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**Dr. Carol Anne
Murdoch-Kinch,**
Indiana Dentistry's
10th dean



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Alumni Association President Amy Gerardot (DDS’01) and her husband Anthony at the annual Dean’s Society reception for annual donors of \$1,000 or more to the dental school.



from the **DEAN**

Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch

Thirty years ago, I arrived in Indianapolis to attend Indiana University School of Dentistry to pursue graduate training in dental diagnostic sciences. What a thrill it was to meet and be taught by the faculty who wrote the textbooks I used in dental school! They were master clinicians, superb teachers, and innovative scholars who were world leaders in their fields.

Today, my feeling of awe remains, yet for another reason. In my first year as dean, the sense of family and camaraderie among alumni, faculty, staff, and students impresses me more each day. My husband John and I deeply appreciate the warm welcome we have received as we have transitioned our home and life in Michigan to begin anew in Indiana.

It is my great honor and privilege to serve as IUSD's 10th dean. I stand on the shoulders of giants who, for 140 years, developed IUSD's deep tradition of distinction in education, research, patient care, and service to the community. In partnership with you, we are building on this legacy and advancing health through excellence.

My priorities in my first year:

- Strategic planning through 2025
- Designing and raising money for building projects, including the repurposing of the former Clinics A, B, and C into a student commons
- Recruiting new faculty in almost every department throughout the school
- Evaluating our climate and administrative structures
- Meeting one-on-one with every full-time faculty member at the dental school

Over the past 140 years, our mission has not changed – to improve the health of the people we serve. Yet that looks very different in today's world. As we shape the next generation of superb oral health professionals, we will also discover and disseminate new knowledge, eradicate oral disease, and incorporate oral health as an essential component of overall health.

As Dr. Maynard Hine, IUSD's first dean and IUPUI's first chancellor, said in 1966, "I am certain that the legacy of knowledge and accomplishment that we have developed will enable dentistry in the 21st century to achieve those goals of which we could only dream."

This forward momentum is possible because of your generous support. I invite you to continue on this journey of knowledge and progress with us. It is so great to be back home, again, in Indiana.

Warmly,

Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch,
DDS, PhD, FDS RCDS (Ed)

Dean, Indiana University School of Dentistry

NEWS BRIEFS



Providing oral health services in Guatemala are D4s Caley Mintz, Dr. Odette Aguirre, Andy Dalin, Grace Moore, and Kate Clark

TRAVELING TO SERVE

Our students took off to distant lands to learn from dental schools in other countries and care for people in impoverished communities. In 2019, about 70 students and their faculty advisors, including Drs. Jeffrey Steele, Oriana Capin, Odette Aguirre, Armando Soto, Michael Sovanich, Jim Oldham, Amanda Clemons, and Darlene West traveled to Brazil, Guatemala, Mexico, Ecuador, and a South Dakota Indian reservation over their spring and summer breaks.

“Experiential learning makes more impact than any school class,” said Dr. Steele, Global Service Learning director. “Our graduates who take this elective become more understanding professionals who will offer care to the underserved of their future communities.”

“After treating a patient in Haiti, he said to me, ‘Thank you. God bless you.’ Mind you, these were the only English words he knew. This experience altered my outlook on oral health around the world and the impact I can have not just here in Indiana.” — CHELSEA MYERS (D4)

IU Foundation Board of Directors winter reception held at IUSD

The IU Foundation Board of Directors chose the IUSD Fritts Clinical Center as the host location for its annual winter meeting reception. Dean Murdoch-Kinch gave a state of the school update at the Foundation Board’s annual meeting.

Global hotspot



IUSD played host last summer to dental students from across the globe. The school welcomed eight final-year students from Newcastle University School of Dental Sciences in Newcastle, England, as they visited and observed our clinics in a study-abroad experience organized by Drs. Joan Kowolik and Stuart Schrader. We also hosted the largest and longest summer exchange program, when 12 top-achieving students from King Khalid University in Abha, Saudi Arabia, paired with IUSD DDS students over a five-week stay. The students observed clinic rotations, attended workshops and lectures, and collaborated on research. IUSD faculty host Dr. Laila Al Dehailan organized the Saudi exchange.



GOTTA REGATTA!

Making another strong showing, IUSD dominated the winners’ podium at the 2019 IUPUI Regatta. “SoFlex Zone” placed second in the co-ed division. In the men’s division, “Tacos Miercoles” placed second and “Hoosier Dentists” placed third.



Still tip top for United Way

Dean Murdoch-Kinch, with help from her Associate Celebrity Servers, collected almost \$1,300 in tips at the IUPUI 2019 United Way Luncheon on Sept. 15, 2019. We are happy to announce the “Highest Tip” trophy once again returned to IUSD.



A new way to interview

When almost 500 dental applicants arrived at IUSD this year, the admissions committee greeted them with a new interview format – multiple mini interviews and student-led activities. The multiple interviews included two shorter interviews – one with faculty and one with a DDS student – followed by a traditional interview with faculty. IUSD students played a large role in the new format. They facilitated presentations, tours, student panels, an activity fair, and a casual off-campus ice cream gathering on “Mass Ave” the day before the official interview day. The interviewees reported they felt more relaxed with this new process and the impact was positive.



WELLNESS SERIES TEACHES MIND-BODY TOOLS TO DE-STRESS

Last fall, IUSD presented the inaugural Student Wellness Series, introducing students to mind-body wellness practices to support them through the stress of dental school and later in practice. Leslie Flowers (center), director of communications and student wellness, coordinated the series, which included suicide prevention training, recognizing and responding to mental health concerns, mind-body tools to de-stress, a student wellness panel, and IUSD’s weekly yoga class. “Stress is an implied state of mind in any professional school,” D1 Drashty Mody (bottom right) said. “To be able to master the negative stress and not let it overcrowd my decision-making abilities was one of the most impactful lessons of the Student Wellness Series.”



Breaking the Myths

The Breaking the Myths of Health Professions Summer Camp was a phenomenal success! The annual week-long summer day camp gives underrepresented high school students up-close, hands-on experience in careers in dentistry, nursing, medicine, optometry, occupational therapy, physical medicine, as a physician assistant, and other health professions.

White Coat

Inducting our student colleagues into the profession

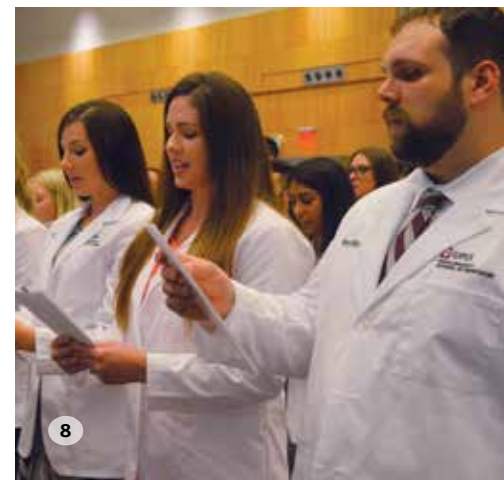
IUSD held its annual rite of passage White Coat ceremony for the DDS Class of 2022 and the IU-International Dentist Program Classes of 2020 and 2021 on May 19, 2019, at the IUPUI Campus Center.

Students pledged their commitment to the dental profession and the patients they will serve. Congratulations to all the students and their families celebrating this important dental education milestone!





Congratulations May 19, 2019



1. Han Na Park
2. Bryan (DDS'86, Perio'89), Lauren, and Natalie Roy (DDS'86)
3. Marcel Kornl
4. Class of 2022 officers Heather Swinson (vice president), Stasia Zagordo (secretary), Daniel Azar (president), Sameha Albayyari (treasurer)
5. Dr. Dan Schmidt (DDS'76) coated Madison Fox, who interned in his Auburn, Indiana, practice.
6. Dylan Nesty and his mentor from Brazil, Indiana, Dr. Gary Staadt (DDS'84)
7. Jared Buck with his father, Dr. David Buck (DDS'83)
8. Class of 2022 members Amanda Maldonado, Dallas Millar, and Henry Miller reciting the class mission statement

Welcome Back!

Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch returned to the Indiana University School of Dentistry in July 2019 to serve as the 10th dean of the largest public dental school in the country. We expected our alumni would like to get to know the new dean better, so we posed these questions.



Why did you become a dentist?

