oral and maxillofacial surgery residents. Several research projects are being conducted on subjects including bone regeneration using various synthetic grafting materials, the use of recombinant bone morphogenetic protein in grafting procedures, and long term dental implant success/survival. We are currently studying new and existing bone graft substitutes for use in maxillary sinus grafts and extraction sockets to provide bony support for dental implants. We also are investigating the effect of platelet-rich plasma and fibrin glue on bone graft healing, and the rate and quantity of bone formation when used in combination with various bone graft materials.

At the 2006 Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington, our residents and fellows presented research completed in the UCLA Dental Implant Center in two oral and five poster presentations. Dr. Tara Aghaloo, one of the surgical implant fellows, made major presentations from the main podium at the annual meetings of the Academy of Osseointegration and the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

Dr. Peter Moy, the Director of Implant Dentistry and the Straumann Surgical Dental Clinic, made presentations at the annual meeting of the Academy of Osseointegration in Seattle, Washington, the Southwest Dental Conference in Dallas, Texas, and the Royal College of Surgeons, London, England. He also participated in the World Tour meetings held by the implant company Nobel Biocare in Frankfurt, Germany, Baltimore, Maryland, Phoenix, Arizona, Tokyo, Japan and, most recently, Paris, France.
Academic Unit: Oral Biology and Medicine

Chaired by Dr. Larry Wolinsky, this division is composed of two sections: Oral Biology, and Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain. Together, we are committed to broadening the basic scientific education of the UCLA dental student and providing the fundamental research training for graduate dentists and oral health researchers. We are dedicated to exploring and developing new areas of dental-related research, including bone biology and bioengineering, head and neck cancer, microbiology and immunology, and pain research. In clinical practice, Oral Medicine is the specialty of dentistry that deals with the diagnosis and non-surgical management of medically related disorders and oral diseases affecting the oral and maxillofacial region. The specialty of Orofacial Pain deals with the prevention, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of chronic orofacial pain disorders and jaw dysfunction.
TEACHING PROGRAMS

As the home of the Oral Biology Graduate Program, offering MS and PhD degrees in Oral Biology to DDS as well as non-DDS students, our division offers the possibility of branching out into fields beyond general and specialized practice, including full-time dental research, full- and part-time teaching, and faculty positions in dental schools nationwide. The division is also responsible for the administration of, and provides leadership for, the NIH-funded comprehensive T32 research training program entitled the “UCLA Fundamental Clinical Research Training Program.”

During academic year 2005-2006, there were 47 Master's students and 15 doctoral degree students enrolled in the graduate program in the following configurations: 15 students were pursuing the master’s degree only, 15 students were pursuing the master’s degree and the DDS degree; 17 students were pursuing the master’s degree and a residency certificate; 13 students were pursuing the doctoral degree only; and two students were pursuing the doctoral and DDS degrees.

The Oral Biology Graduate Program is proud to announce that this year we had the largest graduating class since the program’s founding. Seventeen students walked in the June 4, 2006 School of Dentistry graduation ceremonies. We had six Doctor of Philosophy degree students and eleven master’s degree students. The amount of effort leading to the cutting-edge discoveries that this wonderful graduating class has made is astounding—both for the students and their mentors. Special congratulations go to Dr. Anahid Jewett and Dr. Sotirios Tetradis for each mentoring three students to the successful completion of their degrees.

The Oral Biology PhD Program reviewed its applications in February of 2006. On their merits, four applications were accepted for admission for the fall of 2006. Of those four applicants, three have indicated their intention to accept admission.

The Oral Biology MS program reviewed its applications in March of 2006. On their merits 19 applications were accepted for admission for this fall. Of those nineteen successful applicants, 18 have indicated their intention to accept admission into the Oral Biology MS program.

The DDS-PhD Program reviewed applications in June of 2006 and one candidate was accepted for the fall 2006 term.

RESEARCH

Dr. Paulo Prolo, a postdoctoral researcher in Oral Biology, was awarded a $5,000 grant from the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center to examine important policy relevant issues concerning California’s growing Latino population.

Dr. David Wong, Associate Dean of Research and Director of the DRI, was awarded a grant of $16,181 from the University of California, San Francisco for his work: “Molecular Predictors of Oral Cancer Development.”

Dr. Xiaofeng “Charles” Zhou, Assistant Researcher in Oral Biology & Medicine, was awarded a grant of $308,667 from NIH/NIDCR for his work: “Expression-based Identification of OHNC Genomic Changes.”

