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EVERYTHING IS JUST ABOUT IN PLACE for the 1984 Commencement of Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis, but the place is a little different this year. It's the brand-new Hoosier Dome in downtown Indianapolis. The IUPUI graduation ceremony, which will be one of the first events to be held in the huge arena, is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 13. Dean Ralph E. McDonald reports that the School of Dentistry's traditional Honors Day program will begin at 12:30 p.m. on the same day in the 500 Ballroom of the Indiana Convention-Exposition Center, adjacent to the Hoosier Dome. Those scheduled to receive diplomas include 119 dental students and 36 dental hygiene students. Commencement for the class of 20 students in the Dental Assisting program will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 14, in Room S117 at the Dental School.

To all of our fine graduates, the Newsletter extends congratulations and best wishes!

Congratulations are also in order for the following faculty members who have been promoted to the ranks indicated: Dr. Robert J. Detamore, Professor of Periodontics; Dr. William B. Gillette, Professor of Periodontics; Dr. James E. Jones, Associate Professor of Pedodontics; Dr. Kichuel K. Park, Associate Professor of Preventive Dentistry; and Dr. Lewis B. Spear, Assistant Professor of Preventive Dentistry.

At last report from the office of Dr. Robert L. Bogan, Associate Dean, plans of the dental graduates for the immediate future include the following: Private Practice, 16; Associateships, 9; Armed Forces (Navy), 3; Public Health (Montana or Alaska), 1; Residency programs, 15 (3 at Regenstrief and 2 at VA Hospital-General Practice, 3 at Riley in Pedodontics, 1 in Air Force-General Practice, 1 at IU-Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, 1 at Miami Valley Hospital in Ohio-General Practice, 1 at U. of Kentucky-Pedodontics, 1 in Denver-General Practice, 1 at the U. of Vermont-General Practice, 1 at Lincoln Memorial Hospital in New York-Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery); and other Graduate Programs, 6 (1 each in Periodontics, Orthodontics, and Complete Denture at IUSD, 1 in Orthodontics at the U. of Louisville, and 1 each in Endodontics and Orthodontics at the U. of Illinois). The remaining students have not yet made their plans known.

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DR. GEORGE K. STOOKEY, Director of the Oral Health Research Institute, recently presented a 2-day course at the Second International Congress of Dental Materials in Caracas, Venezuela. The course on Practical Preventive Dentistry was attended by about 250 practicing dentists.

DR. LAFORREST D. GARNER, Chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, was installed as president of the Craniofacial Biology Section of the International Association for Dental Research at the recent meeting in Dallas.

DR. SAMUEL S PATTERSON, Professor of Endodontics, was presented with the Certificate of Merit recently at the 79th Annual Convention of the Alpha Omega International Fraternity in Palm Springs, California.

DR. MAYNARD K. HINE, Chancellor Emeritus of IUPUI and Professor Emeritus of Periodontics, has accepted appointment to the newly created position of Development Officer for the Dental School. Dr. Hine will coordinate fund-raising activities of the School, with emphasis on the major fund drives associated with the IU Foundation.

MS. CATHI L. EAGAN, Coordinator of Records and Pre-Professional Counseling at the School of Dentistry, recently tied for first place in a speed-typing competition sponsored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Bloomington and Indianapolis. Competing in Bloomington, Cathi typed at the phenomenal rate of 103 words a minute in sharing first-place honors with Ms. Lori Dombroski of the IU Admissions Office, Bloomington. The typing competition, which attracted 74 contestants, was keyed (an insufferable pun but also probably inevitable) to fund-raising, in that pledges were based on the records of individual typists. A total of \$6,000 in pledges was raised in Bloomington and \$8,000 in Indianapolis.

THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN CONTRIBUTED to the Newsletter by ace sports scribe, Dr. Tim Turner:

On Friday, March 2, the Annual Senior-Faculty game took place for the first time at the I.U. Natatorium. In the preliminary game the Junior Class led by John Rapp's 19 points, edged the Sophomores 57-56. Also contributing to the Juniors' attack were Greg Jennings 12, Lou Plumlee 8, and Chris Schultz and Chris Burns with 6 each. The Sophomores were paced by Rob McDonough with 19 points, Todd Walters 12, and Steve Hoagburg and John Click with 6 apiece.

The Senior-Faculty game followed and although the faculty led for most of the game, the Seniors pulled out a victory late in the contest, 73-69. Leading scorers for the Seniors were Steve Green (who?) 15, Jeff Hodge 13, Chip Rigsbee 12, Dave Lindborg 10, Jay Hughes 8, and Steve Ballard 8. The faculty--represented by 18 players from all areas of the school--were led by Bill Johnson with 15 points, Craig Herman with 12, Karl Glander and Carl Newton with 8 each and George Lanning and Denny Zent with 7 apiece.

The Dental Student Wives Club staged a fine production and when all the participants are included, it turns out to have been a very well attended all-school function. Raffles were held, a free-throw shooting contest was another feature, and several prizes were awarded. There was even a belly dancer and "a friend" entertaining at half time. The girls were happy with the results and in turn made a contribution to the Ronald McDonald House with their profits.

A post-game all-school party at Riverpointe was a big success thanks to the combined efforts of class vice-presidents Rob Barker, Chris Burns, and Marty Buchheit.

TWO PROMINENT FORMER ATHLETES who compiled impressive records in basketball and baseball, respectively, are members of the Class of 1984 at the Indiana University School of Dentistry. They are Steve Green, who starred on Bobby Knight's great Hoosier teams in 1971-75 and later played pro ball; and Larry Payne, who was the Cincinnati Reds' first draft pick in 1972 and then played in the Reds' farm system for six years.

Following an outstanding college career, Steve was drafted by the Utah Stars of the old American Basketball Association and also played for the St. Louis team in the ABA. Afterward Steve played for the Indiana Pacers in the National Basketball Association and even competed for a time in an Italian pro league before entering dental school.

An interesting story in Sports Illustrated magazine related some of Steve's experiences as a member of the Stella-Azzurra Roma team in Italy. According to the SI writer, Steve had a little trouble adjusting to the Italian style of play. What the Italian coaches expected of their American imports (usually two to a team) was constant shooting, and never mind the Bobby Knight approach of defense, passing, and canny tactical moves. There were other odd customs, too. "It took me a while to get used to all the guys on the team kissing each other after a good play," Steve told the SI writer. "They don't do that in the NBA."

In addition to the fine record he established in athletics, Steve won academic honors, starting with election to the National Honor Society in high school. He was also named to the Academic All-American basketball team in 1974-75.

Steve's classmate Larry Payne also chalked up an excellent record in academics as well as sports. In addition to being named to the High School All-American team as a pitcher in his native Texas, Larry was a member of the High School Honor Society and later of Tri Beta (Biological Honor Society) at Sam Houston State University. He was also named to the Dean's List.

After being signed as a bonus player by the Cincinnati club in 1972, Larry played for two years in the lower minors before moving up to the Indianapolis Indians, then the Reds' triple-A farm team. He played four years for the Indians. What follows is a sampling of a Q-and-A-style article that Dr. Tom Byrnes, Graduate Student in Periodontics, wrote about Larry for the spring issue of the School of Dentistry Alumni Bulletin.

T B What were some of the main benefits of a professional baseball career for you?

L P I signed into baseball out of high school so I hadn't had a whole lot of worldly experience, or whatever you want to call it. Not that I do now, but it was great for me, being from a small town. I got into baseball and immediately went to Florida. After a year in Florida I went to the Three Rivers (Canada) team in the Double-A Eastern League and played throughout the New England area. What I gained was basically the experience of traveling, getting out and seeing the world.

