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As the academic year winds down once again (or accelerates, depending on your point of view), plans are in the making for the 1986 Commencement

of Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis. The Hoosier Dome will again be the site for the IUPUI graduation ceremony, which is scheduled for 4 p.m. on Sunday, May II. The School of Dentistry's traditional Honors Day program will begin at 1:30 p.m. on the same day in the 500 Ballroom of the Indiana Convention-Exposition Center, adjacent to the Hoosier Dome.

Those scheduled to receive diplomas include 101 dental students and 32 dental hygiene students. Commencement for the class of 15 students in the Dental Assisting program will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 12, at the Union Building.

According to word from the Student' Office, this year's graduates of the IU School of Dentistry will scatter throughout the country to new careers and other challenges in dentistry. More than a third of them have notified the school of their plans after May.

They include: associateships (10); general practice residencies (9); private practice (6); graduate programs in endodontics (1) and orthodontics (4); residencies in pediatric dentistry (2) and oral and maxillofacial surgery (1); and service in the Armed Forces -- U.S. Navy (2) and Air Force (1).

Mrs. Roberta M. Hilderbrand, associate professor of community dentistry, reports that the CPR program of the IU School of Dentistry has been accredited by the American Heart Association. It is the only AHA-accredited program on the Medical Center campus.

DAE on TV

More requests from dental practitioners for trained dental assistants are being received at IUSD than can be filled, says Ms. Pauline R. Spencer, director and assistant professor of dental assisting, who was recently interviewed by consumer reporter Barbara Boyd on the Channel 6 evening news. At the same time, there is a shortage of qualified applicants for the school's dental assisting program. Prof. Spencer described the benefits to be derived from the one year certificate program, including 32 college credits and an option to train in expanded functions. Also appearing in the news spotlight was Dr. Robert E. Stokes, assistant professor of operative dentistry. Prof. Spencer encourages high school graduates with at least a 2.0 GPA and an interest in playing an important role on the dental health team to contact her at the school.

Rewards of Excellence

Dr. Anthony Dickinson, a graduate student in prosthodontics from 1983 to 1985, won first place recently in the Stanley D. Tylman Essay Contest sponsored by the American Academy of Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics. The \$1,000 award went to Dr. Dickinson for his paper entitled "A Comparative Study of the Strength of Aluminous Porcelain, Cerestore, and Dicor All-Ceramic Crowns." The paper was based on his Master's thesis. An Australian dentist, Dr. Dickinson is now a visiting faculty member at the University of Connecticut School of Dentistry.

Dr. Mark Beatty, assistant scientist in dental materials, has received the Dental Scientist Award of the National Institute of Dental Research. The five-year award supports additional research and clinical experience. Dr. Beatty's award in dental materials is the first outside the biological sciences. He is investigating composite resin systems to gather information that may help develop more durable materials. Dr. Beatty will work toward the M.S.D. degree (with double major in dental materials and operative dentistry) and the Master of Science in Engineering at Purdue. The award will pay Dr. Beatty's tuition and salary, as well as research expenses. A Purdue graduate, Dr. Beatty received his D.D.S. at the University of Iowa.

Three first-year graduate students in orthodontics have received the following scholarships from the Prentice Orthodontic Scholarship Fund: \$700 to Dr. Mark Powell and \$500 each to Dr. Jean Musselman and Dr. Greg Samuelson.

People in the News

Dr. Maynard K. Hine, chancellor emeritus of IUPUI and professor emeritus of periodontics, recently presented a lecture on G.V. Black at Northwestern University Dental School in celebration of the 150th birthday of Dr. Black, father of modern American dentistry.

Dr. Ralph W. Phillips, associate dean for research, presented the 15th annual Powell Lecture at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry in Baltimore in March. Dr. Phillips also gave the Powell Lecture in 1971 to open the series, sponsored by two graduates of Maryland's dental school. This year it was delivered to the School's faculty and student body, as well as to practicing dentists in Baltimore and representatives of the American Association of Dental Schools and the National Institute of Dental Research.

