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Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

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DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear USC Dentistry Community:

This past weekend, Ostrow hosted the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons 2023 Ferraro Winter Basic Course: Basic Maxillofacial Principles and Techniques. The national course draws surgeons from across the nation looking to learn skills for managing facial trauma and surgical movements of the face. The course had traditionally been hosted at UCLA, but, for the past five years, Ostrow has been the

host site — a true testament to the strength and credibility of our oral and maxillofacial surgery faculty. Thanks to Ostrow's Associate Dean of Surgical and Hospital Affairs **Mark Urata** as well as adjunct faculty member and CHLA surgeon **Jeffrey Hammoudeh** for hosting the event.

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HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR

Ostrow's **Chinese Dental Student Association (CDSA)** decorated a table celebrating the Lunar New Year, which began on January 22, 2023 and lasts 16 days. This year marks the Year of the Rabbit, a kind, energetic and resilient animal that represents patience and treating others with respect. Countries that celebrate the holiday include China, Indonesia, the Philippines, South Korea, Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan. Thank you to the CDSA for enriching all of us with educational information about the holiday.



DHOP'S BACK

After a three-year hiatus, the **Dental Humanitarian Outreach Program (DHOP)** made its first international trip this past December, traveling to the Bahamas to provide comprehensive treatment, including radiographs, scaling and root planing, sealants, composite restorations, pulpotomies, root canals and extractions as well as prophylactic care, to 227 underserved patients. Under the leadership of faculty advisor and director **Nineli Zadourian**, the group included 32 dental students, five USC faculty members, one DHOP alumnus and one mobile dental clinic staffer. Thank you to all who participated and helped make an impact on a global scale.

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Today marks the final day of Ostrow's first mobile dental clinic event of 2023. Beginning January 17, Ostrow students, faculty and staff — in partnership with Village for Vets, a nonprofit that provides critical services for homeless veterans in Los Angeles County — treated more than 100 patients outside the federal building in Westwood, Calif. The mobile dental clinic is the fourth one in the past two years providing services to those who served our country so bravely. I'd like to thank the students who participated, under the supervision of **Gardner Beale, Elizabeth Brummel, Rebecca Kim, Daniel Romo, Nineli Zadourian** and endodontics resident **Mattison Donaldson**. And, of course, thank you to staff members **Epifania Juarez, Juan Landeros, Edwin Salgado** and **Anthony Santiago** who tirelessly support our patient care efforts out in the field.

With that, I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Fight On!

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