In addition, Dr. Zhou was awarded a grant of $258,834 from NIH/National Cancer Institute for his work: “Molecular Determinants of Oral Cancer Detection.”

RETIREMENTS, RECRUITMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

Dr. George W. Bernard had an amazing retirement party in November 2005 and was honored as our Emeritus Professor. However, he was promptly placed on recall because how can we have an Oral Biology section without Dr. Bernard? Still a favorite among our DDS and Oral Biology students, Dr. Bernard is one of that rare breed who loves life completely and shares that and his great knowledge with all of us.

Dr. Carol Bibb was appointed as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs. The ADA Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations appointed Dr. Carol Bibb to the Part I Testlet Test Construction Committee for the year 2007.

Ricardo Murphy has joined Dr. Igor Spigelman’s lab as a Visiting Assistant Researcher.

Paul Nuttle has been selected to be our new Student Affairs Officer.

Dr. Igor Spigelman was promoted to Professor.

Bernhard Zimmermann has joined Dr. David Wong’s lab as an Assistant Researcher.

There is currently a nationwide search pending for a new chair of our division.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

PhD students Schryl Castaneda and Lin Zhu have won Dissertation Year Fellowship awards, marking a first for the division’s graduate students.
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Dr. Marcela Romero, who received her PhD in 2006, also was the winner of the very prestigious Hatton Award at this year’s meeting of the AADR.

Drs. Carol Bibb, Fariba Younai and Craig Woods received teaching award recognitions from the Class of 2006.

Dr. Francesco Chiappelli has won approval for a new freshman Fiat Lux seminar course to be taught in the fall of 2006: “Pain and Stress Management in Dentistry.”
Academic Unit: Public Health & Community Dentistry

Chaired by Dr. Marvin Marcus, the division of Public Health and Community Dentistry is active in teaching, research and community service. The division has an active didactic teaching program that includes coursework in ethics, behavioral sciences, cultural awareness, regulation, preventive dentistry, practice management, health policy and quality assurance. Many of our courses are taught in small groups which is greatly appreciated by our students. Our clinical teaching program is housed in the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center where the third class of Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residents (AEGD) has completed the program. We also have completed the third year of a three-student Post-Baccalaureate program.
TEACHING PROGRAMS

Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center Dental Student Rotation

The rotation of the Venice Dental Center was altered so that students provide dental services to the same patients one day per week over the course of the rotation. The transition to a patient-centered comprehensive care rotation model at the Venice Dental Center has been beneficial for both patients and students. This rotation change was implemented winter quarter of 2005. For the patient, there is continuity with the same provider for the quarter and they are able to receive more comprehensive care from the students including crowns and bridges. In the previous rotation model, only procedures that could be completed in one visit could be provided by the students. Students have responded favorably to this change as it allows them to gain more clinical experience and meet some of their graduation requirements.

Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center AEGD Program

In 2005-2006, the Venice AEGD Program implemented a didactic and clinical training program in implant dentistry. Under the guidance of Drs. Potter and Lin and with support from Dr. Felsenfeld, UCLA Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residents, Jackie Kaslow, Zimmer Corporation, and a number of guest lecturers, the Venice AEGD residents were able to plan treatment and complete a number of cases. More importantly, they laid the foundation for the succeeding residents to gain more experience in the restoration of implants.

Addie Klotz Student Health Center at CSUN Dental Student Rotation

Under the direction and supervision of Dr. Thomson Sun, we began providing dental services to the CSUN student population in July 2005 at the California State University, Northridge Klotz Student Health Center. We foresee an annual total of 120 days of coverage, with students seeing 5-6 patients per day. Student participation began with one fourth-year student at the clinic during winter and spring 2006 quarters and two third-year students serving during the spring quarter.

