Beginning from late 2003, the Faculty of Dentistry started planning for a fun-filled celebration programme for alumni and friends in commemoration of our 75th birthday. It was with great anticipation that we looked forward to the event. The 3-day event took some 500 participants on a nostalgic journey through the decades, bringing back memories of “Yesterday Once More”. There were many warm moments when former classmates and teachers met and caught up with each other. It was also an opportunity for alumni and friends to keep abreast of recent developments in the dental school, and for the dental school to share its vision for the challenges ahead with its alumni. The theme for the celebrations, “Reflecting the Past, Shaping the Future”, was aptly titled and certainly achieved!

Day One – Flying Balls and “Yellow Birds”

To start the ball rolling (flying), a golf event was held on the first day at the Raffles Country Club. About 50 die-hard golfers engaged in keen but friendly competition. The event was held in conjunction with the Guild of Dental Graduates (Singapore), which also donated the 75th Anniversary commemorative souvenir for all participants—a handsome pewter-lid name card holder. A tennis game was also organised for the non-golfers at the NUS Sports and Recreation Complex.

In the evening, the golfers, other participants and invited guests gathered for the Informal Night at the NUS alumni house. This event was special as we invited former full-time teachers to honour them for their contributions to our Faculty and for providing us with the foundation to our careers.
The 75th Anniversary celebrations was probably the biggest party held at our Faculty this year. We have devoted several pages of this bumper issue to bring to you some of the photos, including the candid shots taken at the celebrations.

In our Spotlight on Alumni section, we have highlighted a few of our outstanding alumni, including the late Dr Ling Sing Yew. Dr Ling taught me Oral Surgery when I was an undergraduate in dental school and he was an excellent teacher with a ready smile for his students. What I remember most about him was his endless enthusiasm for the subject Oral Surgery, as well as his kind, patient and encouraging ways with students and patients alike. We are all very saddened with Dr Ling’s departure but he will always live in our memories.

On a happier note, one of our recent graduates, Dr Ng Yuk Ching represented South-east Asia as well as the Faculty of Dentistry NUS in the ADA / Dentsply Student Clinician Program held in Orlando, Florida in early Oct this year. This is a testament of the high quality of research work that is carried out in our Faculty, including the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme. Dr Ng shares with us the highlights of her trip to Orlando in her article about this Program.

As usual, we have lined up many other interesting articles on the latest happenings in and around the Dental School. I hope you will enjoy this issue of Dental Mirror. Your comments and feedback are always welcome. Happy reading! 😊
Dr Peter Tay receiving a token of appreciation from Dean, in acknowledgement of Drs Tay and Partners’ donation to the Faculty. Mrs Charlie Lau being presented with a token of appreciation.

Old friends getting together to sing “Yellow Bird” for Prof Jansen.

Present and former Heads of School/Deans spanning 40 years.

Prof Edmund Tay speaking on the Charlie Lau Kiang Hiong Memorial Fund.

Check point for registration and collection of souvenirs.

Dr So Choh, who flew in from Australia, in action on the golf course.

Recently completed Heritage Corner where items and photos related to the history of the Faculty and Dentistry were displayed.

After a refreshing tea-break, the participants returned for the Educational Symposium, which saw six of our very own alumni lecturing on a variety of topics. The morning session started with enthralling topics that dealt with issues and experiences that took us away from the tooth, the whole tooth and nothing but the tooth! The afternoon session featured clinical topics relevant to dental practitioners. The speakers included Dr Myra Elliot (BDS 1968), Dr Djeng Shih Kien (BDS 1971), Dr Chua Ee Kiam (BDS 1977), Prof Toh Chooi Gait (BDS 1974), Dr Victor Fan (BDS 1985) and Assoc Prof Kelvin Foong (BDS 1988).

