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News & Viewpoints for Eastman Dental Center Alumni & Friends

Annual Giving sets new record for alumni, total dollars raised

So close? Almost!

Eastman Dental Center's 1988-1989 Annual Giving Campaign just missed the magic six-figure mark of \$100,000.

But getting so close did allow us to set a brand new record for giving. The Campaign ended on May 31 with gross receipts totaling \$94,151.74. The Campaign's grand finale was \$24,000 higher than the prior year's Campaign, which had been the most successful fund-raising effort in six years.

Dental Center Trustee, Paul W. Briggs, served as Campaign chairman. "We're most grateful to the Center's alumni, trustees, faculty, staff, and many friends who truly made this Campaign an all-out effort," said Briggs, the recently retired CEO of Rochester Gas & Electric Company.

"The generosity of our many donors will enable us to provide funding for three Visiting Professorships, at least one Student Research Fellowship, and will supplement the nearly \$100,000 raised in foundation and corporate support for a second Smilemobile," said Dental Center Director, Dr. William D. McHugh.

"I am also pleased to report to our donors that more than \$21,000 in restricted support for EDC departments and the Basil G. Bibby Library was raised during this Campaign and will be disbursed accordingly," said Dr. McHugh.

On the way to raising \$94,000-plus, EDC's donors broke some additional giving ground:

New position for Dr. Billings

Ronald J. Billings, D.D.S., M.S.D., has been appointed associate director for clinical affairs at EDC. His appointment to this newly created position became effective on May 1.

As associate director, Dr. Billings is responsible for all clinical activities at the Dental Center, including clinical staffing patterns, utilization of clinical facilities, the quality assurance program, and other related programs and projects.

In addition to his duties as associate director, Dr. Billings directs the Center's Smilemobile program, a mobile dental unit that provides comprehensive dental care to children from underserved areas of Rochester. He holds a faculty appointment as a senior research and clinical associate at the Dental Center and is assistant chairman in the Department of Community Dentistry. He is also associate professor of dental research and of clinical dentistry (part-time) at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.

"We're pleased that Dr. Billings has ac-

cepted this new position," said William D. McHugh, D.D.S., director of the Dental Center. "We conducted a national search, identifying over 50 potential candidates and interviewing a short-list of three. We were happy to discover that the individual best qualified for leadership of our clinical activities was already on faculty here at the Center."

A faculty member at Eastman Dental Center since 1984, Dr. Billings has held academic and research posts at the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston; the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in Minneapolis; and the Indiana University School of Dentistry in Indianapolis.

A graduate of Indiana University, Dr. Billings earned a bachelor's degree in zoology as well as the D.D.S. and M.S.D. (Preventive Dentistry). In 1980, he completed a National Institute of Dental Research sponsored post-doctoral fellowship in cariology at the University of Minnesota.

- * A record number of donors — 326;
- * An increased number of Leadership Giving Society members — 220;
- * The largest average gift (\$255) for any Campaign;
- * The largest total amount ever raised by alumni — \$25,914;
- * The largest number, and dollar amount, in second gifts ever received — 34 gifts that totalled more than \$8,200.

Giving was increased significantly over 1987-1988 in nearly every donor constituency solicited. The greatest gains included:

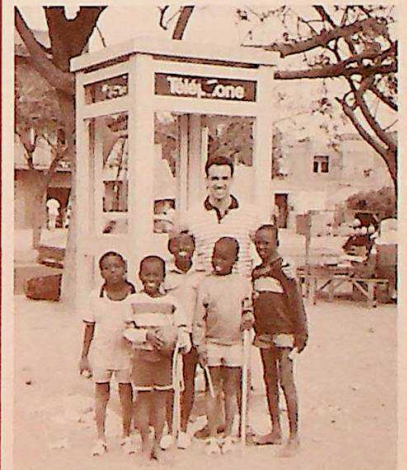
Friends	\$ 5,365 (82% increase)
Matching Gift Companies ...	\$ 6,050 (67% increase)
Corporations/Vendors	\$ 9,425 (61% increase)
Alumni (all Depts.)	\$25,914 (27% increase)

Several alumni departments turned in memorable performances. Periodontology alumni gave \$3,575 — a 257% increase over 1987-1988. Alumni in the Departments of General Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry, and Prosthodontics also performed admirably, raising \$8,602; \$4,523; and \$1,950 respectively and setting new giving records for each group.

