



**IU Bicentennial: Celebration 2020 Moves into High Gear This Fall**

Indiana University will celebrate its bicentennial during the 2019-2020 academic year. During that year, students, faculty, staff and alumni and friends from all IU campuses will have cause to celebrate this unique milestone in the life of the University and to reflect on all that IU has achieved in the previous 200 years.

Since 2010, IU has been guided by Principles of Excellence, six core principles that would lead the university in the years to come: ensuring an excellent education; recruiting and retaining a great faculty; maximizing research; increasing international engagement; supporting the health sciences and health care; and strengthening the university's efforts in engagement and economic development.

During 2019-20, IUSD will celebrate our 140th year of service to the people of Indiana and beyond. The next five years, for IU and the dental school, hold much promise to achieve goals outlined in the Bicentennial Strategic Plan. I invite you to read about ways in which campus leadership see IU's enduring strength coming to fruition during this celebration: "FOR ALL"  
<http://president.iu.edu/speeches/2014/20141014-01.shtml>

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**YES!** ... Three weeks ago the IU Board of Trustees said *YES* to our building project! Consequently, we are off and running at the project approval stage. This has been five years in the making but now it has become reality. It is hard to believe that it was only one year ago that I wrote in the September 2014 *First Friday* "**Dental Facilities... It Will Just Take More Time.**" Now the time has finally come! The kick-off of the IU Bicentennial Campaign happens this fall and provides a wonderful opportunity to advance the Vision and Mission of IUSD to make *Indiana University School of Dentistry one of the best dental schools of the 21st century.* Enjoy the new newsletter design, celebrating a new day and direction for IU dentistry!

**YES! Dental Facilities ... Trustees Project Approval**

August 14 was a very special day for IUSD! The IU Board of Trustees voted unanimously to authorize *project approval* (step 1 of 2) to add approximately 45,000 sq. ft. to the existing facilities on Michigan Street. This affirmation of our planning to date solidifies our location on Michigan Street for decades to come. I know so many of you, like me, are passionate about IUSD and want us to have the type of facilities we need to educate students and care for patients at the highest level. Now that we have the authorization, we will work with architects and space planners, create designs and renderings, and complete the project over the next several years. I remain absolutely committed to improving the entire dental school campus facility at IUPUI by tying into the major IU Bicentennial Campaign, which officially begins the end of September (see sidebar). We are in a strong fiscal position and only getting better due to our donors, enrollment strategy and clinical operations to enhance efficiency. The time is right to make a big push for IU-IUPUI Dentistry. I invite you to join us and invest in something you believe in. Please consider a gift to the building fund as this is a significant step forward in our history. Your participation is greatly welcomed and valued! Here is what has happened since August 14:

- Architects Engaged:** Ratio Architects (Indianapolis) and Smith Group JJR (Detroit), the architectural planning group that has worked on the campus master plan, are the designers.
- Line of Credit Secured:** The University has confirmed funding through a line of credit established as part of the Trustee's approval.
- State Approvals Filed:** All capital projects must be reviewed and approved by the state of Indiana. A request was submitted to the Governor by President McRobbie on Aug. 19.
- Kick-off Architectural Meeting:** Thursday, September 3, marked our kick-off meeting with IUSD leadership, IU architects and outside architects (Ratio & Smith JJR) to learn more details about timelines, planning process for locating the new addition, constraints, as well as establishing a process for making suggestions and

changes to the project. I sincerely appreciate your patience over the past five years. I thank so many of you who were early investors with your donations so that together and through your generosity, we can get new clinical and research facilities. Now this project is going to happen. THANK YOU!

### Clinical Whiteboard and iPad Pilot Project

Thanks to Craig Eberhardt (Data Analyst) and Neil Pinney, DDS (Comp Care Group C leader), IUSD will be piloting a new electronic whiteboard as a real-time display of clinic operations later this fall. At a glance, students can see if and when their patients have signed-in on one of the flat panel patient sign-in kiosks. Faculty can see which students have or have not been start-checked. A real-time display of instructional and patient flow information should improve clinical operations. iPads are also planned to be part of the pilot so each faculty member in the clinic can better manage his or her teaching load. This is another example of preparing for our new clinical facilities by enlisting contemporary technology to improve patient care. Thanks Craig and Neil. Can't wait to see the system in action!

### United Way Kick-off September 15

September 15 is the **IUPUI 2015 United Way Campaign Kickoff Luncheon** in the Campus Center at 11:30 a.m. This is a fun, entertaining and competitive event among IUPUI schools and departments. The **"celebrity server"** who receives the highest dollar amount in tips at this luncheon is awarded the traveling trophy for his/her school/department for one year, until next year's luncheon. All tips will go toward the **IUPUI United Way Campaign** goal, and the tip is tax deductible for the donor. The dental school won the traveling trophy for this event in five of the last six years, and my competitive spirit plans to bring the gold back to the school again this year. With some much needed assistance from **celebrity helpers**, I will be the **IUSD celebrity server**. Give a generous tip again this year to support United Way and bring home another victory for IUSD by giving a **generous** tip to your **IUSD celebrity server**.

**Upcoming IUSD Events**

- o Tuesday, September 15 – IUPUI United Way Celebrity Server Luncheon Kick-off
- o Saturday, September 19 – Regatta on the Canal (10 am start)
- o September 25 & 26 – IU Board of Advisors & IU Dental Alumni Association (Indianapolis)
- o September 25 – 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Dean's Society Dinner (Eiteljorg Museum)
- o October 15 & 16 - IUSD Fall Teaching Conference Woodstock Club (Indianapolis)

### IUSD First Friday Social

From Terry Wilson: The dean's office and IUSD Staff Council will again be hosting the First Friday Social on Friday, Sept. 4, in the basement student lounge with complimentary continental breakfast starting at 7:30 am.



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

-John

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