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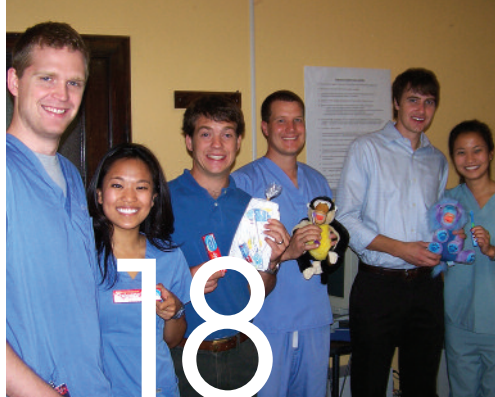
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John Williams Chosen Indiana University's New Dean of Dentistry



John N. Williams Jr., dean of the University of North Carolina (UNC) School of Dentistry Chapel Hill, has accepted an appointment as dean of dentistry at Indiana University effective June 15, 2010.

Williams' appointment was announced Dec. 16, 2009, by Charles Bantz,

chancellor of Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), and Uday Sukhatme, executive vice chancellor and dean of the faculties at IUPUI.

Current Indiana University dental dean Dr. Lawrence Goldblatt will resign from the position this summer at the age of 65, as required by IU. He has served in the school's top post since January 1997. After a one-year administrative leave, Goldblatt, a professor of oral pathology, plans to return to the school as a full-time faculty member.

In addition to holding the deanship at UNC, Williams has served as a professor in UNC's Department of Dental Ecology. Prior to joining the faculty and administration at UNC, he served in several positions with the University of Louisville School of Dentistry from 1986 to 2005. Williams was dean of the University of Louisville dental school from 1999 to 2005.

"Dr. Williams has a strong track record. He has played an important role in enhancing and maintaining the top-notch reputation of the UNC School of Dentistry. This combination of talents and experiences will serve the IU School of Dentistry well both now and in the future," said Sukhatme. "Under his leadership the School of Dentistry will continue to make a positive impact on student success and dentistry as a practice."

Williams will become only the ninth person to step into the role of dean in the 131-year history of Indiana's dental school, which began as the Indiana Dental College in 1879 and became part of IU in 1925. Four men in the school's history were acting deans for periods ranging from 10 months to two years, and the school's original leader was the president of the college's board of trustees.

During the IU dental school's 2009-2010 academic year, about 700 students are pursuing degree and certificate programs in dental assisting, dental hygiene, dentistry, and graduate dentistry. About 340 faculty contribute to the school's teaching and research programs, including 113 holding full-time appointments.

"For well over 100 years, Indiana University School of Dentistry has had a great national and international tradition of excellence,"

Williams said. "I am honored to serve as the school's next dean and look forward to working not only to enhance the dental school but to broaden the impact of IUPUI within the state of Indiana and beyond."

Williams has childhood ties to the Hoosier state. "Although I was born in Tennessee, I spent eight years in Indiana during the 1960s living in New Castle, Anderson, and eventually graduating from Connersville High School in 1970," he said in a new year's email greeting to the school's students, staff, and faculty.

The new dean said his priorities include raising the school's research productivity and funding; developing and executing a plan for new and improved building facilities; and dramatically increasing the fund-raising outcomes for the school.

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Williams' selection as dean comes at the conclusion of an extensive nine-month international search and screen process.

As a distinguished educator and administrator, Williams is uniquely qualified to assume the role of the dean of the IU School of Dentistry, says Dr. Austin Agho, chair of the search committee and dean of the IU School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences at IUPUI.

"He is first and foremost an educator with a deep commitment to teaching, service, practice, and research. Equally important, he has been an extremely effective leader at two reputable institutions during the past two decades," said Agho. "Williams is well-known nationally and internationally for his contributions and dedication to dental education and practice."

Williams earned his Doctor of Dental Medicine and Master of Business Administration degrees from the University of Louisville. He holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Transylvania University.

He is the recipient of many professional awards and is a member of numerous prestigious organizations. Notably he is a very active consultant and comprehensive site-visit chair for the Commission on Dental Accreditation; he currently serves as vice-president for deans of the American Dental Education Association.

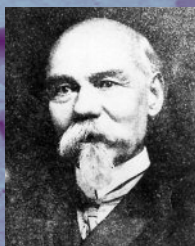
UNC students think highly of Williams, having named him as the American Student Dental Association UNC Chapter's Faculty of the Year award recipient in 2006, 2007, and 2009.

Williams has published numerous papers, abstracts, and book chapters on a wide variety of subjects with a strong emphasis on community dentistry, dental education policy, and information technology.

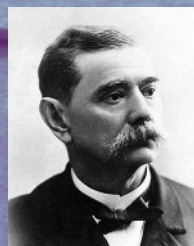
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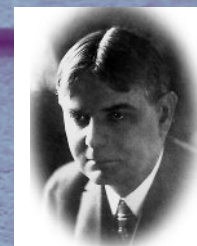
INDIANA DENTAL COLLEGE (1879-1925)



1879
William L. Heiskell¹



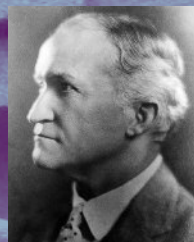
1881
Phineas G.C. Hunt



1899
George E. Hunt²



1914
Frederic R. Henshaw



1918-1919
David A. House (acting)³

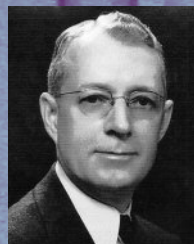


1920
Frederic R. Henshaw

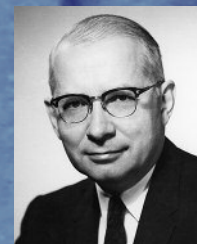
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1938
Gerald D. Timmons (acting)



1940
William H. Crawford



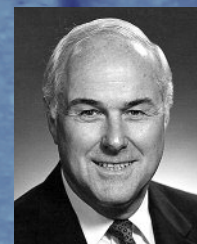
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Maynard K. Hine



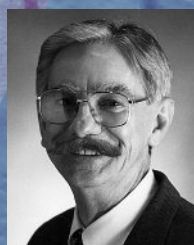
1968
Ralph E. McDonald (acting)



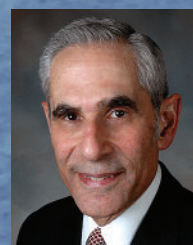
1969
Ralph E. McDonald



1985
H. William Gilmore



1996
George K. Stookey (acting)



1997
Lawrence I. Goldblatt

¹William L. Heiskell was president of the College's board of trustees, not the dean. He served as the school's top administrator until a dean was officially named in 1881.

²Son of the first dean, George Hunt founded the *Indiana Dental Journal* a year before he became dean.

³House served while Henshaw was on military leave.

Indiana University School of Dentistry Budget

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009

GENERAL FUND

Operating Income	\$ Amount	Percent
State Appropriations	13,717,326	32.39
Student Tuition	18,110,161	42.76
Clinic Income	9,413,108	22.23
Miscellaneous (IU Foundation awards, etc.)	245,584	0.58
Contracts and Grants (indirect cost recovery income)	863,556	2.04
Total	\$42,349,735	100.00
Operating Expenditures	\$ Amount	Percent
Salaries:		
Full-time Faculty	10,274,967	23.90
Full-time Staff	6,323,171	14.71
Part-time Faculty	1,496,575	3.48
Hourly Employees	287,317	0.67
Fringe Benefits and Retirement	6,435,816	14.97
Financial Aid (fellowships/fee remissions)	1,676,257	3.90
Supplies (lab and related expenses)	5,336,782	12.41
Contracts and Grants	498,424	1.16
Travel	170,609	0.40
Equipment	389,990	0.91
SB05 Pre-Clinic Lab Funding Support (funds go to SB05 Reserve—see “Other” funds income below)	2,295,569	5.34
University Assigned Costs for Central Services	7,810,030	18.15
Total	\$42,995,507	100.00
Net General Fund	(645,772)	
(Due to reallocation of reserve funds for SB05 renovations)		

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS*

Income	\$ Amount	Percent
Auxiliary (student instrument purchase and rental, Dental Faculty Private Practice, dental stores inventory)	4,502,699	60.65
Continuing Education	279,627	3.77
Other (fellowships, SBO5 pre-clinic lab reserve, preliminary new building design, etc.)	2,642,098	35.58
Total	\$7,424,424	100.00
Expenditures	\$ Amount	Percent
Auxiliary	4,478,704	70.05
Continuing Education	305,467	4.78
Other (fellowships, renovations to periodontics and endodontics clinics and SB05 pre-clinic lab, preliminary new building design, etc.)	1,609,103	25.17
Total	\$6,393,274	100.00

*Excluding research funds (p. 23)

GIFTS TO THE IU FOUNDATION

\$1,416,450

CLINIC FACTS

Patient Population	28,293
Patient Appointments	
Predoctoral Students	59,870
Graduate Students	19,345
Dental Hygiene Students	6,946
Riley Hospital	19,355
Total Number of Appointments	105,516
Total Clinic Income	\$9,522,023 **

**Including \$108,915 for Seal Indiana mobile clinic, reported in Research Budget under Preventive and Community Dentistry

Former Purdue Administrator Accepts New IUSD Associate Deanship for Diversity

Pamella P. Shaw, DMD, MPH, has joined IU School of Dentistry as the associate dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, a newly created administrative position at the school.

“Dr. Shaw brings with her a wealth of experience in promoting public oral and general health, and in enhancing access to healthcare for underrepresented populations,” said Dr. Lawrence Goldblatt, dean of dentistry. “As an important part of that process she also brings with her a strong record of supporting access to health professions education, including dental education, for underrepresented minorities.”

Shaw’s appointment in January 2010 marks the first time the School of Dentistry has had a full-time associate dean level staff position devoted to promoting and enabling diver-

sity. Dr. LaForrest Garner, IU professor emeritus of orthodontics, served as associate dean for Minority Student Services while concurrently managing other IU administrative and teaching duties from 1987 until his retirement in 1998.

“We created the new position because we felt we needed to take our efforts to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in our dental community to a much higher level, and to

move much more quickly than we have in the past at approaching a demographic in the practicing oral healthcare community that more closely mirrors the demographics of our society,” Goldblatt said.

In terms of gender, national origin, and religious affiliation, IUSD currently demonstrates a very diverse student body. However efforts to attract African American and Latino students have not yielded acceptable results, the dean said. Less than 4 percent of the doctor of dental surgery student body is black or Latino.

“Under Shaw’s leadership, the School of Dentistry will work with the community and university to enhance the diversity of our students and graduates, particularly from the African American, Hispanic, and Native American communities,” Goldblatt said.

Strategies will include expanding the pipeline of qualified underrepresented applicants to the dental programs, developing mentoring and enrichment programs, and working with donors and granting agencies, including the legislature, to help make a professional education possible for underrepresented students, the dean said.

Shaw comes to IUSD from her most recent position as assistant provost of Purdue University. Shaw joined Purdue

University in 2003 as statewide director and Purdue University program director of the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation for Indiana. In 2004 she took on the additional responsibility of director of the Midwest Crossroads Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate before becoming assistant provost in 2007.

A native of Gary, Ind., Shaw received her bachelor’s degree from Purdue University and her doctor of dental medicine and master’s of public health degrees from the University of Kentucky.

During her time at the University of Kentucky she served in numerous capacities, including the community liaison representative for the health professions in the Medical Center Chancellor’s Office, the director of the Kentucky-Appalachian Science Enrichment Program at the Markey Cancer Center, placement counselor for the Experienced Based Career Education Program, and research assistant for the Cooperative Agreement Program of the Center for Agricultural Research Education and Disease and Injury Prevention.

She also served 10 years as adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Oral Health Science at the University of Kentucky. From 1995 to 2000, she served as director of the Office of Health Career Programs.

Over her career, Shaw has served as principal investigator or co-principal investigator on federal and state grants totaling more than \$19 million.

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Full-Time Faculty

Dr. N. Blaine Cook, Clinical Associate Professor of Operative Dentistry, Department of Restorative Dentistry, August 2009

IU School of Dentistry alumnus Dr. Blaine Cook returned to Indianapolis from his most recent position as a faculty member at the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry for the past two years. Prior to that he served for 20 years in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps, retiring with the rank of captain in 2006. During the final

six years of his military service, he chaired the Operative Dentistry Department at the Navy Postgraduate Dental School in Bethesda, Md. He also held an adjunct appointment on the faculty of the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Washington, D.C.