Orthodontics alumni nearly equalled their

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In this issue...



Follow Dr. Lorne Lavine on a tour of dental facilities in Senegal and Gambia. Between clinic visits, the General Dentistry postdoctoral student found schoolchildren eager to be photographed with him in the streets of Dakar, Senegal. See story, p. 4.

The EDC Library Gazette. Starting with this issue, *Momentum* will carry the Gazette folded in its center pages.

EDC Alum Dr. Al Robinson: an activist working for better dental care. See p. 7.

Smilemobile: new gifts bring goal closer

Eastman Dental Center has received grants from Mobil Chemical Corporation, Champion Products, and Wegmans Food Markets for its Smilemobile mobile dental unit.

The grants, totaling approximately \$8,000 in both direct and in-kind support, will be used to purchase and equip a second Smilemobile, a traveling dental office housed in a trailer. More than \$120,000 has been raised toward the project's total cost of \$175,000.

The Smilemobile visits schools and daycare centers in Greater Rochester and presently provides complete dental care to more than 14,000 children ages 2-12. The current Smilemobile is 19 years old and began operation in 1970.

The Smilemobile has served as a model program for similar projects around the United States. It was recently featured in a news story on the Cable News Network that was broadcast nationally.

"The children who receive dental care from Smilemobile staff are among those for whom the need is greatest," said Ronald J. Billings, D.D.S., M.S.D., director of the Smilemobile and associate director for clinical affairs at the Dental Center.

"Many of our young patients are from underserved areas of the city who might otherwise not receive care. A second Smilemobile will permit us to expand services to an estimated 1,200 additional children whose need for dental care is critical," said Dr. Billings.

Children enrolled in the Smilemobile program receive complete preventive care, including an exam with x-rays, cleaning,

fluoride application, and dental sealants for prevention of caries. Additional services such as fillings and extractions are provided to children who need dental treatment.

"Support for the Smilemobile has truly been a community-wide effort," said William D. McHugh, D.D.S., director of Eastman Dental Center. "In addition to gifts from corporations and foundations, the Smilemobile program is supported by faculty, staff, our Board of Trustees, Dental Center alumni, and friends through contributions to our 1988-1989 Annual Giving Campaign. We are gratified that the Smilemobile has attracted the generosity of so many groups and individuals," Dr. McHugh said.

Smilemobile services are underwritten by Medicaid, donations from the community, and Eastman Dental Center endowment funds.

The Smilemobile program has also received grants from the Allstate Foundation, Curtice-Burns Pro/Fac Foundation, the Davenport-Hatch Foundation, Fisons, PLC (formerly Pennwalt Pharmaceutical Division), the Gannett Foundation, the Gleason Memorial Fund, the Daisy Marquis Jones Foundation, the Junior League of Rochester, Inc., and the John F. Wegman Foundation.

EDC research efforts in IADR/AADR spotlight

Basic science and clinical investigators from Eastman Dental Center presented their most recent research at the IADR/AADR sessions held in San Francisco, California, in March.

To obtain further information about the studies named below, write to the principal investigators in care of their departments at Eastman Dental Center, 625 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620.

Ronald J. Billings (COMMUNITY DENTISTRY): Recent Developments in Methods for the Treatment of Root Caries.

Tim Bleiden (PERIODONTOLOGY): Examiner Reliability for the Eastman Interdental Bleeding Index.

Jack G. Caton Jr. (PERIODONTOLOGY): Effect of Antimicrobial Rinse on Interdental Gingivitis.

Jeffrey Doblin (PERIODONTOLOGY): Phenotypic Characterization of Endosteal Bone Cells.

John D.B. Featherstone (ORAL BIOLOGY): NaF and MFP in pH Cycling and Rat Caries Models.

Gerald N. Graser (PROSTHODONTICS): The Influence of Overdentures on the Periodontium: Five Year Evaluation.

Lisa Gwinner (ORAL BIOLOGY): Reliability of Morphotyping for Identification of Mutans Streptococci.

Stanley L. Handelman (GENERAL DENTISTRY): Patient Satisfaction in Four Types of Dental Practices.

What's new...How's by you?

If we haven't heard from you lately — or even if we have — we encourage all our alumni and friends to put pen to paper and tell us what's happening. We know that all *Momentum* recipients would love to read all about it, whatever "it" happens to be. Take a moment to write us about your new job, new book, new accolade, new spouse or newborn. Remember, it's always news to *Momentum*.