I grew up in a family of health care professionals. My dad was a dentist; my mother was a nurse. All of my siblings are also health professionals. I always liked biology. I spent a lot of time in my dad's dental office in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada. It was closer to my elementary school than to our home, so I would walk there after school. I liked watching him interact with his patients. I chose dentistry because it allowed me to help people, work with my hands, and use biology and medicine.

What do you think of the focus on you as Indiana Dentistry's first female dean?

Becoming Indiana Dentistry's first dean who is a woman was not a specific goal for me. Yet, the feedback I've received is that a woman serving in this role at this time is important to a lot of people. There are several dental deans who are women right now in North America, and the majority of them are the first at their institution.

Growing up it never occurred to me that there would be barriers because of my gender. My parents encouraged me to do whatever I wanted, and because I worked hard and did

well academically, there were always opportunities to excel. My mother was also my role model as a professional woman and working mother. While my Dad was an introvert, she was a total extrovert. She stayed home with my three siblings and me when we were small, went back to work as a nurse when I was in high school, and became executive director of the provincial Lung Association. She created a national program for tobacco cessation and a summer camp for children with asthma. She was a visionary and a leader.

I was one of six women in my class of 32 in dental school – we leaned on each other. The guys treated us like sisters. There were sexist comments and other microaggressions throughout dental school and early in my career, but I never felt targeted personally. It wasn't actually until I started advancing at higher ranks in my career that I noticed any kind of discrimination toward women.

As a leader, it's my job to make sure that all people feel included and supported regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, or any other dimension of diversity, and to champion diversity, equity, and inclusion. The smartest institutions support this because diversity is the foundation of excellence.



“Coming back to Indiana is like coming home. This is the place that made me who I am.” — CAROL ANNE MURDOCH-KINCH

How did you transition from private practice into dental education?

I realized as an undergraduate that I had the ability to help people through teaching. A classmate ahead of me had to pass biochemistry in order to graduate, and he was taking the class for the third time. I tutored him, and part of this included him “teaching back” to me. We both did really well in that class. In fact, it was the only ‘A’ he ever got.

Two years out of dental school, Dalhousie University asked me to come back and teach one morning a week. I found myself staying over lunch, then into the afternoon, to help my students. As my practice became somewhat routine, I found I really looked forward to my teaching day. In fact, I fell in love with teaching, and I realized I could spend the rest of my career as an educator.

Why did you come to Indiana for your post-graduate training?

One of the pivotal moments of my life was deciding to go to Indiana. I had no idea at the time how important that decision would be. I just thought I was going to get a good education and then go back and teach in Halifax. Of course, that’s not what happened.

Dalhousie University, where I taught part-time after dental school, needed a radiologist and encouraged me to get more training. I liked that I could combine all of the diagnostic sciences of oral pathology, oral medicine, and oral radiology at Indiana. Little did I know how my time here would end up influencing my career.

Why was your time at Indiana University so influential?

The faculty mentorship I got at Indiana completely changed the trajectory of my career. Steve Bricker, the Diagnostic Sciences Department chair, was just an exceptional person. He took the residents under his wing. The faculty who taught me also were exceptional – Miles Standish, Chuck Tomich, Myron Kasle, Gail Williamson, Jack Schaaf, Don Marlin, Paul Zitterbart, David Dickey, William Borman, Margot Van Dis, Susan Zunt, Larry Goldblatt. I have such affection for them because they were great clinicians and teachers, and they were such wonderful role models.

Because I was interested in doing clinical research on a rare genetic condition using radiographic methods, and the project was extensive, I was encouraged to pursue my PhD after completing my clinical training. In support of my research, during my clinical genetics practicum, I collaborated with the Department of Medical Genetics at the IU School of Medicine. This early interprofessional experience opened doors for me to combine my love for clinical dentistry, medicine, and research throughout my career.

Also, I had my first two children in Indiana! I learned women can live an integrated life – devoting time to both family and our work – if we’re in a supportive environment. My colleagues and mentors at Indiana did everything they could to support me. My babies were “everyone’s babies.” It showed me that all of us as individuals, but especially those of us in leadership, can make a difference to create opportunities to support others and demonstrate compassion.

1. Some of the Dental Diagnostic Sciences Department members, circa 1991: Seated, Dr. Steven L. Bricker, chair; Dr. Dale A. Miles, director, graduate program; Dr. Margot L. Van Dis. Standing, Dr. Ted Barss, Dr. Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, Zoya Roberts Lestenkof, Julie LeHunt, and Dr. Chiu-kwan “Philip” Poon.

2. Dr. Murdoch-Kinch with her father, dentist Dr. Fred Murdoch, at her dental school graduation.

3. Dr. Murdoch-Kinch with Ben, her first-born. Both of her sons were born while she was a resident at Indiana. “My colleagues and mentors at Indiana did everything they could to support me. My babies were everyone’s babies.”

4. The Kinch Family: Maureen, Alex, Carol Anne, John, and Ben

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Welcome Back!



Dean Murdoch-Kinch has been on a listening tour in her first months, getting to know and hear the concerns of faculty, staff, students, and alumni.

What do you recall most about IUSD in the late 1980s and early 1990s?

For me, it was an exceptionally supportive and highly stimulating atmosphere. The leadership of the school really pushed for innovation and exploration of what dentistry could be. This was a place that looked at their impact as global, not just local. Yes, we trained dentists for Indiana, but we also had a global reach and a global impact, and that continues.

One person who stands out is Dr. Jack Schaaf, who ran the Special Care Clinic. It was the only clinic in the state where people with HIV could get a dentist to treat them. His willingness and compassion to care for those in need inspired me. It's our purpose as a health profession to serve all people in need of care. What I saw when I was here is the commitment to figuring out a way to solve these really tough problems, using our knowledge and critical thinking, collaborating with others, excellent technical skills, and compassion. IUSD's core values were on display every day.

There are a number of dental school dean positions open or will be opening soon. Why Indiana?

Coming back to Indiana is like coming home. This is the place that made me who I am. And IUPUI – the institution it is now, in this city – how lucky am I? Both have grown and transformed so much since I was here in the 1990s. It's just wonderful to walk through campus and think the last time I walked down this street, my sons were babies.

“I fell in love with teaching, and I realized I could spend the rest of my career as an educator.”

— CAROL ANNE MURDOCH-KINCH

Who inspires you?

Professionally, Dr. Maynard Hine, IUPUI chancellor and IUSD dean emeritus, is one of my primary inspirations. He was a visionary. He looked for scholarly solutions to tough problems and was not satisfied with the status quo. Change is scary for some, but it's exciting, too. As my career has progressed, I've become much less risk adverse. I believe in taking calculated risks to achieve what might be possible.

My faith also inspires me. The shared values of all faith traditions – respect, kindness, compassion, commitment to excellence, creativity, caring for others – these are the guiding principles of my decisions and the fuel for my energy and passion.

The dean's position is almost 24/7. How do you maintain balance?

When my family all lived at home, being with them and my dogs kept me balanced. Now that my children are grown up and on their own, I walk the dogs with my husband, I read fiction, I cook on weekends, and I knit to relax.

A big part of my success is getting up early. I'm in the office by 7 a.m., when it's quiet and my mind is sharp. Sleep is also really important. I do everything I can to make sure I get good sleep, which really improves my judgement and ability to handle stress. I get some form of exercise almost every day, which also helps me feel well. I want to be a role model of health and balance for our students. We need to take care of our students and teach our students to take care of themselves. Evidence shows that if we take care of our doctors they will be better caregivers.

What advice would you give to yourself as a dental student?

Believe in yourself! Dental school was the hardest thing I have ever done in my life. I always thought I was one step away from being kicked out, which wasn't true. I just didn't know how or that I could ask for help. But I did well enough that they asked me to come back and teach. We need to always keep moving dental education forward. Neuroscience research is showing us how people learn and supports new and better ways to teach. We need to bring the best evidence into our teaching as well as into our practice.

What's something very few people know about you?

I rowed in dental school. We rowed boats with four or eight rowers, in the Atlantic Ocean!

What messages do you most want to convey to our alumni?

IUSD has such strong relationships with our alumni and organized dentistry. They have played a huge role in the dental school's success. They are our connection to the "real world" of dental practice. Our alumni help us see where the profession is focused. I am so grateful to those who give back to their dental school by teaching, supporting us through advisory committees and the alumni association, mentoring students, and sharing their time and treasure. The Fritts Clinical Center is evidence that with our alumni, anything is possible. It's amazing what you can do with your friends, right? We will be continuing the momentum created by Dean Emeritus John Williams and the development team as we identify critical Phase II building priorities, such as a student commons in the former clinics A, B, and C, a renovated graduate Orthodontics clinic, relocation of the Oral Health Research Institute into renovated spaces in the dental school building, as well as many other facility upgrades. And together we will continue to support our people through student scholarships, endowed professorships, and programs that increase access to care for patients with special needs.