Cook completed his undergraduate training at Brigham Young University and his dental degree at the University of the Pacific in San Francisco. In the early part of his career, he was a private practitioner in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

He graduated from IU's MSD degree program in operative dentistry in 1997, and received certification by the American Board of Operative Dentistry in 2000.

Dr. Ana Gutierrez Gossweiler, Research Associate, Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry, July 2009

Dr. Ana Gossweiler has moved into a full-time position in research at the Oral Health Research Institute after longtime service to students in IU's education programs in periodontics.

A dental graduate of Universidad Central de Venezuela in Caracas, Gossweiler originally came to IU as a participant in a visiting scholar program in the Department of Periodontics and Allied Dental Programs. She was then accepted into IU's graduate program in periodontics, completing the master's degree in 1998. She was also accepted into IU's advanced-standing program for the DDS degree, which she completed in 2002.

Gossweiler has been contributing to the IU faculty since 2003, beginning with an appointment as a part-time clinical assistant professor in periodontics. She transitioned to the full-time faculty here in 2007, serving as a visiting clinical assistant professor of periodontics until accepting her current position in the summer of 2009.

She has been instrumental in helping IU students learn basic Spanish in preparation for the Spanish-speaking patients they will encounter in the school's clinics and in IUSD's International Service-Learning Program. She is a past president of the Indiana Hispanic Dental Association and current president of the Indiana Society of Periodontists.



Cook



Gossweiler

Dr. Michele L. Kirkup, Clinical Assistant Professor of Prosthodontics, Department of Restorative Dentistry, March 2009

Dr. Michele Kirkup is a relatively recent IU dental graduate, but she has already served in an especially important role at IU as an appointed member of the Search and Screen Committee that assisted the IUPUI administration in the selection of IUSD's new dean, Dr. John Williams. She was one of only 12 members of the committee charged with this international search.

After Kirkup graduated from IU's DDS program in 2006, she practiced part time in an Indianapolis family dental office focusing on prosthodontic care while also teaching part time in IU's Restorative Dentistry department. She accepted a full-time IU appointment as a visiting clinical assistant professor of prosthodontics in 2008, a year before accepting her current position. She also joined the IU Dental Faculty Private Practice group.

Just one year out of dental school, Kirkup took the initiative, as chair of the Indianapolis District Dental Society's Committee on the New Dentist and as a member of the Indiana Dental Association's Council on the New Dentist, to help develop programs for and address concerns pertinent to new dentists in the Hoosier state.

Kirkup is married to Christopher Kirkup (Cert'06 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), a partner within the Indianapolis Oral and Maxillofacial Associate Group who also serves on IUSD's part-time faculty. The Kirkups had their first child, Katelynn Anne, in October 2009.

Dr. Frank Lippert, Assistant Research Professor of Preventive and Community Dentistry, Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry, December 2009

Dr. Frank Lippert joined the IU faculty after being employed for five years as a New Product Research Scientist at the Weybridge Innovation Centre of GlaxoSmithKline in the United Kingdom.

At IU, he has accepted the position of director of the Remineralization Research Program at the Oral Health Research Institute.

Lippert studied at the University of Bristol in the U.K. in the Department of Oral and Dental Science, earning his PhD degree in 2004. Originally from Germany, he also holds a master's degree in food chemistry from the Technical University of Dresden.

Lippert has extensive knowledge of dentifrice and mouthrinse formulation science, combined with a strong background in tooth wear and caries research. As a postgraduate student in Bristol, U.K., he conducted dental erosion studies using atomic force microscopy and nanoindentation in vitro as well as in situ.



Kirkup



Lippert

The work led to several publications in peer-reviewed journals. At GlaxoSmithKline he was involved in the development of oral healthcare products with improved fluoride and anticaries effectiveness. He was also engaged in abrasion research with the aim of developing dentifrice systems having improved cleaning capabilities and reduced abrasivity.

Dr. Ariadna A. Torres-Gorena, Assistant Professor of Orthodontics, Department of Orthodontics and Oral Facial Genetics, July 2009



Torres-Gorena

Dr. Torres-Gorena is a graduate of Indiana University who contributed to the IU dental school in a variety of areas before accepting her newest appointment on the full-time faculty.

She is a 2002 magna cum laude dental graduate of Juan Misael Saracho University in Tarija, Bolivia. Her initial appointment at IU involved coordinating activities in Riley Hospital's Craniofacial Anomalies Clinic, where she assisted with orthodontic procedures and patient care and served as liaison between the

clinic and the Department of Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry.

In 2005, Torres-Gorena undertook a one-year IU post-doctoral fellowship in surgical orthodontics and craniofacial anomalies. She was accepted into the orthodontics graduate program thereafter, completing the MSD degree in 2008. Her master's research looked at patient satisfaction with treatment delivered in the graduate orthodontics program.

Her current appointment was preceded by service to the Orthodontics and Oral Facial Genetics department as a part-time instructor for first- and second-year residents.

Dr. Jeannie M. Vickery, Clinical Associate Professor of Prosthodontics, Department of Restorative Dentistry, September 2009

An Indiana University alumna's teaching career has come full circle, as she returns to the IU department where her contributions as a dental educator first began.

Dr. Jeannie Vickery has brought back with her a background that is rich in both academic and private practice experiences.

After graduating from IU's dental program in 1976, she served as a full-time IU instructor in fixed and removable partial prosthodontics for three years before enrolling in IU's prosthodontics graduate program. She continued to teach half-time during her graduate studies. She completed the certificate program in 1982, and soon after launched a private practice in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. In

1990, she undertook a one-year residency in maxillofacial prosthodontics for prosthodontic specialists at the Eye and Ear Hospital of Pittsburgh, Penn., a program associated

with the University of Pittsburgh. A year later, she completed IU's prosthodontics master's degree as an off-campus researcher.

Vickery subsequently served on the dental faculties of the Ohio State University and the University of Nebraska Medical Center. She directed Nebraska's Prosthodontics Section for two years.

She participated in the faculty practice groups at both Ohio State and the University of Nebraska.

Dr. LaQuia A. Walker, Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatric Dentistry, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, July 2009

Dr. LaQuia Walker has accepted a full-time appointment on the IU faculty after contributing to the part-time faculty for five years.

She is a 2002 dental graduate of the University of California, San Francisco, and a 2004 graduate of the pediatric dentistry residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She also holds a bachelor's degree from Xavier University of Louisiana.

Walker received numerous honors and awards during her undergraduate, dental school, and residency training, and was a three-time recipient of an African American Healthcare Alliance Scholarship. She attained diplomate status in the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in 2009.

She served as an adjunct assistant professor in pediatric dentistry at the University of Illinois at Chicago before coming to IU. Today, she balances her teaching career with private practice; she is an associate pediatric dentist in a group pediatric dental practice in Fishers, Ind.

She has been welcomed as an honorary alumnus into the IU Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Association.



Walker

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Vickery

White Coat Ceremony Welcomes DDS Class of '13

Dental professionals representing the IU School of Dentistry and four of the dental profession's key institutions helped Dean Lawrence Goldblatt welcome 101 members of the school's DDS Class of 2013 during a White Coat ceremony held at the University Place Conference Center on the Indianapolis campus on August 1, 2009.

The IU School of Dentistry established its White Coat program in 2001 as a means of underscoring the professionalism of dentistry for its incoming students at the outset of their dental studies. The ceremony was held just 26 days after the class's first semester in the four-year program got under way.

The coats, with the words "Indiana University School of Dentistry" embroidered in red thread above the breast pocket, are presented each year to the new dental students in front of their families and friends as a symbol of the healthcare professions and to draw attention to the importance of ethics and high standards of professionalism that are expected of healthcare providers.

Keynote speaker David Wolf (DDS'87), Indianapolis, addressed the students as a representative of the American College of Dentists. Helping Wolf present the white coats were Martin Szakaly (DDS'78), South Bend, then president-elect of the Indiana Dental Association; James Foulkes (DDS'80), Terre Haute, representing the Academy of

General Dentistry; IU Professor Steven Dixon (DDS'73), representing the School of Dentistry; and IU Professor Bruce Matis (MSD'83), representing Theta Theta Chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society.

The new class, which was drawn from an international applicant pool of 1,785 persons, is composed of 73 Indiana residents and 28 nonresidents. The nonresident students are from the states of California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, as well as the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Ontario.

The average age is 23.7 years for this class of 62 men and 39 women. A total of 64 of the new students completed their undergraduate work at Indiana colleges and universities, with the greatest number of them—24—coming to IUSD after studying on the IU Bloomington campus. Nearly all of the students have acquired a bachelor's degree, and 13 hold a master's degree.

Academic averages for the Class of 2013 are 3.58 grade point average for overall studies and 3.52 grade point average in science, both on a scale of 4.0.

The majority of the class pursued biology as an undergraduate major (55 members), although a wide range of undergraduate programs, including accounting, art, exercise science, mechanical engineering, and pre-veterinary science in addition to the more traditional predental fields of study, reflects a multifaceted group of students that brings its own unique stamp of excellence to the IU School of Dentistry student body.



White coats for Owais Sultan (left), Timothy Surber, Jordan Teder, Emily Thomas, and Christopher Tobler. Presenters, from left: Drs. Bruce Matis, James Foulkes, Martin Szakaly, David Wolf, and Steven Dixon.

Keynote speaker Dr. David Wolf



FIRST-YEAR CLASSES

	DDS'13	ASDH'11	Dental Assisting Certificates '10
APPLICANT POOLS	1,785*	197	60
Residents/Nonresidents	186/1599	188/9	60/0
MATRICULATING STUDENTS	101	49	28 (Campus) 8 (Distance Learning)
Residents/Nonresidents	73/28	49/0	36/0
Men/Women	62/39	0/49	1/35
Average Overall GPA	3.58	3.62	3.22 Campus/2.59 Distance Learning (High School)
Average Science GPA	3.52	3.70	2.64 Campus/2.51 Distance Learning (College)
TUITION (1st and 2nd semesters, ancillary fees excluded)			
Resident/Nonresident	\$25,026/\$55,350	\$6,461/NA	\$7,154/NA
Tuition Increases Over Previous Year:			
Resident/Nonresident	5 % /4 %	6 % /NA	6 % /NA

Graduate and Residency Programs

671 Applicants

46 Matriculating Students and Hospital Residents:

15 Indiana Residents

18 Other U.S. Students

13 International Students (Canada, People's Republic of China, India, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Libya, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Thailand)

Resident/Nonresident Tuition: \$25,026/\$55,350 per year

IUSD ENROLLMENT '09-'10

36 Dental Assisting (28 Campus/8 Distance Learning)

99 Dental Hygiene

12 Public Health Dental Hygiene

425 Dentistry

97 Graduate Education: Master's (83 full time, 14 part time)

11 Graduate Education: PhD (full time)

11 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency

6 General Practice Residency

697 TOTAL STUDENT POPULATION



**Virtually no change in the number of overall DDS applications between '09-'10 and the previous academic year (1,785 this year, 1,778 last year), and a 7 percent decrease in Indiana applications (186 this year, 200 last year)*

2009 GRADUATES

CERTIFICATES IN DENTAL ASSISTING

Fort Wayne

Sarah Arnold
Megan Baumgartner
Jasmine Bell
Katie Brandon
Jennifer Conley
Kathleen Curran
Courtney Downey
Katherine Freeman
Jessica Hevel
Kimberly Hockett
Tammy Jackson
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Shannon Davis
Sarah Dawson

Ashley Dudzik
Ann Dykstra
Brandi Fitzwater
Erica Fox
Britney Gard
Marcie Guidarelli
Meggin Knoerzer
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Susan Mullenix
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Erin Michele Coleman
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Kano-Wilson
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Kha Minh Le
Amber Rose Leer
Soy Muoy Lim
James Dean Moore
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S. Annette Mullins
Ryan Brant Munden
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Kenechi Florence
Okonkwo
Joseph R. Platt
Rachel Ann Poulsen
James Alexander Rang
Adrienne Elizabeth Ranly
Matthew Lawrence
Rasche
Braden M. Robbins
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Tamara Ann Smith
Ryan Richard Springer
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Stradley
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Cabezas
Hani Mohammad Nassar

Maxillofacial Prosthetics

Brian Goldstein

Orthodontics

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Stefanie Brooke
Dougherty
Jeremy Lucas Henn
Kanwar Deep Singh
Sachdeva
Matthew D. Wall
Derrick Robert Young

Pediatric Dentistry

Marcus R. Ditto
Cody C. Hughes
Amy Pham Nguyen
Lisa Kay Porapailboon
Lauren Suzanne Weddell

Periodontics

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Shilpa P. Mailapur
Daniel E. Shin
Peter N. Smith
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Swaminathan

Prosthodontics

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Monica Fernandez
Hashem M. Ridha
Amir Saad
Kellie Michelle Schaub

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**Operative Dentistry
Master's/Dental
Materials Certificate**

Rasha Numan Alsheikh
Maram Mohammedsaeed
Shaabin

**Operative Dentistry
Master's/Preventive
Dentistry Master's**

Hanin Essam Yeslam

**Doctor of
Philosophy Degree**

Rodrigo F. Viecilli

Editorship of International Dental Journal Remains at IU

At the end of one Indiana University professor's 10-year term as editor-in-chief of the international dental journal *Operative Dentistry*, the Academy of Operative Dentistry has named yet another IU faculty member to serve in the top editorial post.

