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The Faculty of Dentistry: New Electronic Dental School

A capital campaign is on the horizon for the Faculty of Dentistry as a vision of a new electronic dental school comes to life. This vision includes fully integrated information technology throughout the clinical education, teaching and research environments.

Through renovation and reallocation of space, new classrooms and laboratories will be able to support a research-based, interactive learning environment. This capital campaign will enhance our research capacity and performance and communication with the global community. The campaign's goals also include the establishment of new scholarships, professorships and programs to improve access and learning infrastructures.

We are looking beyond the bricks and mortar and focusing on the greater vision of finding innovative ways to fund, develop and deliver an advanced electronic dental school through its teaching and research capabilities.

Our goal is to create new knowledge through leading-edge research and prepare our students for a professional career in dentistry. Following closely with the Trek 2000 vision of the University, we are working towards creating an attractive and vibrant community that is seen as a model for other educational institutions.



This project will advance the University of British Columbia's vision to become Canada's best university, providing students with an outstanding and distinctive education and conducting leading research to serve the people of British Columbia, Canada, and the world.

Dean's Message Fall 2000

Your New Dental School!!

by Dr. Edwin Yen

UBC has always been a pioneer in dental education and research. As we enter the new millennium we continue to strive to be innovative, provocative and successful.

Dentistry at UBC has tried various formats in combining the basic sciences curriculum with the Faculty of Medicine over the years. UBC and Harvard are the only schools to actually deliver a comprehensive problem-based learning (PBL) curriculum in which the medical and dental students are completely combined and mixed into small study groups that tackle their basic sciences learning issues through "cases". This unique model has generated interest and emulation from around the world and has placed UBC in a leadership role. More importantly, UBC students benefit from the exposure to basic sciences at the same level as medical students, while developing those critical thinking skills to practice evidence based clinical dentistry. In addition, the self-learning skills and communication skills that a student develops in PBL seminars are invaluable as the future graduate enters a lifetime of continuing education. A serious challenge for the dental school, however, is the shortage of seminar rooms for students to work as PBL teams.

As the new student moves into the clinic, the demand for technological advances cannot be met by the current obsolescence. Increased enrollment from new programs has already created a severe shortage of operatories. Dental chairs and units cannot support ergonomic clinical performance. Computer access at each operatory is limited by architectural layout and will be challenged by the inevitable upgrade. Web based course material which would be invaluable for distance education for students and graduates is constrained. Infection control of waterlines and working surfaces cannot be improved. Sterilization of instruments, handpieces and other equipment are inefficient. Environmental controls for operatory waste will challenge the current equipment. Most importantly, students and instructors are being denied the



technology which is expected to be available for the dentist of the near future. The good news is that the future is here!

University approval of a new building that will house the new dental clinic as a part of its mixed-use has proceeded to the point of architectural design and construction planning. The Faculty of Dentistry is feverishly consulting all stakeholders to ensure that this will be a state-of-the-art clinical learning centre where the most advanced dental equipment, instrumentation, imaging, patient data management systems and educational technology will ensure that British Columbia will have the best trained dentists in the world.

The Faculty would not have reached its current level of success without the tremendous donation of teaching time, funds for scholarships, equipment and special projects, as well as mentorship and community support from the profession, the public and the academic world. Once again, we ask that our stakeholders sustain their vision and motivation to make UBC a key resource to the oral health care field on a global level.

I look forward to sharing the details of this exciting project with you as they develop over the next year. We will seek your input, your financial contributions and most of all your continued support of the future vision of Dentistry at UBC.



Clinic Impression

Just Another Day

by Dr. Chris Zed

It is early evening, the hum of the clinic is distant, my office door is closed and I finally have an opportunity, as I often do, to reflect on the faculty, staff, and student meetings that I've had, and the people I've met today. A lot of what we do at the clinic is solving problems.....its like we thrive on it. Whether it is for patients in pain, students in need, staff concerns or faculty requests, something always needs "fixing".

