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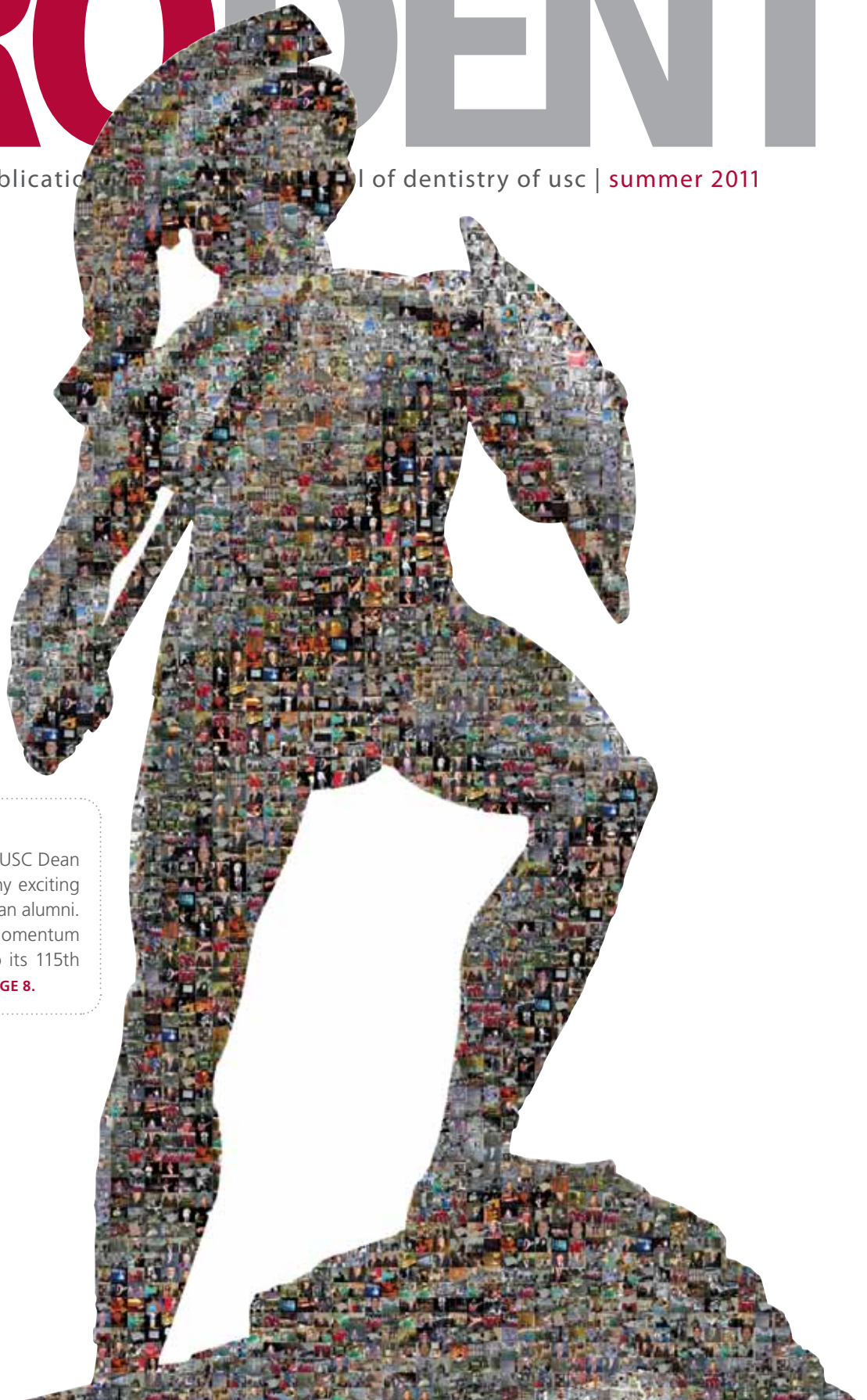
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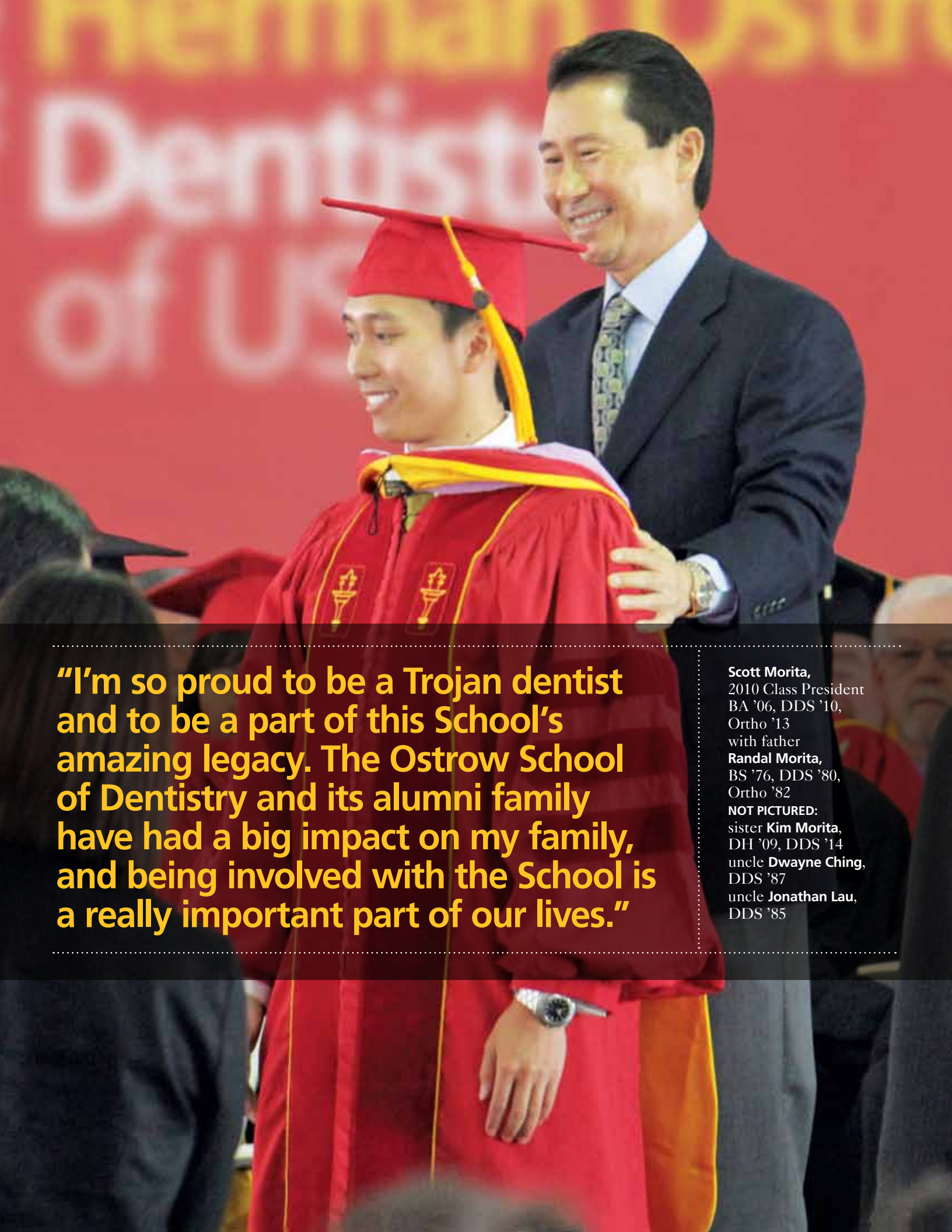
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All together stronger.

Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC Dean Avishai Sadan shares the many exciting changes made possible by Trojan alumni. Find out more about the momentum that will lead the School into its 115th year and beyond. **STORY ON PAGE 8.**





"I'm so proud to be a Trojan dentist and to be a part of this School's amazing legacy. The Ostrow School of Dentistry and its alumni family have had a big impact on my family, and being involved with the School is a really important part of our lives."

Scott Morita,
2010 Class President
BA '06, DDS '10,
Ortho '13
with father
Randal Morita,
BS '76, DDS '80,
Ortho '82
NOT PICTURED:
sister **Kim Morita,**
DH '09, DDS '14
uncle **Dwayne Ching,**
DDS '87
uncle **Jonathan Lau,**
DDS '85



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Kevin Yen, Bob Avakian '50, DDS '54, Vivian Chui '82, DDS '86, GCRT '93, and Neil Oishi '06.



Albert Colby Endowed Scholarship recipients with Dean Avishai Sadan.



Robert Hann and Scott Adishian '75, DDS '79, CERT '82.

Scholarship Luncheon Celebrates Those Who Make Dentistry Dreams Possible

The 2011 Ostrow School of Dentistry Scholarship Luncheon, held on March 18, brought together students receiving scholarships and the supporters who make their scholarships possible. Speakers were Dean Avishai Sadan and alumnus Ed Cainglit DH '99, past recipient

of the Wilma Motley Scholarship.

This year, the School awarded scholarships totaling more than \$2 million to 61 students.

"We are all so deeply honored that you've given so much to the School, in terms of not only resources but also your time and dedication to our future and that of our

current and future students," Sadan said to supporters during his speech. "You may have already heard it from the students whom your generosity has supported, but I would like to say it again—thank you. Thank you for helping our students get even closer to achieving their dreams."