What is your vision for IUSD?

To be a superb dental school, we must be excellent in patient care, be excellent in education, and create new knowledge through research and discovery. We also must have soul – by embodying care and compassion for our patients – and practicing with the utmost in ethics and professionalism. We also must focus on public health because of the health inequities that exist around the world. Delivering care is not enough – we need to tackle issues of inequity at their source.

I'm a dean in my late 50s, and it took all of my experiences to this point to fully appreciate that we need to have all of these components to be a leading dental school.

The future of dentistry is that oral health is an integral part of overall health. It was in my training at Indiana University that I learned that innovation occurs at the intersection of disciplines. It will be in interdisciplinary research that we will find the solutions to society's greatest health challenges, and we can do that here. I feel so fortunate to lead Indiana's dental school and advance the school that did so much for me. We have enormous potential to do so much good not just in Indiana, but for the world. The legacy of an excellent dental school is believing we can change the world, and we can. ■

Fast Facts

ABOUT DEAN CAROL ANNE MURDOCH-KINCH

Education and Training

Biology Major 1981
University of New Brunswick, Faculty of Science

DDS, Dalhousie University Faculty of Dentistry 1985
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Dental Diagnostic Sciences Certificate 1991
Indiana University

PhD in Dental Science 1996
Indiana University
Dissertation: "Cephalometric Analysis of Families with Dominantly Inherited Crouzon Syndrome: An Attempt to Establish and Redefine Incomplete Penetrance"

Professional Appointments

Dalhousie University Faculty of Dentistry
Part-time instructor 1987-1989

Indiana University School of Dentistry

Part-time instructor 1989-1993

University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry

1994-2000
Promoted to associate professor with tenure

University of Michigan School of Dentistry

2000-2019
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery/Hospital Dentistry
Promoted to Clinical Professor
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (2010-2019)
Dr. Walter Swartz Professor of Integrated Special Care Dentistry (2017-2019)

Board Certifications

Diplomate of the American Board of Oral Medicine
Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology
Fellow, Royal College of Dental Surgeons (Edinburgh)
Oral Medicine

Family

Married to John Kinch.
Three children: Ben, 29; Alex, 26; Maureen, 24



GIVE KIDS A SMILE Kicks Off Nationally at IUSD



More than 200 IUSD student providers, volunteer dentists, and staff provided free oral health services to about 200 local children at IUSD's Fritts Clinical Center on Feb. 7, 2020.

Children at the event received dental exams, cleanings, fillings, crowns, extractions, fluoride, sealants, X-rays, and oral health education.

“Financial barriers are a major reason people forgo necessary oral health care,” said Dean Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch. “Give Kids A Smile is one of the many ways the dental school helps underserved families receive the oral health care they need and engages with our community here in Indianapolis to reduce barriers to accessing this care.”

IUSD alumnus Dr. Jeffrey Dalin (DDS’80) began Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) with a few dentists in St. Louis, Missouri, in 2002 as a way to give back to the community.

The ADA Foundation took on GKAS one year later, and since then, more than six million children have received free oral health services.

“Give Kids A Smile demonstrates the positive impact our profession can have when we come together,” said ADA President Chad Gehani, DDS. “The program is a great example of volunteers using their time and skills to make a difference. I want to thank all GKAS volunteers and the Indiana University School of Dentistry for hosting the kickoff event.”

Pediatric Dentistry faculty member Dr. Tawana Ware and Andy Dalin, a fourth-year DDS student and son of GKAS founder Dr. Jeffrey Dalin, served as IUSD’s GKAS 2020 co-chairs.



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1. Dental assisting student Jenee Johnson and her happy patient.
2. Give Kids A Smile founder Dr. Jeffrey Dalin (DDS'80) with his wife Debbie and son Andy, a fourth-year DDS student and co-chair for IUSD GKAS the past three years.
3. Back row, GKAS co-chair Andy Dalin, D4; David Kochman, Henry Schein; Dr. Jeffrey Dalin, Amy Moorman, Dental Trade Alliance and GKAS National Committee; Angela Martinez, CareCredit; Pat Alexander, ADA GKAS manager; Nicole Catral, senior manager, Oral Health Programs, ADA; A.J. Caffentzis, Henry Schein. Middle row, Mo Alkubba, D2; Phyllis Martina and Dr. Matilde Hernandez, Colgate; Michele Penrose, Henry Schein; IUSD Pediatrics faculty Dr. Tawana Ware, co-chair. Front row, Cody Grzybowski, D2; Hayden DePrez, D2; Jazzy (D1 Annie Clark); Sydney Smith, D1; Laura Hippensteel, D1.
4. All done! A happy patient with her student providers, dental assisting student Abby Nunlist and D3 Mitchell Westberg.
5. D4s Kari Lubbadeh and Aya Monsour showing off their toothy skin grins
6. D1 volunteers Kynneddy Kelly, Matthew Kodsy, Tiara Wilburn, and Justina Anigbo
7. Colts and Pacers cheerleaders added to the fun, along with D2 Khalid Shafie
8. Dean Murdoch-Kinch strikes a pose with Jazzy, the IUPUI mascot (aka D1 Annie Clark!)

Digital data comes with additional decision-making power

BY MEGAN STEPHENS

Imagine knowing how many implant procedures or restorations lasted over 10 years. Or accumulating the best practices to prevent tooth loss after a periodontal procedure. What would it be like to share this information, collected from digital records, with your patients to promote shared decision making?

IU School of Dentistry and Regenstrief Institute have joined together to establish a dental informatics program to harness the power of the digital personal health record (PHR) in dentistry. The new program is one of only a few in the United States, and perhaps the only dental informatics program in the country, linked to a clinical data repository managed by a regional health information exchange.

Positioned at the intersection of dentistry and medicine, the Regenstrief-IUSD dental informatics initiative has two end goals. First, link digital dental and medical records together to develop a database exchange that will advance the knowledge base of oral health problems that cause, co-occur with, or result from other medical conditions. Second, translate and implement these findings into dental offices and other points of care to enhance oral disease prevention and treatment while making patient care more efficient.

“When we look at unmet health needs, oral health is one of the most significant,” said Dean Carol Anne Murdoch-Kinch, DDS, PhD. “With this new partnership between the dental school and the Regenstrief Institute, we will be well-positioned to use the growing amount of data being collected by dentists and researchers to advance oral health and overall health for individuals everywhere.”

The limited availability of high-quality, short-term and long-term evidence on dental treatment outcomes is a well-known challenge. However, over the past two decades, as PHRs have been digitized, nearly 80 percent of practitioners are using digital PHR. Dental informatics aggregates and analyzes this PHR data, which allows practitioners to monitor treatment outcomes to promote better patient care, said Thankam Thyvalitakath, DMD, PhD, IUSD associate professor and Regenstrief Institute research scientist and leader of the collaborative dental informatics initiative.

For example, learning from real-world patient data, practitioners can see how well they are doing, such as analyzing how many root canal teeth are failing over five years.

“With digital data, practitioners can look at the big picture to improve the details in their practices,” Dr. Thyvalitakath said. “While medicine has a long history of applying informatics approaches for research and patient care, in dentistry, clinical informatics is still in its infancy. With increased use of electronic dental record data for research and developing informatics interventions for patient care,

that gap can be narrowed. Closing the circle between data acquisition and data use at the point of care through electronic medical records will improve clinical practice and outcomes as well as reduce the burden on patients of repeatedly reporting their medical history.”

Dr. Thyvalitakath’s prior research, funded by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) for the National Dental Practice-Based Research Network, established a repository of data from 99 private dental practices in the United States that, for the first time, demonstrated the feasibility of using electronic dental record data from private practices for clinical research and quality improvement purposes.

“The IU School of Dentistry and Regenstrief partnership will help promote information exchange and care coordination among dental and health providers and offer a vital model for accessing regional health exchange data to promote better overall health,” Dr. Thyvalitakath said.

The regional databank that Regenstrief manages is the nation’s largest inter-organizational clinical data repository, with more than 12 billion data elements about patients in Indiana and beyond, including the dental school and dental practices across the country.