The evening belonged to the celebration’s Gala Dinner, which was held at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel Grand Ballroom. All seats at the 50 tables were sold out prior to the event. Alumni and guests, all dressed up for the evening, were received in a room decorated with floating translucent balloons dancing in the air. Pictures from celebratory events of the past two days were screened while awaiting the arrival of our Guest-of-Honour, Prof Shih Choon Fong, President of NUS. The speeches that followed conveyed a strong sense of belonging as the Faculty celebrates its past achievement, and a feeling of great optimism towards the future of the Faculty. The audience was, without doubt, inspired by NUS’s vision of “unleashing minds, transforming lives”. After the speeches, dinner was served with a rousing James Bond theme with colorful lighting effects, much to the delight of the audience. Deserving staff members were presented with Performance awards and Long Service certificates for their excellent and dedicated services.

The much-anticipated entertainment programme, which was put up entirely by staff members, students and alumni, came on with a bang in the midst of great lighting effects and multi media presentations. It was a true spectacle of sight and sound! Items included interesting solo/ group song and dance
Performances put up by alumni, staff and students.

Day Three – Service with a smile

In the events that we planned, we did not forget to contribute to social and community services. We organised several radio talks for dental education, as well as a Dental Public Health Screening and exhibition at the Suntec Convention Centre. This event was supported by the Singapore Dental Association and the Singapore Dental Health Foundation. We had an interesting and rewarding day, where many visitors were screened and door gifts given away.

Apart from the many fond memories of the celebration, each participant took home a copy of the special commemorative 75th Anniversary Publication-cum-CD – “Dentistry Endeavours”, which documented the many significant Faculty celebrations and events over the years. I am sure it will remind them of the good times that they had shared with friends, teachers and staff from the Faculty of Dentistry. Let’s look forward to the 80th anniversary, and another opportunity to meet and reminisce.
With eagerness and anticipation, we of Freshmen Orientation Committee 2004 welcomed the new freshman class. It was our mission to acquaint them to the Faculty, and to forge bonds both within their class and to seniors and the alumni.

Dental Society camp 2004 in Sentosa provided an excellent opportunity for this. Seniors escaped from the rigours of laboratory sessions and we all enjoyed ourselves with the fun and games. In the night, seniors, and even fresh graduates and private practitioners came by, and related their academic experiences and valuable advice to curious freshmen in the comfort of the cool sea breeze.

The two weeks that followed was the baptism of fire for every freshman. This was the time to prove to the other disbelieving faculties that having the smallest student intake was no barrier to what we could achieve for Rag Day. Day and night, freshmen and seniors alike spared no effort in building the float and rehearsing for the performance. From sheer grit, determination, and the vision of a common goal, arose the synergy that allowed us to construct the float in all its majesty. We did not win any awards, but we won the respect of many friends outside the Faculty. That made us very proud to be able to say that we are from the Faculty of Dentistry.

The freshmen Orientation Committee would like to thank all faculty staff for their guidance, sponsors for their undying support, seniors, juniors, and my classmates for making freshmen orientation 2004 so successful and unforgettable.

The Dean’s Tea was hosted on 24 August 2004. A total of 30 parents of the new intake of first year dental students attended the event. They were given a tour of the faculty and its facilities. The parents were also given an overview of the dental course by the Dean and Heads of Department. Teaching staff from Dentistry and Faculty of Medicine were also introduced to the parents and students.

The importance of parental support and understanding as their children embark on a new phase of education was emphasized by the Dean. The evening ended with a tea reception for parents, students and staff to interact and get to know one another. The event was well received by the parents, with some parents sending very encouraging feedback, expressing their appreciation to the Faculty for organizing this event.
The 31st Asia Pacific Dental Student Association (APDSA) Congress was held here in Singapore from 16 to 21 August 2004. This was the fifth time that NUS Faculty of Dentistry has hosted this annual meeting for dental undergraduates and graduates who came from the Asia Pacific region. It was indeed encouraging to have an overwhelming number of overseas delegates as well as local dental students attending this congress. The total number of participants exceeded an unprecedented 350. Certainly, with the congress theme of “Bridging Worlds,” this meeting brought together dental students from different cultures, races, languages and nationalities for the 6 days, 5 nights congress. Delegates from Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Australia and Singapore gathered to share in this unique student experience.

