



alumni newsletter

Dean's Message

In January I was appointed Interim Dean by Chancellor William Danforth. This is my first opportunity to share with you my thoughts about the school, its programs and its future.

Prior to being appointed Interim Dean by Chancellor Danforth, discussions took place on a variety of subjects. Throughout the conversations I perceived the same message woven into the Chancellor's thoughts; he wants the School of Dental Medicine in the University structure. He wants a viable school, capable of existing in today's troublesome marketplace — and he is extremely well versed on the problems of dental education. The Chancellor clearly stays abreast of the data regarding dental education, dental school applicants and the economics of dental education. Nothing of this is new. My first meeting with Doctor Danforth occurred when he was Vice-Chancellor for Medical Affairs. It was 1967 and he accepted from then Chancellor Eliot, administrative responsibility for the school. He set about the process of learning about dental education — and he has continued to do so. My impression is that once he accepted responsibility for the school, he also accepted an emotional investment in its future. I believe that investment remains.

In the several months since January I have visited alumni in a number of states. My constant message is that Washington University School of Dental Medicine is here to stay and that Washington University School of Dental Medicine is going to remain the oldest school west of the Mississippi!

I feel everyone is familiar with the problems confronting dental education today. Nonetheless I remain convinced this school can and will weather the current inclemency. This school and its faculty has much to offer students.

In the world of education and in

the world of business we must have a direction in order to achieve success. Eventually it becomes obvious that education is itself a business; education is academics, and it is business. Both aspects must be understood and become more clear if goals are examined. I believe the school's present goals are definable and describable:

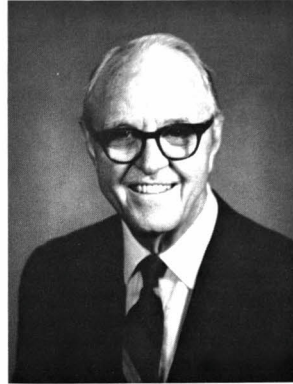
- We must achieve a preemptive academic and clinical role among private schools.
- We must stabilize the school economically while its size decreases.
- We must develop clinical programs offering superior care in a prompt and attentive atmosphere.
- We must encourage and assist the continued growth of research.
- We must foster and develop a collegial spirit within the school.
- We must integrate the school into the academic and intellectual pursuits of the university.

I believe in our school — and by making that statement I mean I believe in its faculty, programs and future. It is a school's faculty which is its continuum — its future. It is the faculty which must be concerned with, and involved in, determining the school's future. To that end I have moved to restructure the decision making process within the school by creating a council composed of all department chairmen and deans, the President of the Faculty Council, the Secretary of the Faculty, and the President of the Alumni Association. The primary function of the council is management of policy — management of the school's academic and business policies.

In its several months of weekly meetings I am pleased to report the council has discussed issues quintessential to the life of the school — discussed with vigor,

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Fred F. Schudy Distinguished Alumnus



Fred F. Schudy, '32, orthodontist, of Houston, TX, has been chosen Distinguished Alumnus of Washington University School of Dental Medicine for 1987. He will be honored at the Annual Banquet of the Association on Saturday, September 12. Dr. Schudy was chosen by an anonymous committee of dental alumni.

Fred Schudy was born in Coldsprings and graduated from high school in Ava, Missouri. After attending college at Southwest Missouri University in Springfield, he entered dental school at Washington University, where he graduated at the top of his Class in 1932. After practicing general dentistry in Ava for eight years, he attended Columbia University for his orthodontic training. Except for three years in the Army during World War II, he has practiced orthodontics in Houston ever since.

He is a member of Delta Sigma Delta fraternity, Omicron Kappa Upsilon honorary dental fraternity, a Fellow of the American College of Dentistry and diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics. He is also a member of the Houston District Dental Society, the Texas Dental Association, the American Dental Association, the

Tweed Study Group of Texas, the Edward H. Angle Orthodontics Society and the American Association of Orthodontics.

Dr. Schudy has published eight original articles on the growth and development of the dento-facial complex as it pertains to the treatment of malocclusion, all as a result of extensive research done in his private office. He developed the use of the .016 bracket and the bimetric principle of differential bracket size. He has lectured widely in the U.S.A., Mexico, Canada and Europe and conducted courses at most dental schools and before many professional organizations in orthodontics in the United States.