RESEARCH

Our faculty’s research interests cover many areas of health services and community-based issues. The division’s research activities involve examination of competing needs in community-based clinics, policy implications for postgraduate general dentistry, disparities among people living with HIV/AIDS, access to care for Native Americans, advancing the dental profession’s understanding of patient preferences for surgical and nonsurgical treatment, increasing dental health professionals’ awareness of elder abuse and self neglect, culture and health literacy in a dental clinic, and oral health status assessments. We also have been productive in reporting our research to the academic community; Collectively, 19 articles were published this year and our faculty presented at national and international meetings. Community service is another major activity; During this past year we conducted 16 health fairs. We also provided sealants and fluoride varnishes in Head Start classrooms and held student clinics on Saturdays.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Dr. Kathryn Atchison received the UCLA School of Dentistry Distinguished Faculty Member for 2005-2006 award at the graduation of the Class of 2006. She also ascended to the position of President of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry at the annual National Oral Health Conference in May 2006. In addition, she serves UCLA as the Interim Vice Provost of Intellectual Property & Industrial Relations and the Associate Vice Chancellor for Research.

Dr. Ian Coulter has taken a one-year leave of absence during 2006 to join the Samueli Institute of Information Biology, a non-profit, non-affiliated organization that conducts and supports health care research in areas such as patient-centered approaches, healing environments, complementary therapies and traditional medicines. The mission of the Institute is to transform health care through the scientific exploration of healing. The Samueli Institute achieves this mission by performing and supporting rigorous scientific research through a dynamic grants program, as well as through extramural partnerships and intramural basic, clinical, and health services research. During this leave, Dr. Coulter serves as the Director of their Clinical Research Program and Integrative Medicine.

Drs. Marvin Marcus and John Yamamoto were both elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the national dental honor society, in May 2006.

Dr. Vladimir Spolsky was elected Councilor of the Section on Community and Preventive Dentistry for a three-year term at the 83rd Annual Meeting of the American Dental Education Association in Orlando, Florida on March 11, 2006. Dr. Spolsky has been actively serving on the national Healthy People Curriculum Task Force, formed to accomplish the Healthy People 2010 objective of “increasing the preventive content of clinical health professional education.”

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AN UPDATE ON OUTREACH & RECRUITMENT

The UCLA School of Dentistry has maintained contact with pre-health advisors at California State University, Northridge (CSUN), California State University, Los Angeles, California State University, Dominguez Hills, and California State University, Long Beach. In particular, Dr. Carl Maida has continued to facilitate UCLA’s presence in the San Fernando Valley through an intensive outreach effort at CSUN, where we have created a “model pipeline” for pre-dental students to the Summer PREP program, the Regional Post-Baccalaureate Program, and to UCLA. We continue to work closely with CSUN’s College of Science and Mathematics to identify disadvantaged candidates early in their undergraduate educations and to assist them throughout their college years. The UCLA Dental Clinic at the Addie Klotz Student Health Center at CSUN has provided volunteer opportunities in front office and chairside assistance for pre-dental students. This multifaceted model continues to hold promise as a comprehensive way to introduce the UCLA School of Dentistry to this university community.

Additionally, we have continued our efforts toward increasing the disadvantaged applicant pool from the Inland Empire, namely Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Dr. Carla Lidner has worked with the provost and a dean at University of California, Riverside (UCR) to identify economically disadvantaged students, and has presented on dentistry as a career to the UCR Future Dentist Club, the Southern California Regional Post-Baccalaureate Program, and the PREP program. Dr. Lidner also has planned additional speaking engagements for disadvantaged students at CSU, San Bernardino and the Riverside Community Colleges (RCC), and has worked with campus officials to communicate information about UCLA School of Dentistry’s outreach programs to students at RCC’s Norco, Moreno Valley and Riverside campuses.

Drs. Bruce Sanders and Marvin Marcus have continued to participate in the College-Bound program that targets African American high school students in Los Angeles. Dr. Maida has continued to work with the Project GRAD Los Angeles program that targets college-bound Latino students from San Fernando High School. We are currently pursuing a Howard Hughes Medical Institute Pre-college Science Education grant to provide summer enrichment programs at UCLA School of Dentistry for these diverse students.

Academic Year 2005-2006 marked the third year of the UCLA Post-Baccalaureate Program. The three regional Post-Baccalaureate students as well as the two auxiliary Post-Baccalaureate (PBII) students have successfully completed the academic portion of the program. The three “traditional” post-baccalaureates are currently in the process of applying to dental school.

The two PBII students will be attending dental school in the fall at UCLA and Howard. From the 2004-05 year, one post-baccalaureate student began the first year at the UCSF Dental School, while another will attend the University of the Pacific this fall. Of the seven UCLA School of Dentistry post-baccalaureate students who have completed the program over the past three years, five are currently attending or have been accepted to a California dental school, one has been accepted to a dental school outside of California, and one in still in the process of applying.

