COMING UP

Indiana University School of Dentistry
Calendar of Events

December '10-January '11

Student Olga Isiutsina to Be Guest of Operative Dentistry Academy in Chicago

930 Years and Counting: Luncheon Celebrates Full-Time Employee Milestones of Service
Walls a bit bare?

It’s time to show John and Ginger your holiday flair.

The annual HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST is up and running, once again laying out an opportunity to deck our halls or anything else in our clinics, labs, or office work areas that could benefit from a bit of holiday sprucing up – and maybe even win us a prize!

This year the contest will take place on the morning of Dec. 10, and the distinguished judges this season are Dean John Williams and Judge Emerita (and former IUSD staffer) Ginger Rice, now of IUPUI Campus Facilities Services.

Follow the directions Shane Hatchett sent you on Nov. 17, and remember that all units and offices in the IUSD system, including off-site locations, are welcome to enter decorated areas in this contest – the judges are offering to-your-door service. Please note that all holiday decorations must come down before the holiday break.

Dec. 3 (Fri.)
LAST DAY OF FIRST SEMESTER CLASSES for all students except dental hygiene

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE for Student Research Subcommittee's Dec. 17 meeting

FREE FLU SHOT CLINIC, 1-3 p.m. in DS S421. Bring your Jag Tag.

Due date for online proposal submissions for the IUPUI Center for Teaching and Learning’s 2011 EDWARD C. MOORE SYMPOSIUM ON EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING, to be held Feb. 25:
http://ctl.iupui.edu/ecmoore.

Dec. 6-10 (Mon.-Fri.)
FINAL EXAMS AND ASSESSMENT for all students except dental hygiene. First Semester ends Friday.

Dec. 7 (Tues.)
DEAN’S ALL-SCHOOL TOWN HALL meeting, noon in DS S117. Everyone welcome.

DENTAL SCHOOL TOUR for new employees and anyone else at IUSD who’d like to come along; 1:30-3:30 p.m. The group meets at the entrance to the dental school Library.
WORLD WAR II SHIP WAS NAMED FOR IU DENTAL GRAD. We’re usually in such a rush to get from “here” to “there” to keep pace with our work or school schedules that we are oblivious to the many photos and plaques displayed throughout the school. But the next time you have reason to pass through our school’s front door and into the small vestibule there, slow down and take a moment to notice an aging bronze plaque. It holds the names of the five IU dental graduates who lost their lives in the war that started for Americans on this day in 1941. World War II claimed the lives of Thomas Arthur (DDS’43) of Dayton, Ohio (address at the time of graduation); Edwin Connley (DDS’29), Covington, Ky.; Eugene Fields (DDS’35), Decatur, Ind.; Howard McCurdy (DDS’29), Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Harold Smith (DDS’31), Kokomo, Ind.

One of those men holds a U.S. military record that no one envies: Fort Wayne practitioner Howard McCurdy was the first dental officer in the U.S. Army to be killed in action in World War II. He died January 16, 1942, while serving with General Douglas MacArthur’s forces in the Philippines.

In Capt. McCurdy’s honor, the President Tyler, an ocean liner that had been requisitioned by the U.S. Navy in 1942 and then converted to an Army transport, was renamed the Howard McCurdy in 1945, while the vessel was in use as an Army hospital ship.

The commemorative plaque honoring Capt. McCurdy and the other fallen dental officers was presented to the dental school by the IUSD Alumni Association in 1951. And two years later, the DDS Class of 1929 donated a museum case to the School of Dentistry Library in tribute to Drs. Connley and McCurdy. The case, which is identified by a small marker at its base, is the first one on the right as you walk through the Library’s front door.

Dec. 8 (Wed.)
IUPUI ALUMNI HOLIDAY NIGHT, Indianapolis Children’s Museum, an annual event that also welcomes all IUPUI students, staff, and faculty. Tickets are $20 for adults, $13 for children 3-12, and free for younger kids. Register by Dec. 6 at www.alumni.iupui.edu.

Dec. 9 (Thurs.)
FACULTY ENRICHMENT, 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in DS S116. Presentation on oral and maxillofacial radiology by Dr. Kristine Mosier of the IU medical school’s radiology department, section of imaging sciences. Box lunches provided.
Dec. 10 (Fri.)
RESEARCH COMMITTEE, 9 a.m. in DS S421

LAST DAY OF FIRST SEMESTER CLASSES for dental hygiene students

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST is this morning.