Dr. Hala Z. Henderson, professor and chairman, division of undergraduate pediatric dentistry, was recognized at the annual meeting of the American Society of Dentistry for Children in Reno, Nevada, for her years of service on the Council of the ASDC.

Dr. Varoujan A. Chalian, chairman and professor of maxillofacial prosthetics, has been appointed to the 1985-86 Nominating Committee for the Officers and Regents of the American College of Dentists.

Our Men (and Women) In Washington

The academic grapevine has passed along word of some of the activities of IUSD faculty members at recent meetings in Washington, DC. During the annual session of the American Association of Dental Schools, Dr. Steven L. Bricker moderated a meeting of the Graduate and Postgraduate Section; Dr. Myron J. Kasle addressed the AADS Section on Oral Radiology (and presided over the ad interim meeting of the American Academy of Dental Radiology); Dr. Susan L. Zunt was named secretary of the Section on Pathology; Dr. Lawrence I. Goldblatt became chairman of the Council of Faculties (IUSD will host the Council's interim meeting next fall); Dr. Carl W. Newton moderated the Endodontics Section program and is chairman for the coming year; Dr. Melvin R. Lund presided as secretary of the Section on Operative Dentistry; Dr. Chris H. Miller moderated the Scientific Session for the Society for Infection Control in Dentistry and Professor Charles J. Palenik presented a research paper. Drs. B. Keith Moore and James C. Setcos co-chaired the Dental Materials Oral Presentations Session at the annual meeting of the American Association of Dental Research.

Dean's Message

A spring conference sponsored by the Teaching Committee was held in March with more than 100 faculty and staff members attending. Several important school developments were reported and numerous proposals by the Curriculum Committee were considered. Keynote speaker Ms. Denise LeBloch, from the American Dental Association, offered guidelines on enhancing communication and interpersonal skills. The successful all-day program permitted the faculty to regroup before starting the last portion of the school year.

A proposal to combine activities in oral diagnosis, radiology and patient admitting was explained by Dr. S. Miles Standish, chairman of the

Committee of Diagnostic Services. He presented a strategy of collecting patient records and improving diagnostic services and treatment planning for patients accepted for treatment in multiple departments. The plan involves most departments and will be tested this spring. Goals are to make the system more efficient, improve teaching, and increase faculty contact time with students. The proposed treatment planning clinic will be one of the first of its kind in the country and will facilitate movement of patients into the departments.

During the conference **Dr. Donald Tharp**, chairman of the Curriculum Committee, gave an extensive report of the committee's efforts throughout the year. One change adopted by the faculty was the reduction of classroom hours in basic sciences during the second year and addition of a preclinical course in periodontics. The extramural experience was also removed from the fourth year and a lecture series was added.

The fourth year students have successfully completed their practical examinations and have scheduled many patients in the clinics as graduation approaches. As a result, all clinics are operating at full capacity. The special lecture series noted above has been scheduled for fourth year students who are not committed to intramural programs. The series is being offered in a manner similar to continuing education courses and includes topics of special interest that have not been presented previously by the faculty.

The school's counseling system was recently the topic of a noon seminar for faculty volunteer counselors. Emotional and academic problems common among students were discussed by **Dr. Patricia Boaz**, IUPUI dean of students, and two members of the IU School of Medicine faculty, **Dr. John Nurnberger** and **Dr. Stephen Dunlop**. Methods for improving the counseling system and detecting student problems early were outlined, as well as methods for listening to students.

Dr. Arden Christen, professor and chairman of preventive dentistry, has completed a book, "Over Half a Century as Educator, Leader, Dental Author, Practitioner and Scientist: An Oral History of Maynard K. Hine, D.D.S., M.S." The history will be published by the university and promises to be interesting reading. Dr. Christen, who is president-elect of the American Academy of Dental History, expects the book to be available by early summer.

Dr. Susan Zunt was elected secretary of the IUPUI Faculty Council. This is a key leadership role on the campus and brings honor to the School of Dentistry. In addition to her numerous activities in the Department of Oral Pathology, Dr. Zunt is a faculty adviser to the student chapter of the American Association of Women Dentists.