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Here's what's new with me _____

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Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620.

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Øivind E. Jensen (GENERAL DENTISTRY): Clinical Evaluation of a Fluoride-Containing Pit and Fissure Sealant.

Mikael B. Kautsky (ORAL BIOLOGY): Reduction of Dissolution Rates of Ceramic Carbonated Apatites by Saliva.

Roxanne Lowenguth (PERIODONTOLOGY): Characteristics of Orientated Cell and Fiber Attachment Systems.

M.J. Novak (DENTAL RESEARCH, UNIV. OF ROCHESTER AND EDC): Modulation of F. nucleatum-PMN Interactions by *Bacteroides gingivalis*.

Howard M. Proskin (BIostatISTICS): A Sample Size Methodology for Longitudinal Studies of Elderly Populations.

Anne Schultes (GENERAL DENTISTRY): Plaque Retention on DICOR Crowns and Gingival Health Over Four Years.

Carol P. Shields (ORAL BIOLOGY): Fluoride Consumption in Individual Foods Found in Young Children's Diets.

Charles Wagener (PERIODONTOLOGY): Tissue Interactions with Dentin Specimens after Demineralization Using Hydrochloric Acid.

Urs Zappa (PERIODONTOLOGY): Microbial Populations and Reactivation of Experimental Periodontitis.

Calendar

July 17, 1989

Dentistry in Stamps. Atrium Gallery. Through September 8.

September, 1989

7-Continuing Education Course - Temporomandibular Joint: Clinical Diagnosis, Imaging and Surgical Treatment. Dr. Per-Lennart Westesson and Dr. Lars Eriksson. Contact: Maxine Manjos (716) 275-5064.

11-Exhibition of art by the Arena Group. Atrium Gallery. Through November 3.

October 6, 1989

Continuing Education Course - Evaluating and Managing Common Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office. Dr. Peter Quinn. Contact: Maxine Manjos (716) 275-5064.

February, 1990

Rochester Research Meeting sponsored by the Rochester Section, AADR.

Recruited to EDC, committed to the community

"I think of myself not as a dentist who treats a decayed tooth, but as a provider for the whole person."

— Dr. LaWana Fuquay

Dentist LaWana Fuquay treats patients whose dental problems are the least of their worries. The General Dentistry postdoctoral student works each Friday at Jordan Health Center, a community health facility serving an economically disadvantaged population in Rochester.

"The next person I see may be a teenager pregnant with her second child or a young man with a serious substance abuse problem," said Dr. Fuquay. "It's my responsibility not only to give my patients the best possible dental treatment, but also to address social, emotional and medical concerns."

A federal grant obtained by Dr. Stanley L. Handelman, chairman of the Department of General Dentistry, played an important role in bringing Dr. Fuquay to EDC. The grant supports minority recruitment by the Associated General Dentistry Training Programs of Rochester.

Through participation in the AGD Training Program, EDC obtained funds to develop a minority recruitment program. Postgraduate students and faculty representatives now travel to dental schools to give slide presentations to interested students.

Faculty representative Dr. Al Robinson traveled to Howard University College of Dentistry (Washington, D.C.), where Dr. Fuquay attended his presentation (see related article about Dr. Robinson on p. 7). Dr. Fuquay listened as Dr. Robinson described the programs offered by EDC's Department of General Dentistry. As he spoke, Dr. Fuquay began to consider the Center as a place that could prepare her for a career in public health.

"I wanted to work in a hospital or health center," she said. "I also considered becoming a missionary. I've always aimed at causing change by serving the economically needy."

"After I attended Dr. Robinson's presentation, everything came into focus," Dr. Fuquay explained. "I saw that EDC had a lot to offer me."

Dr. Handelman described the difference that federal funding made in attracting minority students like Dr. Fuquay. "Before we had this grant, only an occasional minority applicant was trained in the AGD Training Programs," he said. "We now have between four and six students enrolled each year at EDC and affiliated institutions."

"But student recruitment is only the beginning," Dr. Handelman continued. "The grant enabled us to develop a program that prepares minority students for careers in

community-based dental care. Students spend two days a week gaining both administrative and clinical experience at Jordan Health Center."

Dr. Fuquay entered the General Dentistry program in June, 1988. On Tuesdays, she attends one-to-one meetings with Jordan's medical and dental department heads.

