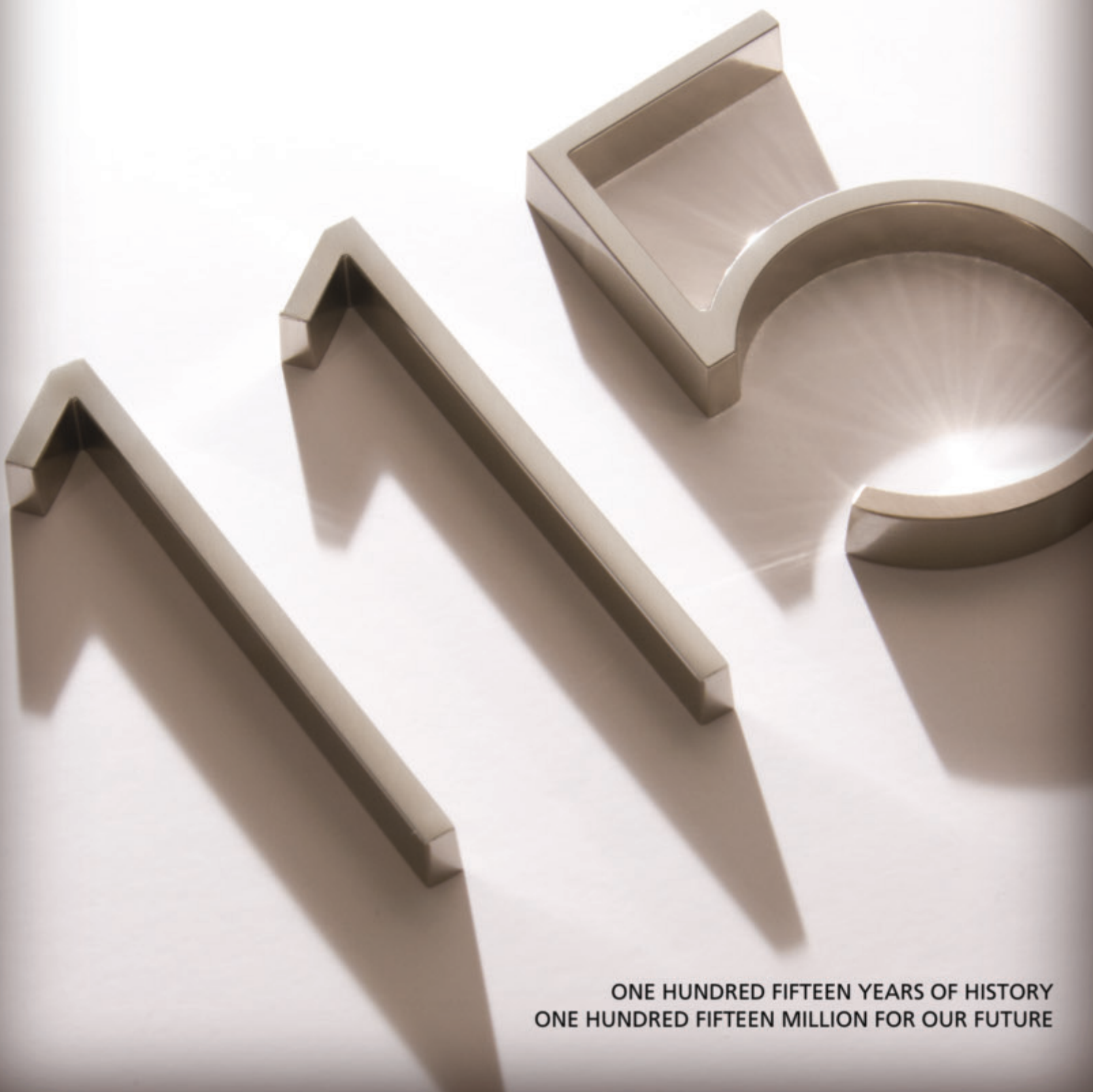


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(No matter the size, every gift brings us closer to our campaign goal.)