The UCLA Post-Baccalaureate Program runs for 11 months, beginning with an intensive six-week summer enrichment program at the UCLA School of Medicine called PREP, at which students review basic sciences, hear motivational speakers, attend DAT study classes, and go on rotations. In the fall, the Post-Bacc students begin taking basic and advanced science courses through UCLA Extension and the UCLA School of Dentistry. Students are also tutored in the DAT, take practice tests to monitor their improvement, and enroll in a Kaplan DAT Test Prep Course. Finally, the students receive mentoring and counseling throughout the dental school application process, from advice on where to apply to the editing of personal statements and participation in mock interviews.

Mission Community Hospital’s three-chair pilot clinic, under the supervision of UCLA faculty dentist Dr. Rochelle Burdett and in operation two days per week since December 2005, continues to provide dental care for the community of San Fernando. This has laid the groundwork for a student rotation in the coming period. This clinic was implemented with the help of a grant from UniHealth Foundation and support from Congresswoman Berman. Under the direction of Dr. Nancy Reifel, we continue to lay the groundwork for a rural student clinic experience in Inyo and Mono counties in the coming year.
Academic Unit: Restorative Dentistry

Chaired by Dr. Richard G. Stevenson III, the division of Restorative Dentistry encompasses the preclinical and clinical areas of operative dentistry, fixed prosthodontics, esthetics, clinical applications of dental morphology and occlusion, and geriatric dentistry. The division’s postdoctoral program is the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Program, which offers both one-year and two-year programs for dentists seeking further training in all phases of general dentistry. In addition, the Center for Esthetic Dentistry, directed by Dr. Edward McLaren, offers a two-year Master Lab Technician program and a one-year Esthetic Dentistry preceptorship.

TEACHING PROGRAMS

The division currently has eight full-time faculty members: Drs. Janet Bauer, Edmond Hewlett, Robert Lindemann, Edward McLaren, William Morgan, Reuben Kim, Richard G. Stevenson III and Jay Watson.

In academic year 2005-2006, the division’s Esthetic Dentistry course wrapped its third year under the new didactic and laboratory format. The main goal of this course is to introduce diagnostic and treatment planning approaches needed for optimal management of esthetic restorative cases. The course builds on the fundamental restorative courses earlier in the curriculum to provide a philosophical and practical framework for the management of complex esthetic dentistry cases. A basic tenet is that esthetic enhancements to the dentition to do not comprise a niche or “specialty” area of dental practice. Rather, such considerations must be part of a comprehensive process of patient assessment and treatment recommendations targeted at restoring/maintaining the patient’s oral health, form, and function.

The dental photography component of the course represents the introduction of this important area of instruction into the dental curriculum and, to date, it remains the only place in the curriculum where this material is taught. Students learn digital photography fundamentals in lecture format, and acquire basic proficiency in capturing dental images with a digital single-lens reflex (SLR) camera and accessories during hands-on training. This knowledge is reinforced in the clinic where students can access a digital SLR camera to document their cases.
Formerly the basis of a selective course, Conservative Cast Gold procedures have become part of students’ clinical requirements. Qualified instructors continue introducing students to this refined technique following the guidelines of Dr. Richard V. Tucker. The primary advantage of gold castings is permanence; a gold restoration can last a lifetime. Also, a cast-gold restoration maintains the beauty of a natural tooth when the cavity design is well considered and when care is given to fabrication of the casting. The technique has become increasingly popular among students and they have done a considerable amount of gold restorations: more than 350 in 2005. The UCLA School of Dentistry is one of the few remaining dental schools in the United States whose use of gold is a significant component of the teaching program.

Since winter quarter 2005, second-year students have been required to perform clinical procedures, e.g. amalgams, composites, and cast restorations, in the Sim Lab to facilitate the transition between preclinical courses and clinic. This training has proved successful as it has given students an opportunity to continue practicing what they learned in the pre-clinical courses, filling the gap typically experienced between pre-clinical and clinical experiences. As a result, students are developing a new level of confidence before they treat patients independently in clinic during their third year.

Also since 2005, DDS students have had the opportunity to perform implant crown restorations in the general clinic. In association with Advanced Prosthodontics, and under the supervision of Dr. Edmond Hewlett, students perform this advanced clinical procedure from pre-surgical treatment planning through restoration completion. This provides students with an opportunity to learn an advanced procedure previously limited to the postdoctoral program.

