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As we emerge from the winter darkness to light, renewal, and hope, I am buoyed by the advent of spring in Indiana. I am also buoyed by the current status of our building project, which has gone from bud to bloom, gaining the most positive momentum to date. I am elated to report that we received preliminary budget approval from both IUPUI and IU-Bloomington financial administration and anticipate being on the Board of Trustees’ agenda this summer for project approval. When we pass this milestone, the architects begin their work!

The proposed 48,000-square-foot building expansion is estimated at approximately $21.6 million and will be paid for in five years with revenue from our clinics, enrollment management, and the more than $4 million donated by our generous alumni and friends toward the building fund. As we garner additional financial support, we will pay off the building even faster.

Expected construction completion is 2019, the same year we celebrate Indiana University’s bicentennial. We have truly reached a significant milestone for the future of IUSD!

I cannot say thank you enough to our early supporters, our building steering committee, and to Assistant Dean of Development John Hoffman and Assistant Dean of Finance and Administration Tim Brown. Our alumni have walked patiently beside us as we explored several iterations of expansion – first here at our existing facilities, then on the Wishard campus, and now back home. To quote Cincinnati Reds broadcaster Joe Nuxhall, we’re “rounding third and heading home.” It’s a fabulous feeling, and we could not have gotten to this point without you.

Even as the new building project moves forward, we continue to update our existing facilities, which began with the renovation of the SB-05 student lab space in the basement, the lecture halls, and the Periodontics Clinic. Renovation has now begun for the clinical space on the 4th floor. When complete in October, it will be a state-of-the-art, multi-disciplinary clinic, with 24 operatories for dental hygiene, graduate operative, and the new DDS Team Clinic. It will be a prototype of the contemporary clinical spaces we plan to create throughout the new building addition.

Along with expansion and remodeling of our Indianapolis dental school footprint, dental education will likely be added in Bloomington and Evansville, as each city creates academic health sciences centers that will include clinical time for dental students as well teaching opportunities for local alumni. We welcome your involvement.

I am also happy to share that we have reorganized the curriculum so that our D1 and D2 students are getting earlier clinical experience, which they appreciate.

As many of you know, IUPUI Chancellor Charles Bantz is stepping down in August. I was honored to be asked to apply for the Chancellor and IU Executive Vice President position. After much consideration, I realized more fully that my heart is in dentistry. We have much to accomplish here in Indiana and nationally to keep the wheels of change moving forward in our profession, which U.S. News and World Report named the number one career in the United States in January 2015.

In the closing days of February, we said goodbye to Dean Emeritus Ralph McDonald, who served honorably as dental school dean from 1968-1985. We grieve his passing with his children – John, Scott, and Barbie – all IUSD alumni, and their families. A founding father of pediatric dental education, Ralph’s legacy will continue in the pediatric dentistry residents who train here at Riley Hospital for Children.

In addition to Ralph, we express our condolences to the family of Dr. LaForrest “Woody” Garner, who died in April. Woody was instrumental in helping minority students find their way in dentistry, including Dr. Michael Bennett, Indiana University’s first African American oral maxillofacial surgeon and IUSD alumni association president, who shares his remarkable journey in this issue.

We also celebrated and offered best wishes to the Class of 2015 in May, when almost 200 DDS, dental hygiene, dental assisting, and advanced education graduates celebrated their commencement, excited to launch their new careers. Included in this DDS class were our first 22 International Dental Program students, who were dentists in their home countries and came to Indiana for additional training so they could practice in the United States. The faculty and I were touched by the heartfelt gratitude they expressed when they hosted an international dinner for us with delicacies from their native countries.

Like a child separating from a parent, I know our graduating students are ready to leave and spread their wings, but I can’t help but miss them.

And then, a few months later, the budding first-year students arrive, bringing renewed energy, enthusiasm, and hope for a better future that begins with excellent oral health. The educational cycle begins anew, and we are fortunate to watch our students blossom into superb oral health professionals because of their rigorous education and training here at Indiana.

Wishing you constant renewal and new beginnings in your life and dental profession this spring and throughout the coming year.

Warm regards,

Dr. John N. Williams, Dean
Indiana University School of Dentistry
Chancellor Charles Bantz delivered the keynote address at commencement ceremonies, held May 9, 2015, at the Indiana Convention Center.

The 2015 DDS class was made up of 61 men and 60 women. Indiana residents numbered 76, with 45 graduates from out of state.

The class also included the first 22 graduates of the school’s International Dental Program, designed for foreign-educated dentists who desired to become licensed to practice in the United States.

The Allied Health programs graduated 28 dental hygiene students and 32 dental assisting students.

“This was an outstanding class, and we are proud of their hard work, dedication, compassion, and humility,” said Dean John N. Williams. “Their rigorous training has prepared them to make a significant impact on improving oral healthcare in Indiana and around the globe.”

Congratulations class of 2015. Go forth and make us even more proud!
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— DEAN JOHN N. WILLIAMS
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**Indiana MOM cared for more than 2,000 patients in two days**

IUSD faculty and students helped the Indiana Dental Association Foundation for Dental Health provide more than $800,000 in free dental care for approximately 2,000 patients over two days at Indiana’s first Mission of Mercy (MOM) event on April 24 and 25, 2015, at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

“Indiana MOM is tremendous opportunity to provide free dental services, education, and coordinated care for underserved patients. We are extremely grateful for IUSD’s support and dental services,” said Doug Bush, IDA executive director.

**First Root Run raised money for cancer patients with oral health conditions**

Walkers and runners in this fun 5K were sprayed with foam, silly string, and mist — simulating the brush, floss, and rinse basics of oral hygiene — but all for a serious purpose. Money raised from the innovative Root Run: Brush-Floss-Rinse 5K Run/Walk on May 30, 2015, at the Indiana State Fairgrounds was directed to the Oral Health Care for Cancer Patients foundation.

“Head and neck radiation, chemotherapy, and blood and marrow transplants can each lead to painful oral complications,” Schrader said.

More information about Oral Health Care for Cancer Patients can be found at https://www.dentistry.iu.edu/OHCCP.

**Service learning around the globe**

IUSD students spent their spring break working in a dental clinic in Ecuador, while many more will travel to distant developing nations this summer to render oral health care to indigent populations in Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, and Vietnam. In addition to providing greatly needed dental services, the trips foster intercultural understanding and respect, learning outcomes aligned with the educational curriculum, and the development of an oral health workforce that can work effectively with in diverse cultural environments, said E. Angeles Martinez-Mier, director of Community Dentistry.