### JULY 21

**Friends of Dentistry Dinner,**  
6 p.m., Sedler residence. This year's Friends of Dentistry Dinner takes place at the Sedler home. For more information, contact us at (213) 740-0428 or at [ostrow.friends@usc.edu](mailto:ostrow.friends@usc.edu).

### AUGUST 27

**Fall Trimester Starts**

#### **White Coat Ceremony**

Future dentists and hygienists make their dental aspirations official. But the White Coat Ceremony's not all pomp. During the event, students vow to always put their patients first and to never compromise Ostrow's high standards.

### SEPTEMBER 1

**USC vs. Hawaii**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

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**USC vs. California**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

### OCTOBER 19

**Ostrow Reception at the American Dental Association's Annual Session**

6-8 p.m., St. Regis Hotel, 125 3rd St., San Francisco. Reconnect with other Trojan dental professionals at the Ostrow reception at this year's ADA annual session.

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**USC vs. Colorado**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

### NOVEMBER 3

**USC vs. Oregon**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

### 9

**Casino Night & Reunion Celebration**

Millennium Biltmore Hotel, 506 S. Grand Ave., L.A. Catch up with dental school classmates during Ostrow's reunion dinners. Then test those renewed friendships over a game of cards at Ostrow's Casino Night. For more information, visit [tinyurl.com/ostrowevents](http://tinyurl.com/ostrowevents).

### 10

**Homecoming Picnic**

USC University Park Campus, Allan Hancock Foundation Building's southwest lawn. Grab a bite to eat and a pre-game beverage before marching off to the Coliseum to watch the Trojans defeat the Sun Devils. For more information, visit [tinyurl.com/ostrowevents](http://tinyurl.com/ostrowevents).

### 10

**USC vs. Arizona State**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

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**USC vs. Notre Dame**  
L.A. Memorial Coliseum

### JAN. 26 - FEB. 9, 2013

**Antarctica and South America Cruise:** Three summer days in Buenos Aires, Argentina—often referred to as the "Paris of South America"—followed by a 10-day cruise aboard the L'Austral yacht through the picturesque Antarctic waters make this a voyage Ostrow friends and supporters won't soon forget. Get more information at [tinyurl.com/ostrowcruise](http://tinyurl.com/ostrowcruise).





# Dear Trojan Dental Family,

Welcome once again to *TroDent*!

2012 is an especially exciting year for the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC. This year marks the School's 115th anniversary, and this milestone has given all of us the opportunity to reflect on both our remarkable history and promising future.

The Ostrow School of Dentistry was first called the College of Dentistry upon its founding in 1897. While the School has grown and transformed, it has continued to be a steadfast force in the dental profession even as the world around it has changed so dramatically. For decades, we've led the profession in clinical practice and standards, scientific investigation and innovation, community outreach, and most importantly the education of the best dental professionals in the world.

During the first commencement ceremony in 1900, the School conferred degrees to 18 new dentists. On May 11, 2012, we celebrated this year's 250 graduates in dentistry, dental hygiene, advanced specialties, master's, and doctoral programs.

During that ceremony, I saw both a tribute to our history as well as evidence of the immensely bright future ahead of us in the form of the newly USC-educated dental professionals heading out into the world. But in order to realize our full potential, we must be prepared to invest in and support the objectives that will propel us forward as dentistry advances.

On March 23, the Ostrow School of Dentistry launched its portion of the Campaign for the University of Southern California, announcing a fundraising initiative of \$115 million to support scholarships, faculty recruitment and retention, patient care and community outreach, and improvements to facilities and the academic environment. We were honored to launch with a \$10 million commitment from the School's Board of Councilors.

2012 is indeed a milestone year for the Ostrow School of Dentistry. It's the year we not only celebrate our first 115 years but also make plans for the next 115 years and beyond.

Fight On!



Avishai Sadan, D.M.D.

Dean

G. Donald and Marian James Montgomery

Professor of Dentistry

Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC



PHOTO BY JOHN SKALICKY





# DAVID GOODWILL DDS '81

*secret*  
**LIVES**

**Life outside the dental office can be a real blur for David Goodwill—considering the sprint car racer watches it fly past at speeds of nearly 150 miles per hour.**

**BY JOHN HOBBS**

You might never guess it, but after hours, David Goodwill DDS '81, a mild-mannered dentist known to his clients for his gentle, soothing chair-side manner, lives an incredibly fast life—150 miles-per-hour fast, to be precise.