In addition to the above courses, which form the core of the restorative curriculum, the division also offers a number of selectives. Dr. Sue Spackman teaches the Senior Selective in Geriatric Dentistry–Hospital Dentistry and the Senior Selective in Geriatric Dentistry–Nursing Homes. Students gain clinical dental experience in hospital and nursing home settings where they conduct patients’ initial evaluations and can perform treatment. These courses were in their fifth year in 2005-2006.

Dr. Raymond Padilla offers a Sports Dentistry selective course each spring quarter for third- and fourth-year students. It introduces students to a range of sport injuries and their treatment. Dr. Padilla is a very knowledgeable dentist in this area as he has served during the Olympic Games to treat athletes’ injuries. This course saw its fourth year in 2005-2006.

New in 2005-2006, Dr. Joseph Dautremont offered a Non-Confrontational Case Presentation Selective this spring. It was open to third- and fourth-year students seeking to develop their skills in treatment presentation and acceptance.

The division’s major efforts in community service continued for students in both our predoctoral and AEGD residency programs this year. The AEGD Program ran its two programs, one at Westwood and one at the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center, with six residents in each location. The Senior Select program for our predoctoral students at the Venice Dental Center continued for the fourth year under the direction of Dr. William Morgan. In association with the division of Public Health and Community Dentistry, and under the direction of Dr. Thomson Sun, predoctoral students also had the opportunity to treat patients at the Addie Klotz Student Health Center at California State University, Northridge.

RESEARCH

The purpose of the division’s Esthetics, Implants and Restorative Dentistry Research & Education Laboratory is to stimulate, support and advance the scholarly activities of the faculty and their students in the fields of esthetics, implants and restorative dentistry, including geriatric dentistry. The lab was engaged in Dr. Hewlett’s research and in the preparation of esthetic cases this year.

Additionally, Dr. Hewlett’s work continued this year on the California Endowment grant for “California Dental Pipeline Program Evaluation,” and on the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant for “RWJF Pipeline, Profession and Practice: Community-Based Dental Education.”

RECRUITMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

During fiscal year 2005-2006, three volunteer faculty members were recruited to help support the division in the general clinic and the Center for Esthetic Dentistry clinic. In addition, one part-time paid faculty member was hired and one full-time faculty member was hired as an emergency appointment. Dr. Thomas Lee was appointed the AEGD Director and Assistant Clinical Professor to replace Dr. Mete Fanuscu. This brings our total part-time paid faculty to 35 and our part-time volunteer faculty to 50, making the division of Restorative Dentistry the largest in the School of Dentistry.

AWARDS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Dr. Joseph Cooney received the Robert B. Wolcott Award from the Epsilon Zeta chapter of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society.
Dr. Donald Fisher, Professor Emeritus, received the Pierre Fau-ched “Teacher of the Year” award from the Class of 2006.

Dr. Edmond Hewlett was re-appointed as a Consumer Advisor for the American Dental Association.

Dr. William Morgan received the “Faculty of the Year” award from the UCLA dental class of 2006.

Both Drs. Fisher and Morgan were selected by the Class of 2006 to be the “hooders” at Commencement 2006.

Dr. Babak Manesh received a Certificate of Appreciation for the Iranian American Dental Association (IADA) in October 2005.

Dr. Edward McLaren was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry in July 2005.

Dr. Richard G. Stevenson III was inducted into the Academy of Restorative Dentistry. He also was appointed Assistant Secretary of the Academy of Operative Dentistry and the Secretary of the Academy of R.V. Tucker Study Clubs. Additionally, Dr. Stevenson served as a dental technical expert for the upcoming feature film Empty City. The film tells the story of a man (played by Adam Sandler) who lost his family in the September 11 attacks and reunites with his former dental school roommate (Don Cheadle) for help dealing with his grief.

Dr. Sig Urbach was inducted into the Epsilon Zeta chapter of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society.

Dr. James Uhrik received a Professional Development Award from the UCLA Faculty Diversity Department.

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**84th ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition**
New Orleans, Louisiana
March 17-21, 2007

**85th General Session & Exhibition of the IADR 36th Annual Meeting of the AADR**
New Orleans, Louisiana
March 21-24, 2007

**CDA Spring Scientific Session**
Anaheim, CA
May 3-6, 2007

**ADA 148th Annual Session**
San Francisco, CA
September 27–30, 2007
Continuing Education

In the past fiscal year, the Continuing Education program continued to grow and thrive. Its success was due to the ongoing commitment of the staff and leadership to providing dentistry professionals with the latest information as taught by the finest educators in the world.