Dec. 11-Jan. 2 (Sat.-Sun.)
IUSD LIBRARY’S HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: The Library will be closed on the weekends of Dec. 11-12 and 18-19, and from Dec. 24 through Jan. 2. There will be no evening hours on the weekdays of Dec. 13-17 and Dec. 20-23. Regular schedule resumes on Mon., Jan. 3.

Dec. 13-16 (Mon.-Thurs.)
FINAL EXAMS for dental hygiene students

Dec. 15 (Wed.)

Faculty, Staff: Rise and Shine – and Dine
(Who needs Tiffany’s when a jewel of a breakfast awaits you at 1121 West Michigan?)

All IU School of Dentistry employees are invited to indulge in a scrumptious breakfast this morning, compliments of Dean John Williams and his administrative team. The administrators, by the way, are not only hosting the meal but also serving it. Join the administrators for the IUSD FACULTY AND STAFF HOLIDAY BREAKFAST from 7:30 to 9:30 in the first floor lobby.

Dec. 16 (Thurs.)
Your submission deadline is not that FAR off. FACULTY ANNUAL REPORT TRAINING, noon-1 p.m. in DS S116. Deadline for online submission of your FAR this year is Feb. 1. If you have any questions, please contact the Academic Affairs office.

Dec. 17 (Fri.)
STUDENT RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE, 8 a.m. in DS B29

Nominations and applications for the campus’s DR. JOSEPH T. TAYLOR AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN DIVERSITY are due today: http://diversity.iupui.edu/taylor/index.html.
Dec. 20-31 (Mon.-Fri.)
IUSD CLINICS ARE CLOSED (except emergency clinic)

Dec. 24 (Fri.)
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OBSERVED (school closed)

Dec. 25-Jan. 1 (Sat.-Sat.)
ALPHA OMEGA dental fraternity’s annual meeting, San Diego

Dec. 31 (Fri.)
NEW YEAR’S HOLIDAY OBSERVED (school closed)

January 2011

Jan. 3 (Mon.)
CLINICS REOPEN; LIBRARY RESUMES REGULAR HOURS

SECOND SEMESTER commences for dental, dental hygiene, and graduate dental classes.

Jan. 6 (Thurs.)
930 YEARS AND COUNTING. Invitations will be in the mail soon for the first annual EMPLOYEE MILESTONE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON, noon-2 p.m. at University Place Hotel. “The lunch, which will be hosted by Dean John Williams, will recognize IUSD milestone anniversaries reached in 2010 by staff and faculty with full-time dental school appointments,” says Elizabeth Hatcher, Human Resources director.

This celebration, which formerly was a brunch recognizing full-time staff employment anniversaries, has been expanded to include full-time faculty who have achieved milestones beginning with five years of service to IUSD and including every fifth year thereafter. (Service calculated for full-time faculty includes any period in which they may have previously been employed by IUSD as full-time staff – years of part-time service are not included. Faculty with any questions about years of service are welcome to contact Ms. Hatcher, ehatcher@iupui.edu.)

Congratulations to the following 68 IUSD employees, who collectively have devoted 930 years of full-time service to the School of Dentistry:

**AUXILIARY SERVICES**
Mr. Richard Kerkhof, 30 years

**CASH OPERATIONS**
Ms. Marjorie Ellison, 10 years

**CENTRAL STERILIZATION AND SERVICES**
Mr. Roman Brown, 5 years
Mr. Kevin Dudley, 10 years
Ms. Deanna Woodley, 10 years
**CLINICAL AFFAIRS**
Ms. Patricia Huff, 30 years  
Ms. Kibibi Pryor, 5 years  
Dr. George Willis, 30 years

**COMPREHENSIVE CARE CLINIC**
Ms. Rhonda Bradley, 15 years  
Ms. Carolyn Brown, 5 years  
Dr. Timothy Carlson, 30 years  
Ms. Katherine English, 10 years  
Ms. Brinda Howard, 5 years  
Ms. Teri Ann McDonald-Kulis, 5 years  
Ms. Angela Moxley, 5 years

