

## **James S. Louie, M.D.**

Jim was born in Los Angeles, California. He attended Tulane University, and graduated from Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis. Jim was led into Rheumatology during his internal medicine training with strong mentors at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He completed his Rheumatology Fellowship and served as Chief Resident in Medicine at UCLA. He joined the faculty at the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, took a sabbatical to investigate monocyte functions at the NIH, and was appointed as Chief of Rheumatology.

With his colleagues, Drs. Kenneth Nies, Dr. Michael Liebling, and Diane Dolan, RN, and a supportive Attending faculty in Rheumatology, Jim provided medical care to the indigent in Los Angeles, and mentored Fellows, house staff and students at Harbor-UCLA and other UCLA affiliated public hospitals. Jim facilitated clinical research in rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, and infectious arthritis, and assisted Dr. Liebling in the molecular identification of *Borrelia*, *Mycobacteria* in clinical fluids by polymerase chain reaction methodology (PCR).

Jim participated in the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) Educational and other ACR subcommittees. He served on the FDA Arthritis Advisory committee, Arthritis Foundation Board of Trustees, and the American College of Physicians as a Laureate for outreach to medical students. Jim has received several lectureships from medical, scientific, and lay societies for his contemplative discourses on Renoir and other artists who persevered with their disabling rheumatic diseases. The Arthritis Foundation gave him the Russell Cecil Journalism and the Charles Harding Distinguished Service award for his outreach.

From 2002-2005, Jim served as Medical Director at Amgen where he participated in investigations of biologic therapies by controlling TNF actions. He returned to UCLA to see patients, teach and collaborate in clinical research. He has recently retired to enjoy tennis, travel to study art, and family activities with the adventures of his sons, wives, and grandchildren – John, Jenny, Rebecca and Robinson: Andrew and Maribel and Matthew, Nina and Donovan.