T B Who were some of your team-mates who later played in the Major Leagues?

L P At Indianapolis I played with Mario Soto, Tom Hume, Ray Knight, Ron Oester, Dave Revering, and briefly with Ken Griffey and Dan Driessen. Those are the guys who went on and did pretty well. Of course, there's a lot of others who went up and played for awhile.

T B Do you think a lot of good ballplayers never get a chance at the Majors due to a bad break or a personality conflict with management?

L P There's a lot of that, just like in anything else. If you go out and watch American Association games here in Indy, you'll see some outstanding ball players, along with some average players ... I think you can see as good a game here at Bush Stadium as anywhere--The only thing lacking is the big names.

T B What's your opinion of the Designated Hitter rule?

L P I think it takes something out of baseball. Of course, baseball is trying to make itself more entertaining for the fans, a little more exciting at the plate, but letting the pitcher hit allows for a lot of second guessing. Anyway, I always enjoyed hitting, so I didn't like the DH.

T B How would you rate the fans where you played?

L P Indianapolis people were some of the more, well, I wouldn't exactly say polite, but I'd say were generally more well mannered than most fans. If you go to someplace like Denver, for instance, or better yet, in the Northeast you get to meet some really rude people.

T B Does the modern game favor the pitcher or the hitter?

L P I definitely think it favors the hitter, but then I was a pitcher. They've lowered the mound and livened-up the ball. You could compare it to a golf ball now. Also, in my estimation, the strike

zone isn't anywhere near the way they describe it in the rule book. They say it's armpits to knees; but it's more like belt to knees. In the National League especially, anything above the belt is a ball.

T B When you watch a ballgame now, what do you like to look for?

L P I like to watch a pitcher like, well, Seaver in his prime, the way he works batters in and out, and sets them up for off speed stuff. Of course, you can't tell much about off-speed stuff on TV.

T B Did you or any of your teammates have any baseball superstitions?

L P Paul Moskau would never shave on the day of a game. That was Gaylord Perry's gig too, I believe.

T B What about the foul line?

L P That's pretty common. A lot of the guys wouldn't want to step on that line.

T B Was your fastball ever "clocked?"

L P At one point it was clocked at 92 mph, and even in my last year, I was still throwing it between 85 and 87.

T B On an off-the-field note, what was the daily meal allowance at the various levels of baseball in your day?

L P In class A ball it was something like \$3 or \$5. Double A I think, was \$6 or \$7.

T B Was this per meal or per day?

L P Per day.

T B You must have seen a lot of McDonald's.

L P Yeah, if you could find one open. Of course, meal money's gone up a bunch since then. The last year I was in Triple A, it was something like ten, and that wouldn't cover breakfast and dinner at a lot of places that we stayed. I remember the big league guys, who had all the money to begin with, were getting \$30 to \$50 a day. I don't know what it is now. You'd see buddies go up to the big leagues for a couple of weeks; what they'd call going up to the show for a cup of coffee; and they'd live off their meal money and pocket their salary.

T B What was your longest minor league bus ride?

L P From Three Rivers to Reading, Pa. in the Eastern League. That was 13 hours. I can't tell you how many times I crossed the St. Lawrence Seaway at sunup. Another problem was that Canadian buses have less leg room.