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**
Ms. Kathy Thompson, 15 years

**DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**
Mr. John Hoffman, 10 years

**ENDODONTICS**
Dr. Joseph Legan, 20 years  
Ms. Karen Bissonette, 30 years  
Ms. Dianne Heid, 15 years

**FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**
Ms. Deborah Ferguson, 10 years

**LIBRARY**
Ms. Barbara Gushrowski, 10 years

**ORAL BIOLOGY**
Mr. Kenneth Burgess, 15 years  
Dr. Laura Romito, 5 years  
Ms. Kimberly Tillman, 25 years

**ORAL PATHOLOGY, MEDICINE, AND RADIOLOGY**
Ms. Jennifer Robison, 25 years  
Dr. Margot Van Dis, 20 years  
Dr. Paul Zitterbart, 30 years

**ORAL SURGERY AND HOSPITAL DENTISTRY**
Ms. Kari Lynn Cassaday, 5 years  
Ms. Katherine Cornett, 10 years  
Ms. Hollie Flinta, 15 years  
Ms. Deanna Hoskins, 10 years  
Ms. Kentina Rice, 5 years
Dr. Trevor Treasure, 5 years

**ORTHODONTICS AND ORAL FACIAL GENETICS**
Ms. Darlene Arnold, 5 years  
Ms. Kathleen Gottman, 10 years  
Dr. Thomas Katona, 20 years  
Dr. Irina Leyvand, 20 years  
Mr. Thomas St. Clair, 10 years

**PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY**
Dr. Judith Chin, 10 years  
Dr. Jeffrey Dean, 20 years  
Ms. Helen Pierle, 15 years  
Dr. James Weddell, 30 years

**PERIODONTICS AND ALLIED DENTAL PROGRAMS**
Prof. Pamela Ford, 5 years  
Prof. Elizabeth Hughes, 10 years  
Ms. Tuwana Ivy, 10 years  
Ms. Kaylene Rossok, 15 years

**PREVENTIVE AND COMMUNITY DENTISTRY**
Ms. Terry Lee Ball, 25 years  
Ms. Christine Buckley, 15 years  
Ms. Judy Burch, 10 years  
Mr. Clif Duhn, 10 years  
Ms. Charlene Ellis, 15 years  
Ms. Sharon Gwinn, 35 years  
Ms. Rose Hinesley, 15 years  
Ms. Jodie Jarrett, 30 years  
Ms. Robin Johnson, 10 years  
Mr. Joseph Joseph, 5 years  
Dr. Angeles Martínez-Mier, 10 years  
Dr. Gerardo Maupomé, 5 years  
Ms. Judith Powers, 5 years  
Mr. Nyi-Nyi Tin, 10 years

**RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY**
Ms. Barbara Jarjoura, 5 years  
Dr. John Levon, 10 years  
Dr. Carmen Paez de Mendoza, 10 years  
Dr. Jeffrey Platt, 10 years  
Dr. Paul Reifeis, 15 years

**STUDENT AFFAIRS**
Ms. Michele Farris, 10 years  
Mr. Paul Koch, 5 years
Jan. 7 (Fri.)
SECOND SEMESTER commences for dental assisting distance-learning students.

IUSD FACULTY COUNCIL, noon-1 p.m. in DS S116 (tentative)

Jan. 8 (Sat.)
IUSD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS winter meeting and luncheon, 10:30 a.m. at the Oceanaire restaurant, 30 S. Meridian Street

Jan. 10 (Mon.)
SECOND SEMESTER commences for campus dental assisting class.

Jan. 11 (Tues.)
IUPUI Faculty Council, 3-5 p.m. at Campus Center 409

Jan. 17 (Mon.)
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., HOLIDAY (school and library closed)

Jan. 23-30 (Sun.-Sun.)
Busy hands are happy hands. If you don’t count January.

Dental alumni and other friends of the IU School of Dentistry are turning a cold shoulder to Indiana’s winter by setting sail with the IU School of Dentistry for IUSD’s EASTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE, a round-trip adventure from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., with stops at Half Moon Cay, Bahamas; Philipsburg, St. Maarten; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos. This is the IU dental school’s 5th sponsored cruise, a biennial getaway that has enjoyed a robust growth in popularity since alumnus and past IUSD Alumni Association board president Fred Sputh (DDS’77) of Lafayette, Ind., first dreamed up the cruise idea about a decade ago. As of this writing, 182 seaworthy dental professionals and guests are scheduled to be on deck Jan. 23. Bring us some souvenirs, everybody! (Something besides your gorgeous tans, please.)