On any given Saturday night during racing season, the Ostrow alumnus is at the nearest racetrack, strapping on a helmet, grabbing hold of his sprint car's steering wheel, and stomping on the gas pedal.

"I don't know what it is, what switch is tripped," Goodwill says, "but when my visor goes down, I think of nothing else but getting past the car in front of me."

He competes in 20 to 50 sprint car races a year—and recently branched out to midget racing.

He says he has even suffered a few wipe-outs.

"I've never missed a day's work because of a racing injury," he says proudly, though he has shown up on Monday morning with a black eye, scrapes, bruises, and one time a cracked rib.

In his nearly 30 years of racing, Goodwill has won more than 50 races and has 10 championship titles.

"Racing has been in my blood for as far back as I can remember," he says.

Every year, Goodwill, who spent his early childhood years in Illinois, says he'd sidle up to his family's radio set, listening to broadcasts of the Indianapolis 500.

On weekends, his parents would take him to a nearby racetrack where he'd watch stock cars shoot past him in blurry streaks. He knew then he was hooked.

Goodwill started racing twin-engine go-karts after dental school.

Despite his thrill-seeking nature—the Hyde to his typical Jekyll, he jokes—he loves practicing dentistry.

"I would not have second thoughts about going in and doing the same thing again," Goodwill says.

He also points out that the two pursuits—however seemingly divergent—actually have a lot in common.

"Dentistry is an extremely detailed profession," Goodwill explains. "You wouldn't think that about racing, but when I'm in the car, I'm

trying to be very precise, lap after lap, hitting the same marks, knowing when to accelerate, decelerate, knowing when to turn."

Goodwill says he kept his second passion a secret from those reclining in his dentist's chair.

"I kept it quiet for a number of years because I thought no one was going to understand that I do this on the side," he says.

Many of his patients wound up finding out their dentist was something of a weekend daredevil after a regional newspaper featured him in a 2010 article.

"They could not be happier," he says, "Almost everyone will come in to the office now and say, 'Well, how'd you do last week?' or 'How's racing going?' They're just really enthused about it all."

At 58, Goodwill realizes he won't be able to race forever and that the chance of his competing in the Indianapolis 500—his longtime dream—is a longer shot with every passing year.

But the speed demon isn't ready to hang up his helmet just yet.

"As long as I'm competitive and I feel comfortable in the car, I'll keep racing."



**Friends of Dentistry Gala** The 2012 Friends of Dentistry Gala was held March 24 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills. Distinguished guests included USC President C.L. Max Nikias, Provost Elizabeth Garrett, and Sakae Keith Tanaka, recipient of the inaugural Friends of Dentistry Excellence in Education Award. Photos by Steve Cohn

For more Gala photos, go to [tinyurl.com/FODgala](http://tinyurl.com/FODgala)



James F. Loos '59, DDS '61, Ortho '66 & Sherry Loos



USC President C.L. Max Nikias, Ostrow School of Dentistry Dean Avishai Sadan, USC Provost Elizabeth Garrett



Vivian Chui '82, DDS '86, Ortho '93, Sakae Keith Tanaka Ortho '55, & Glenn Sameshima Ortho '90



Alina Krivitsky DH '00, DDS '05, Perio '08 & Alexandre-Amir Aalam Perio '03



USC Alumni Association President Lisa Barkett '81, Associate Senior Vice President and USC Alumni Association CEO Scott Mory, former President of USC Alumni Association (2007-2008) Michele Dedeaux Engemann '68 & Sigrid Allman



Executive Vice Provost Michael Quick and guest, Deena Lew '85, & Mitchell Lew '83, MD '87, president-elect of the USC Alumni Association

# Getting Down to Business

***With a series of workshops, the Century Club aims to give Ostrow alumni the tools to run a successful private practice.***

**BY GRACE COOPMAN**

Clinical expertise: it's something Ostrow dental professionals take enormous pride in. But it's not just great clinical work that makes a dental practice successful. It takes a certain amount of business savvy.