If you would like to help offset student costs for these valuable service learning experiences, please contact Travis McDearmon, associate director of development, at jtmcdear@iu.edu, 317-274-5426.

**First place in Regatta — again!**

For the third year in a row (no pun intended), the IU School of Dentistry student teams placed first and second in the men’s division of the 2014 IUPUI Regatta. The winning teams were the Darting Drillers (first place) and the Bruxinators (second place). And for the second year, the dental school’s Golden Crowns took home second place in the women’s division.
First graduating class of International Dentist Program

Congratulations to the first graduating class of the school’s International Dentist Program, which offers qualified graduates of foreign dental programs the opportunity to earn a DDS degree at the IU School of Dentistry. Upon successful completion of the DDS curriculum, the 22 graduates in the class of 2015 took state or regional clinical board examinations to be eligible for dental licensure and dental practice within the United States.

IUSD student chairs ADEA Council of Students

Our faculty has long served in leadership roles for the American Dental Education Association (ADEA), and now our students are emerging as trailblazers. At the ADEA conference in March in Boston, 2016 class President Tim Treat (second from left), was named national chair of the ADEA Council of Students, Residents, and Fellows (CoSRF).

From left, Alison Williams, named CoSRF Policy Center Liaison for Institutional Capacity Building; Tim Treat, national chair; Mackenzie Kelley, ADEA CoSRF Ohio Valley Regional Representative and holding IUSD’s Most Improved Student Chapter Award; and Chris Dawson, 2018 class president.

Regional academic health centers in Bloomington, Evansville to include dentistry

Indiana University, IU Health, and IU Health Bloomington Hospital announced in April 2015 that they have reached an agreement to create a regional academic health campus that includes dental education in Bloomington.

In addition to the relocation of Bloomington Hospital, IU plans to construct an adjacent health education building that will expand its academic and clinical offerings for medical, dental, nursing, and social work students.

“This plan will lead to the creation of the most comprehensive academic health campus in the state outside of Indianapolis,” Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie said. (iuhealth.org/bloomingtonrahc)

IUSD also will have a presence at a multidisciplinary academic medical education and research center in downtown Evansville. The goal is to dramatically increase health-related educational opportunities for students in southwestern Indiana and northwestern Kentucky. The $69.5 million, 170,000-square-foot facility is projected to be completed in late 2017 and will house programs from the IU School of Medicine and the IU School of Dentistry, as well as Ivy Tech Community College, the University of Southern Indiana, and the University of Evansville. It is expected to serve as many as 1,800 students.

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Students take home big awards at International Association of Dental Research

IUSD research faculty is immensely proud of the student presentations and awards received at the International Association of Dental Research held in March in Boston. Faculty members Drs. Marco Bottino, Gabriel Chu, and Richard Gregory are mentors to these award winners and all the students who presented at IADR.

Students displayed their research at home as well as at IUSD’s 23rd Annual IUSD Research Day on April 13, 2015, at the IUPUI Campus Center. IUSD students, staff, and faculty presented their advances in basic and clinical research to the IUPUI community.

Sabrina Feitosa, PhD, received the prestigious Toshi Nakao Fellowship, awarded to just one up-and-coming researcher in the world every two years at the International Association of Dental Research conference. Feitosa will complete her research at IUSD with Dr. Marco Bottino (right) as her mentor.
Welcome new directors

Leslie Flowers has joined IUSD as the new director of alumni and development communications. Flowers has been a health sciences communicator for two decades. She recently wrote the 100th anniversary commemorative book for the IU School of Nursing. Her goal is to increase the frequency of alumni communications and create more digital platforms.

Sean Stone is the new library director, joining IUSD from Claremont University in southern California. He aspires to modernize the school’s library services and create a comfortable, inspirational space for dental scholars.

Building financing plan gains great momentum

With the proposed plan to renovate the old Wishard Hospital withdrawn, the financial plan for constructing a new building extension onto the existing dental school has cleared two important milestones. Both Dawn Rhodes, IUPUI vice chancellor for Finance and Administration, and IU Treasurer MaryFrances McCourt have endorsed the building financing plan for the estimated $21.6 million, 48,000-square-foot project. IUSD anticipates the project will be on the Board of Trustees’ agenda this summer for preliminary project approval. The school is gaining great momentum toward the new addition to our clinical facilities, and this is a major step in a comprehensive, holistic plan to update and modernize the facilities.

“We are most grateful for our early building champions and thank you for your continued support.”
— JOHN N. WILLIAMS
Dean

4th floor renovation underway

Construction crews have gutted the dental hygiene and graduate operative clinic on the 4th floor to construct a state-of-the-art, multi-purpose space, with 25 new multi-disciplinary operatories for dental hygiene, graduate operative, and the DDS team clinic. When complete in October, this clinic will be a prototype of the contemporary clinical spaces in the new building addition.

Generous donors fund student scholarships

Congratulations to the 2015 scholarship recipients and thank you to their generous sponsors. Almost 60 students received hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships based on academic excellence, financial need, service, and leadership. Many of the students and their families expressed their gratitude directly to their scholarship patrons at an awards luncheon held Nov. 12, 2014, at Hine Hall on the IUPUI campus.

A complete list of scholarships is available at dentistry.iu.edu.

Student Michael Daetwyler received the Dr. Marlin R. and Mary J. Inman Family Scholarship from, at left, Liz Fretz, daughter of Joe and Linda “Lin” Inman, Lin Inman, with Dean Williams. The Inman family created the scholarship to recognize a dental student from a southern Indiana county who maintained a GPA of 3.0 or higher during the first two years of dental school.
Floyd Fisher was giddy, and it wasn’t from anesthesia. The formerly homeless veteran, who had been missing seven teeth, was grinning from ear to ear. The vacant spaces in the front of his mouth has been filled with partial dentures. He wanted everyone to see his new smile.

“I’m going to walk around outside now and just smile for people,” Fisher said, on a May day as sunny as his disposition. “I want to see who notices.”

Fisher shared that after his mother died, he lost most of his possessions, including his home. He lived on the streets for four years. About a year ago, at age 54, he attended an Indianapolis Stand Down event, in which homeless veterans receive food, clothing, health screenings, haircuts, and learn about resources available to them. He served in the National Guard for 10 years, from age 18 to 28. One of those resources was free dental care.