I think how wonderful it would be if there was a rulebook or a reference guide to lead us through the management of the unpredictable challenges we are faced with in the dental clinic -- or in life for that matter! I'm reminded of a statement from Judy (we will call her by that name to protect the innocent) that "this is why we are here". It is because of the organized chaos, the compassion of our staff and faculty and the inspiration and energy of our students. It is all in the spirit of education. We often hear of going above and beyond or random acts of kindness. Regardless of the "things" we don't enjoy about our jobs, inside these walls we act as a team.

It seems that every manger uses the word "teamwork". Frankly, it is overused, but it is truly what makes our operations run smoothly. Teamwork in the clinic is derived from the collaborative efforts of students, faculty and staff colleagues through their service delivery and patient management. It is through this united team that we work toward a common goal of patient care and student education. Teamwork at the Faculty of Dentistry can not necessarily be quantitatively measured, but the actions that we observe are a strong reminder of this group initiative.

Just today I had a staff member come to me and discuss the unfortunate plight of a patient in financial stress, with a serious illness and a recent loss of a loved one. Acting as an advocate, this staff member arranged for special care of this patient. Then I'm reminded of an assistant that gently comforts an elderly man through our busy lobby to be sure that he is well taken care of after a long clinical appointment. Or hearing a student discussing a patient problem with his group manager and listening to the comfort and motivation that the instructor imparts to the student.

Finally, in this quiet office, I'm reminded of the normal bustling and inquiry outside my door and the willingness of a staff member to deflect and defend all in the name of education. In the end we are all working to take care of each other's needs. Some people talk about teamwork, but we live it.



Research Impression

A Protein that Reduces Inflammation

by Andrea Wink



UBC researchers are once again in the international spotlight, and the Faculty of Dentistry is proud to have one of its own leading the Canadian discovery. While studying how cancer cells spread, Dr. Chris Overall led the research team that discovered a protein that reduces inflammation.

MCP-3 is one of the natural signals that the human body uses to turn off inflammation. In chronic diseases such as gingivitis or arthritis something goes wrong with the signals, and the flow of white blood cells continues, leading to chronic inflammation and long-term tissue damage. "It is like a traffic signal with a green and red light that tells the macrophages white blood cells that rid the body of damaged tissue - when and where to go," says Overall.

Angus McQuibban, a UBC Biochemistry doctoral student working in Overall's lab, discovered a new form of MCP-3 that halts the flow of the white blood cells. He found that an enzyme called gelatinase made during inflammation trimmed the end of the MCP-3 molecules and led to the new form of the protein. This not only stopped the signal, but stopped the movement of cells as well.

Tests revealed that there is a 40% reduction in inflammation when the new form of MCP-3 is administered.

Funded by the Canadian Cancer Society, they were looking at how the enzyme dissolves tissue around a tumour, enabling it to spread. In the process, it discovered the enzyme does some good, too. Tests revealed that there is a 40% reduction in inflammation when the new form of MCP-3 is administered. Prof. Ian Clark-Lewis at UBC's Biomedical Research Centre synthesized the new form of MCP-3 for testing by Prof. Chris McCulloch at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry.

"What we are trying to do now is to work out how these signals go wrong in diseases like cancer, arthritis and periodontitis with the hope that understanding these very complicated processes may lead to new drug discoveries," says Overall.

The UBC research team has patented the technology as the finding may pave the way for new treatments of these chronic inflammatory diseases.

Researchers will be looking to see whether the protein can be applied in a gel form around inflamed gums or be used in topical creams or ointments for bedsores and other wounds that won't heal. Eventually, it could be injected or taken in pill form to treat the crippling effects of arthritis.

The enzyme that helps create the protein is also known to play a key role in the spread of cancer throughout the body. That leads the research team to hypothesize that the process that results in reduced inflammation may work against the body when it comes to cancer, allowing cancer cells to spread without being attacked by the immune system.

"These enzymes have always been thought to be the bad guys. So a lot of drug companies have invested billions into making drugs that will stop these enzymes," Overall said. Now, what may be bad in cancer, might be good in promoting natural healing.

