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Calendar

January 30-31

DENTISTRY 86th Annual Meeting, Hilton Hotel, San Francisco.

February 1-7

DENTISTRY Post Annual Meeting Tour, Mazatlan, Mexico. For further information call E. William Ferber, (415) 781-1352.

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PHARMACY Board Meeting, Med. Sci. 940, 8:00 pm.

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AAUCSF Council Meeting, Faculty Club, Millberry Union, 6:30 pm.

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NURSING Board Meeting, Laurine Buada residence, 7:30 pm.

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ALL ALUMNI Founders Day Exhibit opens, Millberry Union, 9 am-5 pm. Open 2/17-2/21.

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ALL ALUMNI FIRST UCSF FOUNDERS DAY, including lectures, luncheon, raffle, and open house at the new Alumni Center.

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NURSING Reunion; annual meeting, HSW 301, 8:30 am.

March 1-2

AAUCSF Legislative Conference, Sacramento.

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PHARMACY Board Meeting, Med. Sci. 940, 8:00 pm.

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NURSING Board Meeting, Marjory Lee residence, 7:30 pm.

April 6

PHARMACY Board Meeting, Med. Sci. 940, 8:00 pm.

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NURSING Board Meeting, Norma Ingell residence, 7:30 pm.

May 5

AAUCSF Council Meeting, Faculty Club, Millberry Union, 6:30 pm.

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MEDICINE Homecoming, campus/St. Francis Hotel.

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NURSING Board Meeting, Phyllis Reichle residence, 7:30 pm.

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MEDICINE Graduation, Zellerbach Auditorium, 2:00 pm.

June 5

NURSING Graduation, Marin Civic Center, 10:00 am.

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DENTISTRY Graduation, Marin Civic Center.

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PHARMACY Graduation, Palace of Fine Arts, 1:00 pm.

Dates to watch for:

Pharmacy Alumni Reunion
Chauncey Leake Day

For further information, or to add items for listing, contact Office of Alumni Affairs, 532 Parnassus, San Francisco, CA 94143, (415) 666-GRAD.



Lasting Associations

A History of Alumni Spirit

Founders Day will have special significance for the individual alumni associations of the schools of Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy, and for their six-year-old coordinating council, the Alumni Association of the University of California, San Francisco (AAUCSF). Each of the five associations has played a significant role in the development of the campus.

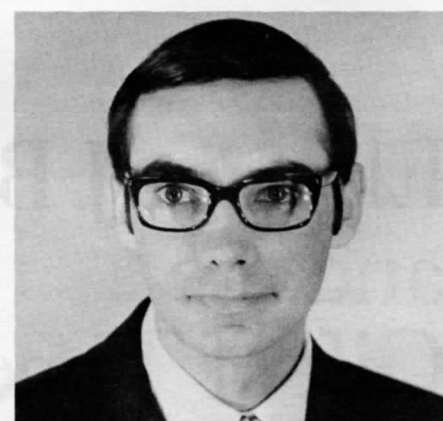
School of Dentistry

Founded in 1881, the Dental Department of the University of California formed its Alumni Association with the first graduating class in 1882. The eight students, most of them already practicing dentists, had attended classes along with the medical students at the Toland Medical College on Stockton Street. When the Dental Department outgrew these quarters, it moved to the Donahoe Building in downtown San Francisco. This building was destroyed in the great earthquake and fire, and by late 1906 all divisions of the Dental Department were housed in its new building on the present campus.

The Alumni Meeting, held annually since 1896, has been a source of continuing professional education for the members, faculty, and students, and has served as an occasion for reviewing the school's curriculum and progress.

From the earliest years, a strong undergraduate spirit carried over to the alumni. Through their own manual labor, the dentistry and dental hygiene students of the 1920s constructed a cafeteria and "shack" bookstore and cleared ground for campus ball and tennis courts. Profits from the cafeteria and bookstore were to become a nucleus for the alumni's fund-raising campaign to build Millberry Student Union, completed in 1958 with a matching grant from the University.

In the same way, the alumni were instrumental in providing the



Clockwise from bottom left: William S. Giles, D'52; Charles T. Carman, M'51; Allen H. Johnson, M'46-F; Phyllis Heald Reichle, N'52; James E. Knoblen, P'71

school's postgraduate auditorium, laboratory, and seminar room in the Medical Sciences Building.

Dedication of the new School of Dentistry Building in 1979 and the school's 100th anniversary celebration in 1981 were attended by many alumni and their families. A highlight of the 1981 annual meeting was the presentation for the first time of Medal of Honor awards, recognizing 12 distinguished alumni for their contributions to public service, education, research, and clinical practice.

School of Medicine

The University of California Medical Alumni Association began in 1873, the year in which the San Francisco campus was founded when Toland Medical College affiliated with UC.

Preserved in the archives of the campus library is the lead stamp that was used to emboss documents with the seal of the association: "Organized Nov. 1873 Reorganized Nov. 1885 and May 1895." The constitution and bylaws, printed in booklet form in 1886, set the annual dues at \$1.00 and authorized an annual meeting for each December.

Early minutes of the faculty association reveal that the Medical Alumni Association participated in the ground-breaking and dedication ceremonies for the Affiliated Colleges on the present campus. The alumni sponsored the placement of bronze plaques honoring the founders and they also hosted a banquet following each year's Medical School commencement held on the Berkeley campus.

After the turn of the century, the association languished and, despite attempts to revive it in the 1930s and 1940s, did not emerge as a cohesive organization until 1952,

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when the present Alumni-Faculty Association was formed.