The Century Club, a group of alumni and donors who collaborate to financially support the School, aims to help young dental professionals make the jump from expert dental clinician to business-minded private practice owners.

Using their own experiences, the Century Club—USC's oldest support group—developed a series of workshops they hoped would help Ostrow students and alumni avoid common missteps new professionals make when setting up private practices.

In researching topics for the series, the board met with several dental students representing different facets of the graduate population.

Century Club board member Chethan Chetty DDS '00 says he was "surprised the hunger and quest for knowledge of practice management didn't begin in the third or fourth years [of dental school] but as early as the first year."

He says, "The students asked for guidance and mentorship in all topics ranging from networking with fellow Trojan dentists to understanding the associateship process."

The inaugural workshop, "How to Get That Job," a presentation by a CDA representative taking the students step by step through the interview and contract process was well-attended.

One DDS student commented in a student feedback survey how "the presentation was very helpful."

Past seminars have included other topics such as "The Legality of it All," a session covering everything from lease issues, purchase and sales agreements to the good, bad, and ugly of partnerships and shared spaces.

Both courses aim to help young dental professionals determine the best direction to take for their future businesses.

Overall, reaction to the courses has been positive, and one student even commented in a feedback survey how this was the "best seminar I've been to at USC the past four years."

Based on survey feedback, the Century Club will focus future courses on financial savviness and investing, hiring and firing, and dental marketing.

Initially, the courses were open to students and Century Club members, but the group says it hopes to make these workshops available to all Trojan dental professionals during any stage of their career.

The Trojan dental network doesn't begin once a student leaves the dental school. It begins when students first enter the building.





# 115

**This year, the Ostrow School of Dentistry celebrates both a historic milestone and an exciting vision for the future.**

As the School celebrates its 115th year, it also embarks on an unprecedented effort to raise \$115 million in private support for four major priorities: patient care and community outreach, facilities and academic environment, scholarships, and faculty and research support.

Part of the \$6 billion Campaign for the University of Southern California, this initiative represents the largest fundraising effort undertaken by any dental school ever. It will ensure that the Ostrow School of Dentistry continues to be a place where dental and craniofacial science meets clinical practice, where efforts in dental public health and oral health care do the most good, and—above all—where the best and brightest students become top dental professionals and leaders of the field.

Read on to learn how each of the initiative's four central fundraising objectives has a direct impact on students and their experiences at the Ostrow School of Dentistry.

CONTINUED ➔



### *Patient Care & Community Outreach*

Providing patient care and participating in community service are not just critical for individuals in need of access to care, they are also the most powerful experiences students have during their time at the School. Supporting community oral health programs allows our students, residents, and faculty to provide more care—from screenings to major treatments—at more sites.



*“The dental hygiene curriculum reaches far beyond the classroom. I have been given the chance to provide services at mobile clinics, elementary schools, and homeless shelters. Knowing that I am able to help those in need provides me with a sense of fulfillment, empowerment, and human compassion.”*

—Morgan Kozek DH '12. On a recent trip to Colombia, Kozek provided oral hygiene service and education to underserved communities. She said she hopes to continue outreach efforts after graduation.





## Facilities & Academic Environment

### *Facilities & Academic Environment*

In order to provide future dental professionals with a state-of-the-art education, the Ostrow School of Dentistry must also provide access to the latest dental technologies as well as modern clinical and learning environments. As dentistry continues to rapidly advance and School facilities continue to see heavy use, financial support for renovations, new technology purchases, and other infrastructure updates will be critical in providing students the best possible academic settings and opportunities.