Jan. 26 (Wed.)
FACULTY AND STAFF ENRICHMENT, 9 a.m.-noon (rooms TBA). No classes or clinics.

INDIANA DENTAL ASSOCIATION CAREER NETWORK SEMINAR for 3rd and 4th year dental students; 9 a.m.-noon (rooms TBA)
STUDENTS REPRESENT IU AT HINMAN SYMPOSIUM – AND ONE WILL HEAD TO CHICAGO IN FEBRUARY. The famed Peabody Hotel in Memphis, Tenn., was once again the site for the Hinman Student Research Symposium, an annual end-of-October gathering of student and faculty researchers from dental schools around the country – about 120 participants this year. Representing IU were student poster presenters Olga Isiutsina, D’12, and Heather Hirsch, D’11, and Dr. Richard Gregory, director of the school’s Student Research and PhD Dental Science programs. Ms. Isiutsina’s research involves an evaluation of a Caries Risk Assessment initiative in the IUSD clinical program, and Ms. Hirsch has tested the ability of two drugs, one a nicotine antagonist and the other a nicotine analgesic, to activate Steptococcus mutans, a bacterium well known for contributing to the development of dental caries. Heather’s research is mentored by Dr. Gregory and Olga’s by former full-time IU professor Dr. Margherita Fontana, now of the University of Michigan.

When Olga placed her project in national competition at the October 2010 American Dental Association meeting in Orlando, Fla. (as a winner of an ADA/Dentsply International Student Clinician “SCADA” Award at IUSD’s Research Day last spring), it caught the eye of the national Academy of Operative Dentistry. In its own independent review of the SCADA clinics, the academy judged Olga’s to be the best in the nation. As the winner, she has received an expense-paid trip to present her clinic at the academy’s annual session in Chicago in February.

PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENTS WORK WITH LOCAL DENTISTS ON PATIENT PROJECT IN HOPE, IND. Four IUSD students were recently in Hope, Ind., a small community near Columbus, to
conduct a needs assessment for patients residing in a nursing home and rehabilitation center. The project was developed by students Marlene Kraszeski and Jody Wilson for their Advanced Community Dental Hygiene course. They were assisted by classmates Amanda Robinson and Heather Havens. “The students are Licensed Dental Hygienists who are continuing their education to obtain a bachelor’s degree in Public Health Dental Hygiene,” says Prof. Melinda Meadows, the dental hygiene faculty member who teaches the course. She accompanied the students to the facility.

The project, which was based at Miller’s Merry Manor in Hope, included the students’ recruitment of area dentists to conduct oral cancer screenings for each resident who wished to participate. Ms. Kraszeski and Ms. Wilson found the community partners they needed in John Harker (DDS’71), Hope, and Jeffrey Pumphrey (DDS’2000), Seymour. Dr. Harker has been involved with the facility’s patients for several years. “Many of these patients cannot make the trip to a dental office easily,” says Prof. Meadows. “Dr. Harker comes to the facility when needed, and he is also active in other dental public health services in his county, including a sealant program for children.”

The site was chosen, says Ms. Kraszeski, after a review of facilities assisting senior populations in rural Bartholomew county and consultation with Dawn Gale, BSDH, LDH, who serves as the dental hygienist for the Bartholomew County Health Department.

The students prepared oral health reports for patients based on the doctors’ screenings that indicated any need for follow-up or referral. Removable appliances were cleaned in an ultrasonic unit, and participants received new brushes and other items to help them care for their dentures. “Patients were delighted with the students and their cheerful attitudes,” says Prof. Meadows.

While they were on site for the needs assessment survey, the students also presented an in-service program on oral healthcare for the facility’s Certified Nursing Assistant staff. “The students created pre- and post-tests to assess the primary areas of interest for the CNA staff and the degree to which the in-service had been effective in educating staff about proper techniques for patient oral care,” says Prof. Meadows.