- T B Were you able to sleep on the bus?
- L P I never really got used to it. After 13 hours on the bus, tempers were often short, and if there was ever a fight, that was the time for it.
- T B Was the travel a positive experience on the whole, or something to be endured?
- L P When you look back, you tend to block out a lot of the bad. In Triple A we used to fly 75% of the time, but even that isn't too much fun when you have to catch a 6 AM flight after a night game. It takes several hours to unwind after a game, so you often get only 3 or 4 hours sleep.
- T B What is your biggest regret about your professional career?
- L P Not making the majors. I really believe that if I had been in another organization I would have made it. Those were the days of the Big Red Machine. My main gripe was that there was no full-time pitching coach here at Indianapolis to monitor your progress and correct your mistakes before they got out of hand.
- T B What was your greatest joy?
- L P I really enjoyed going to spring training with the Cincinnati Club, but my greatest joy came from meeting my wife. She's originally from Auburn, Indiana, and I met her here in Indianapolis on a blind date.
- T B When did you find the time to attend college?
- L P When I got into baseball, my intention was to play for five years, and if I hadn't made the Major Leagues, I'd quit, and go back to school. Well, I played five years and there I was knocking on the door, so I figured I'd hang on a little bit. I had to play Winter Ball every other year, but on my winters off, I'd get in a semester. About 15 to 17 hours was all you could really get. When I finished playing, I had three semesters credit. I quit baseball in June of 1978 and went straight back to school for two and a half years.
- T B Did you find that getting a later start in Dental School was a plus or a minus?
- L P I think it worked to my advantage. I felt that I was a lot more settled than many of the students. You could see that while they were certainly there to get an education, they were also still interested in having a good time, at least a lot more so than I was. I think I see a little more clearly what I have in mind, and you just apply yourself a little more toward those goals.

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T B Was the whole baseball experience worth it?

L P Certainly. It helped me get into dental school here in Indiana, it helped me start a family, and there were a lot of real good times.

A CLOSING NOTE OF CHEER in this glad Commencement season: The Class of 1984 at the Indiana University School of Dentistry includes three married couples: Carol Jean VanBlaricum Braun and Kenneth E. Braun, Vera Elizabeth Andjelkovic and Mark H. Kowal, Cynthia Kay Govert Lindborg and David William Lindborg.

To them, and to all their fellow graduates, Congratulations!

THE LITTLE RED DEER Recreational Assoc. gave a plaque at the Society's annual meeting "for dedicated service to the field within cancer." was presented to Dr. L. to the Indiana University School of Dentistry, in recognition of the School's long-time cooperation with the Little Red Deer's Oral Cancer Screening Clinic. Since 1975, the Dental School has provided use of its facilities, equipment and some expendable supplies for the clinic. In addition, some of the dentists and physicians who volunteer their time to perform the examinations are from Indiana University. Twelve cases of oral cancer have been discovered, out of the 1,318 people who have been examined at the clinic, which is held the second Saturday morning of each month. The clinic was organized by Dr. Robert Egan, Associate Dean of the School of Dentistry and a former president of the Little Red Deer. Among those elected at the meeting to the Cancer Society's Board of directors was Dr. Leonard G. Goldblatt, Professor of Oral Pathology.

Dr. Goldblatt also served as Chairman of the Section on Pathology at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Dental Schools, and was elected Secretary of the Council of Dentists.

SEVENTEEN DENTISTS AND 28 AUXILIARIES attended the two-day interdisciplinary resuscitation course that was presented at the Indiana Convention Center and Center Dome during the Indiana Dental Association's Annual Meeting. Ten dentists and 11 of the auxiliaries had never previously received in CPR. Eight instructors, each with a rankin, taught the course which included resuscitation and one resuscitation CPR. The instructors were Drs. James H. Dirlew, Dale T. Henderson, Joseph T. Reinhold, Travis L. Baum, Dr. Jean Denton, Keith S. Wicky and Prof. R. Buster Buckley and Barbara K. Hilderbrand, dental hygienists. Dr. Leonard G. Goldblatt, Hal Ingers and Tony Hoppenrath of the Audio-Visual Facility helped to transport the equipment and supplies to and from the Center.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED to Dr. Terrence A. Chaffan, Professor and Chairman of Maxillofacial Prosthodontics, who was one of four faculty members from the Indianapolis campus to be honored for distinguished teaching during Founder's Day ceremonies in Bloomington on April 18. Dr. Chaffan, who is also Professor of Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery in the School of Medicine, was presented with an all-university Honor Award for distinguished teaching.