Some of his many honors and awards include:

- President, Springfield, (MO) District Dental Society;
- C. T. Roland Award for outstanding clinical proficiency in orthodontics;
- Martin H. Dewey Award for achievement in orthodontics;
- Merit Award for achievement in orthodontics from the St. Louis University Alumni Association;
- Outstanding Alumnus Award from the Columbia University Alumni Association;
- Albert H. Ketcham Award for outstanding contributions to the profession over a lifetime.

Dr. Schudy has just retired this year after fifty five years in Dentistry and forty-six years in Orthodontics. His son, Dr. George Schudy, also an orthodontist, is taking over the care of Dr. Fred's patients. After such a full and creditable career in Dentistry, he and Mrs. Schudy will enjoy their family, son and daughter, and six grandchildren. He also promises to continue to serve his fellow man through his church and his work with the Rotary Boys Club.

The Class of 1987 - New Alumni

Arellano, Stanley M.
 Balaba, Angela S.
 Beck, Robert E.
 Berbos, Elizabeth A.
 Broadbent, Calen H.
 Brooks, Gary L.
 Buck, William P.
 Bycroft, Barton G.
 Caldwell, William G.
 Chalk, Kevin D.
 Chapman, Kevin C.
 Chi, Tony T.
 Chin, Leo P.
 Cung, Kieutrang
 Dale, William C.
 Dangi, Kurt S.
 Dean, Michael J.
 Degnen, Suzanne M.
 Dettlaff, Kenneth S.
 Dinning, Ronald B.
 Dukes, Michael W.
 Edwards, Glenn R.
 Engstrom, David M.
 Farbod, Farhad
 Frost, Robert A.
 Graneto, John C.
 Hambel, Larry G.
 Jacobson, Douglas N.
 Jensen, Phillip M.
 Juels-Leek, Lisa M.
 Kanemaru, Lester N.
 Karagiannis, Thomas V.
 Kellough, Ronald R.
 Khoury, Isam H.
 Kilfoy, Ayse
 LaPuma, Michael L.
 Le, Toan V.

Hayward, CA
 London, England
 Seattle, WA
 Fullerton, CA
 Kent, WA
 St. Louis, MO
 Birmingham, AL
 Ottumwa, IA
 Seattle, WA
 Orange, CA
 Arvada, CO
 Canoga Park, CA
 Vancouver, Canada
 Houston, TX
 St. Louis, MO
 St. Louis, MO
 Enumclaw, WA
 St. Louis, MO
 Upland, CA
 Santa Barbara, CA
 Tampa, FL
 Granite City, IL
 Selma, CA
 Salt Lake City, UT
 St. Louis, MO
 St. Louis, MO
 Chicago Hts., IL
 Overland Park, KS
 Portland, OR
 St. Louis, MO
 Wahiawa, HI
 Greece
 Hawthorne, NY
 Burlingame, CA
 St. Louis, MO
 Los Angeles, CA
 Sylmar, CA

Leung, Thomas F.
 Link, Brian E.
 Loya, Fernando H.
 Majchrowicz, Michael A.
 Major, John S.
 McDavid, Valerie G.
 Morikawa, Todd T.
 Mortazavi, Seyed H.
 Nishikubo, Duane T.
 Nouri, Cynthia L.
 Nouri, Phillip N.
 Oeth, Bryan D.
 Okubo, Byron S.
 O'Rourke, Philip G.
 Osborne, Kraig D.
 Parikh, Mitesh P.
 Pawl, Larry R.
 Rainey, Russell B.
 Rillman, Ernest A.
 Rolf, David D.
 Ryan, Lisa A.
 Sabo, Stephen J.
 Sata, Camille L.
 Sedighi, Homayoun
 Singer, Mark A.
 Sladek, Martin J.
 Snitzer, Richard D.
 Torgerson, Neil E.
 Toy, Joann J.
 Truong, Anh D.
 Valderueda, Lisa M.
 Vasireddy, Kishore K.
 Wiley, Bruce R.
 Wolniak, Bozena E.
 Wong, Thomas W.
 Wright, Claire L.
 Zadeh, Yousef Y.