Dr. Jeffrey A. Platt, the Ralph W. Phillips Scholar in Dental Materials at the IU School of Dentistry and formerly an associate editor with *Operative Dentistry*, assumed the reins of the journal in January 2010 from his longtime IU colleague, Dr. Michael A. Cochran, who had led the journal's IU-based production team since 1999.



Dr. Jeffrey Platt

Cochran scheduled his departure from the editorship to coincide with his retirement from IU. He has remained on the nine-member editorial staff as one of Platt's associate editors.

Platt has inherited a highly regarded refereed journal that got its start as the *Journal of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators* in 1958 and acquired its current title in the 1970s. It has subscribers throughout the U.S. and in about 70 other nations, with some 150 dental scholars and practitioners around the world serving as manuscript reviewers on the editorial board. The operative dentistry and gold foil academies were joined by a third journal sponsor, the Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs, in 2006.

The bimonthly publication underwent significant changes during Cochran's tenure, including a redesign and

a substantial increase in size. Cochran also embraced Web publishing opportunities for the journal, which now has both print and electronic versions, a Website, and a virtual network for institutional subscribers.

In his farewell editor's column appearing in the November-December 2009 issue of *Operative Dentistry*, Cochran expressed his pleasure in Platt's appointment, describing him as "both a leader and team player" who will bring "new perspective, vigor, and vision" to the journal.

"Having the opportunity to learn from a mentor such as Dr. Cochran has truly been a privilege," said Platt. "As a result of his years as editor, the journal now stands well positioned for a future in the ever-changing technological era in which we live. I look forward to the challenge of keeping the name of the IU School of Dentistry at the forefront in the dissemination of critical knowledge."

Platt has directed IU's Dental Materials division since joining the full-time faculty in 2000. He was previously a longtime private practitioner in Fort Wayne and part-time teacher on the Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne campus. He has served on several other editorial boards including the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry's* and the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.

He is a fellow of the American College of Dentists and International College of Dentists and currently is president of the International Association for Dental Research's Dental Materials Scientific Group.

Getting "Jumbotron'd" at Colts-Patriots Game

IUSD Faculty Among Guests of Honor at Colts-Patriots Match-Up

The Indianapolis Colts weren't the only stars on the field at Lucas Oil Stadium on November 15, 2009.

IUPUI invited the School of Dentistry to be recognized at the Colts-New England Patriots game as part of the campus's "Where Impact Is Made" program, a marketing campaign that spotlights one IUPUI unit for its achievements at each of the Colts' home games.

This translated into a few moments of fame on the two Jumbotrons hovering over the packed stadium at what turned out to be one of the nation's most exciting and high-profile football games of the year.

Dean Larry Goldblatt hustled down to the stadium with Clinical Affairs Associate Dean George Willis, Community Dentistry Director Karen Yoder, and Research Associate Dean Domenick Zero to serve as IUPUI's "Impact People of the Week." Clad in IUPUI shirts, the group was treated to front-row seats near the 40-yard line, which put them in the thick of Brady territory, right behind the Patriots' bench and



George Willis (left), Domenick Zero, and Larry Goldblatt (photo by Karen Yoder)

with a close-up view of sportscaster Bob Costas as he reported on the sidelines for NBC.

About an hour before the game, the dental professors tossed a football around and high-fived one another for a mini-video that was projected onto the Jumbotrons around the end of the first quarter, when they were also introduced to the crowd.

The enthusiastic IUSD cheering squad, who called the game an amazing experience, no doubt helped propel the Colts to their surprise 35-34 victory. They can't take all the credit, though: the win was also fueled by a disastrous play call on the part of Patriots coach Bill Belichick in the game's final two minutes, a decision that *The New York Times* said could possibly go down "as the most ill-fated of his career."

Faculty, Staff Receive IDA, Johnson Awards

Five members of the IU School of Dentistry faculty and staff were honored in October 2009 for their contributions to dentistry.

Lorinda Coan, clinical assistant professor of dental hygiene, received the Indiana Dental Association's "Outstanding Teacher of the Year" award in recognition of her achievements during the 2008-2009 academic year. She is the only IUSD faculty member to have received the award twice. In addition to managing numerous teaching assignments and other duties in the Dental Hygiene Division of Periodontics and Allied Dental Programs, Coan has worked tirelessly with others on the faculty and staff this past year to build upon the school's Tobacco Cessation and Biobehavioral Center (TCBC).



Coan

In 2008 she undertook studies at the Mayo Clinic Nicotine Dependence Center, which enabled her to become certified as a Tobacco Treatment Specialist. Working in recent years with members of the Oral Biology faculty, Coan developed a tobacco education program that has been successfully integrated into the IU dental school's dental hygiene curriculum.

For the past year, Coan, a trustee of the Indiana Dental Hygienists' Association (IDHA), has participated in a collaboration between the IDHA and TCBC that offers training in team-based tobacco cessation to dental providers around the Hoosier state.



Cochran

Dr. Michael Cochran, a professor emeritus of operative dentistry who retired from the full-time faculty in summer 2009, received the Indiana Dental Association's "Outstanding Faculty of the Year" award in recognition of his body of work since joining the IU faculty in 1978. He continues to teach at the school part time as a member of the volunteer faculty. Cochran chaired the former Department of Operative Dentistry from 1988 to 1993, and was named director of Graduate Operative Dentistry when the department became part of Restorative Dentistry. As a national leader in his field, Cochran brought honor and prestige to the IU School of Dentistry in 1999 by accepting the editorship of *Operative Dentistry*, an international peer-reviewed journal. Over his career he has worked closely with both predoctoral and graduate students of dentistry, and he has twice been honored by the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators. (See page 14 for Cochran's retirement announcement.)

Donald W. Johnson Community Service Awards were bestowed on full-time periodontics professor Dr. Steven Blanchard, part-time dental hygiene Prof. Jane Blanchard, and part-time staff member Ms. Vickie Newkirk of the Student Affairs office.

The Blanchards were honored principally for their outstanding work together as longtime volunteers at the Trinity Clinic, which provides free care to impoverished

families in Hamilton County. Both Steven and Jane have also been committed to and deeply involved in the annual Give Kids a Smile program. They were cited for developing an American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry "Healthy Smiles" program at Trinity, which involves quarterly fluoride varnish applications for needy children, and for being excellent models of service in general to both students and fellow faculty. In her role as a dedicated volunteer, Jane Blanchard has also created and managed a bi-weekly clinical outreach experience for the dental hygiene students at Trinity.

Vickie Newkirk, a student credentials analyst in Student Affairs, was honored for her work with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, a charitable organization dear to her heart because of her grandson's battle with the disease. Decades ago, the life expectancy for persons with cystic fibrosis was just 16 years, says Newkirk's daughter, Jennifer Spaulding, who presented the award. "Now, because of fundraising and support from people like my mom, cystic fibrosis patients are living well into their 30s, with that number rising." Newkirk has raised money over the years by organizing jeans days for the IU dental school. She has also recruited students, staff, and faculty to join the Great Strides walking team or to organize a team of their own. "Over the past few years, the IU dental school, because of Vickie, has raised thousands of dollars to find a cure for cystic fibrosis," says Spaulding.



Steven Blanchard



Jane Blanchard



Newkirk



Vickie Newkirk (facing camera) is surprised during the annual IUSD Staff Conference with the Johnson community award, presented by her daughter, Jennifer Spaulding.

Retirements



Cochran



Hovijitra



Newell

Three of the IU School of Dentistry's longest serving professors announced their retirements in 2009, bringing to a close a trio of outstanding careers that have helped shape the professional lives of thousands of the school's graduates.

Michael Cochran

Dr. Michael A. Cochran's reputation in operative dentistry has a long reach.

For decades he has been a leader in the top organizations in his field, including the Academy of Operative Dentistry and the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators.

He has presented more than 200 courses throughout the U.S. and in Brazil, Canada, England, Iceland, Mexico, and Switzerland, and written or co-written more than 100 scientific articles and abstracts.

For 10 years, he set the pace internationally for scholarly publications in operative dentistry as editor-in-chief of a prestigious, peer-reviewed journal.

And, most important of all, the predoctoral and graduate students who learned from Cochran during his 31-year IU career—including more than 140 advanced-degree seeking dentists whose graduate committees he either served on or led—are pursuing successful careers as practitioners, teachers, and researchers all over the world.

For the last 16 years of his tenure with IU, Cochran directed the program from which his own master's degree was earned in 1975. As a graduate of Northern Michigan University (BS'65) and the University of Michigan (DDS'69), he came to study operative dentistry at IU

while serving in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps. He belonged to the corps for nine years.

Cochran started out at IU as director of the predoctoral Operative Dentistry Clinic, which proved to be a good fit. In the 1980s he was honored repeatedly by the dental classes for both his clinical guidance and outstanding series of lectures. He was named chair of the entire department when Dr. Melvin Lund retired in 1988. Cochran assumed the directorship of the graduate program after several departments, including Operative Dentistry, merged to form Restorative Dentistry in 1993.

IU was enormously proud of Cochran when he was named editor in 1999 of *Operative Dentistry*, the international journal of the Academy of Operative Dentistry and the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators.

"At this stage of my career, with about 10 years to go before I retire, becoming editor of this journal seemed like something I could do, in addition to my work as director of the graduate program, that would allow me to give something back to my profession," Cochran told us shortly after he put his premier issue to bed in 1999.

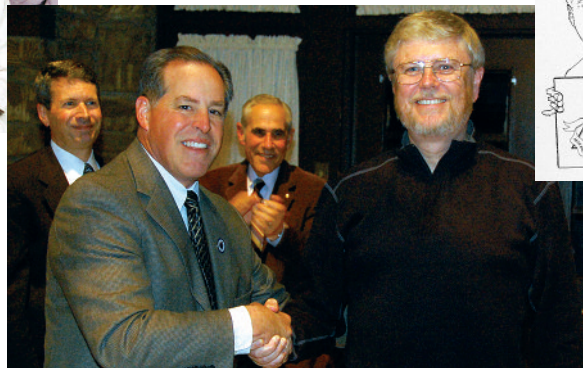
In his expert hands (and those of the first-rate IU-based editorial team he assembled), this outstanding journal got even better—it was redesigned, resized (both size and number of pages grew), color photos became a regular feature, and an electronic version of the publication was introduced. When Cochran passed the editor's baton in 2009, another IU professor caught it; the journal is now managed by Dr. Jeffrey Platt, formerly the journal's associate editor (page 12).