After Fisher began living at a residence provided by the Hoosier Veterans Assistance Foundation (HVAF), the United Way nonprofit organization connected him to a dental assistance program at the Indiana University School of Dentistry named Veterans Employability: The Dental Connection. The service matches dental students and faculty with unemployed homeless veterans in Indianapolis to overcome a barrier that often stands in the way of them getting a job – their teeth.

Fisher said with his new smile, he was more confident in his interview.
with a heating and air conditioning company, where he became employed. “I’ve got a job, and I’m getting back on my feet,” he said. “And I love my smile.”

**Comprehensive Preparation**

IUSD’s dental program for veterans is just one portal to care the dental school offers for low-income and underserved populations.

“A little-known story about the IU School of Dentistry is how much free or reduced dental care our school provides to people in need in Indiana and in many undeveloped regions of the world,” said Dean John Williams. “In addition to delivering essential oral health services, these experiences lead to new graduates who enter the workforce with better developed clinical and interpersonal skills and who are prepared to serve diverse populations in a variety of settings.”

One of the most critical settings is in the dental school’s clinics, where each and every student has honed their skills. Reasonable fees, rapid availability of services, as well as expert, close direct supervision of student and post-graduate clinicians make the School of Dentistry clinics a preferred choice for many community residents who may not otherwise be able to afford the cost of dental services. In 2014, the school treated more than 33,000 patients in approximately 118,000 appointments. Of those patients, about 2,200 qualified for assistance through grants, Medicaid, or the VA.

Free or low-cost dental services are also provided off campus – in Indianapolis, around the state, and in developing countries.

Much of this is possible because of Dr. Karen Yoder, professor of Preventive and Community Dentistry and director of Civic Engagement and Health Policy, who has a keen eye for populations in need and an astute ability to manifest grant funding for public health initiatives that also involve student learning.

Originally trained as a dental hygienist, one of Yoder’s first public health programs at IUSD in 2000 was providing sealants at Indianapolis shelters for homeless children and mothers. “I asked for 20 students, and 114 volunteered,” Yoder said. “It was a clear indication that there was an untapped enthusiasm for community-based programs.”

**Seal Indiana**

The shelter sealant program grew quickly. Start-up money from IUPUI and tobacco lawsuit settlement funds from the Indiana State Department of Health launched the Seal Indiana program. Under the leadership of Dr. Armando Soto, dental school faculty and students travel in small teams to Title I schools and Head Start programs throughout the state to conduct dental examinations on children from low-income families. The children receive fluoride treatments and protective sealants on vulnerable surfaces as needed. Since its inception, Seal Indiana has treated more than 30,000 children.

Dr. Angeles Martinez Mier, chair of the Department of Cariology, Operative Dentistry and Dental Public Health, said Seal Indiana is unique in its dual

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**Grants from the Indiana State Department of Health, the Health Resources Services Administration, and Delta Dental Foundation have provided support for Seal Indiana.**

Dr. Armando Soto, left, director of Seal Indiana, which has provided preventive services for more than 30,000 children across the state.
purpose. “We’re helping to meet the oral healthcare needs of Indiana’s youth while also teaching the young men and women who will be Indiana’s future dental workforce the importance of being responsive to the dental needs of people in their communities when they become healthcare providers,” Martinez Mier said.

Grants from the Indiana State Department of Health, the Health Resources Services Administration, and Delta Dental Foundation have provided support for Seal Indiana. For its outstanding efforts in providing dental care to children in need, the National Children’s Oral Health Foundation honored IUSD as “Affiliate of the Year” in 2012, thanks to the leadership of Drs. Joan Kowolik and Judith Chin. Kowolik directs several community-based education and screening programs for children in the Indianapolis area, and Dr. Chin leads pediatric residents and fourth-year dental students in a monthly day of work at the Community Dental Clinic in LaGrange County, which serves the Amish community.

**Student Outreach Clinic**
Dental students have long days; one would think they’d like to sleep in on a Saturday. But by 9 am on the first and third Saturday of each month, about 20 DDS and dental hygiene students are dressed and ready for work. They volunteer at IUSD’s **Student Outreach Clinic**, located at HealthNet People’s Health and Dental Center on the near eastside, providing free preventive services, exams, fillings, and extractions in the 12-chair clinic to adults who have no other access to care. The student providers treat more complex cases at the Comprehensive Care Clinics at the dental school, which allows for continuity of care.

The Student Outreach Clinic is completely student run with faculty oversight. A volunteer board of students leads by Dr. Timothy Carlson volunteers their Saturday mornings to supervise the students. Last year, approximately 153 dental students volunteered more than 2,000 hours, which resulted in $75,000 in dental care as quantified by Medicaid fees, or about $150,000 in private practice fees.

“What I’ve learned is that you do not have to go to a developing country to do service work,” said fourth-year student Laura Albrecht, who chairs the Student Outreach Clinic board of directors. “There’s a lot we can do in our own backyard, wherever our backyard is. There are underserved people everywhere.”

Albrecht said she is continuously impressed with the selflessness of her fellow students. “I feel as people we’re all given gifts; ours happens to be dentistry,” she said. “We get to use our talents and skills in dentistry to help those in need.”

Other dental schools look to IUSD’s Student Outreach Clinic as a model, and faculty and students have shared their

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— FLOYD FISHER
Patient

Formerly homeless veteran Floyd Fisher with his student provider Jacob Long (class of 2016) in the dental school’s Comprehensive Care Clinic.
roadmap for a successful student-run clinic at conferences and in publications and videos. In 2013, the governor’s office took note, bestowing the Indiana Governor’s Service Award.

Women’s Philanthropy and the Dr. Donald W. Johnson Public Health Fund, both of IU Foundation, provide funding for the Student Outreach Clinic. “We are especially grateful to Dr. Donald Trainor, HealthNet chief executive officer, and Dr. Rachael Gandolph, HealthNet dental director, for allowing us to use their space for the Student Outreach Clinic,” Yoder said.

Healthy Smiles for Employability
A spin-off of the Student Outreach Clinic is Healthy Smiles for Employability, an initiative developed by students from IUSD, IUPUI School of Public Health, and the IUPUI School of Philanthropy, with mentorship by Yoder, to help patients improve their chances for employment by providing them an intact smile.

The students first conducted research in the neighborhood by interviewing local business owners to measure the impact that missing or broken teeth have on a person’s prospects for employment.

By the time Michelle Cullen received care at the Student Outreach Clinic she was toothless. A diabetic 46-year-old mother of two, Cullen was in constant, excruciating oral pain, she said. The teeth she didn’t lose, she had pulled for pain relief. After she received dentures through Healthy Smiles for Employability, she was hired as an assistant teacher at a day program for autistic adults.