DDS CLASS OF 2013 HELPS THOSE IN NEED HERE AND ABROAD THROUGH HOLIDAY SEASON. Carolyn Dundon, PR coordinator for the second-year dental class, catches us up on all of the charitable activities the class has been involved in recently:
Movember’s ‘Stashes
Have you noticed a bunch of students sporting mustaches lately? Gentlemen in the DDS Class of 2013 took part in the second annual IUSD “Movember,” which started on November 1 with participants shaving their faces clean. Then, for the next 30 days the men were challenged to change their appearance by growing mustaches. The event, which is part of a global men’s health initiative run by the Movember Foundation, helps to promote prostate cancer awareness and research through team donations. This year our class challenged the IU medical students to participate, and on Nov. 19 the two teams celebrated in downtown Indy with a ‘Stash Bash social. Tickets were sold for $5 with all proceeds going to the Prostate Cancer Foundation. It was a fun way to celebrate men’s health. We look forward to next Movember! The class of 2013 would like to open up the event to everyone in 2011.

Thanks for Giving to the “Smile Train” Pie Sale
During the DDS Class of 2013’s first-year Craniofacial Growth and Development module, Dr. Serkis Isikbay played a documentary called “Smile Pinki,” the story of a young girl living with a cleft lip in rural India. Our class took it upon ourselves to become a part of the Smile Train organization, which raises money to help children who have cleft lips and palates and who reside in the world’s poorest nations. Our second annual Smile Train fundraiser, a Thanksgiving Pie Sale, resulted in the sale of 300 pies, which raised $1,300 for the cause. Since each surgery through this charitable organization costs only about $250, our efforts will help five children regain their confidence with a new smile! Thanks to everyone who purchased a Thanksgiving pie from our class.

’Tis the Season for Giving!
This year, members of the Class of 2013 are working together to help a family in need through Adopt-A-Family, a program designed by the Salvation Army with a goal of giving impoverished families a memorable Christmas. Families are referred to the program by professional social workers, and a list is compiled of the family’s needs and wish-list items. The young family we’re assisting includes two boys and two girls between the ages of 2 and 15 years old, one of whom is paralyzed, plus a mom, dad, and grandma. Our goal is to make this year the most unforgettable holiday for, and bring joy to, this deserving family.—by Carolyn Dundon
PLAYING BALL FOR A QUARTER CENTURY. Dr. Judi Chin spotted this interesting ESPN interview with several of the folks who played key parts in the famous movie “Hoosiers,” including IUSD alumnus and Warsaw, Ind., dentist Steve Hollar (DDS’93), who before he was a dental student here starred as one of the members of a fictional hard-luck rural Indiana high school basketball team that makes a triumphant journey to the state finals. The movie also starred Gene Hackman and Oscar-nominated Dennis Hopper. Some of the movie’s actors and the director Angelo Pizzo – who is an IU Bloomington grad – got together to reminisce about the making of the film, which is approaching its 25th anniversary. Dr. Hollar is second from the right in the photo at this link: http://sports.espn.go.com/espn/news/story?id=5813889. Steve is a high school basketball legend in his hometown of Warsaw. In 2004 ESPN named “Hoosiers” the best sports movie of the past 25 years. You can read Roger Ebert’s 4-star review of "Hoosiers" at www.rogerebert.com.

MINI-MAESTRO TAKES CONTROL OF THE 5TH AT 3. It was recently announced that Krzysztof Urbanski, at the oh-so-tender age of 28, is the youngest person in the nation to be named music director of a major U.S. orchestra – ours (http://www.idsnews.com/news/story.aspx?id=78504). He’ll begin his new post with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra next fall, and will also serve as an adjunct professor in the IU Jacobs School of Music.

But after watching another young fellow with his conductor’s baton in a video recently featured by NPR (http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyid=130807700&sc=emaf), we suspect Mr. Urbanski won’t hold his record for long. Bravo and a Standing O for “Jonathan,” who doesn’t lose his grasp of Ludwig Van even when a nose tickle complicates his performance.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ONE AND ALL

End December ’10-January ’11 Calendar

Send items for February calendar by Jan. 22: Indiana University School of Dentistry, Room B32, 1121 West Michigan Street, Indianapolis IN 46202-5186. Fax: (317) 274-7188. E-mail: smcroum@iupui.edu

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