“Dental informatics is an important, growing discipline that is poised to deliver even greater impact to people and populations,” said Peter Embí, M.D., president and chief executive officer of the Regenstrief Institute. “Leveraging the unique combined expertise of Regenstrief Institute and IU School of Dentistry, and making use of the robust research data repositories that we manage, our new joint program will lead to improvements in diagnosis, prevention, and treatment across a range of diseases, ultimately improving medical and dental practice, individual well-being, and population health.”



Dr. Thankam Thyvalitakath, IUSD associate professor and dental informatics leader at Regenstrief Institute

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Ashok Das



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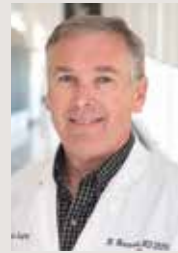
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Michael Kowolik



Colleen Painter

Dr. David Albright (DDS'85, Ortho'99) has been promoted from visiting clinical assistant professor to pre-doctoral program director and clinical assistant professor, Orthodontics and Oral Facial Genetics.

Dr. Hawra AlQallaf (Perio'18, Implant Dentistry'19) joined IUSD as a visiting clinical assistant professor. She teaches pre-doctoral students and postdoctoral periodontics residents.

Dr. Desmon Brown, has been promoted from adjunct clinical assistant professor in the Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry to full-time visiting clinical assistant professor and interim director of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Graduate Residency Program.

Prof. Jennifer Bryant is serving as interim director and clinical assistant professor of the Dental Hygiene Program in the Division of Allied Dental Education at IU Fort Wayne.

Dr. Ashok Das was promoted from adjunct faculty to visiting clinical assistant professor, Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care, focusing on pre-doctoral didactic and clinical instruction. Dr. Das also supervises pre-doctoral students in the clinics and

is backup director of the Screening/Intake/Emergency Clinic.

Dr. Simone Duarte, associate professor, Department of Cariology, Operative Dentistry, and Dental Public Health, and a team of investigators are heading the NIH-funded R21 grant, "Low Temperature Plasma as an Approach for the Treatment of Peri-Implantitis," which proposes to optimize the use of low temperature plasma in combination with surgical debridement to improve the viability of dental implants by reducing biofilm-induced peri-implantitis. Duarte was elected vice president of the IADR Cariology Research Group for 2020 and will serve as its president in 2021.

Dr. Vinicius Dutra, clinical associate professor, Oral Pathology, Medicine, and Radiology, was accepted as a fellow of the International Team for Implantology (ITI), one of only a few radiologists in the world to be accepted as a fellow.

Dr. Eiad Elathamna joined the Prosthodontics faculty as a clinical assistant professor with a focus on removable prosthodontics. He joined IUSD from the University of Louisville School of Dentistry.

Dr. Yusuke Hamada (Perio'15), clinical assistant professor, Periodontology, was awarded this year's Nevins Teaching and Clinical Research Fellowship award.

Dr. Bruce Horswell joins Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry from the West Virginia School of Medicine, where he was clinical professor of surgery.

Dr. Michael Kowolik, executive associate dean of faculty affairs and global engagement, was a keynote speaker at the 5th International Dental Conference hosted by King Abdulaziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

Prof. Colleen Painter was promoted to visiting assistant professor, IU Fort Wayne. She serves as the lead laboratory instructor for dental ceramics, crown and bridge, fixed prosthodontics, and dental laboratory business procedures.

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Jeffrey Platt



Brian Sanders



Neetha Santosh



Staci Schory



Anubhuti Shukla



Timothy Treat



LaQuia Vinson



Chandler Walker



Juan Yepes

Dr. Jeffrey Platt (DDS'84, Dent Mat'96), chair, Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care, was elected to the FDI Science Committee, where he will be serving as the only U.S. representative in the group focused on global oral health.

Dr. Brian Sanders, chair, Pediatric Dentistry, was honored as the first Sarah Jane McDonald Professor in Pediatric Dentistry, an award named for the beloved wife of Dean Emeritus Dr. Ralph McDonald (DDS'54, Peds'51).

Dr. Neetha Santosh was promoted from adjunct faculty to visiting faculty, Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care. Dr. Santosh teaches in Periodontology as well as Oral Pathology, Medicine, and Radiology.

Prof. Staci Schory, visiting clinical assistant professor, was appointed interim director of the Dental Assisting Program at IU Fort Wayne.

Dr. Anubhuti Shukla has been appointed clinical assistant professor and director of Community-Based Dental Education. She joins IUSD from Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Timothy Treat (DDS'16) was promoted from visiting fellow to clinical assistant professor, Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care. He also serves as a Comprehensive Care Clinic director.

Dr. LaQuia Vinson, associate professor, Pediatric Dentistry, was named program director of the IU Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program at Riley Hospital for Children.

Dr. Chandler Walker, professor, Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care, was also appointed research health scientist at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center. Atomwise, a company that uses artificial intelligence for drug discovery, awarded Dr. Walker an Artificial Intelligence Molecular Screen award.

Dr. Juan Yepes, associate professor, Pediatric Dentistry, authored *Practical Atlas Oral Diagnosis in the Pediatric Patient* (LAP Lambert Academic Publishing, 2019), based on his weekly dental website posts on interesting pediatrics cases.



Dr. Susanne Largura Benedict (DDS'98) appointed Assistant Dean for Student Services

Dr. Benedict oversees programs and services that support the personal and professional success of IUSD's pre-doctoral and allied dental students. Dr. Benedict belongs to a family of dentists. Her husband, father, brother, and sister-in-law are IUSD graduates. Dr. Benedict worked in private practice until 2014, when she returned to the dental school to teach.



Celebration of Teaching and Engaged Learning Award

Recognized by the IUPUI Center for Teaching and Learning for their outstanding commitment to student success are faculty members (front row) **Drs. Joan Kowolik, Jeff Steele, and Stuart Schrader**. Back row, **Drs. Odette Aguirre and Armando Soto**.

BRIDGES



Cindy Corbin, residency coordinator for the Department of Prosthodontics, retired after 43 years of dedicated service to IUSD and IU.

“Cindy’s kind, humble

heart and love of people kept everyone in the Prosthodontics Department knitted together as a family,” said Dr. John Levon, director of Advanced Education in Maxillofacial Prosthetics.

Corbin was born across the street from IUSD at the former Coleman Hospital for Women. She started working in Periodontics as secretary to the chairman in 1977, transitioning among Periodontics, Operative Dentistry, Prosthodontics, and Maxillofacial Prosthetics over the decades.

She said it was a privilege to meet so many students who shared a glimpse of their home countries. She treasures the gift of “IUSD family” memories and friendships through the years.



Pamela Elliott, assistant to the associate dean of clinical affairs, clinics administrator, and patient advocate, retired on Jan. 31, 2020, after 41 years of service at IU, including 35 years at IUSD.

Elliott moved to Indianapolis from Fort Wayne in 1988 to become administrative assistant to Clinic Dean Dr. Donald Tharp. While Elliott was adjusting to a new city and job, she finished her classes at IUPUI and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in supervision management. She said her greatest accomplishment at IUSD was creating the Comprehensive Care Clinic coordinator work stations. She supported Dr. Christianne Guba when HIPAA was enacted in 1996, and she worked 19 years with Dr. George Willis during which patient records transitioned to AxiUm.

As patient advocate, students and faculty nicknamed Elliot the patient whisperer for her ability to calm agitated patients. She counseled students to treat their patients always as people with needs and to communicate with them abundantly.



Dr. Joseph Heidelman (DDS’80, Oral Max Surg’83) retired as clinical associate professor, interim chair of Oral Surgery & Hospital

Dentistry, and clinical director of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Hospital Dentistry at Indiana University Hospital.

Dr. Heidelman imparted his expertise in comprehensive clinical care and trauma management over four decades. He began teaching at IUSD in 1979 while in dental school. As a dental student, he was inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental School Honor Society and made the National Dean’s List and Who’s Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges®.

Dr. Heidelman is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, a fellow in the International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists, and an active member in numerous dental organizations. He served as president of the Indiana Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the Indianapolis District Dental Society.



Melinda “Mindy” Meadows, clinical associate professor and assistant dean for Academic Affairs, retired in fall 2019. She graduated from IUSD in 1978 with an

associate’s degree in dental hygiene. In 2000, she returned to IUPUI to pursue bachelor’s and master’s degrees in health sciences education.