“Having teeth has made a world of difference,” Cullen said. “I feel so much better about myself. I have a lot more self-confidence. I used to not look at people in the eye. Now I look up and smile. I am so grateful.”

Stephen Hendricks, Cullen’s student provider, said, “It’s incredible to watch the changes in our patients’ body language when their smile is restored.

“A lot of the people we see have just lost all hope,” Hendricks said. “But if they have their health – at least their oral health – they can have hope. By trying to improve their oral health, we can help give some hope back to them.”

Chase Bank and the IUPUI Solution Center help fund the dental care
provided through Healthy Smiles for Employability. To be eligible, patients also must participate in no-cost job training and partner with a job coach.

**Safety Net Clinic Externships**
Students also serve adults and children in need during two-week externships at safety net clinics located around the state. In 2015 the program grew from eight to 91 students who volunteered at safety net clinics located primarily in northwest and northeast Indiana, such as the Community Dental Clinic established by the Amish community.

“In these externships students gain clinical skill and speed as well as learn about the struggles of underserved populations who need a safety net clinic,” Yoder said. “Students are also exposed to prospective employers in these externships, as Federally Qualified Health Centers often offer student loan repayment.

**International Service Learning**
Outside of Indiana, students learn about the scarcity of dental services in third-world regions of the world through International Service Learning experiences. They work in clinics, some using portable equipment, in Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Haiti, Vietnam, and Kenya. Sustained community partnerships have been established at these international locations, and each year IUSD students and faculty are welcomed back. Faculty mentors include Drs. Yoder, Carlson, Martinez-Mier, Armando Soto, Lawrence Garetto, John Loeffler, Odette Aguirre-Zero and Stuart Schrader.

To prepare for their experience, dental students register for a one semester course about international service learning and their host country.

Student Tasha Dhir, who spent her spring break in Ecuador, said, “This trip definitely changed me as a dental professional. Going forward I would like to spend more time treating the underserved. Everyone deserves to live a healthy life and for many people, even here in Indianapolis, this is not a reality. I hope to help change that.”

**Future Community Leaders**
What do students learn from these public health initiatives? They learn a great deal about issues related to barriers to access to dental care. They learn what resources are and are not available. And they learn the importance of dental appearance in relationships and employability, Yoder said.

“The students who participate in community-based programs, especially in leadership roles, emerge with a greater depth of knowledge and ability in organizational skills, problem solving, interpersonal communication, program planning, clinical operations, fundraising, and fiscal responsibility,” Yoder said.

Tim Treat, DDS class of 2016 president, summed up the benefits for students engaged in community dentistry. “Not only are we providing a great service, we’re developing our skills as practitioners and as professionals. We will be better clinicians and community leaders. That’s not something that can be taught; it has to be experienced.”
After a morning of surgery a couple of years ago, Michael Bennett stood in line to get a sandwich at Subway when he heard someone call his name. “Coach Bennett? Is that you?,” asked the man. Bennett turned and saw a now 30-something-year-old he had coached in middle school club basketball. They caught up, and the man continued. “I just want to thank you for starting that basketball league,” he said. “That league, our time together, it kept me out of jail.”

The day of that chance meeting happened to be Bennett’s birthday. He went back to his office with a gift that can’t be bought — knowing his hard work and determination to surpass racial and economic roadblocks had changed another life as much as his own.

**Dedicated to the urban core**

Bennett, the first African American oral maxillofacial surgeon to receive a certificate of completion from the IU School of Dentistry, has two offices — one in Fishers and one at 37th and Meridian in Indianapolis’ urban core, which serves a community similar to the mostly black, low-income neighborhood where he grew up on the west side of Chicago. “This community needs oral surgery as much as any other,” he said.

Bennett was born the oldest of four boys in 1951 in a poor, tough neighborhood called K-Town, because all the streets began with K (e.g. Kostner, Kedvale, Keeler, Kilbourn). His father was a janitor and paid the rent by taking care of the apartment building they lived in. Both parents valued education. His mother had been valedictorian of her high school class and achieved her college degree in night school while she worked and raised four boys. His father had to drop out of high school but later attained a GED. Both parents worked two jobs to send their sons to private Catholic school, and all four attended college.

When his mother took a better job at Wisconsin Steel on the south side of Chicago, they moved to a safer, all-black neighborhood, which was all he knew, until Bennett’s parents sent him to a mostly white Catholic high school that was a 45-minute bus ride into the city. “After attending an all-black Catholic grade school, it was a culture shock,” he said.

Cut from the basketball team his freshman and sophomore year because he was only 5’8”, he grew to 6’3” between his sophomore and junior year and quickly rose to starter. All five starters were black, which did not go over well with many parents, alumni, and faculty, Bennett said. “My coach, Ron Mellen, was told he had to start the white players. We lost six games in a row, and Mellen defied his superiors and started the black kids again.” Bennett said the team was winning, but Mellen was fired. Bennett was heartbroken; Mellen had been an advocate and a friend, but the seeds of mentoring youth had been planted.

**Alumni Association’s first African American president was determined to overcome racial and economic hurdles to succeed and give back**

**MICHAEL BENNETT**
“He lived in a neighborhood near us on the south side and would drive me home so I didn’t have to take the bus,” Bennett said.

Navigating a racially biased culture continued in college. Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (then Rose Polytechnic Institute) in Terre Haute, Ind., recruited Bennett to play basketball, and General Motors gave him an engineering scholarship. “It was my first time living out of the city. I loved the green, open space and hills,” he said. But he soon learned he was the only African American on campus. Weekends were lonely because blacks could not join the fraternities where his teammates and friends belonged.

After freshman year he told his parents he wasn’t going back. His dad got him a job that summer at a Chicago manufacturing plant, stuffing fiberglass insulation into water heaters. “The fiberglass made me itch from head to toe, and I begged my dad to take me back to college,” Bennett said. “My dad knew exactly what he was doing getting me that awful job.”

After graduation Bennett worked as a mechanical engineer for General Electric in Cincinnati, Ohio. His work life was a cubicle with a slide rule, a sharp pencil, and a piece of paper. “I knew very quickly I did not want to be an engineer for the rest of my life,” he said.

A friend at GE had a brother in dental school and talked up the profession. Bennett toured Indianapolis and the Indiana University School of Dentistry and was invited to dinner at the home of African American dental school administrator LaForrest Garner and his wife Alfreida. He felt comfortable with the Garners, who encouraged him to apply to the IU School of Dentistry. After completing science prerequisites, he applied and was accepted, beginning dental school in 1975. He was one of two African Americans in his first-year class; however the other student left after the first semester.