*“Leaving dental school confident in knowing how to use the latest, greatest technology is an amazing way to increase your value among other dental professionals.”*

—Pehrson Hawkley DDS '13, whose studies at Ostrow will allow him to enter the professional world knowing how to use many of tomorrow's dental technologies today

*“With financial assistance, I am able to concentrate more on my studies, able to volunteer more of my time to organizations and our community, and able to learn more about dentistry overall without the financial stress that others may have.”*


—Andrew Vo DDS '15, whose studies have been subsidized with the Health Professional Scholarship Program, the USC Asian Pacific Alumni Scholarship, and David Eggleston's hiking scholarship

## Scholarships

### *Scholarships*

Talented prospective students should be able to choose their dental school based on the education and training they'll receive, not the costs they'll incur. Providing students with a larger amount of gift aid will attract an even more competitive pool of applicants and will help alleviate students' financial worries during their already busy time at the Ostrow School of Dentistry. Increasing the number of endowed scholarships will allow the School to provide more gift aid to students for generations to come. ➤





*"I hope my students will learn as much from me as I did from my faculty. I look forward to helping improve the program and watching it grow and being a positive part of the new generations of residents' experience in the program."*

—Nasem Mojarad Pedo '11, who was hired as an assistant clinical professor at Ostrow shortly after graduation

### ***Faculty & Research Support***

Creative, highly motivated faculty members lead the Ostrow School of Dentistry's educational, scientific, and clinical endeavors and propel dentistry into the future. Endowed faculty professorships and chairs, as well as research infrastructure and funding, help the Ostrow School of Dentistry recruit and support top academic talent from around the world. This in turn provides students with mentorship and research opportunities from the best educators and scientists in clinical dentistry, basic and translational science, and more.



John J. Lytle DDS '58 & Jane Watanabe '83



Sigmund Abelson, Richard Kahn DDS '64, & Judy Kahn

**Ostrow Campaign Kickoff** On March 23, the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC announced its \$115 million fundraising initiative as part of the \$6 billion Campaign for the University of Southern California. The announcement was made at a celebratory event and picnic attended by faculty, staff, students, and alumni. Photos by Steve Cohn

For more Campaign Kickoff photos, go to [tinyurl.com/ostrowkickoff](http://tinyurl.com/ostrowkickoff)



Dental students "Fight On!" for the Ostrow School.





The Board of Councilors helped launch the campaign with a \$10 million collective commitment.



Trojan Marching Band



Wonjung Lee DH '13



Ralph Allman DDS '62, Ortho '66 & Gerald McClellan Jr. DDS '63



Diane Melrose MA '11, Raymond Melrose, Donna Smith DH '74, MS '82 & Lupe Arevalo DH '89



**Give Kids A Smile Day** On Feb. 3, Ostrow students, residents, and faculty provided hundreds of children at Foshay Learning Center with oral health education and supplies as part of Give Kids A Smile Day. This was Ostrow's tenth year participating in the nationwide service event. PHOTOS BY BETH DUNHAM



Foshay students received free screenings and oral care tips.



Faculty members Carlos Sanchez DH '08, MPH '09 and Gardner Beale DDS '76 with Ostrow students and Foshay children.



Cool kid in the Neighborhood Mobile Clinic



Open wide! Ostrow students demonstrate good flossing technique on a willing volunteer.



The Tooth Fairy spreads some magic.



Mr. Molar says "Great Job!"



# ALON DORI

DDS '09

**He sculpts smiles all day, but when the lights go out at Dori Dental Arts, this Ostrow alumnus unwinds by sculpting statues.**

**BY JOHN HOBBS**

For Alon Dori DDS '09, sculpting is an escape.

"Some people go to the movies. Some people exercise. I sculpt," Dori says.

By day, Dori and his wife, fellow Ostrow alumnus Melissa Dori DDS '01, Endo '05, run Dori Dental Arts in Woodland Hills, Calif., a private practice they opened in January.

Starting a practice from the ground up—Dori and his wife actually helped design their office's interiors—is not without its stresses, Dori says.

"I use art as a way to relieve my stress, to get lost in something," Dori says. "When I'm sculpting, I'm not thinking about anything else."

Dori's interest in sculpture began years ago.

Prior to entering dental school at USC, he worked at a special effects company where he worked on such films as *The Sixth Sense*, *Galaxy Quest*, and *Austin Powers*.

Dori followed his artistic inclinations further by attending Loyola Marymount University where he received his master of fine arts with an emphasis in film.

He directed many short films and commercials, but realized a showbiz career does not always make for a regular paycheck.

To start a family, he'd have to find another career.