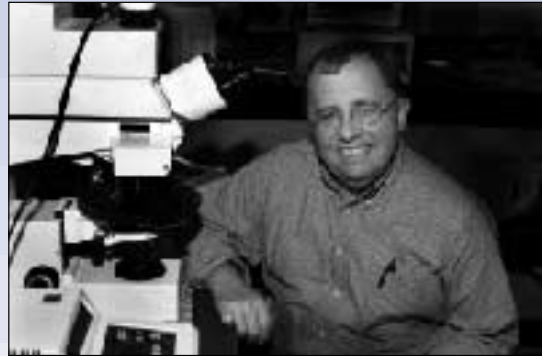
Switzerland Sabbatical

by Dr. Don Brunette

Last year I took sabbatical leave to work at one of the leading world laboratories in surface science, the Laboratory for Surface Science Technology (LSST) under the direction of Prof. Nic Spencer at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (ETHZ). ETHZ is a prestigious scientific institution whose professors have won more Nobel prizes than any other European academic institution. The Swiss federal government supports it magnificently. Professors receive excellent salaries as well as operating funds for research including materials and personnel from ETHZ. In addition the Swiss granting system for research is a model for encouraging collaborative interactions between academic laboratories and industry. The rough Ti surfaces for dental implants are one outcome of that support. All told, ETHZ is a veritable "Paradise for Professors".

I worked closely with the Head of the Biomaterials Division of LSST, Marcus Textor, on various collaborative studies in which surfaces with specific topographic and chemical properties produced at LSST were tested for their effects on cell behaviour in my lab at UBC. In addition, Marcus and I together with Pentti Tengvall (Linköping) and Peter Thomsen (Göteborg), edited *Titanium in Medicine*, which is to be published by Springer Verlag this year. The collaboration continues through an ITI Foundation grant led by Marcus that involves ETHZ, UBC and the University of Texas. In addition, Dr. Marco Wieland, a Ph.D. from ETHZ-LSST, is a post-doctoral fellow in my laboratory supported by the Swiss National Science Foundation.

It was a busy year on the lecture



front. Besides lectures to the students in the Department of Materials at ETHZ, I gave over a dozen lectures in European research institutions from Brindisi (Italy) to Göteborg (Sweden) including dental schools (Nijmegen, Geneva), industrial research institutions, and materials science departments. The Swiss themselves were extremely hospitable. We had lab meetings in resort areas such as Grindelwald (Switzerland) or Tubre (Italy) and there is nothing like dining and drinking well at someone else's expense to engender warm feelings to, and collaborative interactions with, one's fellow man (or woman for that matter).

ETHZ hospitably provided instruction in German to academic visitors; however, even with this course linguistic traps await the unwary. For example, the word "stange" (literally translated as stick or pole) is used in

Swiss German dialect when ordering a stick-like glass of beer, but don't use it in Germany for "stange" is the High German slang word for the male naughty bit!

Zurich was an ideal home base to explore Europe and my wife and I visited Rome, London, Prague, Utrecht, Vienna, and numerous Swiss, German and French cities and towns. However, living in Zurich is an expensive proposition and bargains are rare. One item though, that a motivated and discerning shopper can always find at a discount is excellent Swiss chocolate. About ten pounds of that commodity, metabolically incorporated into my body mass, accompanied me back to Vancouver. The adage really is true; travel does broaden one, but in my case it was my waistline as well as my horizons.



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New Clinic & JBM Renovations

by Andrea Wink

As the faculty, staff and students returned to campus this fall, they learned of the pending launch of Dentistry's capital campaign to fund a new Dental Clinic and renovate the JB Macdonald building.

With the increasing enrollment of students, and growth of faculty and staff positions, the Faculty of Dentistry has outgrown its current JBM location. Over the years the Dean's Office and the IT group took up residence in the nearby Instructional Resource Centre, while the BOLD lab relocated to rented space in the AMPEL building.

The announcement of this campaign is in response to Dentistry's space requirements that were summarized in a Master Plan study done in 1998. It identified a need for increased classrooms, laboratory and research space, faculty and staff offices, clinic and student space. Students, staff, faculty and alumni were interviewed in order to establish priorities. This process identified the need for renovation and upgrade of the existing space in JBM and prioritized the option for a new 30,000 sq. ft. addition to the north of the existing building. This plan also addresses improvements to ventilation, climate control, IT infrastructure, disability support, infection control and workplace health and safety issues which have become a priority for Dentistry.

