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IUSD Commencement Weekend Events

May 10 & 11, 2014

Saturday

2:00 to 4:00pm
IUSD Open House

Dental School
1121 West Michigan St
-Family and friends are invited to see where our students have studied and provided patient care during the duration of their various academic programs/ Light refreshments will be served

6:00 to 8:00pm
Pre-commencement Ceremony
Sagamore Ballroom
Indiana Convention Center

Sunday
7:30 to 9:30am
IUSD Awards Breakfast
Rooms 236-239
Indiana Convention Center

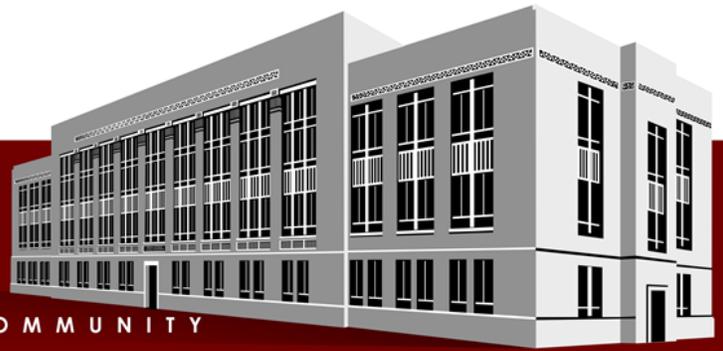
11:00am to 1:00pm
**IUPUI Commencement
Honorary Degree Award:
Dr. George Stookey**
Exhibit Halls A-B-C
Indiana Convention Center

To Access IUPUI- Commencement:

<http://alumni.iupui.edu/commencement/2014/index.html>

DEAN'S UPDATE

TO THE IUSD COMMUNITY



First Friday.....May 2, 2014

May is here and University commencement season is in high gear! The highlights of May in the academic world are Commencement which is only one week away for our allied, DDS, and advanced education students and residents. We are in the final preparation stages for several events on Commencement weekend May 10 & 11 (see sidebar). Congratulations to all graduates. I wish each of you well as you enter the next phase of your career along life's journey. A very special honor this year falls to the dental school by having one of our graduates receive an honorary doctoral degree in science from Indiana University – Dr. George Stookey. Dr. Stookey is one of many alumni who have advanced our vision to make *Indiana University School of Dentistry one of the best dental schools of the 21st century.*

- **Honoring Dr. George Stookey at IU Commencement**

One of the many things I so enjoy about IU School of Dentistry is its wonderful rich history. Commencement weekend gives us a unique opportunity to have an individual honored by not only the dental school but Indiana University. Dr. George Stookey will receive an honorary doctoral degree at the IUPUI campus ceremony Sunday, May 11, 2014.

A native of Indiana, George Stookey attended Indiana University, where he received a bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1957. He then entered the IU School of Dentistry, earning a master's degree in preventive dentistry in 1962 and a doctorate in dental sciences in 1971. While a graduate student at IU, Stookey was involved in some of the earliest research into the use of fluoride toothpaste to prevent tooth decay.

In 1964, Stookey joined the faculty of the Department of Preventive Dentistry in the IU dental school, beginning as an assistant professor. He was promoted several times, eventually attaining the rank of distinguished professor in 1998.

While a School of Dentistry faculty member, Stookey was associate director and then director of the Indiana Oral Health Research Institute, a leading center for preventive dentistry research. At various times he served as the IU School of Dentistry's acting dean (for two separate terms), associate dean for research, associate dean for academic and student affairs, and executive associate dean. He retired from the School of Dentistry faculty in 2001.

In reflecting on the professional and creative achievements of Dr. Stookey, it is noteworthy that he has been recognized by a multitude of awards from prestigious national and international organizations and has received patents for innovations that have had dramatic impact on the health of millions of people worldwide. Just think of the impact this IU and IUSD graduate has made on society! Bravo-George!