Honolulu, HI
 Kirksville, MO
 Texas
 Bartlett, IL
 Englewood, CO
 Denmark, IA
 Honolulu, HI
 Phoenix, AZ
 Monterey Park, CA
 Kansas City, MO
 St. Louis, MO
 Tampa, FL
 Bountiful, UT
 Knoxville, TN
 Springfield, IL
 New York, NY
 Upland, CA
 Tallahassee, FL
 Mexico City, Mexico
 Indianapolis, IN
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 St. Charles, MO
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 San Francisco, CA
 Glen Cove, NY
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 St. Louis, MO
 Topeka, KS
 St. Louis, MO
 Hong Kong
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This group picture includes those who were honored for scholastic achievements at the Awards Luncheon on May 15. L. to R. (back row) M. Singer, K. Osborne, R.A. Frost, P. O'Rourke, K. Chapman, R. Kellough, D. Engstrom, G. Edwards, K. Chalk, P. Jensen, A. Kilfoy, T. Wong, M. LaPuma, A. Balaba, I. Khoury, S. Sabo; Front row: L. Kanemaru, T. Morikawa, L. Chin, B. Bycroft, R. Snitzer, H. Sedighi, R. Dinning, T. Le, B. Okubo.

Members of the School's Class of 1987 received their D.M.D. degrees on Friday May 15, and now have gone their separate ways, some into general residencies, some into the military, others into private practice and other career options. Their degrees were conferred on the graduates at the Commencement ceremonies, held outdoors in the Washington University Quadrangle. Afterwards, the new alumni and their families adjourned to the Breckenridge Inn-Frontenac Hotel in West St. Louis County for the School's graduation lunch and awards program, which is co-sponsored by the Dental Alumni Association.

After being greeted by Interim Dean David Bensinger, the new graduates and their families and friends heard an address by Executive Vice-Chancellor and Provost, Dr. W. Maxwell Cowan. Dr. Michael Brann, President of the Alumni Association, welcomed those in attendance and introduced Bruce R. Wiley, President of the Class, who gave a short address of appreciation. The new graduates then came to the platform individually to receive their diplomas, Alumni Association membership cards and any prizes or honors they may have won.

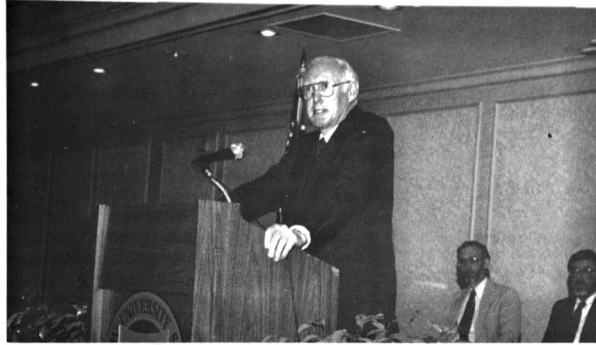


Dean Selfridge presenting diploma to Stephen Sabo, who won six awards, including the Alumni Prize for highest overall average.



Graduating senior Les Kanemaru proudly displaying a lei from his native Hawaii. Les was the proud recipient of five special awards.

Graduation Day 1987



Executive Vice-Chancellor and Provost, Dr. W. Maxwell Cowan, addressed the new graduates and their families and friends at the annual award luncheon. He extended his congratulations and best wishes to the new graduates and added, significantly, his belief that the School of Dental Medicine complements the University structure, that no Medical Center would be complete without a dental school and that this dental school is a vital part of the community. As Provost, Dr. Cowan is the Chief Academic Officer of the University.