Bennett made great friends in his class, but there were still challenges based on race, Bennett recalled. He protested to Dean Ralph McDonald, who calmed him down. “He said, ‘Mike, I understand you’re upset, and I assure you if you keep working hard, everything will work out for you.’ And it did. Dean McDonald and Dr. Charles Hutton, head of the oral surgery program, were very instrumental in me going on to becoming an oral surgeon.”

(TrIBUTES to Dean McDonald and LaForrest Garner, who both died earlier this year, begin on page 24.)

“As a student, Mike had a great work ethic that surpassed most of the other students in the class,” said 1979 classmate Joe Baumgartner, IUSD Alumni Association past president. “He is successful because of his intellect, great attitude, and hard work. He is greatly admired and respected and continues to have a positive impact within our profession and his community.”

Bennett was assistant coach at Brebeuf when the team won the state high school basketball championship in 2000. Pictured here with his sons Marques and Michael II.

A family of boys and M’s
While in dental school, Bennett dated Marcha Heard, a girl from first grade in Chicago. Mutual friends had reconnected them. They dated long distance until Marcha moved to Indianapolis to be with her future husband. They married in between Bennett’s third and fourth year of dental school and had their first son, Michael II.

Then racial tension reared its head again. Bennett had the opportunity to establish an oral surgery practice in Bedford, Ind., 25 miles south of Bloomington. He and Marcha placed an offer on a home that had been on the market for more than a year. Suddenly, it was off the market. The realtor’s wife said she wanted to buy it.

“Marcha said, ‘No way am I moving down here with our little boy to this community that doesn’t want us.’” Bennett commuted back and forth to his home in Indianapolis, but after 18 months he had to leave Bedford. His car tires were slashed and other racially motivated incidents happened that he doesn’t like to discuss. He started his own practice in Indianapolis, and the family settled in the Meridian-Kessler neighborhood.

They had two more sons, Marques and Matthew, who matriculated through St. Thomas Aquinas School (where Marcha still works as business manager), The Orchard School, and Brebeuf Jesuit Academy. Bennett coached middle school club basketball for 10 seasons as a way to connect with his sons, and was an assistant coach at

“As a student, Mike had a great work ethic that surpassed most of the other students in the class.”
— JOE BAUMGARTNER
1979 classmate
Brebeuf in 2000 when the two older boys won the Class 3A state title.
He also coached because he wanted to mentor boys who came up in rough and low-income neighborhoods similar to his childhood. He began coaching at Wheeler Boys & Girls Club on Indianapolis’ near north side, then at Municipal Gardens Family Center on the west side. He developed nascent leadership skills and became president of the board of both organizations. In the summer, he would close his dental practice for a couple of weeks and take his teams to Las Vegas and Salt Lake City for tournaments.

Bennett said coaching taught him that kids will perform up to the expectations they are given. “It’s amazing how a child will achieve when someone shows interest in them. Kids play differently when their parents are in the stands.”

He shared the story of one of his players who was frequently in trouble, often late for school, and had little parent support. The boy’s mother would not show up for parent-teacher conferences, so Bennett attended and even drove the boy to school some days. Today that boy is a responsible adult, husband, and father, living on the west coast and working as a social worker. He calls his former coach every year on Bennett’s birthday. “Most of the boys I coached didn’t know I was a doctor. They just knew me as Coach,” Bennett said.

Bennett’s sons are now college-educated professionals. Two have kids of their own — all boys. “I was one of four boys, Marcha and I had three boys, and now we have four grandsons,” Bennett said.

Michael II is 34, works for an IT placement agency, and is an assistant basketball coach at Park Tudor School in Indianapolis. He played basketball at Ball State and coached at the University of Toledo before returning to Indianapolis with his wife and sons last year. Marques, 30, played basketball at the University of Dayton. He sells insurance, has an 11-month-old son and is considering dental school. Matthew, 27, is single and an entrepreneur in Chicago.

A new day at the dental school
Even though his boys are grown, Bennett still volunteers as an assistant coach at Bishop Chatard High School. In their leisure time, he and Marcha enjoy their grandsons and traveling. Bennett is learning how to play the bass guitar.

About 10 years ago, dental school classmates Dan White and Joe Baumgartner urged him to join the IU School of Dentistry alumni board. “They said it was a really good experi-

ence,” Bennett said. Judy Goldblatt, the late wife of Dean Emeritus Lawrence Goldblatt, also encouraged him to teach.

“I have to tell you it’s been a real joy coming back as faculty and being on the alumni board and now president,” Bennett said. “It’s helped me look at the school in a whole new way. It’s so positive now. Students are taught, not embarrassed or shamed, which was how it was done in practically every dental school at the time.”

Along with Dr. Robert Stokes, Dr. LaQuia Vinson, and the late businessman Bill Mays, Bennett created the IU School of Dentistry Diversity Scholarship, awarded to an African American dental student and dental hygiene student each year. “If dental school cost then what it costs today, there is no way I would have been able to go,” Bennett said. “It cost me $400 a semester in the ’70s. Our graduates today are so weighed down with debt. It really concerns me.”

Bennett encourages alumni to take a fresh look at the dental school. “It’s not the same place it was when we were there,” he said. “There’s been a whole culture shift. It’s a new day of civility, respect, and support. I’m proud to give back to school.”

Thanks, Coach.
Alumni Weekend 2014

Dental school friends reunite at the 2014 Alumni Reunion weekend, held May 16-18, 2014, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Indianapolis, with individual class parties, a board and awards dinner, 5K run, and golf outing.

CLASS REUNIONS

1944: Ed DeJean and Dean Emeritus Ralph McDonald (memorial tribute to Dr. McDonald on page 24.) Attended but not pictured is Lowell Beshaw.