Cochran's multifaceted contributions to IU include years of research studies involving clinical evaluations of teeth whiteners and other products. He also took an interest in the



Cochran's original *Operative Dentistry* editing staff, from left: Bruce Matis (kneeling), Edward DeSchepper, Cochran, Karen Wilczewski (standing), Joan Matis, and Timothy Carlson

IDA President J. Mark Thomas (DDS'80) presents the association's Faculty of the Year Award to Mike during the 2009 faculty retreat in Brown County. ▼



Cochran drew caricatures of several of his graduating operative dentistry classes over the years and this one of the operative dentistry faculty in 1993, from left: Ed DeSchepper, George Willis, Ron Harris, Mike Cochran, Mel Lund, Tim Carlson, and Norris Richmond.

overall welfare of the IUSD faculty, making time in his busy schedule to serve a term as president of the Faculty Council.

He is a past president of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators and a recipient of the academy's Clinician of the Year and Distinguished Member awards. He is a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon honor dental society and holds a Civism Award from the National Naval Dental Center for distinguished service to the Navy Dental Corps and the Naval Dental School. A few months after he retired, the Indiana Dental Association surprised Cochran at the IUSD annual faculty retreat in Brown County with the IDA Faculty of the Year Award.

Among Cochran's many achievements is one that is unique in the annals of IUSD history. Drawing upon his considerable talents as an artist, for several years running he sketched charming, highly detailed caricatures of each graduating class in operative dentistry. They remain on display in Restorative Dentistry's fourth-floor clinic, a sweet reminder of just a few of the thousands of IU students whose lives were touched by this creative, accomplished man.

Suteera Hovijitra

"If you shoot for the stars, you'll get the mountain. If you don't shoot at all, you'll get nothing."

This sound advice to dental students was imparted by Dr. Suteera T. Hovijitra, a professor who spent a significant amount of her career inspiring students to push beyond average expectations, and to continually reach for the highest standards.

Nearly four decades ago Suteera Hovijitra—Sue to her pals—came to IU from Thailand to study prosthodontics, a subject she already knew a lot about. After earning her dental degree from Mahidol University in Bangkok in 1968, she stayed on at Mahidol to complete a certificate in removable prosthodontics before pursuing additional education at IU.

Hovijitra is a 1976 graduate of IU's master's degree program in prosthodontics, and a 1981 graduate of IU's DDS program. She obtained diplomate status from the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1989.

She signed on at IU as an assistant professor after completing her IU prosthodontics certificate in 1974, and except for a

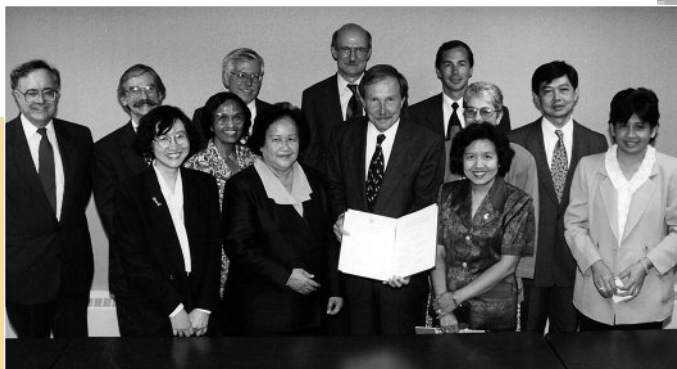
three-year stint on the faculty at the University of Kentucky from 1976 to 1979, she's been with us ever since.

Hovijitra often became one of the IU dental school's "turn to" faculty members when the administration was seeking new ways to improve the school's services or broaden its horizons. In 1988 she was chosen as one of the 12 pioneering faculty of the clinical Facilitator Program, an effort providing ongoing counseling and guidance to all third- and fourth-year dental students with the goal of helping them stay on track and finish their clinical requirements by graduation.

With 12 or more students assigned to each facilitator it was a time-consuming job, but one that Hovijitra enjoyed and felt was important. Some of the students gave Hovijitra the nickname "mom," she told the *Alumni Bulletin* back in 1989, as she sat in an office brimming with cards and notes from her charges. "Students who work with me know that I really care about them," she said. "But because I also demand a high quality of work, that probably scares off some of the others. I used to tell Dr. Dykema [Roland—*ed.*], former chairman of the department, that if I can bring up the standards for 10 students in each class, then I'm happy.... It only takes one or two students coming back and saying, 'If it weren't for you, I wouldn't have made it,' to keep me motivated."

Hovijitra also served as one of the school's first directors of the clinical clusters, an experimental predecessor to today's highly successful Comprehensive Care Clinics for predoctoral students. One of Hovijitra's most important roles at the dental school was her extensive work in the 1990s in helping to build a bridge of friendship and collaboration between IUSD and the dental schools in her homeland of Thailand. It was an unprecedented opportunity, with Hovijitra's good friend and IU graduate Tanphuying Petchara Techakampuch (M'60 Prosthodontics), then dental dean of Thailand's Chulalongkorn University, leading the project.

In May 1993, the IU School of Dentistry signed agreements with all of Thailand's dental schools, which at that time numbered five. Since then IU has signed three more agreements with new schools, most recently with Bangkok's Srinakharinwirot University in 2000. Hovijitra remained



In 1996, Hovijitra joined a group of leaders from IU and Thailand in the reaffirmation of a friendship agreement signed between IUSD and all the dental schools in Thailand in 1993.



Hovijitra discusses a prosthodontics case with Behzad Azimi (DDS'90), then a fourth-year student, now of La Jolla, Calif.

dedicated to the program over the years by teaching Thai students seeking IU degrees and serving as a visiting professor on numerous occasions at the Thai schools.

Hovijitra is a past president of the John F. Johnston Society for Advanced Prosthodontics, fellow of the American College of Prosthodontics, and member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon.

Donald Newell

By the time Dr. Donald H. Newell arrived to teach at the IU dental school in 1989, he had already devoted a generation of his life to the education of dental students and the advanced education of dentists. Our own students were the beneficiaries of his expertise.

Newell pursued three degrees and one residency at the University of Illinois. He began his undergraduate education at Champaign and then moved to the Chicago campus to enter dental school (BSD'56, DDS'58). After serving in a one-year internship in the United States Army at Brooke Army Hospital at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, immediately after dental school, he returned to Chicago to earn a master's degree in oral histology and complete a periodontics residency, both in 1964.

His first big teaching assignment arrived on the heels of his periodontics residency. The Army assigned him to the Royal Canadian Dental Corps School in Camp Borden, Ontario, as a NATO military exchange officer. For two years he directed the periodontal training program and taught basic sciences.

He then taught for six years at Madigan General Hospital in Tacoma, Wash., before returning to Ft. Sam Houston to direct the periodontal residency program. While in Texas he also held an eight-year academic appointment in the periodontics department at the University of Texas Dental School in San Antonio.

He earned diplomate status from the American Board of Periodontology in 1969.

During Newell's 20-year tenure with IU, he was extensively involved with the education of both predoctoral and graduate students, and he directed the Graduate Periodontics

program from 1994 to 2003. Along the way, he built a collection of clinical teaching slides numbering more than 300,000, according to an estimate he gave to *The Practicing Academic* newsletter.

For four years Newell served the American Dental Association as an accreditation on-site consultant for post-graduate programs in periodontics. He has also participated in the American Academy of Periodontology's networking system to counsel candidates for the American Board of Periodontology. He has presented numerous continuing education courses and other programs in the U.S. and abroad. A strong supporter of IU's dental continuing education program, Newell annually teamed up with Chicago colleague Dr. Donald Weissman for several years to present a popular course on periodontal surgery for the general practitioner.

Newell is a past president of the Midwest Society of Periodontology, fellow of the American College of Dentists, and member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon.

Shortly before his retirement, when Newell was asked by *The Practicing Academic* newsletter what he would miss the most about IUSD, he said the camaraderie with people in the school and his department. "This has been one of the things that has kept me here, and is one of the reasons I plan to come back to volunteer," he said.

True to his word, in retirement Newell is still making time for both IU's predocs and perio grad students—during the 2009-2010 academic year he's been teaching part time as a faculty volunteer in the undergraduate and graduate clinics and presenting a graduate seminar.

Newell will long be appreciated and remembered as an affable, approachable man who loved his specialty and who cared a great deal about sharing as much of his knowledge of periodontics as possible with his students. The IU School of Dentistry Alumni Association recognized his exceptional contributions as an educator by awarding him the Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching in 2004.

A congratulatory hug in 2000 for periodontics graduate Leyvee Cabanilla, now Cabanilla Jacobs, of South Lyon, Mich.



Newell joins a group of faculty, staff, and students at the onset of a 1993 restructuring program in which the school's 13 departments were reconfigured into six: Trinh Vu (now Ly), ASDH '95; Denise Flanagan (now Hargett), DDS '94; staff members Marsha Brickey and Tracey Walker; Eric Treadwell (DDS '97); Dean H. William Gilmore; and faculty member Karen Beard.

Program Teaming Persons Living with HIV/AIDS and IU Students Wins National Prize

In an award-winning program created by the Indiana University School of Dentistry, dental students are learning that subtleties in their behavior during a dental appointment may offer telltale signs of the way they are feeling about the person sitting in the dental chair.

And when that dental patient happens to be someone living with HIV/AIDS, a student dentist who makes poor eye contact, for example, or changes clinic gloves more often than protocol requires, can leave the patient feeling ill at ease—or, worse, stigmatized.

The IU dental school entered into a partnership with the Marion County Health Department HIV Division three years ago to team residents living with HIV/AIDS in and around Indianapolis and dental students in a unique learning environment designed to demystify a disease that is still often poorly understood.

The school's HIV HOPE (Oral Health Patient Engagement) program strives to give students the tools and information they need in order to provide care to these medically and psychosocially complex patients in a manner that promotes not only the patient's oral health but also a healthy patient-practitioner relationship.

The program has won the 2010 Orna Shanley Prize for Enhancing Access to Care, cosponsored by the American Dental Education Association and the International Federation of Dental Educators and Associations. The award was presented to program coordinator Dr. Stuart Schrader in Washington, D.C., on March 1.

"Our HIV HOPE program is not an elective

course that draws a handful of students each year," says Schrader, an IU clinical assistant professor of behavioral science. "It's making an impact because every student who earns a dental degree from IU is involved in it."

The IU dental school has a long history of national leadership in educating both students and the practicing community about proper infection control in the dental office. It helped to pioneer the global Organization for Safety and Asepsis Procedures in 1984 and put programs in place early on that gave the school's students and residents experience

in treating HIV/AIDS and other medically compromised patients. The school adopted the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidelines for universal precautions as soon as the CDC released them a generation ago.

While universal precautions assure that all patients are treated in a safe environment and under the same physical conditions, they can't address any underlying fears, biases, or misconceptions a practitioner may have about persons with HIV/AIDS—or that an HIV/AIDS patient may have about dental providers. Through the IU dental school's HIV HOPE program, a group of about a dozen community volunteers who either live with HIV or work in HIV/AIDS care coordination agencies collaborate with the dental faculty to teach students to recognize their own potential stereotypes or concerns about HIV/AIDS patients, and to understand that many such feelings are attributable primarily to a lack of first-hand knowledge about people living with HIV/AIDS.



Schrader

The volunteers are referred primarily by the Bethlehem House, one of several HIV/AIDS care coordination agencies in the Indianapolis area that work with the dental school on this project. The volunteers come out to the school to talk to dental students at a critical point in their training, when they are first beginning to see patients. The volunteers draw attention to a host of challenges—medical, psychological, social, cultural, economic, financial—that confront many persons with HIV/AIDS, and they engage the dental classes in frank discussions about the misconceptions that are often associated with the HIV/AIDS community.

Each student then works individually with one of the volunteers in a video recorded session, taking a medical history and performing a head and neck examination in a simulated educational setting known in professional health schools as an objective structured clinical examination (OSCE). After receiving immediate, face-to-face feedback from the volunteer, the student uses the recording to write a self-assessment. The recording also enables faculty and the student's peers to further contribute to the assessment.

These one-on-one simulated appointments, in combination with several other HIV HOPE projects, amply prepare students to relate to and treat actual HIV/AIDS patients—first, at the dental school, and ultimately, it is hoped by Schrader, in their own practices after they graduate.

Patient care is funded through the Marion County Health Department by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program. In 2009, 176 of the school's dental students scheduled more than 2,600 appointments for about 400 patients through the Ryan White program, an increase in patients of about 63 percent over the previous year. There are approximately 4,000 people living with HIV/AIDS in Marion and surrounding counties.