Meadows’ career at IUSD began in 2002 as a clinical instructor in Dental Hygiene. She progressed through roles in Oral-Facial Development, Pediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, and Academic Affairs.

Meadows received numerous honors and awards in her 17 years at IUSD, including the IU’s Trustees Teaching Award. Her research has been published in the *Journal of Dental Education* and *Dimensions of Dental Hygiene*.

“Mindy has an amazing ability to look at the details of a proposed action, not just the big picture,” said Dr. Lawrence Garetto, professor emeritus, Oral Pathology, Medicine and Radiology. “Her compassion for students who were struggling and her thoughtful mentorship supported those who may not have succeeded had it not been for her.”

Retirements

PASSAGES



Dr. David Holwager (DDS'82) passed away in his sleep on Sept. 6, 2019, in San Francisco while attending the ADA World Congress as the Indiana delegation secretary. After graduating from IUSD, Dr. Holwager ran a dental practice in Cambridge City, Indiana, for over 35 years. He was a member of the ADA, IDA, IDPAC, Eastern Dental Association, International College of Dentistry, Knights of Columbus, and Cambridge City Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Holwager was one of IDA's most enthusiastic and intrepid supporters and advocates for the dental community. He was president of the IDA in 2005-2006, member of the ADA Delegation since 2000, co-chair of IDPAC, member of the MEWA Trust Board, and Eastern District Dental Society Trustee since 1999. His passion for and commitment to serving his community led to numerous awards, including

Indiana's Sagamore of the Wabash.

"Dr. Holwager loved his patients and loved his profession," said Doug Bush, IDA executive director. "He wore more volunteer hats than I can count. He enthusiastically supported his local dental society, the IDA, and the ADA. He is sorely missed."

Dr. Holwager is survived by his wife of 35 years, Elaine Holwager, and two daughters.



Dr. Vance Lopp (DDS '65), operative dentist in Kosciusko County, passed away on Nov. 20, 2019, in Syracuse, Indiana, after a brief illness. Dr. Lopp practiced his entire career in Bremen, Indiana. He cared deeply for his patients and dental community in Kosciusko County and continued to serve surrounding areas through various dental offices during his retirement. He was an active member of the Kosciusko County Dental Society and an annual attendee of the IUSD alumni reception at the Chicago Midwinter meeting.

In a generous gift to the dental school, Dr. Lopp created the Dr. Vance Lopp Pre-Doctoral DDS Scholarship, which is awarded annually to students who are either from or who express interest in practicing dentistry in small communities.

Dr. Lopp graduated Nappanee High School in 1957, where he made his way into the Elkhart County Sports Hall of Fame by earning 10 varsity letters in three sports – track, football, and basketball. He majored in pharmacy at Butler University, where he earned a varsity letter in baseball in 1961.

"Dr. Vance Lopp was a friend and colleague of our family, working as a solo provider in a neighboring town," said Charles Hollar (DDS'64). "Our friendship allowed me to ask Vance to substitute in our office after he sold his practice, which he did for other local dentists as well. He was a classy, personable, and very well-respected dentist. He will be missed by many in Kosciusko County."

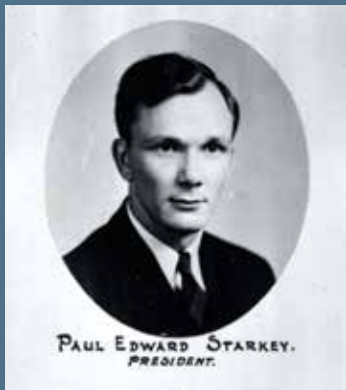
Dr. Lopp's wife Deborah preceded him in death in 2004. He is survived by two children and six grandchildren.



Dr. Lionel Traubman II (Peds'67), a renowned pediatric dentist and supporter of citizen diplomacy, passed away on Oct. 4, 2019. He received his DDS at UCSF School of Dentistry and completed his pediatric training and clinical research at IUSD in 1967. He met his wife Libby while in dental school and returned with her to San Francisco to begin his dental practice.

Dr. Traubman was a two-term director of the San Francisco Dental Society, as well as a lecturer in pediatric dentistry at UCSF for 15 years. He was an editor for the California Society of Dentistry for Children and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. He was a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a fellow of the AAPD.

Dr. Traubman was a contributing author for dental journals and textbooks. He wrote "The Oreckovsky Family: From Russia to America," depicting his Jewish pioneer ancestors' immigration to Minnesota following the first pogroms in Russia and settling in Duluth in the early 1880s. He also was the co-founder of the Jewish Palestinian Living Room Dialogue Group and a pioneer in Jewish-Palestinian relationship building.



President of the DDS Class of 1943

Dr. Paul Starkey (DDS'43) passed away on Dec. 3, 2019. Dr. Starkey was a prominent and early leader in the practice and teaching of pediatric dentistry.

His first professional assignment was as a U.S. Navy dental officer in WWII. He then served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1944-1946. After the war, he operated successful private dental practices in Ohio while holding a part-time teaching position at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry. In 1959, Dr. Starkey accepted a full-time faculty position as an associate professor at IUSD. He advanced to become professor and department chair of Pedodontics, where he remained until his retirement in 1984.

Throughout his career, he was an active member of over 20 professional organizations. He is credited with authoring at least 50 scientific publications and delivering over 400 professional lectures and continuing education courses in the United States and abroad. He received numerous honors and awards throughout his career. Students and faculty colleagues created the Dr. Paul E. Starkey Research Professorship for Pediatric Dentistry at IUSD.

"Dr. Starkey was a magnificent mentor for IUSD students, graduate students, faculty, and many colleagues throughout the world," said Dr. David Avery (DDS'66, Peds'71), chair emeritus of Pediatric Dentistry. "He was my very close, personal friend. I lost my father in my early 20s, and Dr. Starkey filled that void for me."

After retirement, Dr. Starkey moved to Coos Bay, Oregon, to live near family. He was preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Arlene, and is survived by his four children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.



Dr. Vu T. Thin (Crown/Bridge'62) was born in Hanoi, Vietnam in 1928. At 16, she left Hanoi for France for her schooling. She completed her dental degree in Paris at the Sorbonne and then came to the United States for a residency at Northwestern University followed by a prosthodontics fellowship at IUSD. She returned to Vietnam where she worked in private practice in Saigon. In 1975, she emigrated to Washington, D.C., with her husband and their two children. She maintained a private practice in Chevy Chase, Maryland, for several decades. Dr. Thin died peacefully on Nov. 6, 2019, at her home in Washington, D.C. Survivors include An Bui, her husband of 57 years, two children, and three grandchildren.

Dr. Vu-Thi-Thin was one of the first female prosthodontists in the world. Several of her resident colleagues and her faculty became legends in the specialty. Top row, Roland Dykema (faculty), Walter Teteruck, Patrick Henry, Robert Schonbrun. Middle row, George Mumford (faculty), Robert Clements, John Johnston (faculty), Donald C. FitzRoy, Paul Lew. Front row, Ray Maesaka, Sumiya Hobo, Vu-Thi-Thin, Stefan Wittner, Chazalambos Blazoudakis, Michael Kafalias.



Dr. Carol Walters (DH'68, DDS'81), clinical assistant professor, passed away on Oct. 6, 2019, in Indianapolis. She was an integral member of the Department of Periodontology.

Dr. Walters graduated IUSD with an associate's degree in dental hygiene in 1968 and a DDS in 1981. She completed her periodontology training at the University of Michigan in 1983.

Dr. Walters joined the IUSD Periodontology Department faculty in 2010 and became a full-time faculty member in 2013. She spoke at numerous conferences and was involved in organized dentistry groups, such as the AAP, ADA, IDA, ISP, IDDS, OKU, CDS, and MSPerio.

"Known for her passion as an educator, compassion as a person, completeness as a clinician, and a competitor to bring out the best in others, she was a force who daily gave life her best and fullest," said Dr. Vanchit John, chair, Periodontology. "We are all indeed richer for the life she lived and memories created."

Dr. Walters is survived by her husband, Dave Keller.

PASSAGES



Dr. Cecil Brown Jr., retired associate professor and director of Graduate Endodontics, died Feb. 20, 2020, at age 85.

Dr. Brown was a Millsaps College graduate and a dental graduate of the University of Tennessee. He completed his endodontic specialty training at the University of Texas and Lackland AFB.

Dr. Brown joined IUSD in 1986 after an extensive career in the U.S. Air Force, serving as chief of Endodontics and Mass Casualty Forensic Dentistry. He retired as a Colonel and received numerous military awards, including honors for his service in Vietnam. He was part of a team that developed ingestible toothpaste for astronauts in the 1960s.