Methods to coordinate didactic instruction are being examined by the directors of dental auxiliary education in the state. (There are five programs, one in Indianapolis and four on regional campuses.) Discussions are also under way for the use of the TV network and key faculty members for the dental hygiene and assisting programs. The Curriculum Committee plans to evaluate course content of the programs soon.

The Student Affairs Council (SAC) and IUSD Executive Committee are working on an evaluation form that could be useful for all departments and individual faculty members. Student evaluation is recommended in higher education as a tool for improving courses and teaching methods. The forms, available this spring, will permit evaluation of one course or multiple courses within departments. SAC representatives have spent much of the year discussing and modifying the form.

Good news has been passed along by **Dr. George Stookey**, director of the Oral Health Research Institute. Full accreditation of our animal research facility has been received from the American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care. Congratulations are in order since this is the only accredited animal facility at Indiana University.

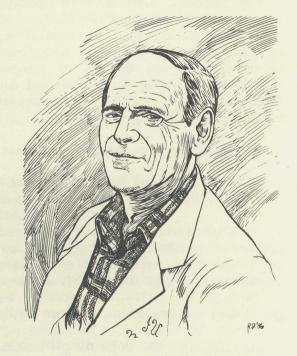
It is my observation that all students are keen about learning and enjoy the many experiences in the predoctoral and auxiliary programs. They show a genuine interest in efficiency and the way they are treated in the teaching-learning environment. Interaction of faculty and students presents many challenges in preparing our graduates for the '90s.

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Bob Richmond Retires

A 24-year career of outstanding service to the Indiana University School of Dentistry ended on February 28, 1986, when Mr. Robert T. Richmond, CDT, retired as dental technician and student laboratory supervisor in the Complete Denture Department.

Born in Dayton, Ohio, and raised in Hammond, Indiana, Bob learned his craft in an apprenticeship with his father, a dental technician in When he applied for a Hammond. job through the Veterans Administration after World War II, Bob was sent to a VA outpatient dental clinic in Indianapolis. During a stint at Maus & Elam Dental Laboratories he learned that Dr. L. Rush Bailey, then acting chairman of complete denture, was looking for a technician. He was hired in February, 1962, when complete denture was located where undergraduate periodontics is now. "My present lab was still part of the parking lot in those days," he said recently. The move to the new wing was made in 1972.



After a generation of teaching students, Bob has seen his fair share of lower teeth set on upper arches, lower molars switched around, and lower dentures that "got away" under the polishing lathe, flipping onto the floor. He has enjoyed working with bright young people, and they have returned the compliment by presenting him with nearly a dozen "Best Technician" awards over the years at the senior banquets in May.

Bob says one of the greatest rewards of his career has been his relationship with Dr. Robert H. Derry (chairman of complete denture 1973-1979 and now a part-time faculty member). "I have much to thank him for -- he's been a best friend to me."

Post-retirement plans include volunteer work at IU Hospital. Of his years at the school he says, "I've never seen a student's mistake that I haven't made, or a student's difficulty that I haven't encountered. It's good to have a feeling that you have helped others solve a problem."



Among our hard-core baseball fans (including some who consider the basketball season a cold-weather filler between the World Series and Opening Day in April), few have had close-up contact with the game to match that of Dr. Jim Geist, graduate student in oral pathology. As a college student (before entering the U. of Illinois College of Dentistry in 1975), Jim worked for the Andy Frain organization for several summers at Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs. He sold and collected tickets, ushered, etc.

Upon request, Jim shared memories of Cub games and Cub fever. He considers Wrigley Field "one of the few remaining baseball parks with any character...asymmetrical, small, vines on the outfield walls, an old manually operated scoreboard, natural grass." He also recalls warm days when dozens of people would watch the games from roofs of buildings along Waveland and Sheffield Avenues -- no ticket needed. One fan would check the schedule each year and spend his entire vacation at Wrigley Field.