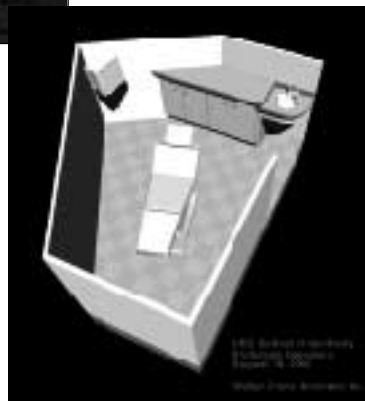
This new clinical space will be part of a larger development undertaken by UBC Properties Trust. Located at the corner of University Boulevard and Wesbrook, this mixed-use facility will house the new Dental Clinic on the 2nd floor, retail space on the ground

level and housing on the three floors above. This innovative approach to easing critical space constraints is the first of its kind on the UBC Campus and has elicited strong support from University Central Administration. The retail streetscape on University Boulevard is in alignment with the University's Comprehensive Community Plan, and the new structure is set to provide an impressive landmark at the main gate to the UBC Campus. The new clinic will replace and consolidate functions from several existing clinical areas, provide key clinical functions in contiguous space and accommodate the dimensional needs of Dentistry facilities. It will be at the same floor height and connected to the second floor of JBM through room 248/248A.

Amy Phillips has been appointed as the Project Manager tasked with coordinating this initiative. She has been working diligently with architects, space planners and the New Clinic Steering Committee to arrive at a program plan that building architects can extrapolate on. The unique trapezoidal shape of the structure, which is dictated by underground services and environmental concerns, has presented the team with some interesting challenges!

Dr. Lance Rucker has designed a unique operatory shape, to optimize efficiency and space allocation. It provides ample room at the head of the operatory so that both four handed dentistry and instructor access are accommodated, and reduces space at the foot of the cubicle where it is not required. The number of chairs currently stands at approximately 140 to accommodate increased enrollment and growth in graduate & postgraduate programs.

The design of the new clinic is only part of the process in achieving the requirements set out in the Master Plan. It will be the focus group input on matters such as teaching facilities, faculty and research space, and administration and shared support that will be a critical component in the JBM renovation planning process. The impact of the new PBL curriculum and other assumptions made at the time of the Master Plan study need to be amended. The JBM Working Group will be responsible for reviewing the master plan, incorporating focus



group priorities, and making recommendations on future space allocations.

Funding for this major building campaign will come from a variety of sources, including UBC Properties Trust subsidization, corporate co-development partnerships, University funding, Clinic revenue, and philanthropy from corporate, faculty, staff, student and alumni sources. Andrea Wink, the new Faculty Development Officer, and Dean Yen will be rolling out the capital campaign over the coming months as they meet with dental societies and specialist groups. This campaign will encompass not only the JBM renovations and the new clinic space, but also the many

related development opportunities such as scholarships, professorships, new programs and research projects.

This is a very exciting time for the future of dentistry as the Faculty embarks on creating a new state-of-the-art, fully integrated, dental and teaching environment. We look forward to keeping you updated on progress, as we witness the years of planning and hard work take shape.

Faculty Impression Part Time Faculty Spotlight

by Linda Gerow

The Faculty of Dentistry relies heavily on the dedication and significant contributions made by our team of Part Time Faculty members.



Certainly, no greater example of this commitment to excellence is Dr. David Tobias.

Dr. Tobias has earned three degrees from UBC including a BSc in 1978 and his DMD degree in 1994. Subsequently recruited by the late Dr. Bill Wood to continue his research in occlusion and temporomandibular function, David was awarded his MSc degree in Oral Biology in 1997. Throughout these years he has continued his full time practice, served as a Clinical Instructor, and presented lectures in Oral Medicine, Oral Biology and Prosthodontics. He has been recognized by the CDA and the Federation of Dental Societies for his contributions to organized dentistry and continues to have an avid interest in maintaining a unified and focused profession.



Most recently this past year, he was honored with a Fellowship to the International College of Dentists (FICD).