Upon his retirement from IUSD in 2008, he said that “teaching has been a rewarding experience and a great second career.” He continued to volunteer at the dental school through 2018.

“Endodontic residents really enjoyed him,” said Endodontics Chair Dr. Kenneth Spolnik. “His nickname was Uncle Cecil. He was a dedicated teacher and mentor and stayed in touch with graduates long after they left IUSD.”

Dr. Brown is survived by his wife, Beverly, three living children, and five grandchildren.

1940s

William Aitken Jr., DDS'43, Terre Haute, Ind., Sept. 5, 2019
Carl R. Kohlmann, DDS'48, Indianapolis, Aug. 7, 2019
Paul E. Starkey, DDS'43, Coos Bay, Ore., Dec. 3, 2019
Robert B. Stone, DDS'44, Indianapolis, Nov. 19, 2019

1950s

John L. Ames, DDS'56, Valparaiso, Ind., Nov. 28, 2019
Jerrold A. Baker, DDS'56, Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 5, 2020
Judith A. Carichoff, ASDH'58, Greenwood, Ind., June 2, 2018
Dale E. Goris, DDS'53, Sarasota, Fla., Aug. 14, 2019
Worth B. Gregory Jr., Endo'59, Elizabeth City, N.C., Jan. 28, 2020
David G. Lehman, DDS'53, Ortho'58, Goshen, Ind., June 2, 2019
Carole T. Leyda, ASDH'59, Bloomington, Ind., Oct. 11, 2019
Richard D. Norman, DDS'58, Dent Mat'64, Alton, Ill., Oct. 13, 2019
William T. Parks, DDS'54, Laguna Niguel, Calif., June 21, 2019
Melvin G. Stevens, DDS'55, Columbus, Ind., Nov. 2, 2019
Donald Traicoff, DDS'58, MD'64, Mesa, Ariz., June 29, 2019

1960s

Steven R. Bradley, DDS'67, Peds'67, Fishers, Ind., Oct. 30, 2019
Raymond A. Burris, DDS'66, Indianapolis, June 17, 2019
Daniel B. Crane, DDS'63, Danville, Ill., May 28, 2019
George Bernard Daufel, DDS'67, Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 7, 2018
Lewis R. Eversole, DDS'68, Oral Path'70, San Francisco, Calif., Aug. 5, 2019
Karen S. Fike, ASDH'60, Spencer, Ind., Sept. 5, 2019
John C. Libke, DDS'60, Norman, Ind., Jan. 21, 2020
Vance F. Lopp, DDS'65, Syracuse, Ind., Nov. 20, 2019
Michael D. Mount, DDS'69, Scottsburg, Ind., Oct. 29, 2019
John L. Nichols, DDS'62, Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 12, 2018
Scott H. Polizotto, DDS'64, Prev Dent'73, Valparaiso, Ind., Sept. 24, 2019
Timothy Ravencroft, DDS'68, Rochester, Ind., June 27, 2019
Marilou (Monfort) Rerick, ASDH'64, DH'65, Cabot, Ark., March 2, 2018
Lionel Traubman II, Peds'67, San Mateo, Calif., Oct. 4, 2019
John M. Voges, DDS'66, Fountain City, Ind., July 7, 2019
Thin T. Vu, Crown/Bridge'62, Washington, D.C., Nov. 6, 2019
Carol J. Walters, ASDH'68, DDS'81, Indianapolis, Oct. 26, 2019
James D. Weilhammer, DDS'66, Tallahassee, Fla., Sept. 15, 2017
John W. Williford, Preventive Dent'66, Fayetteville, N.C., Aug. 8, 2018
Mary F. Yager, ASDH'61, Clinton, Mich., Feb. 11, 2017

1970s

Ronald R. Bartosiak, DDS'77, Edwardsburg, Mich., June 4, 2019
Melvin Collins, DDS'74, Indianapolis, May 20, 2019
Julia A. Foster-Armstrong, DDS'75, Milton, Wis., Dec. 30, 2019
Harvey L. Hostetler, DDS'71, Fishers, Ind., July 23, 2019
Gary W. McClary, DDS'77, Jeffersonville, Ind., July 30, 2019
Terry A. McCooe, DDS'76, New Albany, Ind., Sept. 7, 2019
Gary S. Page, DDS'70, Bloomington, Ind., Nov. 8, 2019
Gerald Z. Wright, Peds'70, London, Ontario, Canada, Oct. 30, 2019

1980s

Tom D. Fuller, DDS'88, Carmel, Ind., Dec. 22, 2019
David R. Holwager, DDS'82, Cambridge City, Ind., Sept. 6, 2019
Richard D. Landry, DDS'85, Salem, S.C., May 27, 2019
Barbara N. McElhiney, DDS'88, Indianapolis, Feb. 2, 2020
Ronald J. Munson, DDS'81, Marion, Ind., May 28, 2019
Matthew G. Young, DDS'83, Hendersonville, N.C., Sept. 18, 2019

2000s

Kimberly R. Ross, DDS'09, Salem, Ore., May 27, 2019

Faculty

Cecil E. Brown Jr., Endodontics director, chair, and faculty volunteer, 1986-2018, Carmel, Ind., Feb. 20, 2020
Dwight C. Swimley, Oral Maxillofacial Surgery, 1987-1995, Fox River Grove, Ill. Nov. 1, 2019

ALUMNI EVENTS

Dental school classmates from 1959 to 2014 gathered from near and far for the annual alumni conference on June 15, 2019, at French Lick Springs Resorts, in conjunction with the IDA annual meeting.

The IUSD Alumni Association recognized the following people with special recognition awards at the annual Alumni Conference reception.

Dr. Roger Isaacs

Distinguished Alumni Award

Roger Isaacs (DDS'69) received the Distinguished Alumnus Award for his extraordinary career in clinical research. After graduating IUSD in 1969, Dr. Isaacs worked in dental research at Procter & Gamble and then in private practice in Bloomington, Indiana, for 25 years. He returned to his passion for clinical research in 1994, joining IUSD's Oral Health Research Institute. Dr. Isaacs contributed to more than 100 clinical studies, garnering almost \$5 million in research funding. He has conducted and presented his research across the globe, and his work has been published in numerous academic journals.



Dr. Renee Shirer

Distinguished Service Award

Renee Shirer (DDS'98) received the Distinguished Service Award for her dedication and support of organized dentistry and underserved populations. Dr. Shirer has been an active member of the IUSD Alumni Association Board of Directors since 2009, serving as president in 2016-2017. She has been on the board of the Indiana District Dental Society and was in the inaugural class for the Indiana Dental Association's AIR leadership program. She is a member of the IDA, ADA, and ICD. In 2014, she helped organize a nationally recognized free dental clinic day for veterans called "Operation Stand Down." Dr. Shirer cares for children at Pippin Dental in Greenwood.



Yvonne Baynham

Honorary Member Award

Yvonne Baynham received the Honorary Member Award. She joined the IUSD staff in 1991 as a clinic clerk in the Dental Hygiene program and became clinic coordinator in 1996. She coordinates four clinics for Dental Hygiene education and patient care. Baynham plays an integral role in the Indiana District Dental Society Peer Review Committee, in charge of readying the clinic with all the proper materials before full reviews.

"Yvonne wears many hats in her role as coordinator: mom, counselor, drill sergeant, and of course, coordinator," said Lisa Maxwell, Dental Hygiene program director. "She is passionate about the Dental Hygiene program and our students. Just like the faculty, she invests in our students' success. I feel incredibly lucky and grateful to call her a friend and colleague."



Dr. John Williams

Certificate of Appreciation

Dr. John Williams, IUSD dean emeritus, received the Certificate of Appreciation for his service and innovation as dean of the IU School of Dentistry from 2010 to 2019. Under his leadership, the dental school completed more than \$40 million in student space renovations, including lecture halls, clinics, conference areas, waiting areas, and the student lounge. His positive relationships with alumni helped raise nearly \$9 million in donations toward the construction of the new James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center. Additionally, Dr. Williams and his wife Lucy have made substantial personal contributions to the dental school, donating more than \$100,000 in direct gifts over the past nine years and establishing a planned gift. In August 2019, Dr. Williams became interim president of Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky, the undergraduate alma mater of Dr. Williams and his wife Lucy.