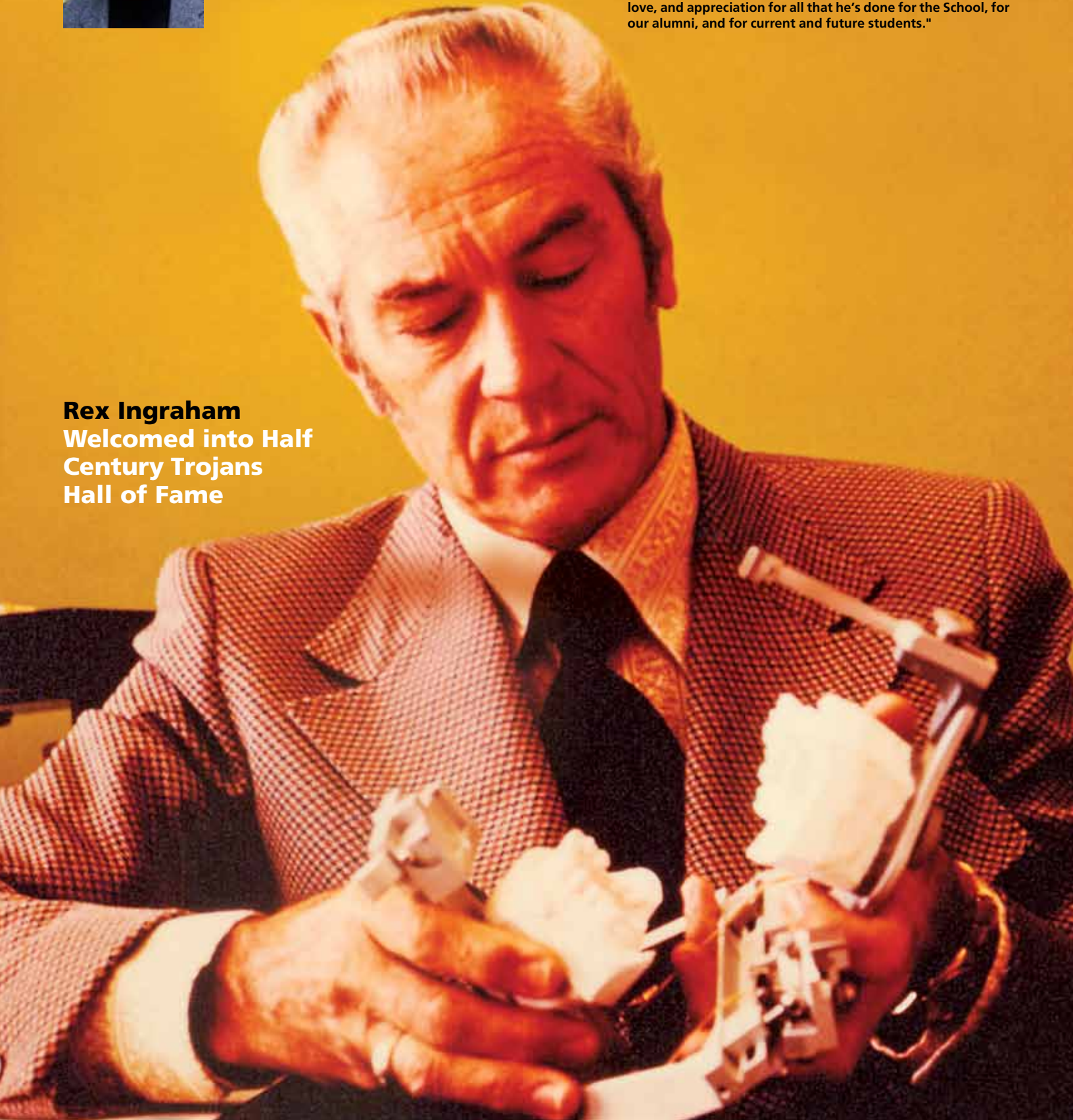
On October 15, 2010, after thousands celebrated USC's future at the inauguration of President C. L. Max Nikias, nearly 500 members of the Trojan Family gathered to honor USC's past at the 2010 Half Century Trojans Luncheon.

Presented by the USC Alumni Association at Town & Gown, the senior alumni group's luncheon drew a broad cross-section of the alumni and university communities, including senior administrators, academic deans, and retired faculty members.

Keck School of Medicine of USC Dean Carmen Puliafito and Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC Dean Avishai Sadan presented the 2010 Half Century Trojans Hall of Fame awards to Norman Levan, MD '39 and Rex Ingraham, DDS '41.