As his part time clinical instructor duties expanded to include Consultancy in Prosthodontics, he was promoted to Assistant Clinical Professor and currently serves as Administrator for the undergraduate clinical Group Practices. Through his participation in the planning stages of the new hybrid-PBL curriculum he has become keenly interested in changing the philosophy and function of the undergraduate clinic. In collaboration with the Director of Clinics, he has been instrumental in moving the philosophy of the Clinic toward patient-centred care. Patients are now treated in a more comprehensive and timely manner while maintaining a learning environment that promotes optimum opportunities for

student education. This new philosophy triggered a pilot project in which David was actively involved, eventually leading to the development of the Group Practice model. The Group Practices focus on quality assurance in patient care in parallel with the close monitoring and mentoring of students. This has now become the standard clinical education model for most dental treatment provided in our Faculty clinics.

Recently, David took the initiative to develop and implement a patient re-assessment protocol and has also designed a patient categorization system to help track the progress of new patients and those with treatment in progress. He has also contributed to the realization of the Professionalism student assessment protocol and is looking forward to its entrenchment in the overall student assessment system.

This fall he has been heavily involved in organizing and preparing a new module for Junior Clerks called Introduction to Patient Care. This is a series of seminars and lectures that will introduce students to the nuances of dental practice, including the formulation and maintenance of records, professional communication strategies and overall effective patient management.

David is an active and supportive member of our Faculty, spending many additional hours on various committees, task forces, and focus groups. His overall goal is the betterment of dental education at UBC and the ongoing development of competent young professionals. We are fortunate to have such a committed and creative individual as an integral component of our program.

David lives in Point Grey with his wife Rosalind and their three children Emily, Max and Sam.

What's New with The TST Group

by Laura Rosenthal

The TST Group is the Faculty of Dentistry's computer support unit. Formerly known as the Technology Support Team, TST's specialized staff provides support for Dentistry's technology needs: from the clinic to the classroom to professors' offices. The TST Group keeps the UBC dental community well connected.

The clinic has 80 dental student chairside stations, 17 staff/faculty stations and 10 part-time faculty stations each with its own computer. The computers allow dental students, faculty and staff to track patient treatment and student clinical performance. Keeping these computers in topnotch shape with the latest software is one of TST's most critical responsibilities.

Visit the revamped Faculty of Dentistry's website at www.dentistry.ubc.ca when it is relaunched in November. James Pagnotta, a graphic artist and web designer, has taken the concepts of the faculty's web committee and turned them into a very up-to-date, elegant and well-organized site.

New educational technology is keeping Sophie Spiridonoff, TST's other graphic designer, very busy. Sophie spends most of her time helping faculty get their courses on the web using software called WebCT. Dr. Lance Rucker, Associate Professor and Chair of the Division of Operative Dentistry is a fan. "I am able to offer the students the materials they need in the kinds of formats most useful to their educational development. Student response is great." When Sophie's not working on WebCT, you can find her creating posters and other publications for the faculty, including this very newsletter.

Wei Zhang and his crew of programmers have developed a number of applications for the Faculty of Dentistry, as well as for other faculties and even other universities. They are involved in projects such as on-line admissions application and programs that improve educational administrative systems.

In other TST news, Bruce McCaughey, our multimedia specialist, has moved from conventional to digital imaging. With the introduction of the Nikon D1 digital camera it is now possible to create high quality images directly from camera to computer, allowing easy manipulation and insertion into digital presentation materials.