"I return later in the week to care for patients — to learn about their needs and attitudes toward dentistry," Dr. Fuquay said.

The skills utilized by practitioners in a community health center may vary greatly from the skills learned in dental school. Dr. Fuquay stated that her previous dental training taught her an ideal: to assess a patient's dental problems, then to address those problems by developing and following a treatment plan.

"The patients I see at Jordan require a different approach," she said. "Often, their sole purpose in coming for a dental visit is to obtain pain relief. The whole concept of preventive care is missing from their outlook. My job is to retrain and refocus, to teach what dentistry is for, to teach that a tooth doesn't always have to be extracted."

As she comes to the end of her year at EDC, Dr. Fuquay reflects on her program of study. "It's been very good," she said. "It's offered me a chance to grow in professional skills and to develop my attitude toward myself in dentistry. I got support from both Dr. Handelman and Dr. McHugh (EDC's director); they took a personal interest in my work."

Dr. Fuquay described the rapport she feels with EDC when she said, "It's as though coming here were my destiny."



photo by Karen Almekinder

Dr. LaWana Fuquay on commencement day.

Out of Africa

3-1-89 5:30 p.m. EST

"Well, I'm on my way, sort of."

On his way to what... well that was a tough one for General Dentistry postdoctoral student Lorne Lavine to predict. Although his departure for the African countries of Senegal and Gambia to observe and practice dentistry was imminent, plans still appeared a bit vague as he waited for his long-overdue flight in an overcrowded airport lounge in New York City.

Dr. Lavine worried whether his host in Senegal, Dr. Abdul Yam (a former Fulbright Fellow at EDC in 1988), had received his letter saying that he was coming to Dakar. He worried about transportation once he got there, what Senegal would be like (a fellow traveler had regaled him with stories about how "terrible" it was in Dakar, Senegal's capital city), and whether his plane would ever leave New York.

Some of his worries were unfounded. Dr. Lavine's plane finally left NYC at 1:30 a.m. and landed March 2 in Dakar. Dr. Yam was right there to meet him. He did have to deal almost immediately with a major problem. The faculty at the University of Dakar were on strike, including the faculty at the Institut d'Odontologie et Stomatologie.

3-2-89 7:00 p.m. DST

(Dakar Standard Time)

"It's difficult to get a perspective of dentistry without patients!"

Faced with the possibility of seeing little or no dentistry performed during his stay in Senegal, Dr. Lavine quickly found "that learning to roll with the punches is the best way to survive here." He found other alternatives, including a tour of the University and its Dental School with Dr. Yam.

"The school has 250 students spread out over five years of study," said Dr. Lavine. There are two clinics: one for general dentistry, prosthodontics, and pediatric dentistry; the other is used primarily for periodontics.

"Equipment is outdated, dust covered, and mostly non-functioning. I encountered one instructor providing care to a patient. He had a cup of alcohol, used for sterilization, positioned next to his patient," Dr. Lavine observed.

Dr. Yam led his guest from EDC through a glass-walled enclosure, which he explained was the sterilization room. "It looked as though the room had not been used in quite some time," said Dr. Lavine. "He also showed me a fairly large prosthetics laboratory, but much of the equipment looked outdated."

Dental students at the University spend the first year studying a medical curriculum. Second and third years are the pre-clinical portions of the program. "At the end of the third year, those students may assist the fourth and fifth year students in the clinics," said Dr. Lavine.

"The clinics are open only on Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon. Senior



Dr. Lorne Lavine and Dr. Abdul Yam, a former visiting Fulbright scholar at EDC, visit Dr. Yam's birthplace in Joal-Fadiout, about 120 km south of Dakar.

students may also see patients on Saturday morning. Most of the procedures done are extractions, full dentures, and amalgams," said Dr. Lavine. "The Senegalese chew on sugar cane and most people cannot afford to buy a toothbrush, they clean their teeth with 'chewsticks' — a wooden stick with a tufted end."

The dental library, to Dr. Lavine's pleasant surprise, was well stocked. "There are plenty of journals and teaching mannequins," he said.

A visit to the Dakar hospital where Dr. Yam sees patients was also added to the agenda. "Dr. Yam is the hospital's only dentist and he only sees children," said Dr. Lavine. "The hospital receives some funding from the Canadian government, so Dr. Yam has modern equipment that is in good condition."