"Distinguished Professor Emeritus Rex Ingraham is the living embodiment of everything that makes us proud to be Trojan dental professionals," Sadan said. "The opportunity to present Dr. Ingraham with the Half Century Trojan award means so much to all of us that want to express our admiration, love, and appreciation for all that he's done for the School, for our alumni, and for current and future students."

Rex Ingraham Welcomed into Half Century Trojans Hall of Fame





5 GREATS

OSTROW SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY'S HALL OF FAME HONORS FACULTY WHO HAVE MADE REMARKABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL AND TO THE PROFESSION.

The Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC has honored five faculty members with induction into the School's prestigious Hall of Fame.

The induction ceremony and reception on November 19, 2010, held in the Town & Gown event hall on the University Park Campus, lauded each for their important contributions to dentistry and their legacy at the Ostrow School of Dentistry.

"It is no exaggeration to say that a large part of the reason our School is so great today is because we have been continually standing on the shoulders of giants for decades," said Dean Avishai Sadan.

"The five individuals joining the ranks of our Hall of Fame today are experts in varied specialties, but they all have in common the talent for being excellent educators, serving as caring mentors, and helping our students prepare for and begin their careers with confidence and unparalleled skills."

The five new inductees include pioneering orthodontist Harry Dougherty; restorative sciences leader Richard Kahn DDS '64; removable prosthodontics educator and author Bernard Levin; renowned dental hygienist and researcher Anna Pattison DH '67; and organized dentistry leader and mentor Lawrence Warner DDS '58, MLA '82.

The Ostrow School of Dentistry Hall of Fame was established in 1975 to recognize graduates who have made extraordinary contributions to the art and science of dentistry through scholarly research, teaching, professional leadership, and/or development of treatment techniques that advance dental science. Individuals who have not graduated from USC have also been inducted into the Hall of Fame by virtue of their extraordinary service to the Ostrow School of Dentistry and to the profession.



Richard Kahn DDS '64, Lawrence Warner DDS '58, MLA '82, Anna Pattison DH '67, Dean Avishai Sadan, Kinuyo Levin (wife of the late Bernard Levin MS '73), and Harry Dougherty.



The Town & Gown ceremony.



Randy Phillips DDS '79 praises inductee Lawrence Warner DDS '58, MLA '82.



Diane Melrose hugs inductee Anna Pattison DH '67.



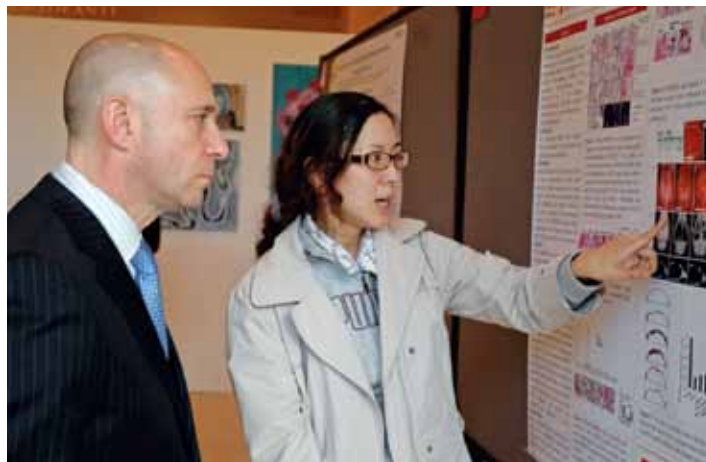
Scott Adishian '75, DDS '79, CERT '82 and Richard Kahn DDS '64.

With the addition of Harry Dougherty, Richard Kahn, Bernard Levin, Anna Pattison, and Lawrence Warner, 30 educators, scholars, and clinicians are represented by bronze plaques located in the patient reception lobby of the Norris Dental Science Center:

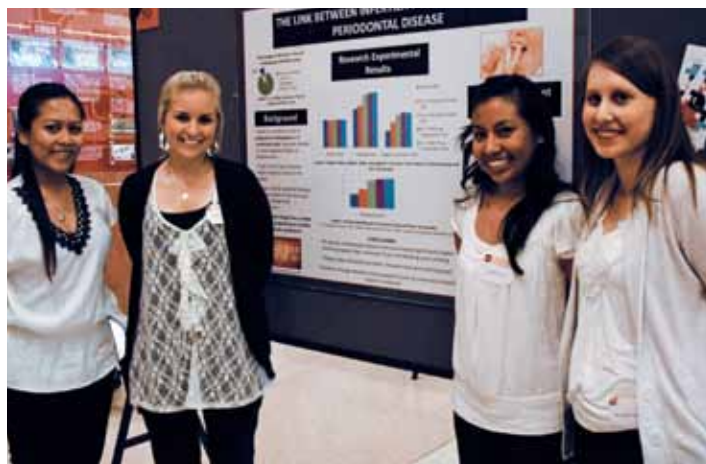
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- Gordon Christensen**
USC 1960
- Harry L. Dougherty**
University of California,
San Francisco 1957
- Clifton Dummett**
Northwestern University 1941
- Harold F. Eissmann**
USC 1957
- Dudley H. Glick**
USC 1953
- Charles Goldstein**
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- Floyde E. Hogeboom**
USC 1919
- George M. Hollenback**
Kansas City Dental College 1912
- John I. Ingle**
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- Rex Ingraham**
USC 1941
- Ernest M. Jones**
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- Richard L. Kahn**
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- Bernard Levin**
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- Earl Pound**
USC 1923
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- Marsh Robinson**
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State University of Iowa 1915
- Harvey Stallard**
University of Illinois 1920
- Charles E. Stuart**
USC 1924
- Peter K. Thomas**
USC 1939
- Lawrence J. Warner**
USC 1958