Alumni Conference Reception

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2019 ALUMNI REUNION



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1. Golf scramble winners Rachel and Brent (DDS'98) Swinney, D4 Andrew Fogg, and Matthew Love (DDS'97)
2. Vince (DDS'82) and Sherri (DH'81) Guido
3. Wendi Burns, Andy Hayes (DDS'04, Ortho'06), and David Burns (DDS'04)
4. Past presidents of the IUSD Alumni Association: Standing, Barry Ray (DDS'80), Joe Baumgartner (DDS'79), Robert Eversole (DDS'88), Sue Greene (DDS'70), Robert Modlin (DDS'59), Ron Ditto (DDS'69, Peds'74), Robert Hirschman (DDS'59, Ortho'61). Seated, Dan White (DDS'79), Roger Isaacs (DDS'69), Gene Hedrick (DDS'59), Renee Shirer (DDS'98), Vince Guido (DDS'82).
5. DDS Class of 1974 buddies John Lehman, Edward Prusz, Gary Taylor, and Rob Anderson

Class Reunion - DDS

June 10, 2019, French Lick »



Class of 1959 | Gene Hedrick, Robert Hirschman, Bob Modlin, Bob Walden, Jerrold Goldsmith



Class of 1964 | The DDS Class of 1964 celebrated its 55th reunion in the new James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center. Back row, Charles Hollar, John Challman, Charles Byer, Thomas VanOsdol, Fred Robbins, Travis Bauer, Robert Carter, Dean Emeritus H. William Gilmore, Art Melloh, Joe Fox, Ross Lawrence. Front row, John Stropko, Jon Walker, David Marks, David Bleeke, Philip Catey, Roger Sullivan, Joe Ellis, Anthony Grasso, James Hayslett, Ken Dilger.



Class of 1969 | Front row, Daryl Locke, John Hall, Robert Lucus, Roger Isaacs, Jean Williams, Herb Stevens, Bob Ellison, John Fleming, Randall Long, George Vail, Robert Michaels. Back row, William Rushton, Michael Griffie, Roy Green, John Lawton, Ron Ditto, Joe Sigg, Harry Richter, Blake Travis, Marc Smith, Michael Corson, Joseph Innes, Ronald Billings.

Class Reunion - DDS

June 10, 2019, French Lick »



Class of 1974 | Front row, James King, George Kopko, Bob Wall, Edward Prusz, Lynn Gassoway-Reichle, Robert Allen, Thom Rosenbarger, Steve Short, Ron Schlimmer, Wade Carnes. Back row, Timothy Shambaugh, Gary Taylor, Frank Kyle, John Rufatto, Kenneth Iua, Edwin Rogers, Gene Stutsman, Rob Anderson, Doug Johnson, John Lehman, James Henry, Douglas Reed.



Class of 1979 | Front row, George Willis, Dennis Zent, James Lindsey, Joe Baumgartner, Jay Higgins, James LoPrete, Paul Challgren. Back row, David Matthews, Daniel White, Rad Orlandi, James Simpson, Ronald Hammond, Gregory Berger, Thomas Rector, Harley Houghton.



Class of 1984 | Front row, Richard Nowakowski, James Schaefer, Michael Bagnoli, Diane Bagnoli, Cynthia Lindborg, Kelly Lynch, Jill Burns, Carol Braun. Back row, Michael Beachy, Ted Reese, Paul Nahmias, Mike Bentz, Mark Stetzel, Gregory Phillips, Jeffrey Platt.



Class of 1989 | Front row, Lisa Baker, Kim Dunbar, Erin Wittrig, Margaret Kirkland, Stephanie Litz. Back row, Brad Houston, Mike Princell, Matthew Wittrig, Kevin Spees, Matthew Miller.



Class of 1999 | Front row, Jennifer Goff, Kathy Eaton, Stephanie Wright, Jeff Stolarz. Back row, Shane Fisher, Karen Ellis, Jill Adams, Jennifer Green-Springer.



Class of 2004 | Front row, Joe Mattingly, Faye Kostidis, Andy Hayes. Back row, Christie Lant, Sarah Herd, David Burns.



Class of 2009 | Luciana Kano-Wilson, Joseph Platt, Matt Rasche, Katy Stradley



Class of 2014 | Tyler Richey, Steven Kellett, Jordon Jacobs

Class Reunion - Dental Hygiene

Oct. 12, 2019, Indianapolis »



Class of 1959 | Jolene Dunbar, Judith Butler, Josephine Timmons

Class of 1964 | Back row, Bonnie Lou Zarse, Virginia Bartick. Front row, Sandra Stamper, Suzanne Miller.

Class of 1969 | Back row, Diane Williams, Linda Harden, Joan Locke, Katherine Hershberger, Sherry Dallman, Sheryal Rini. Front row, Jacqueline Hudson, Pam Guyton, Mary Kathryn Hains, Cathy Molloy, Martha Shouldis, Karen Gable.

Class of 1974 | Back row, Jane Merrill, Betsy Brunette. Front row, Diana Stults, Gail Williamson.

Class of 1979 | Rebecca Quinkert



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1994



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2009



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Class of 1984 | Susan Johnston, Kim Keefer

Class of 1989 | Back row, Wendy Manubay, Deana Thomas, Joan Peters, Sarah Strain. Front row, Maria Stipe, Ann Gerber, Cathy Clark, Shelly Douthitt.

Class of 1994 | Sandra McIlrath

Class of 1999 | Jennifer Striegle, Amber Layton

Class of 2009 | Back row, Natalie Deason, Alyssa Ellingwood, Biljana Mizimakoski, Rebecca Cook. Front row, Nicole Wegman, Jessica Stone.

Class of 2014 | Mo Murphy, Beth Powers

Indiana University Pediatric Dental Alumni Association Biennial Conference

Chicago, IL, May 22, 2019 »



1. Anokhi Dalia Bock (Peds'05) and Jeff Dean (DDS'83, Peds'85, Ortho'96)
2. Pediatrics Department Chair Emeritus James Jones (Peds'83) receives the Distinguished Alumnus award from IUPDAA President Nate Kirk (Peds'03)
3. Sara Gholam (Peds'19), Dillon Wiley (DDS'17, Peds'19), Elizabeth Powers (Peds'17), and Daniel Hinton
4. George (DDS'75, Peds'77) and Pam Krull
5. Patrick Gilbert (Peds'17), Lesa Allison (Peds'14), and Lauren Weddell (DDS'07, Peds'09)
6. Distinguished Alumnus recipient John Walsh (Peds'77), dean emeritus of the Faculty of Dentistry, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, and his wife, Ann Marie

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Orthodontic Graduation Dinner

Woodstock Club, July 12, 2019 »



Class of 2019 Orthodontic graduates! Front row, Dr. Mark Vaughn, Dr. Evan Schmidt, Dr. Adrian de Moya. Back row, Dr. Pranali Patel, Dr. Kathryn Welch, Dr. Leen Khatib, Dr. Liseane dos Santos.



Orthodontics faculty: Chair Dr. Kelton Stewart, Drs. Hakan Turkkahraman, David Albright (DDS'85, Ortho'99), Eugene Roberts (emeritus)



Chief resident Dr. Kathryn Welch and alumnus Dr. Serkis Isikbay (DDS'97, Ortho'07)

IUSD Alumni Reception ADA Annual Meeting

San Francisco, CA, Sept. 5, 2019 »



1. Michiko and Dr. Yoshi (faculty emeritus) Oshida
2. Lisa Conard, part-time faculty, IDA President Steve Ellinwood (DDS'85), associate faculty, IU-Fort Wayne
3. Patty Cohil, Kirk Cohil (DDS'99), Dean Carol Ann Murdoch-Kinch
4. Dr. Steve (DDS'93) and Jennifer Hollar
5. Dr. Ted (DDS'84) and Joy Reese
6. Diane (DDS'98) and Donald (DDS'00) Liberty

Periodontology Alumni Reception American Academy of Periodontics

Chicago, IL, Nov. 4, 2019 »



Kelly Hill (DDS'15, Perio'18), Chirdeep Chandrakeerthi (Perio'05), Apoorv Goel (Perio'19), Hawra AlQallaf (Perio'18, Implant Dentistry'19)



Cecil White (Perio'90) and Dr. Vanchit John, Chair (Perio'95, DDS'98)



Sayij Makkattil (Perio'14) and Muyeenu Hassan (Perio'13)

ALUMNI *Accomplishments*

Dr. Shaza Abass (Dent Sci PhD'06) has been named dean of the University of Khartoum Faculty of Dentistry in Sudan.

