

Remembering Our Faculty

The LSUHSC School of Dentistry (LSUSD) has recently lost one active and two retired faculty members. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family, friends, and colleagues of Drs. William Schmidt, Anthony Carimi, and Francis Abadie. Each of these individuals made a lasting impression on dentistry and dental education in Louisiana.

William F. Schmidt, DDS, passed away on Saturday, August 30, 2014, at the age of 67. He was a member of the 1970 Loyola School of Dentistry graduating class. He served as president of the New Orleans Dental Association and the New Orleans Dental Study Club and as chairman of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry Peer Review Committee. During his 40 years of private practice, Dr. Schmidt volunteered to teach at LSUSD and also served with the Louisiana National Guard.



William Schmidt, DDS

Following his retirement from private practice, he accepted a full-time position as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials. Dr. Schmidt is survived by his four children.



Anthony Carimi, DDS

Anthony B. Carimi, DDS, passed away on July 29, 2014, at the age of 88. After graduating from Loyola School of Dentistry in 1949, he joined the U.S. Air Force, leaving the service in 1951 as a captain in the Dental Corps. During his many years in private practice,

he taught part-time at Loyola School of Dentistry and at LSUSD. He was a member of the LSUSD faculty from 1970 until his retirement in 1997. He held various positions at the dental school, becoming head of the Department of Dental Auxiliaries in 1974. Dr. Carimi served as president of the New Orleans Dental Association, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) National Honor Dental Society, Loyola Dental Alumni Club, Gentilly Rotary Club, and the New Orleans Dental Study Club. He also served as chairman and president of the New Orleans Dental Conference. Dr. Carimi is survived by his wife Ona Claire and their three children.

Francis R. Abadie, DDS, MAGD, passed away on September 1, 2014, at the age of 86. Dr. Abadie was a 1950 graduate of Loyola School of Dentistry. During the Korean War, he served as a U.S. Army Dental Surgeon in a MASH unit, attaining the rank of major. Dr. Abadie practiced dentistry in New Orleans for 33 years. A member of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry, he resigned in 1977 to join the LSUSD part-time faculty in the Department of General Dentistry. In 1981 he became a full-time faculty member and in 1985 he started the Advanced Education in General Dentistry program. Dr. Abadie was a chairman of the New Orleans Dental Conference, a fellow of the International College of Dentistry, a fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, and a member of OKU National Honor Dental Society. He was also the first dentist in Louisiana to achieve mastership in the Academy of General Dentistry. He retired from LSUSD in 1997. Dr. Abadie is survived by his wife Louise and their six children.



Francis Abadie, DDS, MAGD

Martello Receives Accolade



Frank Martello, DDS

The board of directors of United Cerebral Palsy of Greater New Orleans (UCP) recently honored **Frank Martello, DDS**, for his 30 years of volunteer service with the UCP dental clinic. Founded 50 years ago at Touro Infirmary, the clinic is now located at UCP headquarters in Kenner.

Since 1984 Dr. Martello has treated children and adults with developmental disabilities, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, and autism. He has also served as clinic director and on the medical advisory board and board of directors. In addition, Dr. Martello has provided gratis dental care at the Louisiana Special Olympics and at the Farhad Grotto in Harahan.

A 1979 LSUSD graduate, Dr. Martello practices dentistry in uptown New Orleans and is a part-time clinical professor in the LSUSD Department of Comprehensive Dentistry.