Ph.D. candidate Marcelo Freire won the Most Innovative Award, presented by the USC Stevens Institute for Innovation.



Post-doctoral student Yi Liu DDS '02 presents her research to Dean Avishai Sadan.



Dental Hygiene students Joan Beleno, McKalee Conrad, Amanda Olvera, and Samantha Naumann show their research.

Showcasing Science

RESEARCH

Ostrow School of Dentistry Research Day 2011 celebrates student research.

Students of the Ostrow School of Dentistry presented research projects, enjoyed an afternoon of keynote speakers, and received awards as part of 2011's annual Research Day.

This year's Research Day, the largest student-centered research event at USC, included more than 100 posters for research projects helmed by undergraduates, graduate and professional students, and residents from the Ostrow School of Dentistry and the Divisions of Biokinesiology and Physical Therapy and Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy.

"The Ostrow School of Dentistry is one of our most potent weapons with regard to the life sciences," said Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Garrett, who gave a welcoming address during the event. "This school plays an important role in propelling this university to further greatness."

"This event provides an intimate setting for researchers, both students and faculty, to interact with one another," said Yang Chai, Ostrow School

of Dentistry Associate Dean of Research, in his opening remarks. He encouraged everyone to use the event to spark new ideas and collaboration.

Students from all programs spoke about the importance of conducting research while in school.

"Getting involved in research broadens our knowledge beyond what we're taught in the classroom," said McKalee Conrad, DH '11. She and fellow Dental Hygiene classmates Joan Beleno, Amanda Olvera, and Samantha Naumann presented a project that investigated the oral health effects of fertility treatment in women.

Chandler Ho, DDS '12, said getting involved in research has been a great experience that he plans to keep with him long after he completes school and starts practicing dentistry on his own.

"Even if I'm not conducting research myself in the future, this experience will help me to keep up with research and take the initiative to find new information for patients," Ho said. "Dentistry is all about lifelong learning."

Something to Smile About

OSTROW SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY STUDENTS AND FACULTY PROVIDE FREE SCREENINGS AND EDUCATION AT JOHN W. MACK ELEMENTARY.

More than 150 kids at John W. Mack Elementary School received a free oral health checkup and dental care supplies from Ostrow School of Dentistry students as part of the annual Give Kids a Smile Day outreach event on February 4, 2011.

Held on the first Friday in February, Give Kids a Smile Day emphasizes the importance of regular dental checkups and good oral health habits for children. This is the Ostrow School of Dentistry's 10th year of conducting one of the more than 1,700 events scheduled for the day throughout the nation.

"Untreated dental disease is serious," said Roseann Mulligan, Chair of the Division of Public Health and Pediatric Dentistry at the Ostrow School of Dentistry. "It is painful and affects a child's physical, emotional, and social development and negatively impacts activities such as sleeping, eating, reading, and learning."

Low-income children are especially vulnerable to the ill effects of poor oral health, she added, with 80 percent of tooth decay in the U.S. found in only 25 percent of American children.

Of the children who had oral health screenings at Mack Elementary, 25 who were identified as urgently needing further dental care received a free \$100 voucher to be seen in the Ostrow School of Dentistry's Pediatric Dental Clinic, courtesy of the Ella Fitzgerald Charitable Foundation. The Foundation also generously supplied hundreds of books as free gifts for the children during the event.

Every classroom also received a visit from USC dental and dental hygiene students, who taught the kids about the importance of good dental habits and smart food choices. Aided by colorful puppets with big teeth and oversized toothbrushes, the students helped the youngsters practice good tooth-brushing techniques.

Fourth grader Betsy Nuñez was excited that the Ostrow School of Dentistry students had come to her school, especially since she's a "big fan" of USC and lists

it as her "dream college".

"I'm really looking forward to getting my teeth checked," she said "I'm really impressed with all of the work they're doing for us."