Dr. Lavine's 17-day visit to Africa showed him both the best and worst of social and economic conditions. "Dakar is a city of more than 1,000,000 people living in a geographic area and with facilities better suited to accommodate a much smaller population," said Dr. Lavine. "Poverty is everywhere in evidence."

But it was in Dakar that Dr. Lavine was shown what Senegalese hospitality and family life are like. "At Dr. Yam's house, we all crowded around a big bowl of rice and meat that his wife had prepared, and then dug in. What a sight! Afterwards, we had the traditional three cups of tea: the first cup is so strong, the second a bit sweeter, and the last cup is the best."

3-7-89 10:20 p.m.

"I'm here in Gambia and it only took 11 hours!"

A trip to Gambia (the faculty in Dakar were still on strike) allowed Dr. Lavine to experience the pleasures of travel by bus, actually an open-air type van. "The bus leaves when it's full or at 11:30 a.m., whichever comes first. Guess which came first. It also picks up additional passengers along the way and is stopped periodically by police. There aren't supposed to be more passengers than there are seats, so the bus lets those who are standing get off before the checkpoint. Those people start walking. After clearance at the checkpoint, the bus stops a ways down the road to pick up the passengers who got off," said Dr. Lavine.

Once in Gambia, Dr. Lavine visited the Royal Victoria Hospital Dental Clinic. Directed by "Sherry," a Native American (and a friend of Dr. Janet Levitas, a fellow General Dentistry student of Dr. Lavine), the Dental Clinic has three clinic areas and one lab.

"Sherry is presently booked solid with appointments for over one month. She sees government employees as well as her own patients. There is no emergency clinic. For people without appointments there is a 'first-come' chair, where patients line up for treatment, usually temps or extractions," said Dr. Lavine.

For her work, Sherry is paid about \$300 (US) a month, which far exceeds the average Gambian's monthly income of \$45. "Most people cannot afford dental care as the price, although small, is prohibitive," Dr. Lavine noted. Sherry told him her practice

used to be much busier when it was free, but the current charge of 5 dasai (about 70 cents) keeps many people away.

There's an additional responsibility in this clinic, aside from extractions, scalings, and operative procedures. "Many kids want to go to high schools in Gambia, but there are few schools and the minimum age for entry is 14. So, kids often lie about their age. They come from small villages with no birth records. The dental clinic will attempt to give the approximate age by examining the eruption pattern present in the mouth," said Dr. Lavine.

Sherry's position is quite prestigious: she is one of eight dentists in all of Gambia (population: 800,000).

3-15-89 4:05 p.m. DST

"We stayed inside last night!"

Dr. Lavine returned to Dakar to find the University faculty still on strike. The picketing instructors had been joined by school teachers from elementary and high schools. What was to have been a peaceful, organized demonstration by the opposition was outlawed by the government. "There was rioting. Things were all smashed up," Dr. Lavine recollected. "Even young children participated in the rioting and vandalism."

The following day, Drs. Yam and Lavine visited the medical/dental dispensary in Joal, Dr. Yam's birthplace. Funded in part by the Canadian government, the dispensary is still under construction, although women and children were being seen in the emergency clinic.

Dr. Lavine concluded his trip on March 18. "My impression of dentistry in Africa is that there is still a long way to go. Patients know little about dentistry, especially preventive dentistry. The dental schools and clinics in West Africa need many repairs. Sterilization is difficult to achieve," said Dr. Lavine.

Dr. Lavine would like to return to Africa to observe dentistry as it is taught in the University. "I'd still like to see firsthand what students are learning and talk to patients and students about the care they receive and the treatment they provide."



A Banjul, Gambia hospital dental clinic

Spring and San Francisco



Three alums in all their sartorial splendor (from left to right): Dr. Barry Rifkin (M.S. '66, Ph.D. '74), Dr. Alan Lurie, (Ph.D., '74) and Dr. Walter Orlowski (Ph.D. '69).

There's nothing better than Rochester in springtime... unless, of course, you're lucky enough to be in San Francisco.

A large contingent of EDC faculty, staff, current students, and alumni attended the IADR/AADR international conference in March. And in between the many scholarly discussions, panel sessions, and research poster presentations, there was always some time for socializing.

Catching up on what's new in dentistry and with each other are some familiar faces.



