## LSUHSC's Kee Educator of the Year

E dwin Kee, Master CDT, Assistant Professor of Clinical Prosthodontics at the School of Dentistry at LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans, has been named Educator of the Year by the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL).



The NADL, a federation of state commercial dental laboratory associations formed in 1951, is the unified voice of the dental laboratory industry supporting dentistry and serving the public interest by promoting high standards.

Kee holds a Master Certified Dental Technician designation and completed all of the exams and specialties in a four-year period. He is the youngest CDT to achieve master status.

A graduate of the LSUHSC School of Dentistry who earned both Associate of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees in Dental Laboratory Technology, Kee has been a member of the LSUHSC faculty since 1999.

## LSUHSC students come back from Guatemala changed

ver the semester break, three students in the Speech-Language Pathology program at the LSUHSC School of Allied Health Professions, traveled to

Guatemala to broaden their knowledge through service as volunteers at a very special camp. C a m p a m e n t o Kikotimaal was founded and is directed by Sarah Peller, an LSUHSC Allied Health graduate. The camp opens the world of opportunities in recreation and participating in mainstream Guatemala to campers with disabilities.



Amy Shipley, Justin Whitley and Andrea Pizza

For two weeks each December, American and Guatemalan campers enjoy

Sarah Peller and camper

themselves in activities such as playing soccer, swimming, boating, and horseback riding. Counselors also help them explore Guatemala's culture and beauty through

travel.

Campers, who range in age from 15 to 50, look forward to it every year. Some campers are picked up from a hospital, some are dropped off, but they converge on Antigua where camp starts from all over the country.

Conditions include Down's Syndrome, forms of autism, cerebral palsy, MS,

among others. The ratio of counselor to camper is one to one.

Thirty-six Guatemalan campers and counselors, four American counselors, and one American camper participated.

Amy Shipley says, "This trip changed who I am, how I see and relate to people with disabilities, and gave me so much perspective about the medical services we have here in the US."