Jim's responses to other Newsletter queries:

Cub fans are said to be a special breed--loyal, dogged, long-suffering (viz. Dr. Phillips). How do you account for this?

True Cub fans who have endured decades of failure take an almost perverse pride in coping with adversity. Even in winning seasons, we know that nothing is ever as good as it appears to be, and things eventually will go down the drain--1969 and 1984, for example.

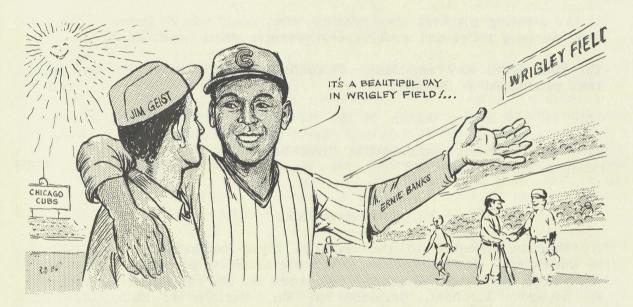
Do ticket sellers get a chance to see the game?

When selling or collecting tickets, we usually finished around the 6th inning and could watch the rest of the game. When working

in the stands, we would see the entire game. In the years I worked there, I probably saw 250 games.

Did you meet any of the players?

When I became a supervisor I occasionally had to go into the dugout and escort players to the autograph booth. One day Ernie Banks (then serving as first base coach) put his arm around my shoulder and sang out, "It's a beautiful day in Wrigley Field! Are you happy? I am!" A real treat for me--he had been my boyhood hero.



Do people buy bleacher seats for economy or for the ambiance?

Both--the bleacher seats were cheap, only 75¢ when I worked there, and at the time were the only place in the park where people could sun themselves without shirts.

What did you like best about the job?

The chance to see a lot of baseball games and some of the all-time great players--Mays, Aaron, McCovey, Clemente, Seaver.

What did you like least about it?

Double headers in August.

What about memorable games, or streaks?

My first game was a typically wild Cubs' game. They had a 13-12 lead going into the 9th inning, then gave up 4 runs to Pittsburgh and lost 16-13. Even when they lost, the Cubs were always interesting. I was there when Milt Pappas came within one pitch of a perfect game—with 2 out in the 9th he walked a man on a 3-2 count. He got the next batter out, though, for a no-hitter. I saw Burt Hooton's no-hitter in 1972. I saw Ernie Banks hit his last career home run. They lost 12 straight in 1970, and even then got standing ovations before each game.

Are you still a Cub fan?

I'll probably always like the Cubs. In 1959, the year the White Sox won the American League Pennant, my older brother was a Sox fan, so I naturally had to cheer for the Cubs. They lost their usual 97 games that year and had only one good player--Ernie Banks. But something begun in the depths of such futility can't be easily abandoned! Most people are fans for life.

What about the Cubs' chances this year?

If the starting pitchers stay healthy, they could win 90 games. They're weak in long relief and could use a younger third baseman.

Do you recall any especially eloquent comments about the ball club that you heard at the park?

Late in one losing season in the '70s, after the Cubs had lost big, a fan remarked: "If baseball were the equivalent of war, Wrigley Field would be the equivalent of Hiroshima."

New Folks

A "Welcome Aboard" to the recently hired employees of the School of Dentistry: Dr. Reis Rexhepi, visiting associate professor of pediatric dentistry, and staff members Ms. April S. Harvey, cash operations; Ms. Angela J. Kaai, periodontics; Ms. Marilyn J. Richards, Oral Health Research Institute; Ms. Nilda L. Venal, complete denture; and Felicia A. Young, dean's office.

Remember when....

DENTAL ALUMNI LUNCHEON...Dr. H. William Gilmore, President of the IUSD Dental Alumni Association, announces that the Annual Midwinter Alumni Luncheon will be at 12:15 p.m. Monday, February 22 at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago. Mr. Bill Wade of the Chicago Bears will be the headline speaker and Indiana University's new football coach, John Pont, will be a special guest.

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