Schrader has received strong positive feedback from the Marion County Health Department and the local HIV/AIDS agencies about the program, which has helped

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build a reciprocal bridge of partnership and communication between the school and the HIV/AIDS community.

"The volunteers teach our students about the challenges facing the HIV community in accessing oral healthcare," Schrader said. "Our students in turn educate the volunteers, and the HIV/AIDS patients subsequently seen in the clinics, about oral health complications related to the human immunodeficiency virus and what patients can do to contribute to the effective management of their oral care. I'm confident that the HIV HOPE experience will help our students evolve into practicing dentists who are fully engaged community partners in the care of patients with HIV/AIDS and others facing similar barriers in accessing care."

A New Chapter in IUSD History

Dr. Karen Yoder, director of Community Dentistry, recently shared some wonderful news about a new chapter in IUSD's history designed exclusively for students:

The IU School of Dentistry has become the second dental school in the country to be granted a charter for a student chapter of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD). The charter was approved in Honolulu in October 2009 at the AAPHD board of directors' meeting during the association's annual session.

Congratulations to second-year dental students Ali Sajadi and Stephanie So for leading the application process. They are to be commended for their initiative! They drafted by-laws and have already recruited 68 dental students who signed their intention to be members. They registered to become an official IUPUI student organization and have elected the following officers: President Stephanie So; Vice-president Tyler Kimmel, D1; Secretary Megan Davenport, D3; and Treasurer Robert Love, D2. Ali Sajadi will also remain very active in the group.

The Indiana Dental Association Council on Public Health is, of course, very pleased about this and has offered to work with the student chapter. I am looking forward to working with these students, and other interested faculty members are welcome to be a part of this new venture.

The University of Illinois at Chicago was the first chapter established, and it is being mentored by Dr. Caswell Evans. Five additional schools have begun the process of applying for a charter.

This is a terrific opportunity to help shape a dental workforce that will have a depth of understanding about the principles of public health, the benefits of strong dental public health programs, and the skills needed for shaping healthful public policy.—Karen Yoder

IUSD Joins Med Student-Initiated Effort to Care for the Uninsured (on Saturdays)

A small group of volunteer-minded fourth-year Indiana University medical students saw their dreams for a student-run community clinic come true in August 2009, when they held the grand opening of the IU Student Outreach Clinic, a near eastside healthcare facility that provides free urgent care to the needy.

The medical students decided to team up with IU's dental students and others to broaden the scope of the clinic, which operates on Saturdays at the Neighborhood Fellowship Church, 3102 E. 10th Street. Also participating are Clarian Health and students from the med school's Department of Public Health and Butler University's College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

The clinic was the brainchild of a group of medical students working with direction from faculty adviser Javier Sevilla, MD, associate professor of family medicine.

Treatment is currently limited to urgent medical care and medical screenings. Initially, the dental school is providing dental supplies and patient education, although the dental students hope to eventually include dental screenings and more advanced care.

"This clinic depended on its student volunteers for virtually all stages of development," said Dr. Joan Kowolik, one of the dental faculty involved with the project. "The students created the initial strategic plan, procured grant funding, formed a partnership with community leaders, and even convinced their university faculty that the clinic would work with a small measure of help and support.



At the IU Student Outreach Clinic's grand opening: dental students John Rapp (left), Susie Shim, Clayton Craig, Ben Ahlbrecht, Daniel O'Callaghan, and Megan Davenport

The students who thought this through and made it a reality are part of the millennial generation, a group often negatively described in the press as value-driven, idealistic, and self-centered. The young people who established this community clinic belie that stereotype, and are volunteering each week to provide clinical services that meet some of the needs of impoverished members of our community.”

It’s the first clinic in Indiana that is fully operated by students, with medical care given under the guidance of volunteer staff doctors from the IU medical school’s departments of family medicine, internal medicine, and pediatrics.

Some of the student volunteers, including fourth-year dental student Carly Rauch (now Ahlbrecht), recently were interviewed at the clinic for a WFYI Public Radio “Sound Medicine” segment. Albrecht said the students would like to broaden the dental services over time, eventually providing restorations, extractions, and meeting other urgent care needs. The radio segment can be accessed at <http://soundmedicine.iu.edu/segment/2174/Student-Run-Medical-Clinic>.

Dentistry faculty and students participating in the grand opening included Dr. Jeffrey Dean, executive associate dean; Dr. Lawrence Garetto, associate dean for Dental Education; Dr. Timothy Carlson, Restorative Dentistry; Prof. Melinda Meadows and Dr. Joan Kowolik, Pediatric Dentistry; and dental students Ben Ahlbrecht, Clayton Craig, Megan Davenport, Laura Davila, Jessica Grams, Kira McCoy, Carter McCrea, Emily Noble, Daniel O’Callaghan, John Rapp, Carly Rauch, Emily Sadler, Susie Shim, Cory Timbers, and Miriam Viernes.

Teeth for Tots: One of a Kind Gift to Pediatric Dentistry

They’re puffy. They’re perky. And they’ve got “playful” written all over their funny little smiles.

Thanks to two Indianapolis residents who have shown that dental professionals aren’t the only ones with skillful hands, the IU Department of Pediatric Dentistry now has a merry assortment of miniature tooth-shaped pillows that are sure to draw the eye and spark the imagination of youngsters in the clinic. After working their magic with felt and

yarn, talented crafters Esta Mae Dearduff and Wanda Sears came out to the school in February 2010 to make a gift of their creations.

“We are extremely fortunate to have been gifted these sweet, handcrafted pillows,” says Dr. Joan Kowolik, adding that child patients at IUSD who require the removal of a tooth will now receive a very special gift of a “tooth pillow” in which to leave a message for the “Tooth Fairy.”

“The pillows are sewn and filled with soft, child-safe materials and the children love them,” says Kowolik. “Our aim in the department is to prevent caries, but unfortunately children still present with extreme forms of the disease and tooth extraction is the only possible treatment. Esta Mae Dearduff and Wanda Sears have found a way to ease the stress caused by this treatment in a take-home way. The Pediatric Dentistry department would like to express a big thank you to these two generous ladies for their gift.”

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Dr. Joan Kowolik (left) and dental assistant Amanda Stanley (right) help Esta Mae Dearduff (center left) and Wanda Sears show off the handcrafted pillows they donated to Pediatric Dentistry.

Dental School Volunteers Add Adult Screenings to Black Expo Health Fair

Adults attending summer 2009's Indiana Black Expo were able to have their own dental health assessed in addition to their youngsters', thanks to a new screening program conducted by volunteers from the IU School of Dentistry at IUPUI working in tandem with the Indiana State Department of Health and the Marion County Health Department.

The dental screening program was one of a wide range of health screenings offered at the Indiana State Department of Health's INShape Indiana Black and Minority Health Fair. The goal of the fair is to increase minority awareness of chronic diseases, including dental disease, and to impart information about disease prevention.

While dental screenings for children conducted by dental school faculty, staff, and students have previously been a component of Black Expo and were offered once again in 2009, this was the first time in recent history that one group of the school's volunteers focused on the dental health of adults.

A number of Black Expo participants—342 adults in all—took advantage of the free dental screenings.

"We wanted to reach members of the community who may not be receiving oral healthcare information and services from other sources," said Traci Adams-Wilson, coordinator of the adult dental screenings program and then head of the dental school's diversity support services.

The dental school volunteers along with the Marion County Health Department/Health and Hospital Corporation offered free dental screenings July 16-19. The county health department's dental director is Dr. Tonya Stewart, who also serves as a part-time professor in the School of Dentistry's Restorative Dentistry department.

In addition to the results of their screenings, fair goers received information about the dental school's clinics and other central Indiana facilities where lower cost dental care is available.

While some members of the dental team conducted the screenings, others were engaged in a student recruitment drive, drawing the attention of persons interested in looking at dentistry as a possible career opportunity.

Children were screened by another group of volunteers through the Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures program, which also ran for four days. Many of these volunteers are members of the dental school's Kids Club, a group of students who donate their time to wellness activities for youngsters in the community. Their contributions to the Colgate program were coordinated by pediatric dentistry Professor Melinda Meadows.

"We provided an important service to the fair goers," said Adams-Wilson. "It was also a great opportunity to introduce a lot of community members to the School of Dentistry, to let them know who we are and what we can do for them."

Indiana Black Expo volunteers included Dr. Rhonda Stephens (GPR Cert. '05), dental director of the Raphael Health Center, Indianapolis.

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Judith Chin Honored for Service “Above and Beyond”

Dr. Judith Chin, associate professor of Pediatric Dentistry at Indiana University School of Dentistry, received a Glenn W. Irwin, Jr., M.D. Experience Excellence Recognition Award during the IUPUI Chancellor’s Employee Recognition Convocation in fall 2009.

The award is named for a former IUPUI chancellor and was established with the goal of honoring faculty and staff for service “above and beyond the call of duty.”

That certainly is an apt description of Chin’s efforts, on behalf of not only the School of Dentistry but also the community at large—which, in Judi’s case, means just about anywhere there’s an impoverished child who is in need of dental care.

“Judi is a tireless teacher, clinician, and volunteer, going well above and beyond her compensated role as a member of the faculty,” Dr. Timothy Carlson, chair of IUSD’s Committee on Community Engaged Scholarship, said upon nominating Chin, adding that she has advanced children’s dental health locally, nationally, and internationally.

For several years Chin played a comprehensive role in IU’s annual Give Kids a Smile program as a volunteer practitioner, key event organizer, and media spokesperson, and she has championed many other programs that aid the

community. She has raised many thousands of dollars through grants and other measures to help provide dental care to children from impoverished families here and abroad.

“Dr. Chin is the only dentist on Indiana’s governmental Commission on Excellence in Health Care,”

Prof. Melinda Meadows, Pediatric Dentistry, said in her nomination. “She has presented information to both the Senate and House regarding dental care for the underserved children of Indiana.”

“In my 33 years of academic and administrative experience in dental and health education I have not (encountered) an individual so dedicated to the profession,” Dr. James Jones, chair of Pediatric Dentistry, said in his nomination. “Her willingness and ability to balance the demands of job and parent, as well as devote an extraordinary amount of time and effort to the profession, is truly exceptional.”

Chin is a 1994 dental graduate of IU and has been a member of the IU faculty since 2000. She holds a master’s in oral sciences and a certificate in pediatric dentistry from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and she completed an NIH fellowship in craniofacial anomalies at the University of California at San Francisco.



Chin



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Body's Immune System Response to Dental Plaque Varies by Gender, Race

by Cindy Fox Aisen

Will neglecting to brush your teeth damage more than just your smile? Can failing to attack dental plaque increase your risk of heart damage?

The answer to both questions may be yes if you are male and black, an Indiana University School of Dentistry study published in the August 2009 issue of the *Journal of Dental Research* reports.



Kowolik

The researchers, led by Dr. Michael Kowolik, IU professor of periodontics and associate dean for graduate education, studied 128 black and white men and women and found that dental plaque accumulation did not result in a change in total white blood count, a known risk factor for adverse cardiac events. However, in black males the researchers noted a significant

increase in the activity of neutrophils, the most common type of white blood cell and an essential part of the immune system.

Unlike most other studies that attempt to understand the link between oral inflammatory disease and heart disease risk, these study participants did not have periodontal disease. They were healthy individuals who by the study design were asked to neglect oral hygiene.

"We are talking about healthy people who simply neglect oral hygiene and if they were male and black, we found a response from their white blood cells, or neutrophils, that might be a cause for concern," said Kowolik.

"If you get a bacterial infection anywhere in the body, billions of neutrophils come flooding out of your bone marrow to defend against the intruder. Our observation that with poor dental hygiene white blood cell activity increased in black men but not black women or whites of either sex suggests both gender and racial differences in the inflammatory response to dental plaque. This finding could help us identify individuals at greater risk for infections anywhere in the body including those affecting the heart," he said.

Physicians have known for about a quarter of a century that one of the principal risk factors for a heart attack is an elevated white blood cell count. "While we did not observe higher white blood cell counts as the result of dental plaque accumulation, the increased activity of white blood cells, which we did find, may also carry a higher risk for heart disease," he added.