Christina Petrilla, a member of the Doctor of Dental Surgery class of 2014, said it was important to provide oral health education to kids at an early age.

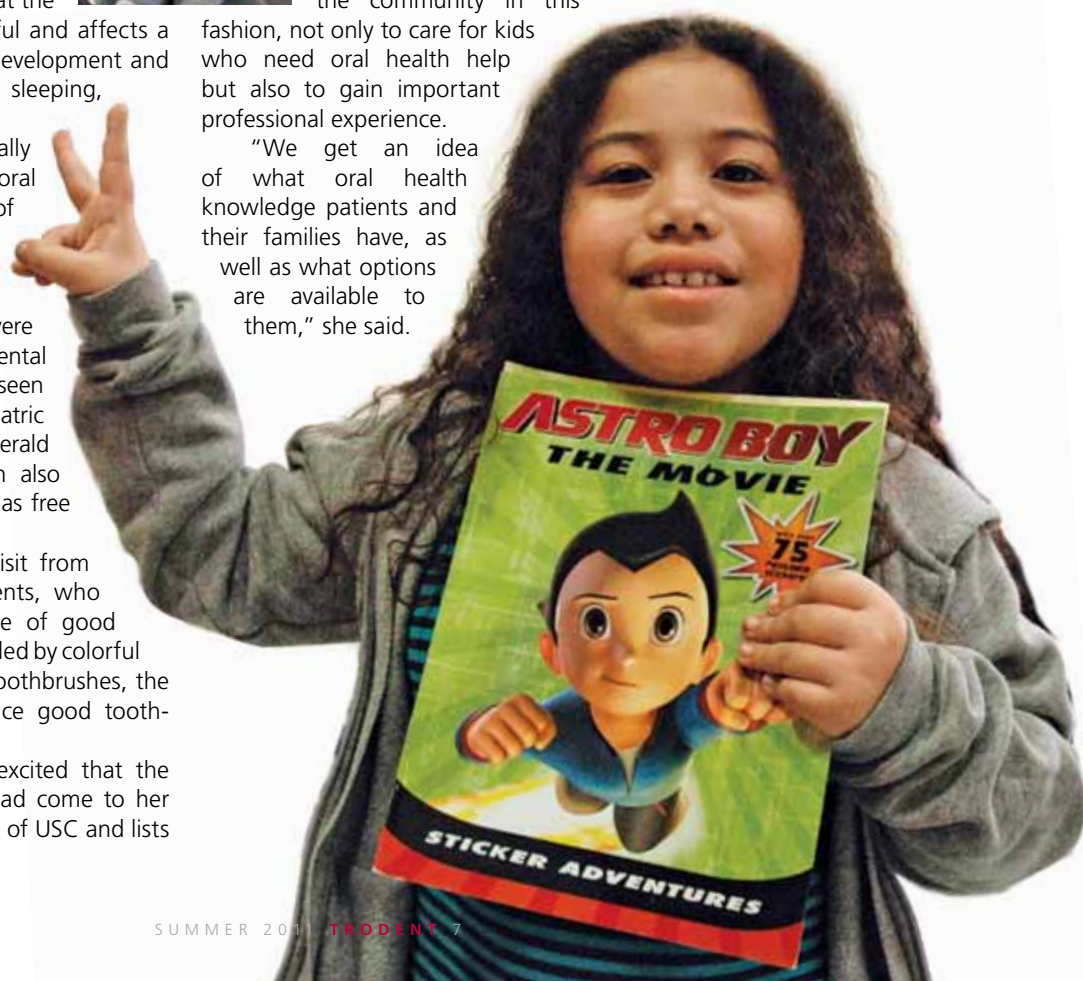
"Prevention is the most important part of dentistry," she said. "You have to start early in order to have a longer lasting effect on kids' oral health. Plus, the kids are always so excited; to them, it's fun, and it's not hard to make a good impression."

Saloni Mody, a class of 2011 Dental Hygiene student, added that it was critical for her and her fellow students to go out into the community in this



fashion, not only to care for kids who need oral health help but also to gain important professional experience.

"We get an idea of what oral health knowledge patients and their families have, as well as what options are available to them," she said.





OUR BRIGHT FUTURE THANKS TO YOU.

A Message to the Trojan Dental Family

Welcome to the *TroDent*—again!

This is just the latest in a series of exciting improvements that have taken place here at the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC in recent months. We've worked hard to accomplish a number of important goals, and we've been so fortunate to have the support of the Trojan Dental Family, its traditions, and its foundations with us every step of the way.

Hopefully, many of you have already had an opportunity to come back to the School recently or will come visit us in the near future. When you get a chance to return to the School, observe the dramatically improved auditoriums and see the brand new equipment in the clinics, I hope that all of you feel a strong sense of pride; these improvements are the direct result of your support and your love for this institution.

