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DTOF Newsletter

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In cooperation with the USC Alumni Association
we proudly present the

Steiner/Sinclair Lecture

Friday, January 13, 2012

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Dr. Peter Sinclair

*Retention: The Problem
in Orthodontics*



Afternoon Presentation

Dr. Richard P. McLaughlin

*Interesting Diagnostic and
Treatment Planning
Challenges*

Plus:

Lunch & Special Presentation

Dr. Avishai Sadan, Dean – USC School of Dentistry
Interesting Information about the USC School of Dentistry

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President's Message

by Dr. Jim Loos



Dear DTOF Friends and Members,
You might have noticed that DTOF did not schedule an event this fall. Your DTOF Board made a decision to change the events we sponsor and this year put our efforts into helping the USC Orthodontic Alumni with the Steiner/Sinclair Lecture in January. This year we have two excellent lecturers, Dr. Sinclair and Dr.

McLaughlin. In addition, Dr. Avishai Sadan, the Dean of the Dental School, is going to share his progress with re-establishing the Dental School Alumni and his vision for helping the USC Orthodontic Alumni Association. Tell all USC graduates and other supporters that the Steiner/Sinclair Lecture event should not be missed. We need everyone to be there.

The DTOF Board is committed to maintaining the mission of our organization and the commitment to our many donors. We are actively seeking additional donations and pledges so that we can continue to financially support our Department. To date, we have provided funding for

- 1) Lecture room projection and sound systems
- 2) Large screen monitors in the typodont lab and Dr. Samashima's office
- 3) 3D model scanner

These donations have allowed instructions the ability to provide up-to-date lectures and multi-media presentations. They have also aided the department's recruiting efforts to attract top notch orthodontic residents. These donations would not have been possible without the support of DTOF.

In addition to continuing DTOF's fundraising efforts and using the proceeds to improve our Department, DTOF is assisting the USC Orthodontic Alumni Association to become stronger and more active. Watch for more collaboration in the future.

See you in January at the Steiner/Sinclair Lecture!!

Honor & Memorials

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If you have someone that you want to honor or remember, please make a note of that on your next donation.

Department Update

by Dr. Glenn Sameshima

Change seems the norm these days and the orthodontic department has undergone a few changes too. Our junior faculty member, Dr. Holly Moon decided to return to full time practice working with her brothers. We now have an active search going on and should be able to announce a hiring by the time you read this. We were also stunned when the school decided not to renew the contract of James Mah, citing his dual appointment at UNLV as the reason for his dismissal. James was a valuable member of the department and ran the predoctoral program with Ralph Allman for 12 years. He will be sorely missed. Dr. Ivan Shnorhokian increased his time with us and will now share duties with Ralph.

In May we celebrated the graduation of our Class of 2011 in Palm Springs. Our outside examiner this year was the Oregon chair, David Covell who looked at the resident cases and listened to their thesis presentations. Nicole Sakai and Samuel Lee were recognized for best cases with the Harry Dougherty award, and Sam won the Tanaka award given to the resident who showed the most dedication to the program. The Palm Springs lectures were given by alum Howard Hunt, (who talked about being active in organized orthodontics), alum and faculty member Hong Sheng Tong, (who talked about his current research with tooth position in 3D), and the venerable Dr. Don Tuverson, who engaged us with his lecture on canine substitution. It was great to see Don and his wife join us for the weekend.

In the clinic, patient starts were up as the staff and residents, under Ellen Grady's leadership generated the highest gross ever. This was an amazing accomplishment considering the economy and the school's "austere" budget. The residents need to start more cases to give them a better chance at having the right number and type of board cases ready when they graduate. Board certification by all of our residents when they finish is now one of our a top goals.

On the topic of the ABO exam, we are proud of Vivian Lee (2010) who became the first in her class to become board certified, Shawn Yu (2001) , and yours truly, who finally did it after all these years. The test is still rigorous and takes a lot of effort but it is not the beast it used to be and I encourage all of you to get certified.

Our clinical research program received a boost with the acquisition of a 3D scanner last year. We have already begun to use it to study treatment outcomes by superimposing initial and final models. This was made possible by a gift from the Dougherty Tanaka Foundation, which also funded badly needed audiovisual equipment (large flat panel LED monitors) for the department in the chairman's office, and the orthodontic laboratory.

Our residents continue to get the finest education possible thanks to our dedicated faculty and staff. Ours remains the most expensive one in North America. Thanks to the support of the alumni and DFOB, we like to think we are able to offer unique experiences that supplement the resident program – things like Rick McLaughlin's courses, the Andrews course, two weeks at the Tweed course in Tucson, 2 week externship in Korea, the Wilckodontics course, local Angle meetings, and conferences both domestic and abroad such as the IADR, WIOA, European Orthodontic Society meeting, and AAO. This is all made possible by the generosity of our alumni and donors to DFOB.

Back: Dan Banh, John Trotter, Richard Mays, Rex Peters, Harry Aronowitz, Antone Fernandes and Milton Chan

Middle: Glenn Sameshima, John DiGiulio, Gary Kawara and Hong Sheng Tong

Front: Ellen Grady, Alice Shen, Holly Moon and Saijai Peng

Not Shown: James Loos, Robert Schacter, Warren Schacter, Robert Hambleton, Peter Sinclair and Ivan Shnorhokian