Kowolik's research results drew widespread interest in the African American community; he was invited to discuss his work on live talk radio programs in two major American cities. He was interviewed by Santita Jackson, daughter of the Reverend Jessie Jackson, on her WVON-AM Chicago program; and by Joe Madison, host of WOL-AM's Washington, D.C.-based "The Black Eagle" morning show, which airs coast-to-coast on Sirius/XM Satellite Radio.

The *JDR* article, titled "Neutrophil Response to Dental Plaque by Gender and Race," adds to the body of evidence that dental hygiene plays an important role in a preventive health program for the whole body.

Other authors of the study, which was supported by a grant from the National Institutes of Health, are Dr. Vivian Wahaidi, who recently completed her PhD degree at IU under Kowolik's mentorship; Dr. Sheri Dowsett, a researcher at Eli Lilly and Company and an IU adjunct assistant professor of periodontics; and George Eckert of the IU School of Medicine's Division of Biostatistics.

IU Dental Grads, Faculty on "Sound Medicine"

Familiar voices were recently heard on two segments of WFYI Public Radio's "Sound Medicine," a program underwritten by Clarian Health, IU Medical Group, and IUPUI.

- Dr. **Domenick Zero**, associate dean for Research, discussed the growing problem, especially among young people, of enamel erosion caused by soft drinks. His interview is accessible at <http://soundmedicine.iu.edu/segment/2308/Soft-Drinks-Cause-Cavities-Erode-Enamel>.

- Three IU dental alumni talked about their role at a recent Rockville, Ind., town hall meeting where they spoke in support of maintaining Rockville's fluoridated water supply. Rockville's fluoridation program was in peril because of expensive updates needed for the system. Among those addressing the importance of fluoride were retired dentist **C. David Hay** (DDS'61), Rosedale; Rockville dentist **Mary Ruth Welch Staadt** (DDS'85); and Indianapolis dentist **M. Kent Smith** (DDS'85). Their voices on this matter also set an excellent example for the IU dental school's students of how members of the dental profession can play a critical role in their communities. Listen to their interviews at <http://soundmedicine.iu.edu/segment/2265/Fluoride-Fight-In-Rockville-In>.

OHRI Welcomes Young Researchers from Brazil

Dental students from one of the IU School of Dentistry's friendship schools recently visited Indianapolis with a goal of contributing to research under way at the Oral Health Research Institute.

Five students from Universidade Positivo in Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil, conducted research on caries detection for a week during IU's fall semester under the guidance of a faculty mentor from their school, Dr. Sibebe Pereira de Oliveira, and OHRI scientist Dr. Andréa Ferreira Zandoná, an IU associate professor in the Preventive and Community Dentistry department.

The group is from a university in southern Brazil that hosts IUSD students during their annual service-learning programs in Mandirituba, Brazil. Through an initiative led by Dr. Zandoná, a formal General Collaboration Agreement between Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis and UnicenP (now Universidade Positivo) was signed in May 2007. The contract established ties of friendship and cooperation between the two universities for the purpose of promoting mutual understanding and collaboration in the fields of teaching, technological development, and research.

Under the agreement, IU dental students typically visit Brazil during IU's summer sessions, and Universidade Positivo students come to Indianapolis each fall.

"This is the second year that IU dental students, and one recent IU graduate, hosted the students from Brazil," says Zandoná, who was impressed that the hardworking visitors, all in their final year of study, worked overtime to complete their IU research projects.

Zandoná's research lab provides a rich environment for young scholars with an interest in caries development; she is in the midst of a five-year, \$3.4 million study funded by the National Institutes of Health that is chronicling the

progression of early dental caries and evaluating specific methods used in caries detection.

The students' faculty mentor from home, Dr. Pereira de Oliveira, is also a PhD candidate at the University of São Paulo, Brazil. She is conducting her dissertation research at IU's Oral Health Research Institute, which involves an assessment of proximal caries lesions using microtomography, cone beam CT, and digital radiographs. During the visit to IU in 2009, she presented results of her research to members of the Indiana Section of the American Association for Dental Research.



From left: IU faculty mentor Dr. Andréa Ferreira Zandoná, Universidade Positivo (UP) faculty mentor Dr. Sibebe Pereira de Oliveira, and dental students Marília Moreira Dias (UP), Robert Brandt (IU), Aaron Layton (IU), Endrigo Scaletti Mentta (UP), Rafaela Larson da Silveira (UP, in front of Endrigo), Felipe Almeida Galoro (UP), and Cassiano Lima Chaiben (UP). Not pictured is IU's John Jeppson (DDS'09).

INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY RESEARCH FUNDING

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009

Extramural Research Funding	7,834,663
Intramural (IUSD) Research Support	1,226,691
Total	\$9,061,354

Extramural Funding Sources

	\$ Income	Percent
State Government Sponsored Research	297,262	3.79
Federal Government Sponsored Research	1,108,726	14.15
Non-Government Sponsored Research and Training	6,097,184	77.83
University Support of Research and Training (other than dental school funds)	331,491	4.23
Total	\$7,834,663	100.00

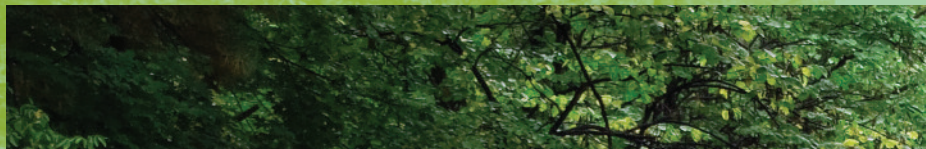
Extramural Funding by Departments and Divisions

	\$ Income	Percent
Dentistry Administrative Support	91,179	1.16
Endodontics	2,000	0.03
Oral Biology	852,208	10.88
Oral Pathology, Medicine, and Radiology	41,504	0.53
Orthodontics and Oral Facial Genetics	44,427	0.57
Pediatric Dentistry	29,288	0.37
Periodontics and Allied Dental Programs	39,069	0.50
Preventive and Community Dentistry/ Oral Health Research Institute	6,526,762	83.30
Research and Administrative Support	121,384	1.55
Restorative Dentistry	86,842	1.11
Total	\$7,834,663	100.00

Indirect Costs Recovered from Funded Research	\$863,556
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Fall Conferencing

Graduates and their families gathered in Indy in September '09 to celebrate reunions and memories at the IU School of Dentistry Alumni Association's 67th Fall Dental Alumni Conference



Eagle Creek photos by Terry Wilson



3 deer at Eagle Creek encounter
3 dears from the IU dental school alumni—the dears, from left: David Radovich (DDS'79), Schererville, Ind.; Ken Hyde (DDS'75), Valparaiso, Ind.; and Jim Vanes (DDS'79), La Porte, Ind.

Conference Honorees

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

Richard E. Jones, DDS'75, M'78
Munster, Ind.

When Dr. Richard Jones was a new dental graduate enrolled in IU's master's degree program in maxillofacial prosthetics in the 1970s, the Complete Denture faculty took quick notice of the bright young man with the professional demeanor who taught part time in the denture clinic as part of his specialty training.

"He's one to watch," the seasoned professors opined about their new colleague, clearly impressed.

Their instincts were spot on: Jones has been impressing the dental community ever since with his capacity for leadership and his commitment to both patient care and student education.

Jones pursued his undergraduate studies at Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind., and IU Bloomington before entering IU's dental program in 1971. He launched his private practice in prosthodontics and maxillofacial prosthetics after completing his dental and prosthodontics degrees in 1975 and 1978, respectively.

Every dentist knows that setting up and nurturing a new practice is a time-consuming—often *all*-consuming—task, but that didn't prevent Jones from also seeking out a part-time teaching position in Dental Education on the IU Northwest campus in Gary. He devoted the next 24 years to the students at IU Northwest, and also contributed for several years to IUSD's graduate prosthodontics program as an assistant professor. He served on the American Dental Association's prosthodontics test construction committee of the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations.

One of Jones' most important contributions to the profession of dentistry in Indiana is his long association with the peer review process, both at the regional and state levels. His primary interest, say his colleagues, has always been in ensuring the quality and integrity of dentistry. He is cited for his work in ensuring that peer review is a credible and expert process. Jones chaired the Northwest Indiana Dental Society's Peer Review program for nearly a decade, and he has been chairing the Indiana Dental Association's since 1989. He has overseen production of two versions of the IDA Peer Review Guidelines and instituted and directed annual training workshops.

Jones is a past president of the Indiana Section of the American College of Prosthodontists and executive counselor of the Midwest Academy of Prosthodontics. He has served on the board of the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations, and as a member of the Cleft Palate Team of Northwest Indiana.



Jones

HONORARY ALUMNUS

Robert H. Kasberg, PhD
Indianapolis

By continually striving to increase the diversity of the student body at Indiana University School of Dentistry, administrator Dr. Robert Kasberg enriches the lives of all IUSD students as well as the faculty and staff. We are proud to welcome him as an honorary member of the IUSD Alumni Association.

He is cited by his nominator for his recruitment efforts to increase African American and Latino enrollment at the school—enrollment enhancements that will also have a direct and lasting positive effect on the underserved populations of Indiana.

Kasberg joined the dental school as director of admissions in 2002, after having served for six years as assistant dean of the IUPUI Graduate Office. He has gained experience as a research associate, academic counselor, and lecturer within the IU system, and was formerly associated with the IU Center on Philanthropy and the IUPUI Undergraduate Education Center, Department of Anthropology, and Steering Committee for the Center on Southeast Asia.

He was promoted to assistant dean for Student Affairs at the dental school in 2005.

After graduating with highest distinction from IUPUI with a bachelor's degree in anthropology in 1987, Kasberg earned a Master of Philosophy degree (1989) and PhD degree (1994) in anthropology from Yale University, where he was also a teaching fellow.

The Philippines was one of the nations where Kasberg was stationed as a hospital corpsman in the U.S. Navy in the 1970s, and his ties with the country remained strong long afterwards. He served as a community organizer and health worker on the Philippine island of Mindoro for the U.S. Peace Corps after finishing his navy duty, and as a Peace Corps project director in Manila.

Kasberg has acquired a number of grants throughout his career, including 1996 grants for student Summer Research Opportunities and Minority Achievement Scholarships that were both renewed annually for several years, and a Fulbright grant.

Student interaction with Kasberg during the dental school application process sets the tone for their perception of positive future dental school experiences—experiences that translate into loyal alumni, says his nominator. Kasberg is described as "innovative, progressive, and totally dedicated to the success of all students at IUSD."

Indiana University couldn't agree more.



Kasberg

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Daniel W. Fridh, DDS'75
La Porte, Ind.

In his final year of dental school, Daniel Fridh was the type of stellar dental student who would occasionally be called upon to save the day if an underclassman got in over his head, clinically speaking.

An IUSD staff member recalls being one of those patients that turned into a “difficult case” for a new—and flustered—third-year dental student. “Dan Fridh would be a good student to help with this,” said the supervising faculty member, who determined that the treatment options were too advanced for a student who was still green in the clinics. “Let’s see if Dan’s available.”

Fridh was swamped and already had a full patient load, but he responded to the request anyway. He saved a young woman’s tooth that was otherwise destined for a premature departure. And that restored tooth functioned beautifully for decades.

We’re quite sure that little has changed for Fridh since his dental student days: He’s no doubt still swamped, as a successful practitioner since 1978, and he’s still making time to help others.

In 2003, for example, Fridh met with officials from La Porte’s Title I elementary schools to discuss ways to deliver dental care to more than 300 underprivileged children. He enlisted the services of IU’s Seal Indiana program to annually provide exams and sealants to these children, who receive follow-up care at a La Porte community dental clinic or at one of several offices that have volunteered to treat the clinic’s overflow patients. Thanks to Fridh’s leadership, say his colleagues, many children in La Porte have enjoyed an improved quality of life by receiving dental care that was not available to them from other sources.

Fridh also chaired the La Porte County/Michigan City Dental Advisory Group for the La Porte County Dental Services program, whose goal is to provide oral care to La Porte County’s low-income residents. He founded Neutral Zone, a teen center in La Porte.

In addition to his IU bachelor’s degree (1972) and dental degree (1975), Fridh completed a general practice residency at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi and served as chief of dental operations at the Baudette AF Station in Minnesota and Finley AF Base in North Dakota.