EDC's presence in the IADR governing board continues with alumnus Dr. Ernest Newbrun (M.S. '57), the President Elect. Dr. Newbrun is pictured with his wife, Edie.

While in San Francisco, Dr. Stanley L. Handelman, chairman of EDC's Department of General Dentistry, shared a few moments with AADR President Greenspan and his wife, Dr. Deborah Greenspan. The Greenspans are from the University of California - San Francisco and are major researchers in the oral manifestations of AIDS.



Enjoying the social side of the IADR-AADR meetings in San Francisco were (from left to right) Mrs. Ethel Goldhaber; NIDR Director Dr. Harold Loc and his wife, Inga; IADR President and EDC Director Dr. William D. McHugh and his spouse, Susan.



Hobnobbing with dentistry's best and brightest in San Francisco were (from left to right) AADR President Dr. John S. Greenspan, alumnus Dr. Huw Thomas (PED DEN '78, M.S. '79) of the University of Connecticut and Dr. Alan M. Polson, EDC's chairman of Periodontology.

Alumni Profile— Dr. Alfred Robinson, Jr. Struggling for Change

Dr. Al Robinson readily admits to job frustration and stress — but he keeps on working. The dental director of Rochester's Westside Health Services does daily battle with the tight restrictions of Medicaid.

"It's not my work with patients that gets to me," Dr. Robinson explained. "It's the system."

When Medicaid payment for a recommended dental treatment is denied, Dr. Robinson begins endless negotiations. Only occasionally do they result in what he considers to be the right treatment for the right person.

"My reward comes when I finally do attain ideal dentistry for one of my patients — but that's only one patient in ten. I have to teach the other nine to live with decreased options," he said.

As Westside's dental director since September, 1988, Dr. Robinson oversees administrative functions while maintaining an active clinical practice. He joined the facility as a staff dentist in 1984, shortly after he received a certificate in general dentistry from EDC.

He said that when he began work, he was not unlike typical new graduates who join a community health facility. "They usually

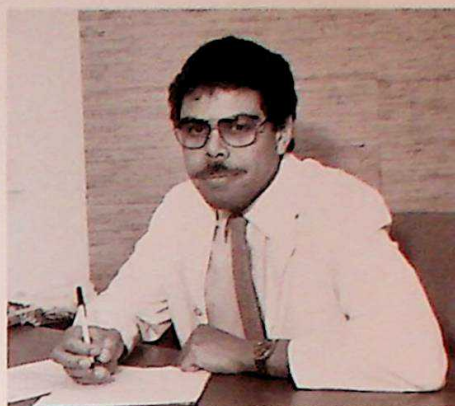


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Dr. Al Robinson

stay for about two years before frustration forces them into private practice," he said.

But Dr. Robinson shows no signs of leaving. As he worked at Westside, he developed a concern for his patients that keeps him at the health center.

"I see people locked into the welfare system with no boost to help them out," he said. "I see them following family patterns of poor health habits."

"I'm convinced that changing the system is the only way to improve their lives."

According to Dr. Robinson, the first step toward change is to attract minority dental students to careers in public health. He has taken that step by visiting dental schools to introduce students to postgraduate educa-

tion available in Rochester. He also spends one day each week teaching in EDC's Department of General Dentistry.

"I think it's important for students to gain the administrative and clinical skills needed for effectiveness in community settings," he said. "And as highly visible leaders, they also serve as role models for youngsters with intelligence and ambition."

A high priority for Dr. Robinson is to find funding for graduate training programs that prepare dentists for combined clinical and administrative positions in neighborhood health centers. He envisions a future in which graduates of these programs will form a national network of committed professionals. "They will have the training and knowledge to work for changes in our health system," he said.

Dr. Robinson works with a regional group of like-minded dental, medical and executive directors of programs in New York, New Jersey and Puerto Rico. They are members of the Clinical Directors Network. The group joins in efforts to develop optimal services for patients and to assure a continued supply of dentists and administrators.

Always remaining positive, Dr. Robinson channels his energy toward changing the conditions that adversely affect his patients. In Dr. Robinson's words, "I want to go the next step."

Alumni News

Leonardo M. Abelardo (PED DEN '65) is associate professor and chairman, Pedodontic Postgraduate Program, Université de Montréal, Québec, Canada. He was recently appointed chief, Department of Dental Medicine, Hôpital Ste-Justine, also in Montréal.