The venue for APDSA 2004 was the Carlton Hotel, which is strategically located in the commercial heart of the city. The programme encompassed knowledge, fun and excitement in a plethora of activities which included social events, seminars, games, a faculty tour, and an exclusive exploration of our beautiful Garden City. The highlight of the conference was Cultural Night held at the scenic Fort Gate of Fort Canning Park where the participants so enthusiastically put up their best performances to entertain everyone. Overall, the event was a huge success and the participants’ feedback was overwhelming. We are all looking forward to the 32nd APDSA in to be held next year in Kuala Lumpur.

The Faculty of Dentistry 7th Awards Day was held on 7 October 2004 at the Faculty of Dentistry. The Guest of Honour was Vice Provost Professor Lily Kong. The ceremony kicked off with Dr Zheng Hongyan, Cecelia presenting the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Programme (UROP) research paper which won the first prize at the Dentsply Asia Student Clinicians Competition, held in Koh Samui, Thailand. The prize winners were presented with their awards while their parents were beaming with pride amongst the audience. The awards given out included the NUS Dental Society Awards, the Dean’s List, the Medals and Bookprizes, Scholarships, and for the staff of the Faculty, the Long Service Awards. Congratulations again to all our award winners!

8 July 2004 marked one of the most important days for our Dentistry class of 2004. It was none other than our commencement day. Unique to our course, the graduate dental class of 2004 had already started work in June 2004 as part of our bond. Many other classmates including myself thought that the excitement and anxiety for the commencement ceremony would have died down by that time but we could not be more wrong. Once we put on the graduation gowns on commencement day, we could barely contain the excitement and happiness within us and were snapping away with all our cameras. The sense of pride and achievement we felt as we received our scrolls made our years of hard work and studies all worthwhile. All of us have gone through a grueling four years of dental course together and commencement marked the end of our undergraduate days. More importantly, it also marks the beginning of a new chapter in our lives as a dental surgeon.
During the September holidays this year, 5 NUS Dental Year 3 students participated in the Student Exchange Programme to Loma Linda University (LLU). The university is located in South California, U.S.A., near Redlands.

Dr Daniel Tan was our host and we stayed at his house. Dr Tan is a Restorative staff in the Dental Faculty at LLU. It was indeed an enjoyable and memorable 10-day stay packed full of activities. These included in-campus faculty tour and attachments, live-demos and seminars, as well as a half-day attachment at Dr Tan’s private clinic. During school days, we were split into small groups to be attached and to observe the clinical sessions of the fourth year students. There, we learnt about the different types of materials and methods that can be used and the different clinical systems.

The people at Loma Linda were very warm and friendly. The Dean of Dental Faculty at LLU, Dr Goodacre and his wife, hosted a welcome lunch for us. We also visited Dr Bakland, the author of the recommended textbook, “Traumatic Dental Injuries”, at his office. There was a slight disappointment when we found out that Dr Torabinejad, the author of “Principles and Practice of Endodontics”, our basic endodontic textbook, was away at a conference.

On non-school days, we took the opportunity to do some sight-seeing and visited Disneyland, Downtown Los Angeles (including Hollywood), Ontario mills and Cabazon for shopping. We also visited San Diego, La Jolla Beach and the Oaktree village.

This trip was indeed an unforgettable and enriching experience. We were refreshed and inspired after this 10-day visit. One of the most memorable things about LLU is the corridors which are decorated with frames of quotable quotes which inspired the person who walked past. One of these quotes left a deep impression upon me, that we must “Be the change we wish to see in the world.”

Acknowledgement

The following companies had sponsored selected students from the Faculty for their trip on the Student Exchange Programme to the respective Universities:
- Dentsply - Loma Linda University
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- GC Asia - Loma Linda University
- Kavo - Guy’s, King’s & St Thomas’ Dental Institute, King’s College London
- Office of Alumni Relations - Loma Linda University & Guy’s, King’s & St Thomas’ Dental Institute, King’s College London

The Faculty would like to take this opportunity to thank all sponsors for their support towards the programme.
Many of us were saddened with the news of Sing Yew’s demise on 14 July 2004, when he lost his battle of almost two years to pancreatic cancer. The medical and dental communities lost a fine young man, not only for his services as a caring and experienced oral and maxillofacial surgeon, but more importantly, as someone who had true compassion and love for the poor, the sick and the sufferer. He immersed himself in selfless, charity services, both locally and overseas, long before he was diagnosed with the disease.