The Continuing Education program conducted more than 65 courses offered to alumni members and the local dental community as well as more than 35 faculty development courses during 2005-2006. Especially popular were our cutting-edge classes in aesthetics, endodontics and implants which were presented in continuum format and provided opportunities for hands-on learning. These courses have become a staple of our curriculum.

Our annual Hawai‘i program (which is always offered on the 4th of July holiday weekend) was held in Maui this year and yielded a sell-out event. Be sure to check out the photograph taken at the beginning of the cocktail reception on the oceanside lawn at the Hyatt. This program attracts a growing number of UCLA alums each year (why not have your class reunion out there?), so be sure to contact the Continuing Education Office if you are interested in joining us in Kauai July 2-6, 2007.

Looking ahead, the Continuing Education Program is now working to add distance learning to its mix of educational choices. We soon expect to expand globally to educate dentists around the world.

The School of Dentistry is proud that UCLA has become the worldwide leader in advanced dental education, and will consistently seek to grow and expand its advanced educational programs so that it will serve as a model for others and set the standard far into the future.

For more information about Continuing Education at the UCLA School of Dentistry, please contact us at (310) 206-6388 or send us an email at: cde@dent.ucla.edu.
Alumni Affairs

The alumni of the UCLA School of Dentistry—all 39 classes strong—were very active during academic year 2005-2006. The Alumni Association sponsored several events, including the yearly golf outing, educational lectures, and the second annual silent auction, all designed to encourage the alums to stay involved with the each other, the School and its current crop of students. The highlights of the alumni year were:

ANNUAL ALUMNI WEEKEND GOLF TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 14, 2005

Alumni Affairs kicked off its calendar this year with our annual golf event, the Frank Lucatorto Golf Tournament, which was held Friday afternoon, October 14, 2005, at the Lost Canyons Golf Club in Simi Valley. This year, 22 members of the current dental student body teed up alongside the alums.
After warming up on the driving range and putting green, 18 teams headed out to begin the tournament. The event featured a “shotgun” start and was organized in a “scrambles” format. The competition was extremely close. Ultimately, John Beumer’s team finished in first place at 12 under par. Mark Redd ’97, led the second place team at 11 under, and Bill Yancey’s team finished in third position at 10 under par.

Following the tournament, we held an awards program at the clubhouse and gave prizes in the “longest drive” and “closest to the pin” contests. We also presented all participating students with Brasseler bur kits and Ultradent bleaching kits.

We owe special thanks to Carol Bibb ’78, Jerry Roodzant ’79, Tom Han ’82, and Laurence Amelang ’74, for sponsoring the student participants. We also would like to thank Plaza Golf and Brasseler International for their generous donations.

ANNUAL ALUMNI BREAKFAST AND LECTURE

The day after the golf tournament, alumni gathered again to enjoy breakfast together. The topic of this year’s breakfast lecture was Digital Radiography and the featured speakers were Doug Yoon, DDS ’83, and Adam Chen, DDS.

The focus of their presentation was on separating fact from misconception. After giving participants an overview of the technical aspects of digital radiography, they demonstrated to the group the advantages of using digital X-rays in the practice of dentistry. They also provided insight into the various systems currently available and shared ideas regarding what to look for when purchasing hardware for a digital radiography system. After the lecture, Dr. Carol Bibb guided alumni on a tour of the School and its new facilities.

ALUMNI AWARDS AND REUNION LUNCHEON SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2006

Each year, the spring scientific session of the California Dental Association provides us with new opportunities to reconnect with alumni. This year, nearly 300 UCLA DDS alums, current dental students and guests attended our reunion event.

At the awards and reunion luncheon this year, honorees included Dr. Alan L. Felsenfeld, who was selected as "Alumnus of the Year," Dr. Ronald Mito, the outgoing Alumni Association President, Dr. Roger Lent, the new President, and the reunion classes of ’71, ’76, ’81, ’86, ’91, ’96 and ’01.