At his wife's urging, Dori shadowed a few dentists before deciding that dentistry had the right ratio of art and science, another subject he had always felt passionate about.

Dori began coursework at the Ostrow School of Dentistry, finding his mold-making and casting skills real assets in his clinical work.

Now, the Ostrow alumnus sculpts smiles by day at his private practice and squeezes in a few hours of sculpting at day's end.



His most recent work (pictured above) is a sculpture of a mountain range, structurally modeled after something he sees under the overhead light everyday: teeth.

Once complete, the jagged mountain range will join other Dori originals, "David," "Eve," and "The Struggle" (pictured on page 2), all of which greet patients at Dori's dental office.

Dori has sold many of his sculptures. In fact, one of his sculptures is currently for sale at the Gallery Judaica in Westwood, Calif.

Six months after opening Dori Dental Arts, Dori admits owning a business is tough, but rewarding. He's just thankful he's not doing it alone.

"With my wife, it's something we can do together," he says. "We can commiserate, and we can share our triumphs together."

And if things get too stressful, he's always got his art to see him through.

**COMMENCEMENT** The Ostrow School of Dentistry held its 2012 commencement ceremony on May 11 at McAlister Field. Former USC football coach John Robinson delivered a spirited speech about being a Trojan. Afterward, more than 250 dental students got their diplomas and became the newest additions to the Ostrow alumni family. PHOTOS BY BETH DUNHAM

For more Commencement photos, go to [tinyurl.com/ostrowgrad](http://tinyurl.com/ostrowgrad)



Dane Nielsen DDS '77, Canon Nielsen DDS '12, Chandler Ho DDS '12, & Kenneth Ho DDS '77



Alma Artiaga DH '12, Gail Marcelo DH '12, & Nici Guzman DH '12



Ostrow grads march into their future.



Alex Boudaie DDS '12 & Narbeh Bandary DDS '12



Coach John Robinson & Dean Avishai Sadan



Bijal Mehta DDS '12





**Last fall, Ostrow alumnus David Eggleston made a significant contribution to help students pay their tuition and plans to give away even more with a trailblazing new scholarship program.**

**S**tate budget deficits brought tuition hikes to many public colleges and universities across California, but none of those hikes looked quite like this.

As part of his new scholarship program,\* Ostrow alumnus David Eggleston DDS '70, Pros '72, took 36 dental students (plus four guest hikers) for a competitive hike up Black Star Canyon in Orange County.

Each of the dental students was guaranteed a \$200 scholarship at the trailhead but could earn more if they finished the hike ahead of Eggleston.

An avid hiker, Eggleston said his best time is 1 hour and 49 minutes.

In all, 12 students beat Eggleston to the top of the 7.6-mile winding path (with four miles of switchbacks).

Twelve of them walked away with \$500 scholarships. The first two to reach the sum-

mit received \$1,000.

"As a student, I received enormous help from USC alumni," Eggleston said. "I will never be able to pay them back, so I hope to 'pass it on' like they would have wanted."

In contrast to the race uphill, the leisurely hike downslope afforded the students lots of time for camaraderie. The hikers represented each of the four DDS classes—including ASPID—plus dental hygiene, Eggleston said.

First-year students commented how great it was to spend time with fourth-year students in such a relaxed atmosphere.

"It was great to get insights from upperclassmen," said Andrew Vo DDS '15, "like which clubs to get involved with, how to balance school, tips on how to study, and ways to improve clinical work, all while having fun."

Waiting at the end of the hike with

food and beverages were Eggleston's wife, Laraine; his dental office staff; and his friend, Dr. Michael Gahagan.

The next event is scheduled for October 2012. Eggleston said he plans to expand the program into two separate competitions.

Like last fall, there will be a hiking group competing against Eggleston to the top. He'll add a second competition where joggers or runners will have to reach the top within a set time of a little more than an hour.

All of the arrangements will be coordinated by Vo.

\*The Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC and the University of Southern California are not responsible for this event. Students participating in this event must sign a waiver and assume sole liability for the risks inherent in hiking.