He was a member of the Moulmein Community Centre Management Committee and its Drug Abuse and Prevention Committee, member of the Yishun School Advisory Committee and a member of the Tzu Chi International Medical Association (TIMA). He went out of his comfort zone as a successful and contented family man, to involve himself in medical missions which performed operations with a team of other doctors and supporters, particularly in dentistry and cleft lip/palate repairs for the needy.

We remember Sing Yew as a cheerful, smiling and pleasant individual, with a passion for sports like scuba diving, tennis and golf. He enjoyed good food and traveling, and this he shared so well with fellow dentists when he was the President of the Guild of Dental Graduates (1997-99). He was a supportive and dedicated staff member of the Faculty of Dentistry and after he left for private practice, he continued with his dedication to teaching. Many generations of students felt the same fondness for this man.

His loss is indeed felt by many, especially his fellow members of TIMA from various countries, and most of all by his beloved wife, Felicia and his four lovely children. They found solace in the spirit and contributions that Sing Yew had left to so many, in so many ways. Life on earth is impermanent, but, Sing Yew had used his to illuminate others with permanency of love and meaning.

Dr Ling Sing Yew  
(*B.D.S 1981*)

Dr Vijayan Loganathan  
(*B.D.S. 1978*)

Dr Vijayan is no stranger to the dental community here as he has been working as a dentist in various dental institutions since he received his B.D.S and M.D.S degrees from the Faculty of Dentistry in Singapore. Although he is currently in full-time private practice, he continues to serve as Part-time teaching staff at the Dental Faculty of National University of Singapore and Visiting Consultant at Ministry of Defence and Visiting Consultant at Alexandra Hospital. Interestingly, Dr. Vijayan also holds a Master of Arts in Mass Communication (1998), a Diploma in Public Speaking (1986) and has also completed a professional course in counseling. Some of you may be aware of his involvement with the various dental volunteer trips to Indonesia, Thailand and India over the past seven years. Earlier this year, he organized and led a group of 27 (20 of whom were our dental undergraduates) to Karnataka, India to carry out dental volunteer work. However, his volunteerism does not stop there. He is also a volunteer counselor at the Ramakrishna Mission, as well as the Singapore Action for Aids. Dr Vijayan is very much into meditation and has been a strict vegetarian for the past 17 years. He has given talks on meditation and relaxation to cancer patients at major hospitals here, the Cancer Society (Singapore) and most recently, at the 2nd Breast Cancer Conference (2004) in Singapore. He has also conducted several stress management courses and workshops, the most recent being an invitation to conduct a Stress Management Seminar and Workshop in Kuching, Sarawak. Dr. Vijayan carried out all these activities while working as a full-time dental practitioner!

I take my hat off to this amazing man who has contributed so much to our society in more ways than just through dental service. I hope his actions will inspire and encourage more of our dental alumni to do the same.
It was my honour to be able to represent South-east Asia as well as the Faculty of Dentistry NUS in the ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Program held in Orlando, Florida early October 2004. This is the 45th consecutive year that Dentsply International has sponsored the Student Clinician Program in conjunction with the Annual Session of the American Dental Association.

A total of 13 winners of the International Student Clinician Programs were present as guest presenters in the Student Clinician Program competition for the 54 dental schools in the US. In my brief three day visit, the timetable was packed with two 3-hour table clinic presentations, attendance at the SCADA meeting, welcome dinner, rewards reception. However, I managed to squeeze in a half day visit to see Magic Kingdom with the other international students (we were at Walt Disney World – where it all began, after all!)

It was an experience meeting other student clinicians, learning more about the school they came from and their research topics and interests, as well as getting to know them personally as we spent our evenings and nights at the Marketplace. Our hosts from Dentsply International were excellent and tried their very best to make us feel at home.