As you can imagine, these upgrades have already had a significant, very positive impact on the day-to-day lives of our hardworking students as well as our faculty and staff. The gratitude we have for our alumni and friends who have generously supported these projects, especially our Century Club, is immeasurable. In all honesty, there is truly no way for me to adequately thank all of you for your enormous role in helping us modernize our clinic and update these important learning spaces.

I can only promise that these improvements are a stepping-stone on our way to achieving even greater things. And when I make a promise – especially to our Trojan Dental Family – I follow through.

Next year, the Ostrow School of Dentistry will be 115 years old. Spending more than a century as one of the top dental institutions in the world is something we here at the School are all very proud of, and it's our duty and privilege to make sure that this School is ready for the next 115 years and beyond.

In facing that objective, we've made a lot of progress. We've successfully begun the implementation of **CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE>**



AVISHAI SADAN
Dean, Ostrow School
of Dentistry of USC

“We’ve achieved amazing things and have so many more on the way. I’d like to dedicate this new issue of *TroDent* to all of you...”



CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE—our newly “renovated” DDS curriculum, which has made preclinical education more efficient and intensive and gets students ready for their clinical work before the end of their second year. These changes eliminate redundancy and take into account all of the evidence we now have regarding which material is best served by each of the various delivery methods we employ—lectures, group learning, et cetera.

In addition, all of our future students will benefit from our efforts to rein in tuition costs. To give you a bit of background, each year the University sets a minimum rate at which each school must increase their tuition in order to keep up with costs, inflation, and other economic factors; every university around the country undergoes a similar annual process. Last year, the minimum percentage decided by USC’s administration was a 4.7 percent increase, which was on par with our peer universities.

However, the Ostrow School of Dentistry received special dispensation to cut our tuition increase rate to 3 percent last year; we have continued the trend of undercutting the University’s minimum tuition increase this year and will work to do so for several years into the future. Thus, while other schools raise tuition at the normal rate, we will successfully bring our tuition to a level more in line with other private U.S. dental schools.

As we are a tuition-dependent private school, some may wonder how this bold move will affect us for the long term. Well, even as a school with one of the largest operating budgets at USC—and during an incredibly tough economic period—I am proud to say that the Ostrow School of Dentistry’s budget is completely balanced, in the black and ready for whatever growth, physical or financial, that our future holds.

Now, with our very ambitious goals, I know we can’t achieve everything we wish to do completely on our own. For that reason, since my arrival I’ve been working with faculty and staff to cultivate a number of strategic partnerships with industry and community

foundations. These partnerships ensure our students graduate with talents that far surpass the current standards, helping to elevate the profession via clinical technology and enhanced techniques and understanding.

Here are just a few of these exciting new partnerships I can discuss:

- Many of you have recently received a letter that addresses our Community Oral Health Programs and the ongoing need to provide valuable community care experience for our students as well as vital dental care for those most in need. To that end, the Ella Fitzgerald Charitable Foundation has generously given us a \$100,000 matching gift to help support the important work being done by all of our community programs.
- We are also honored to announce an agreement with Vident, a Vita company, for a sizeable gift to support academic enhancements and the CAD/CAM learning room. This agreement is the first of its kind for a company such as Vident and USC.
- I’d also like to announce that Patterson Dental Supply, a longtime partner of the Ostrow School of Dentistry, has once again recognized our stature and the role we play in dental education through a renovation support. This includes contributions to CAD/CAM technology, electric hand pieces, and the complete remodeling of the Patterson Dental Technology Center.
- I am extremely proud to also announce a \$1 million trust gift in honor of the Wesley A. and Helen M. Fieth Fund. This fund will provide more than \$40,000 per year, which I will be directing toward recruitment scholarships for our best and most promising incoming students.
- We continue to develop strong, mutually-beneficial partnerships with industry and friends that align with and support our mission. Without these partnerships, our School would not be on the eminent trajectory it is today.

As I’ve said for quite a while now, the future of the Ostrow School of Dentistry is incredibly bright. We’ve achieved amazing things and have so many more on the way. I’d like to dedicate this new issue of the *TroDent* to all of you, the members of our Trojan Dental Family.

Your talent and your impact upon the profession make up the heart of our historic legacy. And your vision, love, and support are the driving forces of our journey into the future.

Thank you, and Fight On!



Students donned hard hats and gave tours of the newly updated facilities.

"This has been a remarkable year at the Ostrow School of Dentistry, highlighted by major renovation of our clinical and lecture room facilities. These projects were undertaken not only because the facilities were in need of updating, but also to provide our students the very best equipment and facilities to support the superior education provided at the Ostrow School of Dentistry.