World Wars I and II, however, brought an infusion of school spirit when many physicians from this campus volunteered to go overseas to form the Thirtieth Base Hospital. In World War I, this was located near the front in France. From 1940 until the end of World War II, many UC-San Francisco physicians, joined by several dentists and nurses, served in the unit first in England and later in the thick of the fighting during the Normandy invasion.

Soon after the war, the Alumni-Faculty Association was off to a healthy start. In June 1953, it revived the commencement banquet, and in November of the same year held a successful Homecoming Day on the eve of the Stanford-Cal "Big Game." After 1963, the Homecoming Day and banquet, which have become yearly traditions, were combined and are held on the same day each spring.

The A-FA has sponsored a number of projects of lasting value to the campus. It was responsible for restoration of Toland Hall's Zakheim murals, depicting the history of medicine in California;

has contributed to the restoration of the historic medical school clock; and gave major support to the construction of the UCSF Child Care/Study Center. Currently under way is a plan to establish a campus video learning center for the use of students, faculty, and alumni.

School of Nursing ⁽⁵⁾

The Training School for Nurses began after the first UC Hospital was opened to care for victims of the 1906 earthquake and fire. Offering a three-year diploma program for live-in student nurses, the school graduated its first class in 1909.

On September 29, 1915, a group of graduates met to form the UC Nursing Alumnae. The early Alumnae Association, which met in the Nurses' Home, supported such causes as a relief fund for needy students and a "Serum Station"—forerunner of the modern-day blood bank.

In 1917, a five-year curriculum leading to a baccalaureate degree was added, with classes held on the Berkeley campus. The diploma program was discontinued in 1934. The year 1981 saw the end of the

UCSF baccalaureate program for nurses, which, since 1958, had been entirely carried out on the San Francisco campus in the first autonomous School of Nursing to be established by any state university. Today, the Nursing School's curriculum consists entirely of graduate degree programs.

The nursing alumni have been proud of their ties with the University. The starched white cap awarded to graduates (before caps were abandoned by RN's) was styled in the shape of an academic mortarboard, trimmed with a braided cord in the UC colors, blue and gold. In 1945, the group became an official chapter at Berkeley of the California Alumni Association, an alliance that lasted until 1979.

The present-day association sponsors a well-attended annual meeting offering a professional symposium with continuing education credit. It informs the membership on pertinent legislation; has provided special support to the Child Care/Study Center on campus; offers a student emergency loan fund; and maintains two active student aid funds—the Dr. Betty Davis Fund, established in 1945 to honor the beloved infirmary physician who took care of the nursing students when they were sick, and the Ann E. Hill Scholarship, begun in 1971 to commemorate the retirement of an outstanding faculty member.

School of Pharmacy

The California College of Pharmacy, which began in 1872 in two rented rooms on Montgomery Street, was the first institution of its kind west of the Mississippi. It became affiliated with UC in 1873. The Alumni Association was formed in 1882.

To accommodate increasing numbers of students, the college moved four times in its first 26 years. In 1895, Mayor Adolph Sutro invited the UC-San Francisco alumni groups to inspect the proposed site for the Affiliated Colleges on what was to become known as Parnassus Heights. Two years later, the pharmacy graduates stood in a drenching rain to participate in cornerstone-laying ceremonies for the new building, which was occupied by their college in 1898.

The association sponsored a quarterly scientific symposium as well as the annual meeting at the end of the school year and an annual banquet for the graduates. A major reunion in 1905 at the California Hotel began with the alumni marching into the dining room in pairs while the orchestra played "Here Come the Conquering

Heroes." It ended with the entire assemblage joining in the college yell.

After the 1906 disaster, the Alumni Association apparently waned. At any rate, no other significant records of its early history seem to have been preserved. By February 1959, it had been revived with a well-publicized meeting, held in Millberry Union, which had just opened the year before. More than 300 alumni and spouses attended the banquet, which was highlighted by the first of many "Alumni of the Year" awards to be presented at the annual meetings.

Today's Alumni Association, a flourishing "booster group" for the School of Pharmacy, remains dedicated to its original goals: "to promote the work of the School, encourage fellowship, advance the science and art of pharmacy, encourage and assist undergraduates, and keep a record of the accomplishments and service of its members."

Alumni Association of UCSF

The concept of an alumni council for the campus was first proposed in 1974 by Chancellor Francis A. Sooy. Inspired by the idea, Ruth Davis, MD, president of the School of Medicine's Alumni-Faculty Association, called a meeting to present the plan to the presidents and vice presidents of the four campus alumni associations.

Thus began the movement toward a unified organization that would represent the interests of all UCSF alumni while maintaining the identity of the four existing associations. Formation of the AAUCSF also paved the way for the eventual election of an Alumnus Regent from this group to serve in the rotation process with the other UC campuses.

Several more organizational meetings were held in January 1976, and at a dinner hosted by Chancellor Sooy, bylaws were adopted by the AAUCSF representatives—five from each alumni association. In May 1977, officers were installed and plans were made to participate in the first regional UC alumni meeting. This meeting, held in San Jose in November 1978 with UC President David Saxon as the speaker, was attended by some 250 alumni.

Since then, the AAUCSF has held quarterly meetings, has participated in the nine-campus UC Legislative Conference at Sacramento, and has sponsored the first reception for the graduating seniors from all schools. A UCSF Alumnus Regent will be elected in 1983 to serve on the UC Board of Regents.

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