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President's Message

Mission Stories! Some of us grew up listening to them, some of us have lived them!

Mission service, whether international or local, whether medical, teaching, or sharing, whether short term or lifelong, is at the heart of Loma Linda's motto: To Make Man Whole. And supporting those who provide International Mission Service is one of our core goals at the Medical Auxiliary. You, our members, have donated well over a million dollars in just the last decade to purchase equipment and supplies which allow our Medical School graduates to provide care at a level commensurate with their skills. In addition, we have tried to help their family members to know just how much their sacrifices are appreciated.

In recent decades, 15-20 Alumni and their families have been dedicating their lives to full-time International Mission Service at any given time. For the past 25 years Adventist Health International,



Merle and Steve Hildebrand on a recent LLU School of Medicine Alumni Association trip to the Galapagos Islands.

based on our campus, has helped 45 Hospitals and 100+ clinics in 30 countries to bring their standards of care up to modern capabilities. At the Medical Auxiliary we focus on these and other hospitals and clinics where our Alumni are currently serving.

We hope that many of you can join us at our Fall Luncheon on Tuesday, October 17 at the historic Grigsby Building in downtown Redlands. You will be inspired by news and stories including a report from Dr. Denny Hong who is currently serving at Kendu Adventist Hospital, Kenya. We will also feature an opportunity to contribute gifts to the families of those serving overseas.



The Buxton family ready to sail for India from San Francisco, July 1952

We would love to hear from you and please share your Mission Stories as you contact us!

With sincere gratitude,

Merle Hildebrand

Missionary Remembrance

By Louise Buxton Schneider

My parents, Nigel and Elmira Richli Buxton (LLUSM '41), spent 16 years in India as missionary physicians. My two brothers and I were recipients of Christmas Auxiliary gift boxes during my childhood years. Getting a box with interesting thoughtful gifts was exciting and memorable.

Why would this be sent to us? My mother explained that those folks sending the boxes were telling us they cared about our efforts even though we lived on the other side of the world. It made a strong impression on me. Even on our most difficult days there were people far away who cared about us!



From the Editors

This year we focus on missions, one of the reasons the Auxiliary was begun 91 years ago.

Our current president, Merle Hildebrand, is no stranger to mission service, having grown up the daughter of missionaries in India and having served with her husband Steve Hildebrand (SM '80-A) in Bangkok, Thailand and at the Guam Seventh-day Adventist Clinic from 1985-1992. Many of you readers have similar stories. Today, globalization and instant communication shrink the distance between "home" and "abroad." How can we as caring individuals respond to the needs we see in the world today?

Your monetary Auxiliary contributions are directed to areas around the world where our alumni are serving, to scholarships, and to various programs for the students and residents here on campus as well as our members. In addition, each of us can make it our personal mission to reach out to family, friends, neighbors, work colleagues or even those we just pass on the street to share a word of encouragement, a meal, a smile.

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

Blessings,

Lynda Chan and Karen Wat Mielsen

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Fall Luncheon

Join us
Tuesday, October 17, 2023
11:00 a.m.
at the historic Grigsby Building
in Redlands.

Meet and make friends and help support our Mission-based alumni. Further details will be available on our website: https://llumedaux.org/

Loma Linda University Medical Auxiliary

Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets

Bank of America 127,592.97
LLU Foundation Investments 892,104.31
Paypal Account 0.00
Petty Cash 350.00
Total Checking/Savings 1,020,047.28

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable 1,817.23 **Total** 1,817.23

Other Current Assets

Inventory 20,387.02 Total 20,387.02

TOTAL ASSETS 1,042,251.53

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities
Federal Tax Liability 1,656.10
California Tax Liability 210.39
Accrued Expenses 1,922.28
Total 3,788.77

Equity

Unrestricted Fund 157,248.72 Life Endowment Fund 350,471.28 Past President Fund 2,128.71 Do Unto Others Fund 46,291.22 Missions Fund 106,434.05 287,106.69 Scholarship Fund 26,999.15 Student Assistance Fund Special Project 57,704.29 Tree of Angels 4,078.65 **Total Equity** 1,038,462.76

Total Liabilites & Equity 1,042,251.53



Dr. Denny Hong, Luncheon Mission Speaker, and Family



The traditional Past Presidents' Tea on June 1, 2023 included (L to R):
Marina Raines, Maggie Cotton, Dixie Watkins, Lynda Chan,
Danielle Hoxie, Merle Hildebrand, Jolene Hilliard, Donna Hadley



Kendu Adventist Hospital, Kenya Dr. Denny Hong SM'15 and family

Gendia Pharmacy was opened on June 14th, 2023 under Kendu Adventist Hospital supervision. This commercial retail pharmacy will help supply essential medications for the community and serve as a center for health promotion and education. We are grateful for the financial support from the Medical Auxiliary, which made it possible for the building to be completed, as well as the LLU School of Pharmacy for establishing our hospital as an international partner.

Thank you for your continued support.





La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital, Belize Dr. Jeffrey Cho SM'14 and family

Here at La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital, our hearts are full as we praise the Lord for His never-ending showers of mercy and grace! By His grace alone, the Sylvan N. Roberts Jr. Memorial Imaging Center has undergone a dramatic transformation over the past few months. A special dedication service was held on May 7, 2023 with the board members of LLLAH and some of Sylvan's family members present. A 64-slice CT scanner and digital mammography machine were installed and the first CT patient was scanned on 23 May 2023. This scanner is the best in the area and will be a great service to the people of Belize. The imaging center features encouraging Bible verses on the signage and walls.

As the imaging center launches, our prayer is that it can be a powerful center of influence that the Lord uses to open the way for His gospel of love to be experienced by our patients and staff in a tangible way. The leadership and staff of La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital is extremely grateful to the Medical Auxiliary for your invaluable support, which helped to make this whole project possible.