Fridh has been a strong supporter of the IUSD Alumni Association board of directors, having served two consecutive terms (2001-2007). He is a fellow of the International College of Dentists and a past president of the Northwest Indiana and La Porte County dental societies.



Fridh

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Jay T. Dziwlik, MBA
Carmel, Ind.

He is employed by the Indiana Dental Association, but Jay Dziwlik is as much a part of the fabric of the IU School of Dentistry as any faculty or staff member: As often as we see him on the job at IUSD, we suspect that he has made it his goal to personally welcome every single IUSD student into organized dentistry—even those who plan to leave Indiana.

All students, no matter where they’re going to settle down, have a lot to learn from Dziwlik. He understands that organized dentistry offers every dentist a good deal more than simply a list of excellent membership benefits. He has a keen perception of the fundamental importance of individual dentists finding a place for themselves among a community of dentists, and of practitioners finding their own voices on healthcare issues of the day—and using those voices in groups where they will be heard.

For a man who spends much of his time introducing himself to new people, Jay has a better-than-average icebreaker: Nearly everyone is baffled by the pronunciation of his last name. For the record, it’s “jeev lick”—and we know from experience that this good-natured gentleman won’t mind if you have to ask him how to say it more than once.

Dziwlik acquired his exceptional service and public relations skills by working in a variety of managerial positions in fine hotels in Chicago and Indianapolis during the first years of his career. He joined the IDA as director of membership in 2000, the same year he began teaching classes in business management at his alma mater, Indiana Wesleyan University (MBA’97), in Marion. He also holds a bachelor’s degree in hotel and restaurant management from Iowa State University (1988).

Dziwlik was promoted to IDA assistant executive director in 2004. As the IDA’s dental school liaison, Dziwlik greets IU’s new dental students (at the annual White Coat ceremony), congratulates IU’s departing graduates (at commencement), and remains highly engaged with the dental classes in the four years between those two major events through such programs as the IDA Mentor dinner, ADA Success class, continuing education courses, Oral Health Policy Forum—even the school’s annual picnic.

Both dental students and dentists alike have benefited from projects Dziwlik has developed on ethics and jurisprudence training, web conferencing, leadership development, and career network assistance.



Dziwlik

50-Year Anniversary Grads



ASDH 1959

Jolene (Richetta) Dunbar, Judith (Shank) Butler, Nancy (Porter) Blackburn, Karen (Hueston) Smith, Edna (Railey) Hensey, Jean (Bushong) Leyda, and Karen Lucas



The exquisite cup is from the alumni tour and high tea at the Indianapolis Propylaeum, the oldest private club owned and operated by and for women. Photo by Timothy Centers.

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Carmel, Ind.

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Kokomo, Ind.

William Donald Kimbriel, DDS
Pentwater, Mich.

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Greenwood, Ind.

Gene Hedrick, DDS
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John Schulz, DDS
Indianapolis

Rolando Bernui, DDS
Hendersonville, Tenn.

Edna Hensey, ASDH
Raleigh, N.C.

Karen Lucas, ASDH
Indianapolis

Karen Smith, ASDH
Indianapolis

Judith Butler, ASDH
Kendallville, Ind.

Stanley Herman, DDS
Monterey, Tenn.

Bruce Meyer, DDS
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Robert Walden, DDS
Noblesville, Ind.

Jolene Dunbar, ASDH
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Pittsboro, Ind.

Gilbert Eberhart, DDS
Mishawaka, Ind.

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DDS 1959

BACK: Robert Walls, Gilbert Eberhart, Donald Arens, Donald Jennings, Bruce Meyer, Larry Hodge, Gene Hedrick, Jerrold Goldsmith, and Stanley Herman

FRONT: William Donald Kimbriel, John Schulz, Robert Walden, Robert Modlin, Robert Hirschman, Jo Ann (Nichols) Hearn, Paul Risk, Rolando Bernui, and Robert Purdy





IU faculty member Dr. Edwin Parks presented the conference CE course: "Let's Get 3-Dimensional—An Overview of Cone Beam Computed Tomography."



During the fall conference's Saturday tour, Shayegan Shamsaie (DDS'89) and his wife, Shelly, Princeton, Ind., ham it up at our request: Shayegan shows Shelly that he knows how to be a compliant patient, and Shelly, who is not a dentist, shows Shayegan that she knows how to think outside the box—indeed, outside the mouth—when it comes to oral healthcare.



'49 Lookin' Fine. Charles and Treva Gish (left), Battle Ground, Ind.; Margaret "Bunny" Boardman, Naples, Fla.; Darwin Reed, Gales Ferry, Conn.; and Joseph and Lois Lush, Munster, Ind.



Stan Herman (DDS'59)
in the Pedito clinic



Checking out the dental school's new Graduate Periodontics Clinic, back row from left: Annette (Mrs. Herbert) Stevens, Paoli, Ind.; Phil Bly (DDS'54), Indianapolis; John Brannan (DDS'54), Fort Myers Beach, Fla.; Herbert Stevens (DDS'69); and Joe Dudding (DDS'79), Nisswa, Minn. Up front are 1959 classmates Rolando Bernui (left), Hendersonville, Tenn., and Stan Herman, Monterey, Tenn.; and Jay Reynolds (DDS'74), Richmond, Ind.

2-Term Board Member Phil Conn Takes Reins of IUSD Alumni Association

Dr. Phillip W. Conn was inducted as president of the Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association at the Fall Dental Alumni Conference on the IUPUI campus in September 2009.



Phillip Conn

Conn lives with his wife, Kandis, in Danville, Ill., where he also practices.

He brings to his presidency a decade's worth of experience with and service to the Alumni Association, having first accepted a position on the IUSDAA Board of Directors in 2000 and then signing on for a second term in 2003. He began the four-year journey through the officers positions in 2006.

In addition to his 1978 IU Doctor of Dental Surgery degree, Conn holds a bachelor's degree in zoology from the IU Bloomington campus.

"My three children are all grown—Stacy Conn, Leanne Moore, and Holly Slaters," says Conn. "I also have a granddaughter, Olivia Moore, and stepdaughter, Jennifer Petersak."

In March 2009, Conn was honored to be asked to serve on the Search and Screen Committee for the Dean of the IU School of Dentistry. Representing the external community, Conn joined committee chair Dr. Augustine Agho, dean of the IUPUI School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, and 10 other persons in the work involved with this enormous task.

He still managed, in late summer, to pursue a goal of volunteering his dental skills to persons in need abroad. He headed a dental clinic for two weeks during a mission trip to Abengourou, Côte d'Ivoire, West Africa.

Conn enjoys filling his leisure hours with such outdoor pursuits as fishing, hunting, and golf.



At the close of the conference, IUSDAA president Steven Stradley congratulates the incoming president. Conn will serve until September 2010.



PAST IUSDAA PRESIDENTS.

Standing: Vincent Guido (DDS'82), George Zundo (DDS'80), Dan White (DDS'79), and Steven Stradley (DDS'76). Seated: Les Tweedle (DDS'60), Roger Isaacs (DDS'69), Ralph McDonald (DDS'44), and Bob Modlin (DDS'59).

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Standing, from left: Lou Sertich, Joe Baumgartner, Jeffrey Allen, Dan White, George Zundo, Phil Conn, Michael Bennett, Steve Stradley (in front of Dr. Bennett), Ken Braun, Mike Luarde, Robert Eversole, Keith Roberts, and Ken Hyde. Seated: David Hayhurst, Lindsay Resmer, Michelle Whittler, Pat Clark, Vince Guido, Janet Rucker, and Amanda Braun

More Grads from Reunion '09

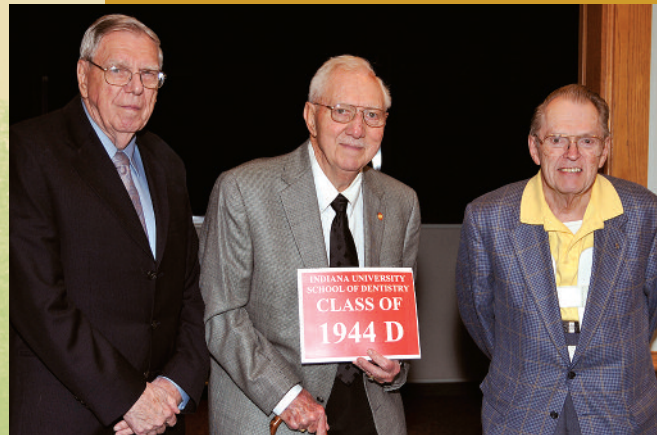


DDS April 1944

Lowell Renshaw and Thomas Beavers

DDS December 1944

Edgar DeJean, Ralph McDonald, and Robert Ryan



DDS 1949

Charles Gish, Darwin Reed,
and Joseph Lush



DDS 1954

BACK: Marion Warpenburg, Ralph McDowell, Donald Spees, James Baldwin, and Phillip Bly
FRONT: Robert Bogan, James Worster, Guthrie Carr, Robbie Robinson, and John Brannan



ASDH 1964

Carolyn (Humphreys) Lucas, Suzanne (Ireland) Miller, Bonnie Lou (Moore) Zarse, Sandra Stamper, Marilou (Monfort) Rerick, Madolyn (Myers) Puntillo, and Anne (Cooper) Fox



DDS 1964

BACK: Hal King, Joseph Fox, Kenneth Dilger, Charles Puntillo, Maurice Lord, Jon Walker, Charles Byer, and Jeffrey Landrum

MIDDLE: David Bleeke, Art Melloh, Nelson Marc Davisson, James Dumas, John Challman, Richard Watson, David Fink, James Bayley, and Philip Catey

FRONT: Stanley Nevill, Ross Lawrence, Erick Erickson, David Thompson, Larry Herron, Anthony Grasso, Roger Sullivan, James Hayslett, and Fred Robbins



ASDH 1969

Katherine (Kinneer) Hershberger, Joan (Johnson) Locke, Karen Gable, and Sherry (Ryan) Dallman



DDS 1969

BACK: Robert Ellison, George Vail, Harold Thomas Schussler, William Denny Rushton, Daryl Locke, Richard Bean, and Joe Sigg
FRONT: Roy Green, John Fleming, Ron Ditto, Herbert Stevens, Roger Isaacs, Joseph Lovasko, Randy Long, and Dick Shelly

ASDH 1974

Betsy (Dreyer) Brunette,
 Patricia (Humphrey) Clark,
 Jane (Brunette) Merrill,
 Beth Young, and
 Corrine (Krack) Goforth



DDS 1974

BACK: Lynn Gassoway, Timothy Shambaugh, George Kopko, Anne Kossowan, Doug Johnson, James Henry, Thomas Rosenbarger, Rocky Reed, and Timothy Turner
FRONT: Gene Stutsman, John Lehman, Ronald Schlimmer, Russell Beckett, Loufi Bitar, Kenneth Lau, Jay Reynolds, and Steven Short



DDS 1979

BACK: Thomas Rector, Bruce Blackburn, Dennis Church, Daniel White, George Willis, Ronald Hammond, Michael Vibbert, James Vanes, Joe Baumgartner, and Bill Virtue

MIDDLE: John Bush, Sue (Sharkey) Blackburn, Joseph Dudding, Michael Conley, Linda Zimmerman, Cynthia Molenda, David Matthews, Mark Deterf, Harley Houghton, and Gregory Berger

FRONT: Dennis Zent, Paul Challgren, Michael Bennett, James Lindsey, Thomas Burns, Allen Feeley, David Radovich, Philip Heller, and Daniela Lawson



DDS 1984

BACK: Paul Nahmias, Ned Warner, Ted Reese, Mark Sakurai, Jeffrey Percy, Kenneth Braun, Elizabeth (Cameron) Barra, and Paul Johnson

MIDDLE: Sheila Barton Bosron, Dwight Ashby, Jon Inman, David Harrison, James Jeffrey Schaefer, Mike Bentz, Brian Nunley, Mark Stetzel, and Jeffrey Platt

FRONT: Michael Beachy, Thomas Steckbeck, Donald Fischer, Jill (Merritt) Burns, Carol Braun, and Brian Eberhart



DDS 1989

BACK: Kevin Spees, Shayegan Shamsaie, Steven Rodgers, Bradley Houston, Todd Eder, John Kozicki, and Matthew Miller

FRONT: Margaret (Hibler) Kirkland, Deborah (Hegy) Luarde, Armando Avila, Pablo Fonseca, Melissa (Wainman) Maze, Kim Dunbar, and Marvin Eady

ASDH 1994

Terry Carnes and Carol Susan Spencer



DDS 1999

BACK: Burton Largura, Russel Mulamba, Angela Greenaway, Audrey Nuffer-Johnson, and Heather Largura

FRONT: Stacy Johnson, Nathan Moore, Don Newman, Phillip Jones, Anthony Hornaday, and Scott Tate



DDS 2004

BACK: Joshua Souweine, Byron Moore, David Burns, Curtis Schmidt, Bradley Swanson, Sara Naderi, Jennifer Thiel, Angela Murat, and Robyn Hayes

FRONT: Carolyn Demas, Mandy Greenlee, Suzan Harris, Mary Baker, Christie Lant, Charles Fuhrer, Jason Flannagan, Danielle (Bacon) Davidson, and Andrew Hayes

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Vic Clevenger presiding over the 54th Fall Dental Alumni Conference at IU's Alumni Hall in Bloomington, in 1996

Victor R. Clevenger, DDS'69, M'73 Orthodontics, an enthusiastic supporter of the IU School of Dentistry Alumni Association and a past president of the organization, died Sept. 18, 2009.