At the end of the day, this trip re-ignited the spirit in me, to strive for excellence and to provide better dental care for our patients through self-improvement and clinical and laboratory researches. I urge all undergraduate students to work towards producing research papers (under the UROP project) that will gain self gratification as well as international recognition, on par with the student projects by other renowned schools – for everything is within reach, only if you work hard enough.

This research project entitled ‘Laser-induced prevention of enamel demineralization caused by acidic soft drinks’ won the Dentsply Student Clinician Program (South-east Asia Division) in Koh Samui, Thailand and hence represented SEA in the ADA/Dentsply Student Clinician Program in Orlando, FL. The project was a joint effort by Ng Yuk Ching, Selvajothi d/o Veerasamy, Sng Hong Cheong Jeffrey, Wee Chun Kheng Eugene and Zheng Hongyan Cecilia, and supervised by A/Profs Stephen Hsu and Keng Siang Beng.
The 8th NUS-NUH Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) was held in conjunction with Genome Institute of Singapore, Institute of Molecular & Cell Biology and Johns Hopkins Singapore. As in previous years, this event was held back to back with the NHG Annual Scientific Congress. The NUS-NUH ASM was held in Clinical Research Centre, NUS from 7-8 October 2004, while the NHG ASM was held at the Raffles City Convention Centre from 9-10 October 2004. Both meetings were well attended with stiff competition for the various award categories.

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Settling into Dentistry’s new Research Laboratory at the DSO Building

Energised by the prospect of a new home for research to pursue their research ideas, the team of dental researchers comprising, academic, research and technical staff, and students were raring to move into the new research laboratory at the DSO Building. The move took place on 26 August 2004, and within two weeks, initial experimental work had already started.

As you enter the laboratory, the light-coloured pastel shades on the wall and the “open” concept of the laboratory gives you a feel of a conventional laboratory with a blend of modernism. The ambient lighting and the colours of the laboratory furniture, combined with natural daylight, are planned to create an optimal working environment for sustained intellectual exercise.

The laboratory is designed to cater for equipment space, experimental work, and an office area for staff and students. In the office area, technical staff and research fellows are seated in discreet cubicles, while research students share work cubicles. Academic staff are located next to the research students in separate individual rooms to facilitate the mentoring process.

The experimental work areas of the laboratory are divided by different areas of research such as Bio-imaging, Cariology, Biophotonics, Biomaterials and Biomechanics, Histology and Molecular Biology, Oral Microbiology, and Cell-culture. The Cell-culture rooms, Biophotonics and Oral Microbiology areas are isolated from the remaining laboratories due to the nature of work carried out in these locations.

It has been more than three months since we moved into the new premises, and substantive research work is already in progress. Much of the operational procedures are in place. Research talents can call the research laboratory “home” and unleash their full potential. It will still take some time before operations of the research laboratory are finally settled. In the mean time, we are reminded of the earlier words by Robert Frost of the promises we have made to ourselves in research, and the many miles of roads we will traverse as we walk the path of research excellence.

But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
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- Robert Frost

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Recent Happenings at the Faculty

Welcome

Bursary Donors

- Q & M Dental Surgery Bursary (two awards of $1,500 each)
- Dental Bursary
- SmileWorks Bursary

Award Winners

National Awards

- Prof Chew Chong Lin was awarded The Public Administration Medal (Silver) at the National Day Awards 2004.
- Prof Loh Hong Sai was placed on the Roll of Honour (2004) for Singapore Dental Association.

Faculty Awards

- Dr Betty Mok Yuen Yue and A/P Kelvin Foong were awarded the Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award for AY 2003/04.
- The following staff were awarded the Faculty Performance / Merit Awards during the 75th Anniversary Gala Night:
  1. Performance Awards
     1. Mr Chan Swee Heng
     2. Mdm Ek Ben Lai
     3. Mdm Vadivale Navaamal
  2. Merit Awards
     1. Mr Ho Weng Siak
     2. Ms Valiamah d/o Thangavelu
     3. Mrs Wong Lai Chuan, Doris