1949: Charles Gish

1954: Ralph McDowell, Guthrie Carr, Phil Bly, Don Spees, John Brannan

1959: Back row, Paul Risk, Jo Ann Nichols Hearn, Robert Pudny, Donald Jennings. Front row, Jerrold Goldsmith, Rolando Remui, Robert Walden, Robert Modlin, Robert Hirschman, Charles Vieck


1969: Back row, Ron Ditto, Daryl Locke, Roger Issacs, James Sims. Front row, Roy Green, Harold Schussler, Jean (Radike) Williams, Robert Michaels, Randy Long, Herbert Stevens

1979: Back row, Daniel White, Michael Bennett, Joe Baumgartner. Middle row, James Vanes, Michael Conley, James Higgins, George Willis, Thomas Burns, Harvey Weinarten, David Matthews, John Bush, Michael Vihbert. Front row, Dennis Church, Paul Chalgren, Greg Beeger, Michael Tillery, Philip Helle, Randall Yee, Dennis Zent, Susan (Sharkey) Blackburn, Bruce Blackburn


1989: Back row, Matthew Miller, Kevin Speere, Morris Bitzer, Todd Elder, Bradley Houston. Front row, David Pfotenaher, Deborah (Segyi) Luarde, Brenda Steffenaged, Scott Ting

Class of 1994
George Mansfield IV, Macla Wilson, Cynthia Hovey, Donald Hanson

Class of 1999
Jennifer Miller Neise and Jennifer Green-Springer

Class of 2004
Back row, Sam Tancredi, Josh Souweine, Justin Clemens, Andy Hayes, Jason Bunch, Joe Mattingly, Rob Bailey. Front row, David Burns, Danielle Davidson, Robyn (Drewes) Hayes, Brad Swanson, Faye Kostidis.

Class of 2009
Diana Teverbaugh, Joe Platt, Falastin Abu-Sann
IUSD alumni and current students came together on Feb. 27, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency for the IUSD alumni reception during the 150th annual Chicago Dental Society Midwinter Meeting.

1 2014 DDS graduates, from left, back row, Matt Pierce, Alex Kantor, Eric Appelsies, Karan Bhagchandani, and Mike Dyriw. Front row, Carmen Shone, Devin Shone, and Owais Sultan.

2 Fourth-year students, back row from left: Jessica Barton, Brittany Day, Kendra Hecke, Erika Schmit. Front row, Alexandra Dork, Rachel Atriz

3 From left, Randolph Shoup (DDS’81), Jeff Dalin (DDS’80), Greg Hardin (DDS’76)

4 Tom Surber (DDS’78) and Bill Shideler (DDS’54)

5 From left, Connie Kraecher (Preventive Dentistry’99), Cindy Gerber (DA’80), Marie Smiegal (DA’92), Tawana Lee-Ware (Peds’04)

6 Jan and Lloyd (DDS’66) Hagedorn

7 From left, Marc Stojkovich (DDS’12), Dean Williams, George Politakis (DDS’13).

8 From left, Daniel Fridh (DDS’75), Martin Szakaly (DDS’78) and Barry Ray (DDS’80)
Indiana University Pediatric Dental Alumni Association

The Indiana University Pediatric Dental Alumni Association celebrated its 50th anniversary at its biennial conference and alumni reunion at the Indianapolis Crowne Plaza on April 19, 2015.

1 Graduating residents Roger Dotsey and Lauren Mummert
2 1970 Pedodontics classmates Brian Lee and Virginia Crose (DDS’68). Crose was the first woman to graduate from the IU Pedodontics program.
3 Barbara Dean (DH’77) and Scott McDonald (DDS’75), two of Dean Emeritus Ralph McDonald’s three children who graduated from IUSD. Brother John McDonald (DDS’73, Oral Pathology’78) practices in Cincinnati, Ohio.
4 Jeff Dean (DDS’83, Pedodontics’85), Chuck Kerkhove (DDS’62, Pedodontics’65), Keith Roberts (DDS’62, Pedodontics’72), and Paul Walker (Pediatric Dentistry’70, Pedodontics’72)
5 Phyllis and Stan Herman (DDS’59, Pedodontics’61), who received a Distinguished Alumnus Award. Herman co-founded the IU Pediatric Dental Alumni Association 50 years ago in 1964.
6 Pediatric Dentistry department chair James Jones presenting the Distinguished Alumnus Award to William Keaty (Pediatric Dentistry’74)
7 Greg Westman (Pediatric Dentistry’88) and Olaf Plotkæ (Pedodontics’84)
8 Pediatric Dentistry Graduate Program Director Brian Sanders and wife Paula
9 Charlie Fuhrer (DDS’04, Pediatric Dentistry’08), James Jones (Pedodontics’80), Chad Hazelrigg (DDS’99, Pediatric Dentistry’01). Hazelrigg is incoming IUPDAA president.
10 Walter Davis (Pedodontics’63) and Phil Pate (DDS’68, Pedodontics’70)
FACULTY NEWS

Marco Bottino, assistant professor, Division of Dental Biomaterials, named to the editorial board of the Journal of Dental Research

Angela Bruzzaniti, associate professor, Oral Biology, appointed director of student research for undergraduate and pre-doctoral dental students

Judith Chin, associate professor, Pediatric Dentistry, received the IDA Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award

Tien-Min Gabriel Chu, associate professor, appointed interim associate dean, Research

Richard Gregory, professor, Oral Biology and Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, named associate dean, Graduate Education

Anderson Hara, associate professor, appointed associate director of the Oral Health Research Institute

Vanchit John, chair, Periodontics and Allied Health Programs, received the 2014 IDA Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year Award

Joan Kowolik, professor, Pediatric Dentistry, received the Indiana Career and Technical Education Partnership Award for Excellence with Community Health Network from the Indiana Department of Education

Pamela Linder, DMD, appointed interim program director, General Practice Residency

Frank Lippert, associate research professor, Preventive and Community Dentistry, received the IUSD Alumni Association Distinguished Faculty Award for Research

Brian Sanders, professor, Pediatric Dentistry, received the 2015 IUSD Alumni Association Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching

Mythily Srinivasan, associate professor, Oral Pathology, Medicine & Radiology, was issued a patent for her invention, Glucocorticoid induced leucine zipper mimetics as therapeutic agents in multiple sclerosis

LaQuia Vinson, assistant professor, Pediatric Dentistry, received the Outstanding Leadership Recognition Award from the Riley Child Development Center

Darlene West, clinical assistant professor, Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry, received the Dr. Donald W. Johnson Faculty Community Service Award for her outstanding work with individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities

Bridges

A trio of legends retired from the Periodontics faculty this year.

Brady Hancock served as highly regarded department chair from 1989 to 2007, adding the allied health programs in 1993. He is past president of the Indiana Society of Periodontists.

William Gillette taught residents for 47 years, including the Classic Literature course. He was instrumental in beginning the periodontics residency program at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center in 1974.

Donald Newell retired after 26 years in periodontics education, including serving as graduate program director.