Clevenger devoted 30 years to his orthodontics practice in Anderson, Ind., retiring in 2003. He had been residing in Fishers, Ind., since 2008.

He was an honors graduate of the IU School of Dentistry and a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon national dental honor society. He also held a bachelor's degree from Purdue University.

Immediately after dental school, Clevenger served as a captain in the U.S. Army Dental Corps for two years during the war in Vietnam.

Clevenger became engaged in activities of the IU School of Dentistry Alumni Association in 1990, when he was appointed to the IUSDAA board of directors. He advanced through the officer positions when his term as a board member ended in 1993, and as board president in 1996 he hosted the 54th Fall Dental Alumni Conference in Bloomington, Ind.

Clevenger was also a past president of the Madison County and East Central dental societies. As a member of the United States Power Squadron, he taught boating courses in Anderson and on Sanibel Island in Florida.

His survivors include Linda Clevenger, his wife of 43 years.



Shirley Hubbard

Retired IU School of Dentistry staff member and dean's assistant **Shirley D. Hubbard, Brownsburg, Ind.,** formerly of Ely, Minn., died Nov. 13, 2009.

Hubbard was employed on the IUPUI campus for 16 years in the 1980s and 1990s, originally as an administrative secretary in Pharmacology on the IU Medical Center. She transferred from

Pharmacology to the dental school in 1984 to accept a similar position in the school's business office. Her exceptional skills and efficiency quickly earned her a promotion to senior administrative secretary that same year.

After several years of excellent service to the school's chief financial officer, Hubbard accepted a position in the 1990s in the Dean's Office as administrative assistant to Dean H. William Gilmore.

After retiring from the dental school in 1996, Hubbard moved to Ely, where she served as the Eagle's Nest township clerk. She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Hubbard.

1930s

John F. Scudder, DDS'38, Hampton, Va., July 31, 2009

1940s

Jean W. Spear, DDS'43, Fort Wayne, Sept. 28, 2009

Arthur B. Chevalier, DDS'44, New Port Richey, Fla., Jan. 2, 2010

Oscar Bernard Segal, DDS'44, Indianapolis, Jan. 14, 2010

Arthur I. Stine, DDS'47, New Castle, Ind., Dec. 13, 2009

Hayward G. Flickner, DDS'49, Evansville, Nov. 4, 2009

1950s

Harry O. Johnson, DDS'50, Southbury, Conn., March 6, 2009

Donald L. Whitehead, DDS'51, Evansville, Oct. 16, 2009

Albert L. Cabage, DDS'54, Pittsboro, Ind., formerly of Indianapolis, March 28, 2010

Glen S. Gardiner, DDS'54, Fort Wayne, Dec. 31, 2009

Virgil H. Eaton, DDS'55, Port Charlotte, Fla., Jan. 4, 2010

Robert J. Kuhn, DDS'55, M'60 Orthodontics, Santa Barbara, Calif., Oct. 3, 2009

1960s

Jack L. Portzline, DDS'60, Richmond, Ind., Jan. 12, 2010

Joseph E. Anderson, DDS'61, Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 17, 2009

Donald A. Greiner, DDS'61, Evansville, Jan. 6, 2010

Donald F. Sheller, DDS'62, Suttons Bay, Mich., Oct. 23, 2009

Edwin S. Robertson, DDS'63, Greencastle, Ind., Feb. 12, 2010

1970s

Rita (Virmani) Mehra, M'66 Operative Dentistry, DDS'70, Westfield, N.J., July 22, 2009

Stephen L. Nelson, DDS'70, Granger, Ind., Jan. 29, 2010

Merle T. Strom Jr., DDS'78, New Castle, Ind., June 27, 2009

Joseph M. Poland, DDS'79, Indianapolis, March 25, 2010

1980s

Dan E. Faulk, DDS'83, Cert'86 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Indianapolis, March 26, 2010

John B. Pollock, DDS'85, Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 17, 2009

1990s

Gregory J. Klinker, DDS'95, Central Lake, Mich., July 7, 2009

Aloha from Oahu

A few familiar faces from the gala events held during the American Dental Association's annual meeting in Hawaii in October 2009.



Honolulu residents Steve Wilhite and Paul Yim, both of the DDS Class of 1980 (2nd and 3rd from left), catch up with IU School of Dentistry visitors Jeff Platt (DDS'84), left, Dean Larry Goldblatt (M'73 Oral Path), and Pam Lovejoy.



Bill Scheerer (DDS'61), Honolulu, and Jeff Platt (DDS'84), Indianapolis



Todd (DDS'85) and Mary Briscoe, Fort Wayne



Angie and Paul (DDS'08) Kolman, Zionsville, Ind.

Ben Yoder (DDS'96) with mom, Karen Yoder (PhD'97) and wife Catherine Periolat (DDS'96), all of Fort Wayne

Randall Weisel, Palm Harbor, Fla., Nora Harmsen, Honolulu, and Jill Burns, Indianapolis, all of IU's DDS Class of 1984



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*Archie's Been Living Off the Fat of the Land.
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Cassius Clay

With that youthful poetic boast and his prediction of “Moore in 4,” emerging boxing star Muhammad Ali (known then by his birth name, Cassius Clay) did indeed knock out his long-famous opponent Archie Moore in round four of their boxing match in Los Angeles on Nov. 15, 1962. Ali was only 20 at the time and Moore almost 50.

But during Archie Moore's amazingly lengthy and triumphant 27-year career, he was more often than not the fellow still standing at the final toll of the bell.

Nicknamed the “Old Mongoose” in later years, Moore won 194 of his 229 bouts. He KO'd 141 opponents altogether—more than anyone else in boxing history, according to the International Boxing Hall of Fame. He's the only man who ever fought both Ali and Rocky Marciano.

While Moore was taking his pummeling from the gloves of Ali, we hope he was wearing one of his Indiana University School of Dentistry customized mouth guards.

When Moore visited the IU dental school as the light-heavyweight champion of the world in 1960, operative dentistry professor Dr. Frederick Hohlt along with Dr. Donald Moon, a graduate assistant in biochemistry, created two mouth guards for Moore as a gift to him from the Indiana University Alumni Association.

Dr. Hohlt, who was the father of IU orthodontics professor emeritus Dr. William Hohlt, was one of Indiana's early mouth-guard fabricators. He made guards to protect the teeth of area high school football players and also for all the members of IU's football team. Fred Hohlt retired from IU in the 1970s and died in 2003.

Moore's career also included a stint as a talented actor. The same year he visited us, he knocked out the movie critics with his portrayal of Jim in *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. The boxer died in 1998.

We happened to mention Archie Moore's IU mouth guards as a historical footnote in a dental school publication in 2008, coincidentally at the same time a local basketball star was unexpectedly serving as a toothless reminder to the sports community of why mouth guards are so important to athletes' well being. Indiana Pacer Danny Granger took a hard knock on the hardwood during the Pacers' game with the Celtics on Nov. 1, 2008. After what *Indianapolis Star* sports columnist Bob Kravitz called Granger's “teeth-first meeting with the fieldhouse floor,” the basketball player's maxillary central incisors shattered—taking their own place in history, albeit in many different bits and pieces.

By Susan Crum



Protecting Archie's Arches.
Dr. Donald Moon (left)
and Dr. Fred Hohlt fitting
prizefighter Archie Moore
with a customized
mouth guard at IU
in 1960

My Dear Friends and Colleagues,

As usual, I am in the doghouse for being inexcusably late in submitting my dean's column to Sue Crum, the wonderful managing editor of our *Alumni Bulletin*. But this time I have an excuse: I really didn't want to write it.

You see, this is the last dean's column I will be writing. As you read these words I will be approaching (or already past) the conclusion of my term as dean of Indiana University School of Dentistry. I find it incomprehensible that I have served in this capacity for 13½ years now. The time has truly flown by (well, OK, not *every* day).

As I reflect on this period, I have many feelings: pride in our numerous achievements as the IUSD family, regret for some of the things that we were not able to accomplish, admiration for all the colleagues with whom I have had the privilege to work...and many others. But in the end the feeling



that comes to me most often is inexpressible gratitude for the opportunity to work with such an incredible group of professionals—faculty, staff, students, alumni, and other colleagues—as together we have played our important part in the historic advancement of our school, dental education, and the practice and profession of dentistry.

Honestly, I have had this same feeling throughout most of my career, the majority of which has been spent here at IUSD. And that career has spanned 39 years. Each generation of students and colleagues has excelled and amazed in its own unique way. But I have felt it particularly strongly during my tenure and from my viewpoint as dean.

Of course, as I look at our accomplishments during this period I am reminded every day that we have only been able to make these strides because we stand on the shoulders of previous generations of educators and leaders—in my case

Dr. Maynard K. Hine, Dr. Ralph E. McDonald, and Dr. H. William Gilmore, giants every one, each in his own way. But nothing would have been accomplished had our generation not continued the tradition of excellence that they established, or had we settled for anything less than simply the best that was within us, individually and collectively.

Those of you who have been good enough to follow the progress of our school over these years know of our efforts in the four principal mission areas of education, research, patient care, and community service: Our front-line curriculum, in my mind the best blend of contemporary and traditional learning formats in any dental school in the country; our incredible and growing cadre of exciting researchers who are reestablishing IUSD as a world class center in a variety of disciplines; our huge patient care service, including over 100,000 patient visits per year; and our mushrooming program in service learning and community service, near and far. I could go on for days with the details, but suffice it to say that ours remains one of the great dental schools of the world.

But when I think of the underlying factors in all this, I come to the simple and inspiring conclusion that when you boil it down, it's all about the people. I have said for years that the biggest challenge facing dental education in the next decade and beyond is that of recruiting and retaining top-notch faculty. This statement remains true and will for some time. And I am very pleased that we stand at the head of the pack in having done exactly that. But it is something never to be taken for granted. It takes constant work on everyone's part.

It also takes the constant and unflagging support that you, our loyal alumni and friends, have given to me and our school over my tenure as dean. I am deeply grateful for all that support. There is no doubt we would not have been nearly as successful without it.

The other thing I am very proud of is that our school is viewed from the outside as a great place to come and make a career. This I believe is in part why we have been fortunate enough to have attracted a new dean of the caliber of Dr. John N. Williams, Jr. John is an experienced, energetic, can-do guy who I know will take our school forward from the first day he steps foot in this office. I am so pleased that he will succeed me in this position. So please join me in lending your full-hearted support and welcome to John and his wife, Lucy, as they join our IUSD family and John assumes the deanship. He needs and deserves your support. He certainly has mine.

Judy joins me in expressing our sincerest thanks for all your support over these years. We look forward to seeing you and working with all of you for many years to come.

Thank you one final time for the privilege of serving as your dean. It has truly been the highest honor of my life.

All the best to you and yours,



*Lawrence I. Goldblatt, DDS, MSD
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