- The following staff were awarded the Long Service Awards for their service to the University:
  - Academic Staff
    - A/P Lim Lian Peng: 10 years
    - A/P Yeo Jin Fei: 10 years
    - A/P Tan Chong Seng: 10 years
    - Prof Chew Chong Lin: 10 years
    - Prof Loh Hong Sai: 10 years
  - Non-Academic Staff
    - Ms Kou Keat Ing: 15 years
    - Mr Sim Chee Hwee: 20 years
    - Mr Mdhz Khan Bin Abi Yamin: 20 years
    - Mdm Tan Suan Kuang (Regina): 20 years
    - Mrs Gopu Govindamal: 20 years
    - Mrs Tan Kin Choo: 40 years

Farewell

- We bid a fond farewell to the following staff:
  - A/P Richard Chi
  - Dr Baldev Singh
  - Mr Er Seng Hua
  - Dr Winston Tan
  - Mr Heng Pook Seng
  - Dr Stefan Imwinkelreid
  - Ms Tan Poh San
  - Mr Yoong Min Fah
  - A/P Richard Chi
  - Dr Baldev Singh
  - Mr Er Seng Hua
  - Dr Winston Tan
  - Mr Heng Pook Seng
  - Dr Stefan Imwinkelreid
  - Ms Tan Poh San
  - Mr Yoong Min Fah

Mid Autumn Festival

Mid Autumn Festival or “Zhong Qiu Jie” is a very traditional festival of the Chinese. It falls on the 15th day of the 8th month of the lunar calendar. While Mooncake is the main food item, Chinese tea, pomelo and mini yam are also usually served. In the past, on this full moon night, families will gather around and admire the full moon, which symbolises “Unity”.

The Faculty held its Mid Autumn Festival celebrations on 27 September 2004, with sumptuous food and different types of mooncakes, including “Halal” mooncakes to enable our muslim colleagues to celebrate this occasion with us. It certainly was just like a family gathering for the Dental Faculty!

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Research Awards

IMRE Poster Competition – 3rd Prize (Voting Category)
Ms Siow Hooi Ling
MS Soh Mui Siang
Ms Siow, A Sellinger, AUJ Yap, Synthesis and Characterisation of New Nanocomposite Monomers for Use in Low Shrinkage Dental Restorations.

8th NUS-NHU Annual Scientific Meeting – Best Oral Science Poster Award
Dr Liu Hua
H Liu, BC Heng, YT Saw, HW Ouyang, T Cao, Early Separation of MSC Differentiated Odontogenic Cell for Osteogenesis in Local Implantation.

15th Southeast Asian Association for Dental Education (SEAADE) and 19th International Association for Dental Research Southeast Asian (IADR SEA) Division Annual Scientific Meeting

2. Dental Materials – Laboratory Research Award supported by the 3M Company. Dr Wang Xiao Yan – X Y Wang, AUJ Yap, K Y Zeng, Effect of Environmental Calcium Phosphate on Acid Resistance of Glass ionomers

3. Craniofacial Biology (IADR 1995 Prize) supported by the IADR SEA Division. M Y Woo, K Foong, Y H Chan, Light Based Facial Imaging System – A 3D Validation Study.

Dentsply Asia Student Clinicians Competition, First Place
Ng Yuk Ching – YC Ng, S Veerasamy, JHC Sng, ECK Wee, CH Zhang, CY Hu, SB Kang-In Situ Evaluation of Laser Effect on the Prevention of Enamel Demineralisation Using an Intra-Oral Model

Glycobiology 2004, Joint Meeting of the Society for Glycobiology and the Japanese Society for Carbohydrate Research, Honolulu – Travel Award
Dr Zou Xiaohui – X Zou, K Foong, T Cao, B H Bay, Y Zhou, G Yp, Analysis of the Effects of Heparin Sulphation Patterns on Palatal Fibroblast Activities.

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Promotions

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• A/P Kelvin Foong
  Senior Consultant, National University Hospital.

• Dr Ong Hoo Boon
  Senior Registrar, National University Hospital.

• A/P Varawan Sae-Lim
  Associate Professor, Department of Restorative Dentistry.

Upcoming Events

The Faculty of Dentistry will also be organising a “Centennial Symposium” to be held on 5-6 November 2004. Hope to see you there!

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