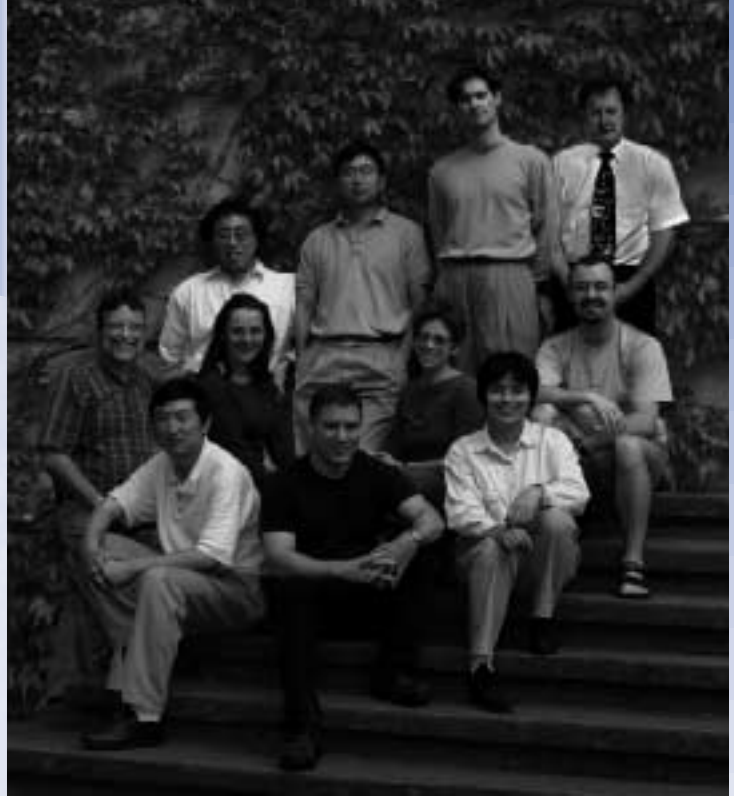
Orland Hoeber, since becoming the director of TST, has been busy with the day-to-day management of this diverse team of computer and media professionals. In addition, he has been very active in the identification and refinement of new projects.

Appreciating that one person cannot be an expert in multiple areas of such a complex environment as computers, the TST Group assembled a team of experts to work in each of the specialized support functions. While TST's primary

mission is to support the Faculty of Dentistry, they share their expertise and excess capacity with other faculties and universities. They develop web sites and applications, support hardware and software installations and offer multi-media services.

Do you need help with your website or other multimedia projects? Please contact the helpful folks at the TST Group even if you are not a faculty member. Their I.T. professionals have the solution for you. TST's philosophy is to make complex systems simple.

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Dean's Night

Tom Robinson of Dentsply congratulating Robert Brandt



This year the annual Dean's Night was held at the University Golf Club on September 14th and was sponsored by Dentsply Canada. Undergraduate students were invited to join faculty in a celebration of academic award presentations from the previous school year. As well, it is where the winner of the Dentsply Student Clinician Research Competition was awarded with a plaque and a trip to the national research

competition to be held later this year in Winnipeg at the CDA conference. The winner of this year's competition is Robert Brandt.

Approximately 200 special guests were in attendance at this year's Dean's Night and a good time was had by all. Congratulations to all the winners and a special thank you to the many donors who support the event.



Alumni Impression Alumni Day



Sunday, October 1st marked the annual Alumni Day at UBC where alumni, friends, neighbours and faculty were welcomed to campus to reminisce and reacquaint themselves with memories of years past. There were a variety of activities that took place across campus, including lectures, tours and even the raising of a totem pole.

The Faculty of Dentistry welcomed alumni back to campus by providing a free continuing education course

exclusive to UBC alumni. Dr. Don Brunette, Professor and Associate Dean Research in Dentistry, gave the lecture *All About Breath Odour*. He also provided tours of the Breath Testing Clinic and equipment demonstration for his audience to gain a better understanding of oral malodour. The course was very well attended, although it did leave a feeling of self-consciousness with the audience! Our current dental students also participated in Alumni Day by offering a free screening to the public through an Open Mouth Clinic.

Many thanks to everyone who volunteered their time on Alumni Day. We hope to see even more of our alumni return to campus next year!





Welcome!

Andrea Wink has replaced Cindy Behrmann as the Development Officer for the Faculty of Dentistry. Andrea is a graduate of the University of Waterloo with an Honours BA in Applied Studies and Art History with a specialization in Cultural Management. She has worked in the Development field in a variety of not-for profit arts

organizations across the country. This includes the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, the Calgary Opera Association and the Arts Club Theatre in Vancouver.

Andrea will be working very hard this fall as she prepares to launch the New Clinic & JBM Renovation campaign for the Faculty of Dentistry. Her experiences and enthusiasm will serve her well in this endeavor.