Dr. Chris Chang (Ortho'96) and Dr. Gene Roberts, chair emeritus of Orthodontics, received the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics Case of the Year Award.

Dr. Diane Buyer (DDS'82) is celebrating the 10th anniversary of Drinks Destroy Teeth, a program of the Indiana Dental Association that she created to educate 4th and 5th grade children about the negative health impacts of sugary drinks. The program offers teachers and health care professionals lesson plans and supplemental resources. One of the website's most popular pages is The Unsweetened Truth, which list the sugar and acidity level of common beverages.

"Dentists are seeing an increase in erosion and decay in children," said Dr. Buyer in an article in ADA News (Oct. 30, 2019) about the program. "Our greatest tool is education."

Dr. Jennifer Chang (Perio'18) was granted AAP Foundation's 2019 Dr. James T. Mellonig Regeneration Research Award.

Col. Jerold Kouchi (DDS'92) received the prestigious award of Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Dr. Ray Noble Taylor (DDS'65) won the Royal Palm Literary Award by the Florida Writers Association for his book, *"Taylor Made: Poetry, Prose, and Reflections."*

CONGRATULATIONS, IU-ASDA!



Congratulations to the IU chapter of the American Student Dental Association for taking home four district awards during the 2019 District 6 and 7 meeting hosted right here at IUSD!

Best Advocacy Initiative | IU Chapter MVP | Elliot Humiston (D3)
Distinguished Leader | Ravi Sarin (D2)
ASDA Fever | Misty Smith (D2)

Pictured left: Members of the IU ASDA chapter. Pictured right: District 7 Trustee Teal Smith (D4) and IU Chapter President Amanda Yacoub (D3) celebrate Best Advocacy Initiative

THE HINE LEGACY SOCIETY

The Hine Legacy Society is dedicated to the philanthropic spirit of alumni and friends of Indiana University School of Dentistry who have included the dental school in their estate plans. The name of the society honors the memory of Dr. Maynard K. Hine, longtime dean of Indiana University School of Dentistry and the first IUPUI chancellor.

Three members were inducted in 2019: Dr. June A. Brose, Dr. Robert J. and Ms. Jacqueline Walden, and Dean Emeritus Dr. John N. Williams and Ms. Lucy S. Williams.

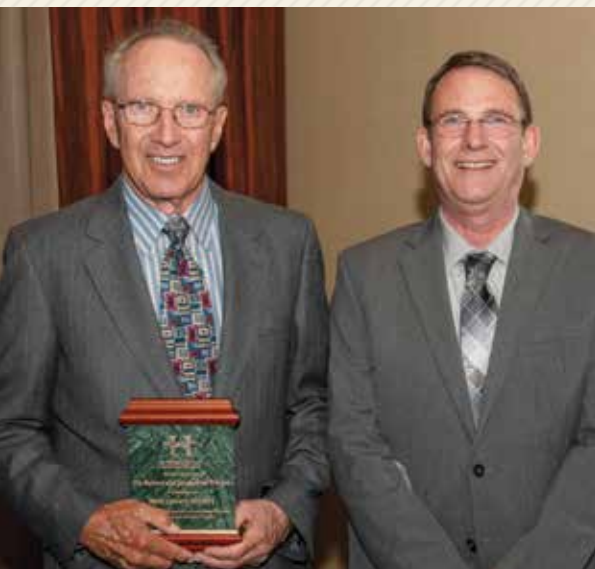
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Dr. Robert Walden (DDS'59) and his son Mark Walden



Dr. June Brose (DDS'72) returned to dental school after graduating with an IU nursing degree in 1959.



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Greatest thanks to the donors who fund scholarships for our dedicated and deserving dental students! More than \$150,000 in scholarships was awarded at the annual scholarship dinner on Nov. 15, 2019, at Woodstock Club.



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1. Dental Hygiene Director Lisa Maxwell awarded the A. Rebekah Fisk Memorial Scholarship to Dental Hygiene students Marissa Boyer, Da'Kiel Cooper, Emma Pedigo, Cynthia Hurst, and Amy Neff.
2. D3 Raven Murdock received the Citizens Energy Group/Dr. Lehman D. Adams, Jr. Scholarship from Traci Adams, Dr. Adams' daughter.
3. D3 Tasneem Karassi received the Harvey G. Levinson Memorial Scholarship and D3 Sydney Twiggs received the IUSD Class of 2012 Sarbinoff Memorial Award.
4. Student leaders recognized with the Delta Dental Foundation Scholarship: Back row, Leah Stetzel (D4 class president), Brett Turek (D3 class president), Joseph Wells (D1 class president). Front row, Hussein Abdulameer (IDP 2020 representative), Ashley Nguyen (IDP 2021 representative), Daniel Azar, (D2 class president), Blessing I-Salami (D1), Dean Murdoch-Kinch, Dean Danos (D2).
5. Dr. Michael Bennett (DDS'79, OMSF'82) awarded the IUSD Diversity Dental Scholarship to D3 Glenneicer Ffrench.
6. Sanford and Marjut Garner, son and daughter-in-law of the late Orthodontics Chair Dr. LaForrest "Woody" Garner, awarded the Garner Minority Student Scholarship to D4 Reinhard Lugalia.
7. Dr. John Greif (DDS'87, Perio'89) celebrated with his son, D4 Grant Greif, who was awarded the Steven L. Bricker Memorial Scholarship.



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John Hoffman

I write to express my gratitude and appreciation to all of you who support Indiana University School of Dentistry. I am so pleased to let you know that as of February 2020, IU School of Dentistry’s total dollars raised during the Indiana University Bicentennial Campaign reached \$41,050,000, which means we have surpassed our \$40 million goal with four months left in the campaign! Most importantly, your generosity represents the value and appreciation you have for the school, your education, and your commitment to the future of both dental education and the profession.

In my 18th year at IUSD, I continue to marvel at your thoughtfulness and loyalty to IUSD. As we continue to identify and prioritize projects to upgrade our aging facilities (referred to as Phase II; Phase I was the Fritts Clinical Center) and promote other areas of emphasis to enhance our learning environment, your partnership in the future of our school is essential and never taken for granted.

Thank you again for all you do to make IUSD a center of oral health excellence.

John Hoffman

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Melissa Evans promoted to director of development

“It has been gratifying to meet so many of our alumni who are committed to our success,” Evans said. “I feel so grateful to work with two great deans, our superb faculty, and our wonderful students. I look forward to getting to know more alumni and creating opportunities for Indiana’s dental school as a result of your generosity. Thank you for welcoming me as part of the IUSD family.”

Melissa Evans

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Changes to IU Alumni Association | The IU Alumni Association has changed its funding structure, phasing out the funds the Alumni Association provided to schools for alumni programming. Moving forward, IUSD will need to fund its alumni activities. Karen Jones, senior director, is now employed at IUSD and the IU School of Social Work. This is a great opportunity to show our strong alumni support for the School of Dentistry Alumni Association.

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5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
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5:00 - 11:00p.m. daily
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Huckelberry Golf Outing

9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
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IU Periodontic Alumni Reception

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Hale Koa Hotel
Honolulu, HI

For more information about these events, contact Karen Jones, Office of Alumni Relations, at 317-274-8959 or kdeery@iupui.edu.

Holland America ms Eurodam Alaska Itinerary 2020

Day 1

Saturday, June 27 | Seattle, WA | Set Sail at 4:00 pm

Day 2

Sunday, June 28 | At Sea

Day 3

Monday, June 29 | Juneau, AK | 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Day 4

Tuesday, June 30 | Glacier Bay | 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Day 5

Wednesday, July 1 | Sitka, AK | 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Day 6

Thursday, July 2 | Ketchikan, AK | 7:00 am - 1:00 pm

Day 7

Friday, July 3 | Victoria, Canada | 6:00 pm - 11:30 pm

Day 8

Saturday, July 4 | Seattle, WA | Arrives at 7:00 am



Please call Ambassador Cruise Desk at 317-218-0802 or 800-225-9919 ext. 283,
Mon. - Fri. between 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. to book your cruise or ask questions.

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GIVE KIDS A SMILE

The American Dental Association held the national Give Kids A Smile kickoff at IUSD on Feb. 7, 2020, in the IUSD Fritts Clinical Center.

Dental students played games with and painted faces of almost 200 central Indiana children who received free dental prophylactic exams and treatment.