# Where Are They Now?

By Beth Dunham

**We caught up with alumnus Charlene Zettel DH '69 to find out what she's doing now and to get her to reflect on her time at the Ostrow School of Dentistry.**

After several years practicing dental hygiene, Charlene Zettel DH '69 stepped into the world of public service in 1992 with her election to the Poway Unified School District Board of Education. Since then, her impressive service career has taken her to the California State Assembly, the California Department of Consumer Affairs, and beyond; she is currently a member of the University of California Board of Regents and is the inaugural chief executive officer of Donate Life California. She and her husband, David Zettel DDS '68, have two grown sons and reside in Encinitas.

**How did your time at USC shape your career beyond practicing dental hygiene and lead you to public service?**

At USC I learned time management and multi-tasking; I was always juggling class, clinic, work, or USC Song Girl practice since I was on USC's first Song Girl squad. I was fortunate to work in former Dean John Ingle's office while I was in the dental hygiene program. My co-workers in the Dean's office and Admissions office, including Dr. Rutherford, were great friends and mentors; they helped me be successful in school and beyond.

Because I was working in private practice and had a flexible schedule as a dental hygienist, I was able to volunteer with my children's school, and I was eventually elected to the school board. After that, several people encouraged me to run for higher office, and I retired from dental hygiene when I was elected to the State Assembly in 1998 and began my career in public service.

All of us go into healthcare because we care about people—so everything we do as members of the health professions can lead us into public service. We learn how to motivate people, communicate with them, and help them embrace new behaviors. All of these skills are essential in business, politics, and public service.

**What have been your most prominent public service roles in healthcare and education?**

Child safety, education, and healthcare issues were all important legislative initiatives I led as an Assemblymember for District 75, and as a member of the Health and Education committees. Following my tenure in the Assembly, I was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger to direct the California Department of Consumer Affairs; this was interesting because, as a dental hygienist, I was a former licensee of the department. Currently I am a member of the University of California Board of Regents.

My background in public policy, legislation, and healthcare were factors in my appointment as the first CEO of Donate Life California, which administers and promotes the state's life-saving organ and tissue donor registry. Every day at Donate Life California is a day of inspiration. There are so many stories of heroism, and I feel very lucky to love what I do and do what I love.

**What advice or encouragement do you have for fellow Ostrow alumni who might be interested in exploring public service?**

Get involved! Those who do enter public service find there are great personal rewards to working with others to meet a challenge. It's important to build networks in your community, and there are a variety of ways to do that, such as church activities and service clubs. It's a great way to meet people who are caring, reflect your values, and support your endeavors. We can achieve so much when we have the Trojan Family network, along with the support of our family, friends, colleagues, and neighbors.



## CHARLENE ZETTEL DH '69



# Class Snap Shot

## DDS

> 144 students admitted (out of 3,463 applications)

> 49.3 percent female

> 3 times as many out-of-state applicants than a decade ago

## DH

> 44 students admitted

> 12 are DH/DDS pathway students, which allows them to transfer directly into the DDS program after obtaining their DH degree.

## Q&A: Sandra Bolivar

*Ostrow's Assistant Dean for Admissions, Minority and Student Life talks about the science behind the School's admission process.*

### The American Dental Education Association suggests using a "whole-file review" system for dental school admission teams. What's that?

The process of whole-file review is recognized more and more as the preferred vehicle for identifying students with the greatest potential. In using this system, admission committees seek students with a strong academic profile supported by other accomplishments, which suggests these individuals would do well in a challenging dental science curriculum.

### In addition to GPA and test scores, what separates a good application from an outstanding application?

We're looking for students with

well-rounded, diverse backgrounds. Students who have been involved in extracurricular activities, independent research, and service work bring greater richness to the application than academic accomplishment alone. We're looking for potential students that we believe will best contribute to the profession in the long term.

### How has the student population changed over the last decade?

Besides having an increase in applications, we have experienced great growth in non-traditional applicants. The academic profile of our students is growing across all categories. This type of diversity in our pool and student body contributes positively to the educational environment.



### How can alumni help shape these future generations of dental professionals?

We encourage alumni to bring outstanding applicants to our attention. Our doors are always open, and we very much appreciate hearing from our alumni community. I can be reached by e-mail at [bolivar@usc.edu](mailto:bolivar@usc.edu).