Jack Schaaf, associate professor of Oral Pathology, Medicine, and Radiology, also retired after 40 years of teaching undergraduate, graduate, dental hygiene, and dental assisting curriculum. He was named an Honorary Sheriff’s Deputy for his years of service as staff dentist at the Marion County Jail.
**Ralph E. McDonald**
The Indiana University School of Dentistry joins the family of Ralph E. McDonald, DDS ’44, MS ’51, LLD (Hon.), in mourning his passing on Feb. 20, 2015, at age 94.

Considered by many as a global pioneer in pediatric dentistry, McDonald also served with great distinction as dean of the Indiana University School of Dentistry from 1968 to 1985.

An internationally renowned pediatric dental educator, McDonald was pivotal in developing what is now known as the pediatric dentistry graduate program in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at Riley Hospital for Children. He authored or co-authored at least 21 textbooks in addition to his many other published articles. Before and after his retirement, he was editor of the prestigious journal *Pediatric Dentistry*.

“Dean McDonald’s legacy and incredible contributions to the field of pediatric dentistry will live on through his residents and his groundbreaking textbook,” said Indiana University School of Dentistry Dean John N. Williams. “As dean, he opened up access to dental care and improved the health of citizens around the state by developing the regional campuses.”

Born in Indianapolis, McDonald received three degrees from IU: BS 1942, DDS 1944 and MS 1951. During his years as dean, the dental school’s teaching and research facilities greatly expanded. Groundbreaking for the second addition to the building took place in the early 1970s, and the school doubled in size. Dental hygiene, dental assisting, or dental laboratory technology programs were added to the regional campuses. He promoted a flexible curriculum that allowed dental students to gain clinical experience before their third year.

After retirement, McDonald continued as editor of *Pediatric Dentistry* for a number of years, and until recently remained as co-author of the textbook *Dentistry for the Child and Adolescent*, which he created and originally published in 1963 as the textbook *Pedodontics*. With this year’s 10th edition of the textbook, it continues as the world’s longest-running children’s dentistry textbook.

Sarah Jane, his loving wife of nearly 58 years, preceded McDonald in death in 2000. Surviving are his children, all graduates of the IU School of Dentistry: John (Barbie) McDonald, Cincinnati, Ohio; Scott (Arlene) McDonald, Fishers, Ind.; and Barbara (Jeff) Dean, Indianapolis, along with seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and Joanne Muncey, his devoted companion.

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**Charles Burstone**
Charles Burstone, a 1955 graduate of IUSD’s orthodontics master’s degree program and chair of the Orthodontics Department from 1961 to 1970, died Feb. 11, 2015. Burstone helped make IUSD one of the major orthodontic institutions in the world. He later established and chaired the orthodontics department at the University of Connecticut when it opened its dental school in the 1970s.

Early in his career, Burstone became fascinated with the science behind orthodontics. His research in tooth movement, the segmented arch technique, biomechanics, orthodontic wires, friction, and diagnosis produced classic papers that are the basis for much of the current literature in these areas.

After he retired as an academic chair in 1994, Burstone continued to support orthodontics education, especially IU’s Department of Orthodontics and Oral Facial Genetics, by endowing the biennial Charles J. Burstone Orthodontics Biomechanics Symposium in 2008. This year’s prestigious Burstone Symposium will be held Oct. 23-24, 2015, in Indianapolis.

Burstone was a prolific author, with 24 books and book chapters and more than 40 other publications to his credit. He also held a number of patents and has been honored with awards from numerous countries, including Japan, South Africa, Chile, Denmark, and Scotland.

Burstone died in early February while lecturing in South Korea. During his time in Korea in the early 1950s, he photographed the Korean people extensively. In 2008, the National Folk Museum in Seoul curated Burstone’s photographs into an exhibit, documentary film, and book entitled Korea 1952.

*Photo courtesy of Quintessence Publishing, 2015.*
LaForrest “Woody” Garner
Widely esteemed for increasing minority access to professional education and achievement, LaForrest “Woody” Garner (DDS’57, MSD Peds ’59, Ortho’61) died April 9, 2015.

A native of Muskogee, Okla., Garner completed his preprofessional studies at IU, then received his DDS, MSD in pedodontics, and certificate in Orthodontics from IUSD. He joined the IUSD faculty in 1961 as an assistant professor of orthodontics. In 1970, he was appointed professor and chair of the Department of Orthodontics, a position he held for 17 years. When he retired from the faculty, he took on the role of IUPUI ombudsman for University College in the Office of Campus Interrelations.

Garner made many “firsts” — he became the first associate dean for minority student services at IUSD in 1987, guiding and supporting underrepresented minority dental, graduate, and allied dental students and potential students. He was the first African American in the state to hold a dual specialty status in pediatric dentistry and orthodontics; the first African American chair of a major academic department in the IU School of Dentistry; and the first African American in the state to hold dual specialty status in pediatric dentistry and orthodontics.

Garner served as orthodontics coordinator on the Riley Hospital Craniofacial Anomalies Team as it achieved national prominence.

IUSD Dean Emeritus Lawrence I. Goldblatt said Garner’s life and work had a far-reaching impact on many young professionals. “He was deeply committed to helping his students, colleagues, and community strive for the best that was within them.”

Garner is survived by his wife, Alfredia; his three children: Deana (Alvis) Smith, Thomas (Sarah) Garner, and Sanford (Marjut) Garner and two grandsons. Donations may be made to the IUSD Garner Minority Student Scholarship Fund in care of Travis McDearmon, 1121 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Raymond Maddox
Raymond M. Maddox (DDS’75), 66, passed away March 31, 2015, after a recent illness. A graduate of Hartford City High School, he returned to Hartford City to practice.

Maddox may be best known for his network of dentist friends around the country, and for his long-time involvement in state and national politics. He was considered an institution in organized dentistry on the local, state, and national level. He was past president and speaker of the house of the Indiana Dental Association (IDA). He served as president of the IDA Foundation and secretary of the Indiana Dental Political Action Committee until the time of his death. At his funeral, he was eulogized by IDA Past Presidents Mark Thomas and John Roberts; U.S. Congresswoman Susan Brooks.

On the national level, Maddox was a former member of the American Dentistry Political Action Committee board of directors and was a delegate to the American Dental Association. He was also a fellow of the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists, and Pierre Fauchard Academy.

Maddox is survived by his wife of 43 years, Kay; daughter Meredith (Jay) Williamson; son, Matt (Binnette) Maddox; his parents, Jim and Anne Maddox; and four grandchildren.