First Friday....IUSD Dean's Update May 2, 2014

- **Year 2:IUSD-IDP Program Set to Launch July 1, 2014**

Year two of the IUSD International Dental Program is set to begin July 1, 2014. There are currently 14 IDP students enrolled in the spring 2014 CE preparatory course with our D2 students. In the interest of better planning, we elected to reduce the number of provisional IDP applicants enrolled for this second year from 24 to 14 and modify enrollment by staggering the start date by six months for half of these 14 students to January 2015. The original plan was to accept a minimum of 12 IDP students the first year and 24 students the second year. We accepted 22 students the first year and 14 for this second year for a total of 36 as originally planned. Year one observations have provided good information about ways to improve the program assimilation of the IDP students into the clinical program, hence the reason for a reduced number being enrolled this second year. In order to improve the educational process and outcomes, several of the comprehensive care directors have expressed a desire that all 14 IDP students begin with the D3 class in July 2014 as one cohort rather than being split into two groups. All 14 IDP students will now begin July 1, 2014. As we will shortly begin the third IDP admissions cycle, we continue to learn from our experiences and consider alternatives to improve the program. Thanks to Dr. Melanie Peterson and Dr. David Brown who are coordinating the IDP program. More information about the IUSD-IDP program is on the [IUSD website](#).

- **Eskenazi Community Based Dental Clinics to Close June 30, 2014**

We have made decisions regarding the future of the agreements for dental services between IUSD and Eskenazi Health Centers and the impact these decisions will have on the community based dental clinics at Cottage Corner, Grassy Creek, and 38th Street. **We have decided to close both Cottage Corner and Grassy Creek, effective June 30, 2014. In addition, we will not be opening a clinic at 38th Street.** We are concentrating our efforts on plans for redevelopment of dental clinical facilities on the former Wishard property consistent with the University Master Plan. In a separate arrangement, we are working closely with Eskenazi to finalize the agreement for oral surgery, trauma, and in-hospital services, and we continue to explore with them other opportunities to provide primary and advanced dental services to their patient population in a manner and location that is educationally sound and financially and operationally feasible for both entities. There are no plans to eliminate any staff positions as a result of these clinic closures.

- **[President Outlines IU-B and IUPUI Wishard Property Redevelopment](#)**

In March, President McRobbie outlined campus plans for Bloomington and Indianapolis. Regarding the Wishard property, he writes...*plans are rapidly being developed for the comprehensive repurposing and renovation of this space in line with the IUPUI and IU Health Master Plans. There will be new facilities for education in the health sciences, dentistry, and the Regenstrief Institute. Again, the goal will be to accomplish much of this by the IU bicentennial 2020, and details will be incorporated in the IU bicentennial strategic plan.* ([read the entire story here](#)) More details soon.

- **IDA Annual Meeting and IU Dental Alumni – May 14 -18th Hyatt Regency**

The 2014 [IU Dental Alumni Association dental reunions](#) will be held again this year in conjunction with the annual IDA state meeting at the Hyatt Regency hotel in Indianapolis. In addition to classes who graduated in years ending in x4 or x9, the IUSD Class of 1964 will be celebrating their 50th reunion with a breakfast hosted by the dental school on Saturday morning. On Saturday evening (6:30pm) all alumni participants are invited to a reception at the Hyatt to celebrate the reunion classes before the class reunion dinners. Tours of the dental school are on Saturday 10 to noon.

- **[IU Evansville medicine education and research center to include dentistry](#)**

The Indiana University Board of Trustees has selected Skanska U.S. Health Realty to build a multidisciplinary academic medical education and research center in downtown Evansville that will expand the IU School of Medicine's presence in the city and dramatically increase medicine- and health-related educational opportunities for students in southwestern Indiana and northwestern Kentucky. IU dentistry will include a dental clinic to support residency education. [See article...](#)

- **IUSD First Friday Social....this Friday 7:30am to 9am (Student Lounge)**

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



-John

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<https://www.dentistry.iu.edu/>