Students recognized for leadership and ‘vision of excellence’

Forestadent USA extends a special thank you to all who participated in this year’s Forestadent USA Scholarship Program. The 2010/2011 program came to an end on Aug. 27.

The company received applications from 35 schools across the country. The talent presented in the applications was “truly amazing,” according to the company, “making the task of selecting the winners extremely difficult.”

Forestadent USA would like to congratulate the winners of the 2010/2011 Forestadent USA Scholarships: Dr. Rita Chuang, University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Reese McElveen, University of Oklahoma; and Dr. Simon Shung, University of Pittsburgh.

According to the company, these recipients stand out not only academically, but they are committed leaders with an outstanding commitment to their communities, a sincere dedication to their patients and a true vision of excellence.

Each recipient received a check in the amount of $5,000 to use toward his or her residency expenses.

Forestadent President Paul Humphrey said: “We were expecting excellent applications, but the amount of hard work and dedication set forth in the applications we received was far greater than what we had ever expected.

“There is an exceptional amount of talent that will soon join the ranks of the industry. After the applications we reviewed, the orthodontic community is in for some great things ahead.”

For the first year out, the company said it believes the program was a huge success and is looking forward to continuing it again next year.

After collecting feedback from the scholarship committee and the residents, Forestadent will make a few changes to the program and the application process for next year.

Materials for the 2011/2012 school year will be available in the spring of 2011.

If you have any questions about the Forestadent USA Scholarship Program, please contact Karri Denny at (800) 721-4940 or karrid@forestadentusa.com.

With more than 100 years of experience, Forestadent is a leading global manufacturer of orthodontic products, specializing in brackets, bands, screws and functional appliances. Forestadent USA is headquartered in the heart of the United States in St. Louis, Mo.

Over the past 25 years, the company has experienced growth on account of its high-quality products and customer service.

For more information, about the company or the scholarship opportunity, visit the website at www.forestadentusa.com.
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AMD LASERS, the world’s leading dental laser company, recently announced the expansion of its domestic and international distribution channels of its dental laser, Picasso®.

The expansion includes the buildup of AMD sales representatives in the United States and a new agreement for Ortho Technology to distribute AMD LASERS’ products to the orthodontic market in more than 65 countries, including the United States.

President and CEO Alan Miller said: “I am very pleased that our award-winning dental lasers are recognized around the world as the gold standard in quality and affordability. We have been quietly building our U.S. sales force, international distribution channels, customer service and expanding our R&D and manufacturing facility to meet the demands for our products.

“Picasso dental lasers can already be found in more than 60 countries, and with the addition of Ortho Technology, patients worldwide will be the real benefactors of this wonderful technology.”

Ortho Technology has entered into an exclusive agreement to distribute the Picasso Lite laser to orthodontists worldwide. The Picasso Lite laser can be used to expose unerupted teeth, remove soft tissue for bracket, band and TAD placement, treat ulcerative lesions and canker sores and perform frenectomies and gingival contouring.

“The Picasso Lite laser assists the orthodontist with treatments such as minimization of blood and tissue fluid interference, accelerated healing of ulcerative lesions and offers great coagulation.

“Adding an innovative product such as the Picasso Lite laser to increase orthodontic office productivity with the No. 1 laser company in the world makes perfect sense,” said Senior Vice President of Marketing and Product Development Paul Wilkens.

“Ortho Technology strives for excellence in the manufacturing and distribution of quality products and is proud to be an exclusive distributor of the Picasso Lite laser to the orthodontic market.”

The Picasso family of lasers includes Picasso, Picasso II, Picasso Rx, Picasso CS-Perio, Picasso Lite and Picasso ATL.

“Our commitment speaks for itself. We have heavily reinvested into R&D and remained profitable and charitable,” Miller said. “I started this company with one goal and one vision — a laser in every office and a laser in every operatory.

“Patients deserve the best treatment possible and laser technology is the standard of care. The only way they were going to receive it was by making the technology affordable. We continue to lead the way for doctors and patients.”

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AMD LASERS, a world-leading dental laser company, designs, markets and manufactures medical laser technology focused on dentistry and medicine. The company’s award-winning lasers are considered to be the gold standard in quality and affordability around the world.

The integration of the Picasso line of soft-tissue dental lasers enables every dental practitioner to provide state-of-the-art treatment for soft-tissue surgery, periodontal treatment, endodontic procedures and laser teeth whitening.

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