"Our objective as educators is to provide our students opportunities and experiences in the most advanced technologies while providing a sound foundation of knowledge by which students will have the skills to make informed decisions throughout their professional careers."

SIGMUND ABELSON, ASSOCIATE DEAN OF CLINICAL AFFAIRS

A Renovation to Remember

"The newly reorganized DDS curriculum, as well as the clinic and lecture hall renovations, have already had positive effects for our students. These updates will help Ostrow graduates be the latest in a long line of 'SC dentists with the clinical skills and knowledge that set an example for the entire profession."

RICHARD KAHN, CHAIR, DIVISION OF RESTORATIVE SCIENCES



Gloria Billingsley, Herman Ostrow DDS '45, and Calen Ouellette tour the upgraded clinic.



A shot of the renovated Guggenheim Auditorium.

"The most important responsibility we have at the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC is to prepare our students to become highly skilled, confident oral health professionals who can solve problems efficiently, effectively use the latest emerging technologies, and maintain a strong desire for lifelong learning.

"To accomplish this, we must constantly evaluate the learning environment and the opportunities we provide. Our recent upgrades will help make our students' educational experience here at the School even more pleasant and productive for years to come."

MAHVASH NAVAZESH, ASSOCIATE DEAN OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Inaugural Friends of Dentistry Gala

Ostrow School of Dentistry alumni and friends enjoyed a Roaring '20s-themed dinner and dance during the inaugural Friends of Dentistry Gala on November 20, 2010, at the Ronald Tutor Campus Center.



Roses and candlelight, spiffy!



Richard Kahn DDS '64 and Cheryl & Bob Avakian '50, DDS '54.



Floorflushers absolutely took over the floor.



Parto Ghadimi, Mike Moshayedi, Wendy Craggs, and Abdi Sameni DDS '91.



Gala goers are getting hip to the jive.



Putting on the Ritz.



The band was really the cat's meow.



(L-R, top-bottom row) Bud & Wynne Warner, Eric Jimenez & Marina Jimenez DH '90, Randy Phillips DDS '79 & Beth Phillips DH '77, Socorro Gutierrez, and Lawrence Warner DDS '58, MLA '82 & Donna Warner.



Carl Rieder DDS '59 makes the most of the evening and cuts a rug!



Randy Young '81, DDS '85, CERT '88; Gerry Schneider, DDS '85; Mark Ellis '81, DDS '85, GCRT '96; and Rich Hirschinger DDS '85, MBA '01.



The Trojan Marching Band performed for Reunion attendees.



Saturday's pre-game picnic lunch on campus.



An enthusiastic future Trojan.

2010 Reunion and Homecoming Picnic

On October 29, 2010, Ostrow School of Dentistry alumni reconnected with classmates over dinner and dancing during the 2010 Reunion at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles.

The next day, despite a Trojan football loss to Oregon, alumni and friends had fun at the Ostrow School of Dentistry Homecoming Picnic held on campus on the Hancock Building lawn.



Dental Hygiene alumnae with program chair Diane Melrose.



Picnic goers got into the Trojan Spirit before the big game.

CALENDAR

UPCOMING OSTROW SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY ALUMNI EVENTS

JUNE 4

FRIENDS OF DENTISTRY MEMBER DINNER

WHERE: Home of John and Rubina Yekikian
La Cañada, CA

TIME: 6 PM

WHO: Friends of Dentistry members

COST: Free (limit 40)

JULY 8-15

BALTIC CRUISE

WHERE: Seabourn Sojourn cruise ship
Baltic Sea

WHO: Alumni and friends of the Ostrow School of Dentistry

COST: Varies

SEPTEMBER 3

USC FOOTBALL VS. MINNESOTA

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

SEPTEMBER 10

USC FOOTBALL VS. UTAH

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

SEPTEMBER 17

USC FOOTBALL VS. SYRACUSE

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

OCTOBER 1

USC FOOTBALL VS. ARIZONA

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

OCTOBER 10

ADA CONVENTION RECEPTION

WHERE: Las Vegas, NV

WHO: All alumni, friends and family

COST: Free

OCTOBER 21

FRIENDS OF DENTISTRY CHICAGO/NOTRE DAME RECEPTION

WHERE: Home of Linda Tarrson
Chicago, IL

WHO: All Friends of Dentistry members in Chicago attending the USC vs. Notre Dame football game

COST: Free

OCTOBER 29

USC FOOTBALL VS. STANFORD

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

NOVEMBER 7-12

HOMECOMING WEEK

NOVEMBER 11: Alumni Day

NOVEMBER 12: Homecoming Picnic

NOVEMBER 12

USC FOOTBALL VS. WASHINGTON (HOMECOMING)

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

NOVEMBER 26

USC FOOTBALL VS. UCLA

WHERE: Los Angeles Coliseum

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