In addition to Dr. Lent and Dr. Mito, the 2006-2008 Dental Alumni Board includes:

Dr. Bill Morgan ’73, President-Elect,
Dr. Afsaneh Malaekah ’93, Vice President, and
Dr. David Altman ’78, Secretary/Treasurer.

During the event, Dr. Mito reviewed the organization’s accomplishments in the past two years, describing how the Alumni Association has worked to enhance DDS students’ overall experience. He also spoke about the need to give back and encouraged alumni to consider roles as volunteer clinical instructors on a part-time basis.

SECOND ANNUAL ALUMNI SILENT AUCTION

The auction was held in conjunction with the Alumni Luncheon and the Dean’s Reception. The featured item was a completely equipped operatory from Dental-EZ. Dr. Tamara Schneidmiller ’89, placed the winning bid for the operatory for use in her practice in La Mesa, CA. Other auction items included hotel, dining and continuing education course packages, fun flights, vacation packages and various pieces of dental equipment. The auction raised more than $16,500 for the Alumni Fund.

SPECIAL EVENING COURSES

This year, the Alumni Association continued its program of providing special interest evening seminars for our dental students and alumni.

In November of 2005, 75 students attended Dr. Brian LeSage’s presentation on direct composite veneers. The lecture was followed by a hands-on exercise in the fourth floor lab.

On April 20, 2006, students heard Dr. Jeff Morley speak on the subject of cosmetic considerations and the importance of bite stabilization.

On May 18, 2006, students interested in pursuing a career in general dentistry attended a lecture by Dr. David Altman. He covered topics including dentist-patient communication skills; establishing a trusting relationship with your patients; finding the ideal position; types of dental practices; and buying an existing practice vs. starting from scratch.

COMMENCEMENT 2006

We finished the year by welcoming a new class of SOD alumni and hope to see many of the same faces (plus a few new ones) among the crowds at next year’s alumni events.
Development

The UCLA School of Dentistry continues to be the beneficiary of an extraordinary level of philanthropic support from its alumni, friends, and corporate and foundation partners. During FY 2005-2006, the School of Dentistry received $5,359,398 in gifts and pledges, establishing a new annual fund-raising record. The School of Dentistry is deeply grateful for this exceptional generosity that enables the institution to continue to advance its educational mission and its commitment to excellence.

One of the highlights of the past year was the successful conclusion of Campaign UCLA, a campus-wide capital campaign that began on July 1, 1995 and concluded on December 31, 2005. During this period, the School of Dentistry raised $26,887,748, exceeding its campaign goal of $15,000,000 by 79%. The funds raised in this campaign have made possible the construction or renovation of several School clinics and research facilities, three endowed chairs, six endowed scholarships, an endowed educational and cultural exchange program, a student lounge, and other projects.
Some of the year’s other highlights included the following gifts, activities and events:

- A donor appreciation dinner was held August 13, 2005 to honor the founding members of the Apollonian Society who had contributed $5,000 or more during the membership-based organization’s inaugural year. Dean Park offered special thanks to Dr. Thomas J. Rauth ’73, Apollonian Society Chair, and Dr. Ronald S. Mito ’76, Dental Alumni Association President, for their leadership during the previous year on behalf of this campaign to benefit dental students.

- The Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Postgraduate Residency Program received pledges of $500,000 from Dentium, Inc. and $203,500 from Astro Tech, Inc. to support education and training in the field of implant dentistry.

- A fundraising campaign was initiated in March 2006 by Dr. Mark S. Lisagor ’73 & ’77 (Pediatric Dentistry Certificate) and Dr. Scott T. Jacks ’76 (Pediatric Dentistry Certificate) among alumni of the Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program to raise funds for the creation of an Endowed Chair in Pediatric Dentistry in honor of Dr. Thomas K. Barber, a beloved faculty member who served for many years as Program Director. Thus far, this campaign has secured $451,000 in gifts and pledges.

- On the afternoon of May 2, 2006, faculty members, students, members of the Board of Counselors and special guests gathered for a ceremony and reception to honor Dr. Susumu Miyata, Chairman of the Board of Meikai and Asahi Universities in Japan, for his extraordinarily generous gift of $1,000,000 for the establishment of the Dr. Susumu Miyata Endowment for Educational and Cultural Exchange. Dr. Miyata, who was accompanied by his son, Professor Jun Miyata, a member of our Board of Counselors, and several faculty colleagues from Meikai and Asahi Universities, unveiled a large wall plaque to commemorate the unique student exchange program that has existed among the dental schools at Meikai University, Asahi University, and UCLA since 1993. This endowment gift will ensure the future of this transformative educational opportunity.