# FIGHT ON!

at ADA in  
San Francisco

## ALUMNI RECEPTION

Friday, October 19 | 6-8 p.m.  
St. Regis Hotel  
Impressionist Room  
125 3rd Street  
San Francisco, Calif.

The Ostrow School of Dentistry will host an alumni reception during the ADA Annual Session.

To attend, visit [usc.edu/lesvp](http://usc.edu/lesvp) and register with code **ada2012**.



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American Dental Association

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OCTOBER 18 - 21, 2012

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## PART-TIME FACULTY AWARDS

On May 23, the Ostrow School of Dentistry honored its part-time and volunteer faculty with years of service milestones, division recognition awards, and life-long learner awards for those who've earned the most continuing education credits this year. See who snagged which awards below:

### 50-Year Award

Ralph Allman

### 45-Year Awards

Gilbert Katz  
David Stevenson

### 40-Year Awards

Thomas Chang  
James Loos  
John J. Lytle  
Sung Whang

### 35-Year Award

Robert Dent

### 30-Year Awards

Harris Done  
John Kishibay  
Becky Thaler-Tobin

### 25-Year Awards

H. William Gottschalk  
Garrett Kawata  
Stanley Miyawaki

### 20-Year Awards

Farshid Ariz  
Steve Lee  
Anthony Park  
Rafael Roges  
Roberto Roges  
Alan Stern  
Rizkalla Zakhary

### 15-Year Awards

Wayne Bemis  
Andrew Chen  
Robert Jacobs  
Richard Mungo  
Larry Odone  
Sumalee Sangsurasak  
Peter Suh

### 10-Year Awards

Peter Cancellier  
Stephen Davis  
Brent Fung  
Robert Gerber  
Yoshihiro Goto  
Mina Habibian  
Vanthi Pham  
Lucille Rotstein  
Jill Sekiguchi  
Carol Yeung

### 5-Year Awards

Ana Ahlmeyer  
David Amid  
Gary Carr  
Wanda Claro  
Diane Conly  
Terrence Donovan  
Roberta Dornan  
Nelly Fowler  
Alon Frydman  
Greggory Gechoff  
Seonho Ha  
Pamela Hughes  
Sajid Jivraj  
James Ku  
Tra Le  
Valerie Lee  
Chun-Nan (Eddie) Lin  
Lonnie Lovingier  
Jafar Naghshbandi  
Kamyar Nouri  
Dieu Pham  
Guillermo Roman  
Uttam Sinha  
Marlene Talley

### Dennis Tartakow

Donald Testa  
Nhu Tran  
Paul Upatham  
Thomas Valente  
Mahnaz Zandi-Hanjari  
William Zanger

### Division Awards

**Dental Public Health and Pediatric Dentistry**  
John Chao

**Periodontology, Diagnostic Sciences and Dental Hygiene**  
Linus Chong  
Flora Stay

**Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery & Orthodontics**  
John J. Lytle

### Restorative Sciences

Parviz Azarmehr  
Brent Fung  
Donald Kornblau  
Gerald McClellan Jr.  
Terry Tanaka

### Biomedical Sciences

Narendranath  
Ravindranath

### USC Dentistry Life-Long Learner Awards

Barry Kaplan  
Luz M. Rojas  
Scott Taylor





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# CELEBRATION WEEKEND

2012

**ONE WEEKEND.  
THREE EVENTS.  
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**Casino Night  
Class Reunions  
Homecoming Picnic**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

**Class Reunions**

*School Tours*

*Lecture Courses*

*Individual Class Reunion Dinners  
at the LA Biltmore\**

**Casino Night**

*Evening of gambling, food & drinks  
at the LA Biltmore (following Reunion Dinners)*  
ALL ALUMNI EVENT

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

**Homecoming Picnic & Football Game**

*Catered tailgate 3 hours prior to kick-off  
USC Trojans vs. Arizona State Sun Devils*  
ALL ALUMNI EVENT

INVITATIONS TO FOLLOW IN AUGUST

*\*Class Reunion events will be for  
the following classes:  
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1992, 1997, 2002, 2007*

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