Charles L. Nelson

After completing his postdoctoral certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at IUSD, Nelson served at the U.S. Air Force Regional Hospital at Carswell Air Force Base in Texas until 1982, leaving with a rank of major. Nelson then joined IUSD full time as an associate professor, director of the residency training program for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and as chair of the department.

He served as assistant director of the Riley Hospital Craniofacial Anomalies Team. In 1994, Nelson became a partner at Avon Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, retiring in 2013.

A longtime supporter of IUSD, Nelson successfully implemented the Hutton Circle, a major fundraising initiative benefiting the oral surgery and hospital dentistry program. He received the IU Spirit of Philanthropy Award in 2006. Before his death, Nelson had planned to return to IUSD as interim chair of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

“Chuck was directly responsible for the training of a number of students and residents during his tenure at IUSD, but to many of us he was so much more,” said his friend and student Owen M. Forbes (DDS ’90 Oral Max-Surg ’94). “I think that all the residents who trained under him would consider him a father figure, also. He trained us in surgery but he stressed that we carry ourselves with honesty, integrity, and humility.”

Survivors include his wife, Pat Nelson; son, Matthew Carter Nelson (Candace); daughter, Erin Marie Stormer; and six grandchildren. Memorial gifts may be made to the Indiana University Foundation Graduate Oral Surgery Residency Fund, c/o Pamela Lovejoy, IU School of Dentistry, 1121 W. Michigan St, Indianapolis, IN 46202.
Thank you for your generous acts of giving.

As always, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who so generously support Indiana University School of Dentistry (IUSD). In my 13 plus years with the school, I continue to be impressed with the loyalty and commitment you display to our mission of teaching, research, and preparing the next generation of dental professionals.

One of the most valuable lessons I have learned both personally and professionally along life’s journey is this: Actions speak louder than words. Watch what people do, not necessarily just what they say.

In particular, your strong commitments of more than $4 million in gifts and pledges to the building project, as well as your support for undergraduate and graduate education, truly illustrate your passion for and belief in the need to bring dental education at IUSD to the forefront for the 21st century. It’s one thing to say we need new clinical facilities; it’s quite another to put your money where your mouth is!

IUSD also consistently has one of the highest participation rates among the schools in the entire eight-campus system of alumni giving back to Indiana University.

Likewise, participation in IUSD’s Dean’s Society (gifts of $1,000 or more during a fiscal year) has grown from 155 members in 2003 to more than 500 members in 2014. A complete list of Dean’s Society membership for 2014 is on the following pages. Please feel free to contact myself or Travis McDearmon, associate director of development, if you have questions about how to become a member of the Dean’s Society.

On behalf of the development team at IUSD, thank you for all you do to show your pride, appreciation, and belief in IUSD. By your actions, you continue to send a loud and resounding message to Indiana University and the community beyond that you value and believe in IUSD’s mission and the future of the dental profession.

Sincerely,

John Hoffman
Assistant Dean of Development
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The Indiana University School of Dentistry gratefully acknowledges the following individuals for their generous support of the school’s efforts in the past fiscal year. The Dean’s Society recognizes gifts of $1,000 or more, given between July 1, 2013, and June 30, 2014. Dean John Williams and Assistant Dean John Hoffman honored members of the Dean’s Society at a dinner at the Woodstock Country Club on Oct. 24, 2014.

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- National Children’s Oral Health Foundation
- Dr. Joe R. Rinard

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**Faculty Focus Series – Periodontics & Dental Hygiene**  
*September 4, 2015*  
Developing Anterior Esthetics with Implant Supported Restorations, presented by Dr. Vanchit John  
Use of Hemostatic Agents in Periodontal Practice, presented by Dr. Daniel Shin  
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**Expanded Functions for Dental Assistants**  
*September 11-12, 2015*  
Amalgam and Resin Restorative Techniques, Fall 2015 weekend classes begin

**Saliva Symposium**  
*September 18, 2015*  
Dry Mouth, Sjogren’s Syndrome, Salivary Gland Hypofunction, various presenters

**Pain Management and Sedation Study Club**  
*September 25, 2015*  
Presented by Dr. Dmitry Arbuck

**Coronal Polishing and Fluoride Application for Dental Assistants**  
*September 26, 2015*  
Laboratory and Clinic Session

### October 2015

**Faculty Focus Series – Pediatric Dentistry**  
*October 2, 2015*  
An Update on the Management of Oral Health for the Perinatal Period and Infancy, presented by Dr. Tawana Ware  
Reducing Pediatric Drama in your Office and an Update on Fluoride & Pediatric Caries Risk Assessments, presented by Dr. Judith Chin

**Hygiene Part I**  
*October 2, 2015*  
The 4 Steps in Solving the Caries Puzzle and Has the Commercial Model Made Us Cross the Line of No Return  
Presented by Ms. Lillian Capera and Dr. Harvey Weingarten

**Local Anesthesia for Dental Hygienists Fall 2015**  
*October 3, 17, and 24, 2015*  
Comprehensive Certification Course for Dental Hygienists – Lecture, Lab and Clinic  
Presented by Dr. Kyle Kramer

**Has the Commercial Model Made Us Cross the Line of No Return?**  
*October 15, 2015*  
Ethics and Jurisprudence, presented by Dr. Harvey Weingarten

**Faculty Focus Series – Restorative / Preventive Dentistry**  
*October 16, 2015*  
Clinical Management of the High Caries Risk Patient – Does It Work?  
Presented by Drs. Oriana Capin and Kim E. Diefenderfer

**4th Biennial Burstone Symposium**  
*October 23-24, 2015*  
Embracing the Future, presented by an exciting panel of speakers

**Mini-Residency in Pediatric Dentistry at Indiana University**  
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Hands-on Experience Presented by the Faculty Who Wrote the Book on Pediatric Dentistry: McDonald and Avery’s Dentistry for the Child and Adolescent

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**NNOHA Conference (National Network for Oral Health Access)**  
*November 15-18, 2015*

**IDA – IUSD Academy of Continuing Education**  
*November 20, 2015*  
Preventing and Managing Prosthetic Complications and Implant Options for the Edentulous Patient, presented by Dr. William C. Martin

**Coronal Polishing and Fluoride Application for Dental Assistants**  
*November 21, 2015*  
Laboratory and Clinic session, presenter TBA

### December 2015

**Faculty Focus Series – Smoking Cessation**  
*December 4, 2015*  
Advances in Tobacco Dependence Treatment Interventions: Techniques for the Dental Team  
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