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What is IU-Notify?

IU uses a variety of methods to provide emergency and safety information, including sirens, public address, Web pages, building stewards, residence hall assistants, broadcast and electronic media, and a consolidated communications system. Collectively, these capabilities are called "IU-Notify." The IU-Notify project was designed to consolidate IU's communications systems, and it greatly enhances the university's ability to effectively transmit critical incident information.

IU-Notify will be used to alert students, faculty, and staff at all IU campuses in the event of an emergency on any IU campus. This system gives IU a new level of safety and security on all campuses by enabling the university emergency preparedness team to quickly pass emergency information to a targeted audience. The more people who register, the more effective the system.

To Access IU-Notify:

http://protect.iu.edu/em
ergency/iunotify



First Friday.....April 5, 2013

April 5, 2013 brings this edition of the IUSD Dean's Update to the dental school community. As I understand, we are experiencing ever wider readership as this enewsletter reaches out to the broader IUSD audience. Thanks for your interest —the more the merrier! Spring is delayed in getting to Indiana, but with the NCAA Final Four men's and women's championship games just ahead over the coming weekend, surely spring can't be that far behind! We are in the preparation stages for Commencement weekend May 11 & 12. With all these activities, the Indy 500 time trials can't be far behind either! Our journey accelerates to advance the Vision of IUSD to make *Indiana University School of Dentistry one of the best dental schools of the 21*st century.

Safety and Security... Always on My Mind

The recent campus incident on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 19th in which we all received an IUPUI Campus notification of an alleged man with a long gun on campus sent the dental school into a heightened state of emergency and had faculty staff, students and many of our patients sheltering in place for most of the afternoon. Many of us were away from school (including me) attending the ADEA or AADR education and/or research meetings in Seattle, but I monitored these events and was in regular contact with people at IUSD and the IUPUI campus. Since that event, I have held several de-briefing sessions at IUSD and have attended one campus de-briefing with the IUPUI Academic Deans. The good news from all of this is that no one was hurt, and we did pretty well responding both at the dental school and on campus. When you see Adam Smith and his team, thank them for providing incredible leadership within our buildings during this event. Can we do better? Of course, and that is just what we are moving toward doing.

To give you some idea about how I think, not a day goes by without me thinking about safety and security for the totality of the IUSD community—students, staff, faculty, patients, campus personnel and vendors. Your health, wellbeing and safety *are always on my mind*. IUSD is a complex place with over 1,000 people moving through our buildings each day. We have research labs, clinical areas, a complex infrastructure (plumbing, electrical etc.) which can (and does) malfunction as well as external weather events (ice storms, tornados etc.) and occasional personality clashes. In addition, we have students and faculty traveling locally and globally to friendly and not so friendly places to study, do service learning and conduct research. Here is an initial list of action steps we are taking to enhance safety and security at IUSD courtesy of Adam Smith:

- 1. **Communication:** The new school-wide PA system is already designed, and we are now moving toward installation. This should include design for OHRI.
- 2. **Safe Rooms:** We have already identified potential "safe rooms" throughout the school in every section of every floor.

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- 3. Campus Director of Emergency Planning and IU Police Department: We will soon conduct a building-wide security inventory; implement periodic training for IUSD personnel in coordination with the IUSD Emergency Response Team (Emergency Coordinator, Floor Warden, and Buddies). These events will be conducted in coordination with the IUPUI campus plan.
- 4. IUSD Emergency Manual Web Access coming soon. Currently on Plato site. Thanks Dr. Schaaf.
- 5. **IUPUI Notify** Go to the <u>iu notify website</u> to get your mobile device/s etc. registered for alerts.
- IUSD Research Day....April 15, 2013 is Coming!

Monday, April 15th (only 10 days left to get your federal and state taxes filed), is an important day in the intellectual life of IUSD as we explore the exciting world of dental research and see what is happening at the dental school to improve diagnosis, treatment and ultimately the quality of patient care. Come explore the 21st anniversary of this special day in the life of IUSD. Scientific discovery through the laboratory or the clinics is the bedrock of our profession which leads to translational research, clinical trials and finally to evidence based practice. Dr. Mary MacDougall, Immediate Past-President of the International Association for Dental Research and Associate Dean for Research at University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry will be our featured speaker. The program begins at 12:00pm in the IUPUI Campus Center 4th floor. Special thanks to the Research Day planning committee and the leadership of the Indiana-AADR Section who sponsors Research Day.

IMPACT Campaign and New Building Fundraising...Off to a Great Start!

IUSD is on the move! I am pleased to share with you the tremendous progress the dental school is making toward completing and surpassing our 2006-13 IMPACT Campaign goal of \$35M. The campaign ends June 30th of this year. As you probably know, the IUSD goal was the third largest on campus with the schools of medicine and philanthropy the only two schools with higher goals than dentistry. We are above our \$12.5M **private funding goal** and stood at \$14.9M in gifts and pledges as of the end of March 2013. This is a key statistic as we are just now moving forward with the building campaign to secure a **minimum of another \$3M** to assist us in getting the financing package finalized with the University for the new clinical and research building.

John Hoffman has been the major driver in this effort, and I thank him for his enthusiasm and hard work. IUSD is very well positioned to surpass the \$3M building goal as we have raised gifts and pledges of over \$900K since November of 2012 when we assembled the Building Steering Committee and began the silent phase of fundraising conversations about the new building. Our internal goal is a \$1M by mid-May (IDA meeting) and \$3M by end of the year (2013). *IUSD is on the move*, and I appreciate your support and growing enthusiasm for all the activities we need to do to make the new clinical and research building a reality. Thanks for your investment in the future of IUSD!

IUSD First Friday Social

From Staff Council President Terry Wilson "Just a reminder that this Friday is April 5, and as such IUSD Staff Council will again be hosting Dean Williams' "First Friday Social" starting at 7:30 am in the basement student lounge with complimentary coffee and donuts."

Thanks to each of you for your dedication and support of the Vision and Mission of IUSD. I'll be back next month with another edition of *First Friday...Dean's Update*.



-John

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