- The School of Dentistry received a pledge of $2,500,000 in April 2006 from Nobel Biocare AB for the establishment of the Nobel Biocare Endowed Chair in Surgical Implant Dentistry. The future occupant of this Endowed Chair will play a leading role in the advancement of implant dentistry education and research on campus and at the national and international levels.

- Dr. Byoung I. Suh, the president and CEO of Bisco Dental Products, Inc. and a member of the UCLA School of Dentistry’s Board of Counselors, was invited as the special guest of the School of Dentistry at its 2006 Commencement Ceremony held at Royce Hall on June 4, 2006. Dr. Suh was honored for his generous gift of $125,000 for a Patient Care Fund at the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center and for his lead gift of $1,000,000 for the renovation of our fourth-floor pre-clinical teaching facility named the Bisco Dental Teaching Laboratory.

- The School of Dentistry deeply appreciates the generosity of its alumni and friends who contributed $264,613 to this year’s Apollonian Society Annual Fund Campaign. The funds made possible by this year’s campaign, co-chaired by Dr. Thomas J. Rauth ’73 and Dr. Ronald S. Mito ’76, were used to support a White Coat Ceremony for first-year students, a patient care fund to assist dental students in the completion of their patient treatment requirements, an ongoing series of alumni-student workshops, and many other initiatives to enhance the dental student experience at UCLA.

- Early in 2005, the School of Dentistry began a 10-year campaign to increase its endowment by at least $30 million through the creation of new endowed academic chairs, scholarships, research and special projects funds, and an endowment for the institution itself. The building of these various endowments will help ensure the future financial stability of the School and enable it to pursue its commitment to excellence and educational innovation. Thus far, more than $6,200,000 has been raised toward this campaign goal. The School also will soon launch a separate campaign for the naming of the institution itself. For information on how you might participate in these efforts and the various benefits available, please call 310-206-6079 or email tmitchell@support.ucla.edu.
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BRUCE ALLEN BACA, CLASS OF 1983
Bruce Allen Baca, a member of the Class of ’83, passed away on June 28, 2006 at the age of 54. Bruce was born April 18, 1952 in Gallup, New Mexico. A fun-loving man with a passion for life, Bruce was an avid fly-fisherman and coached each of his four daughters in softball. He also was a past president of the UCLA School of Dentistry Alumni Association. Bruce is survived by his mother, Rose; wife and best friend, Lynda; and daughters, Ciana, Janine, Danielle and Kaitlyn.

Edited from an obituary in the Los Angeles Daily News on July 2, 2006.

KYLE DARRELL FUNK
Kyle Darrell Funk, a member of the Class of 2009, died Tuesday, November 22, 2005 at UCLA Medical Center after a courageous battle with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome. Kyle was born in Twin Falls, Idaho on July 21, 1981 to Darrell and Patricia Doody Funk. He grew up in Murtaugh, Idaho, where he enjoyed farming with his family. In addition to participating in basketball, football, golf and track during his high school years, Kyle was salutatorian of his school and a member of the National Honor Society. He went on to attend Dixie State College in St. George, Utah, graduating Summa Cum Laude in 2001. Kyle served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Knoxville, Tennessee. Afterwards, he attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, where he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in biology in 2005. Kyle loved going to Alaska and fishing with his brothers and dad. He enjoyed hunting, water surfing, rock climbing, whitewater rafting, horseback riding, mountain biking, golfing and spending time with his family. He also loved scouting and earned his Eagle Scout Award. Kyle is missed enormously by his family, friends and loved ones. His absence also is felt by his fellow members of the Class of 2009. To remember him, Kyle’s classmates designed a patch that they wear on their scrub tops in his honor.


JASON PINNELL
Jason was an indispensable part of the division of Oral Biology for seven years; a friend and mentor to many of our students; and an eager helping hand to our professors when most needed. He was always “in-the-know” about not only the latest good or bad movies, but also about political controversy. His great love of sports was something he shared with many of the School of Dentistry personnel. Jason’s passions were the Buccaneers, well-written movies, comic art, good wine, well-roasted coffee, his family, and his close friends whom he had known since childhood. His bright smile, divine speaking voice, loyalty, friendliness and sardonic wit will be missed by all of us.

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