Our Dental Family



Comings:

Dentistry would like to extend a warm welcome to the following newcomers to the Dean's Office, **Terri Bolton** and **Carmen Lumlanan**. Terri joins us from the Faculty of Science and is taking on the position of Scheduling Coordinator. Carmen comes to us from off campus and has taken over as Secretary to the Dean. In addition, a belated welcome to **Jason Congdon** who became full time dentistry staff this summer as Secretary to Graduate and Undergraduate programs.

We would also like to say a big friendly hello to **Gina Lum** and **Andrea Pinette**, two new dental assistants in the main clinic. They will be with us on a seasonal basis, and we are sure they are a welcome addition to the clinic staff.

The TST group also has new members. Warm welcomes to: **James Pagnotta**, Web Designer, **Laura Rosenthal**, Marketing



Manager and **Leon Cheng**, Programmer.

Dr. Nanako Iwamoto has joined Dr. Dorin Ruse's lab for one year. Nanako is a PhD student at Tokyo Medical and Dental University in Tokyo, Japan.

Goings:

We say good-bye to **Cindy Behrmann**, former Faculty Development Officer (and former coordinator of this publication). We wish her the best of luck in her new position as Director of Development & Communications with Developmental Disabilities Foundation.

Deb Feduik left this summer to work in the office of VP Research. She worked both as Secretary to the Dean and in the research area with Dr. Dorin Ruse.

This summer **Dr. Gary Gibson** retired after 25 years with the Faculty. His contributions to the Faculty will not be forgotten.



Dr. Gerardo Maupomé left for Portland Oregon to pursue new opportunities.

Dr. Jim Stich and **Jesse Koteles** have moved on from the TST group to pursue new dental technology projects, though both remain involved with the technological direction in the clinic.

Accomplishments:

Dr. Marcia Boyd, Associate Dean was recently presented with TWO awards! Dr. Boyd is the first recipient of the prestigious IFDEA-William J Gies International Award for outstanding contributions to international dental education. The Award was presented in Washington DC, April 2000. This on the heels of The Association of Dental Surgeons of BC Special Recognition Award last March.

Prof. Bonnie Craig, received The Darlene Thomas Award for Vision and Leadership in Dental Hygiene. **Dr. Dorin Ruse** is the recipient of the



Canadian Dental Association Certificate of Merit for his work with the Committee on Dental Materials and Devices.

Career Moves:

Dr. Chris Zed has taken on the additional role of Director of Post-Graduate programs. He will be coordinating the General Practice Residency program as well as the IDP program, while continuing as Clinic Manager.

Orland Hoerber was promoted to Director of the Technology Support Team (TST) group and **Wei Zhang** was promoted to Senior Programmer.

Laurie Holst has taken over as Assistant to the Dean.

Linda Gerow will now be fulfilling an expanded position as Part-time Instructor Coordinator, in addition to supervising the Dean's Office Staff in JBM.

Dorothy Stanfield is the new Curriculum



Program Manager, continuing with the Undergraduate Curriculum and assisting Dr. Zed with the post-graduate programs.

Dr. Sandra Fastlich has switched over from a part-time instructor to a full-time Faculty member with the Division of Orthodontics.

Wedding Bells:

The Faculty would like to congratulate both **Evangeline Gabas** and former graduate **Shawn Jonasson** on their recent marriage.

Dr. Nanako Iwamoto recently married **Dr. Takehiro Otake** who is a postdoctoral fellow working with Dr. Chris Peck. Congratulations and best wished to both newlywed couples!

New Baby:

Congratulations to **Dr. Gerardo Maupome** and his wife Elizabeth on the birth of their son, Adrian, who was born Monday morning, September 11th.

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- Nov. 6 Graduate Students' Dean's Night.....UBC Golf Course - Vancouver, BC
- Nov. 11 S. Wah Leung FundraiserChan Centre - Vancouver, BC
- Nov. 21 President's Tour Alumni Reception.....Royal York Hotel - Toronto, ON

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- Dec. 14 Annual Holiday Luncheon.....UBC Golf Course - Vancouver, BC