Johannis Adamidis (ORTHO '76) traveled from his home in Athens, Greece, to spend two weeks in March doing research and renewing friendships in EDC's Department of Orthodontics. Dr. Adamidis maintains a private orthodontic practice and is associate professor in the Dept. of Orthodontics at the University of Athens. "At the present time, dentists who wish to become orthodontists must study in Europe or the United States," he said. "Our university hopes to establish a certificate program in orthodontics within two to three years."

Ramon Braojos (GEN DEN '88) is now in private practice in Mexico City with **Antonio Bello** (PROSTHO '84).

Dr. Lawrence Harte (ORTHO '65), and his daughter, Helaine, made front page headlines in the *New York Daily News*. Dr. Harte and Helaine are pictured during a relief-filled reunion at JFK Airport, as Helaine returned safely to the U.S. from Beijing, China. She left Beijing only days after students and four factions of the People's Liberation Army clashed in Tienanmen

Square. The 23-year-old Ms. Harte had been a student at the Beijing College for Economics since September, 1988. "You see tanks in the street, places burning, you hear gunfire — it's very, very frightening," Ms. Harte said during an interview with a *Daily News* reporter.

Nikos Kafandaris (GEN DEN '78) writes from Salonika, Greece, that he and wife, Zizi, visited Rodos and Kos Islands with children Anita and Aris.

Rosemary Kloap-Clay (PED DEN '86) gave birth to a daughter, Chandler Elizabeth, (8 lbs. 7½ ozs.) on June 27, 1988. Dr. Clay practices with her husband, Timothy, in Wilmington, Delaware.

Harvey Levy (GEN DEN '76) received a Fellowship in the Academy of Dentistry International. Awarded in October at the American Dental Association/Federation of Dentistry International convention, the fellowship recognizes Dr. Levy's work with the handicapped.

Buddhi M. Shrestha (PEN DEN '70) was elected president of the medical-dental staff of the Anthony L. Jordan Health Center (Rochester, NY) for the 1989-90 term. Dr. Shrestha has been a staff pediatric dentist at the Health Center since 1985.

Anibal Silveira (PED DEN '80; ORTHO '83) was recently appointed assistant professor in the Department of Orthodontics,

University of Colorado School of Dentistry (Denver). In October, he was invited by **Hector Vesco** (ORTHO '83) to give a course in straight-wire mechanics to members of the Guatemala Association for Orthodontics. He traveled to Florence, Italy, in November to instruct members of the Tuscan Association of Dentistry in temporomandibular joint imaging.

Felix Sippel (GEN DEN '86) and **Gaby Wittman** (GEN DEN '86) were married on September 10, 1988 in Nuremberg, Germany. They were visited by John and Peggy Broker over the summer.

Michael Ternisky (PED DEN '69) continues to teach part-time at Georgetown University. His daughter, Chris, is now in her second year of dental school at the Medical College of Virginia and is making long-range plans to study pediatric dentistry.

Mitchel N. Toney (GEN DEN '60) was selected president of the 150-member Cleveland Society of Orthodontists at the spring, 1988 meeting.

Paul Werner (PED DEN '79) recently became a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a Fellow of the American Society of Dentistry for Children. Dr. Werner is in private practice in Boca Raton, Florida, where he lives with his wife, Anita, and daughters, Lisa (age 12) and Karolina (age 7).



Join your colleagues,
fellow alumni
EDC's faculty, staff, students and friends
as we commemorate our 75th year.

Plan now to attend:

- ☒ Research Symposium on "Prevention Revisited," featuring dentistry's leading authorities (Thursday and Friday, Sept. 13-14)
- ☒ Plenary Session with Distinguished Guest Speaker (Friday, Sept. 14)
- ☒ Nostalgia Luncheon — renew old acquaintances (Friday, Sept. 14)
- ☒ Table Clinics/Poster Sessions on Clinical Advances (Friday and Saturday, Sept. 14-15)
- ☒ Elegant dinner and presentation of EDC's first Distinguished Alumni Award Winners (Friday, Sept. 14)
- ☒ Clinical Sessions (Saturday, Sept. 15)
- ☒ EDC Alumni Get-Together (Saturday afternoon and evening, Sept. 15)

The Summer, 1989 issue of *Momentum* (due out in late August) will feature details on how you can participate. A special mailing of registration materials will be sent to you in November.

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