

# Pomona Valley Dental Assistants Society

**July 2016** 

Dear PVDAS Member,

Well, we're just closed out another year! In addition to our year ending, area Dental Assisting Programs have graduated another group of students, which means that there are new dental assistants joining us in this wonderful profession of ours! Welcome new grads! Please let us know how we can support you as you begin your career - if you haven't been to one of our Ed Days, join us! It will provide valuable networking to you as you begin your career. I look forward to spending time with you, our new colleagues.

The Board has met to begin planning next year's event, so if you have any suggestions or requests, <u>let me know!</u>

Your participation in the Society is valued and appreciated!

Claudia Pohl, CDA, RDA PVDAS President

## Welcome to these New Members!

#### **New Active Members:**

Maria Guerrero

#### **New Student Members:**

Darlene Aceves
Jessica Alvarado-Barrera
Courtney Assumma
Rosa Barrera
Anselmo Bogarin
Brittani Bradford
Arianna Falzone
Jessica Flores

Mariah George Jessica Gundy Lynnsey Hodges Ciera Jones Cheyenne Massey Andrew Meriwether Layla Noorzadi Acacia Padilla Tiffany Paniagua Joshulyn Penniman Griselda Ramirez Khara Taylor Kristi Torres Joseph Vanderhoff

### Mark Your Calendars Now!

PVDAS will be again providing 2 Continuing Education Days, providing 8 CE's for the year.

Fall Ed Day will be held on Saturday, September 17 at Carrington College, Pomona providing the mandatory 2 CE course on *Infection Control* as well as a course on *Stress Relief and Reflexology for Dental Health Care Workers*.



You won't want to miss these courses! Watch for registration information next month.

Spring Ed Day will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2017 - put it on your calendar now!

# Congratulations!

Diane Leef received Life Membership (25 years) in the ADAA/CDAA/PVDAS. Well done, Diane! Your commitment to the professional organization is to be commended - and it is appreciated.

# **Loma Linda University Opens RDAEF Program**

LLU's new RDAEF Program has been approved by the Dental Board of California and will begin classes August 30<sup>th</sup>. For more information, visit their <u>website</u>.

Module 1: Aug. 30 - Nov. 17, 2016

Module 2: Dec. 6, 2016 - March 23, 2017

Module 3: April 2 - July 18, 2017

## **Local Students Win RDATable Clinics**

RDA Table Clinics are held each year at CDA Presents Anaheim. This year, Jemma Lipped and Christina Seto (Citrus College) were awarded 1st place for their presentation on *Bone Loss in the Oral Cavity*. 2nd Place was awarded to Vianey Alonso (Antelope Valley ROP) for her presentation on *Life without Teeth* and 3rd Place was awarded to Sarah Forgy (Citrus College) for her presentation on the *Oral Health Impact of e-Cigarettes*.

## Congratulations to them all!

## **Legislative Update**

At their May meeting, the Dental Board voted to retain the RDA Practical Exam and directed the Office of Professional Examination Services to redesign the exams. The Occupational Analysis is now available on the Dental Board website.

License renewal and exam fees for RDAs and RDAEFs will be increasing in the upcoming fiscal year. RDA/RDAEF renewals are expected to increase from \$70 to \$100. RDA Practical Exam fees are expected to increase from \$80 to \$220.

## PVDAS Officers 2016-2017

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