May God continue to bless you richly as you further His mission here in Belize and all over the world.



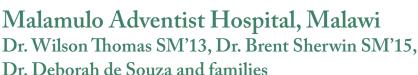
Around the World

Béré Adventist Hospital, Chad Dr. Staci Davenport SM'14

Medical Auxiliary funds are being used towards the construction of a new operating room complex. The first stages of remodeling the current campus buildings and moving the garage have begun. New roofing is being installed for the post op ward and administrative building. The veranda is being fixed with reinforced footings and a new sidewalk. These campus developments are initial steps towards becoming a Pan African Academy of Christian Surgeons (PAACS) training site.

Your support is certainly improving the quality of care in the Béré community!





In March we received a generous donation of funds towards our school. We needed safe play equipment that will last for many years to come. We have completed the installation of our new playground and opened it up to our community as a safe play space as well. Please pass our gratitude on to the members of the Medical Auxiliary.

We are forever grateful for the belief in our mission and what we have to offer the children of Malawi.





Missionaries currently serving through the Deferred Mission Appointment program:

Dr. Wilson Thomas SM'13
Dr. Brent Sherwin SM'15
Dr. Deborah de Souza
Dr. Staci Davenport SM'14
Dr. James Appel SM'00
Dr. James Fernando SM'06
Dr. Denny Hong SM'15
Dr. Joel Mundall SM'06
Dr. Jeffery Cho SM'14
Dr. Scott Nelson SM'96
Dr. Jonathon Thorp SM'12
Dr. Daniel DeBardeleben SM'18
Dr. Nick Walters SM'89
Dr. Herb Giebel SM'88

Malamulo Adventist Hospital, Malawi Malamulo Adventist Hospital, Malawi Malamulo Adventist Hospital, Malawi Béré Adventist Hospital, Chad

Béré Adventist Hospital, Chad SDA Cooper Hospital, Liberia

AHS Waterloo Hospital, Sierra Leone Kendu Adventist Hospital, Kenya

Hospital Adventista Valle de Ángeles, Honduras

La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital, Belize

Hôpital Adventist d'Haiti, Haiti Guam SDA Clinic, Guam Guam SDA Clinic, Guam

Mission Hospital Bangkok, Thailand Christian Medical College Vellore, India



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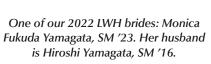
By Janette Allen

Twenty-five starry-eyed "brides-to-be" attended the three Little White House Bridal Boutiques this spring. With a new shipment of beautiful new wedding gowns, still with original price tags on them, our brides had a lovely selection to choose from.

With a professional dressmaker present to assist in alterations and volunteers acting as "Mom," the happy brides were toasted as they said, "Yes to the Dress!"



Future bride at the 2023 boutique





Back to School at LWH Monday Night, July 17, 2023





LWH Volunteer Crew L to R, Sitting: Janette Allen, Jolene Hilliard, Sharon Stewart, Pam Barruga. Standing: Vicki Simpson, Connie Fuller, Jean Burgdorf, Myrna Smith, Priscilla Lonser, Carol Roeske, Jim Martinez, Mary Leichty, Candy Hadley, Marcia Lang





JMA/RMA Update

The new team of JMA officers has been busy welcoming the Class of 2027 to LLU. They participated in the Orientation Engagement Fair at Fellowship Hall, University Church, on August 3. Their first activity for this year was supper and vespers at the charming Victorian home of Melissa Torrey SM '01 in Redlands on August 4.



JMA Officers, left to right, Elle Martin, Co-Leader, Annie Miles, Co-Leader, Ayla Nelson, Communications Officer, Rachel Sheperd, Financial Officer













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Christmas Gift to a Missionary Child

By Barbara Truitt Holm

My parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Truitt (LLUSM 1944-B), were medical missionaries in Bangkok, Thailand from 1957-1961. I was probably 8 years old the year we received a Christmas package from the Medical Auxiliary. My sister and I both received identical baby dolls. It meant so much to me and still does.

I later graduated with my BS from LLU School of Nursing, Class of 1972, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certification in 1973 and MSN in 1977. I married Ed Holm (LLUSM 1973-A) who I had met while my family was in Thailand and his family lived in Indonesia. (His parents were Dr. and Mrs. Donald Holm, LLUSM 1944-B). My husband and I spent thirteen years in medical missions ourselves: Guam 1977-1987 and Singapore 1987-1990.

I wish I could thank those who had such a meaningful impact on me as a child, but I can thank the current Medical Auxiliary for their efforts to make a difference.



My doll is dressed up in a hand knitted cap from my sister and baby sweater, dress and bib my grandmothers made.

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Remembering Georgia Hodgkin (1939-2023)

Georgia was Auxiliary President in 1987-1988 and 2008-2009 and served in multiple positions until 2011.

She was the editor of *An Apple A Day, Volume 2* and *An Apple A Day, Volume 3*.

The Auxiliary is immensely grateful to her and her family for all of her contributions.







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- AUXILIARY MISSION VESPERS LLUC Sabbath, March 2, 2024
- HOMECOMING LUNCHEON & BUSINESS MEETING Sunday, March 3, 2024

Welcome SM Class of 2027!



The Auxiliary provided watermelon and ice cream from the Happy Camper Creamery at the Alumni Association-sponsored first day of orientation supper on August 1, 2023.



The mission of the Loma Linda University Medical Auxiliary is to demonstrate God's love through benevolence and shared service. The Auxiliary promotes the mission work of its Alumni; the education and welfare of medical students, residents and their spouses; and the intellectual and spiritual growth of its diverse membership.

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