Graduating students receiving honors and awards were: **Stephen J. Sabo**; Alpha Omega Award, Washington University Dental Alumni Association Prize, Xi Psi Phi Anatomy Prize, Xi Psi Phi Scholarship Award, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Lester N. Kanemaru**; the Academy of Operative Dentistry Award, the American Academy of Oral Medicine Award, Richard Bengel Acknowledgement Award for Crown and Bridge, Dentsply International Merit Award, Ishiyaku Euro-America Award; **Leo P. Chin**, the American Association of Endodontists Certificate, Richard

Bengel Acknowledgement Award for Periodontics, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Isam H. Khoury**, the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Certificate, Delta Sigma Delta Scholarship Cash Award, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Kevin C. Chapman**, the American Association of Orthodontists Award, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Byron S. Okubo**, the Delta Sigma Delta Award, Quintessence Achievement Award in Periodontics, elected to membership in Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Toan V.**

Le, the Anna Bredall Award, J. D. White Award and elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon; **Ronald R. Kellough**, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon and graduated Cum Laude; **Ayse Kilfoy**, the Academy of General Dentistry Award, American Association of Women Dentists Award; **Kraig D. Osborne**, the American Society of Dentistry for Children Award and the Quintessence Award for Achievement in Restorative Dentistry; **Mark A. Singer**, Academy of Dentistry for the Handicapped Award, Otto Brandhorst Leadership Award; **Todd T. Morikawa**, Quintessence Achievement Award in Research and graduated Cum Laude; **Glenn K. Edwards**, graduated Cum Laude; **Michael L. LaPuma**; graduated Cum Laude; **Robert A. Frost**, elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon; **Angela Balaba**; American Academy of Oral Pathology Award; **Barton G. Bycroft**, American Academy of Dental Radiology Certificate; **Kevin D. Chalk**, International College of Dentists Award; **Ronald B. Dinning**; the Edward R. Hart Award; **Phillip M. Jensen**; the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Award; **Camille L. Sata**, the Anna Bredall Award; **Richard D. Snitzer**, the Alpha Omega Scholarship Award; **Joann J. Toy**, the American Society of Dentistry for Children Award, **Thomas W. Wong**, the American Academy of Periodontology Award.



The honorary fraternity, Omicron Kappa Upsilon, held its induction banquet on May 13. New members shown here; Isam Khoury, Toan Le, Stephen Sabo, Andy Frost, Dr. James Boyle, Honorary Faculty member, Ms. Kathlyn Behm, Honorary Staff member, Ron Kellough, Byron Okubo, Kevin Chapman and Leo Chin.

Mid-Continent Dental Congress 1987

Thursday, September 10, 1987

"In One Era and Out The Other",
Omer K. Reed, D.D.S., Phoenix, Az.

**"Contemporary Orthodontic and
Orthopedic Treatment in the Growing Patient",**
James McNamara, D.D.S., Ann Arbor, Mich.

"Aids Update", American Red Cross

"Strategic Marketing: Team Up and Win",
Ms Paula Perich, Chicago, Ill.

"Photography"

Luncheon Speaker: Whitey Herzog, Manager of the St. Louis Baseball Cardinals

Friday, September 11, 1987

"Let's Take a New Look At the Face and TMJ",
Merle Bean, D.D.S., Des Moines, Iowa

"Ridges, Pontics and Bridges",
Jay Siebert, D.D.S., Pennsylvania

"Diagnosis and Treatment of Facial Pain:",
Brenda Stack, D.D.S., Washington, D.C.

Panel on Implant Dentistry as related to the following:

"Diagnosis & Treatment Planning",
George Duello, D.D.S., St. Louis, MO.

"Finance",
Don Guess, D.D.S., Coronado, Ca.

"Surgical Modality",
Mark Travis, D.D.S., St. Louis, MO.

"Stress",
Kathryn Cramer, M.D., St. Louis, MO.

"Restorative Procedures And Prosthetics",
James Shields, D.D.S., M.S., St. Louis, Mo.

121st Annual Alumni Meeting

Beautiful Breckenridge Hotel, conveniently located at Lindbergh Blvd. and Highway 40, will be the site of our 121st Annual Alumni Meeting. Your officers have been working diligently to make this year's meeting one of the best. The Alumni Association's meeting will coincide again with the Mid-Continent Dental Congress of the Greater St. Louis Dental Society.

Breckenridge Hotel is located in the suburb of Frontenac, adjacent to the elegant Plaza Frontenac shopping mall featuring Neiman-Marcus, Gucci and Sak's Fifth Avenue to name a few. The fabulous Le Chateau Village shopping center is also next door. The shopping mall will be presenting a fashion show for the ladies.

All the rooms reserved for the alumni at the Breckenridge will be suites, on the same floor with exercise and sauna facilities and reception areas with bar. The entire package has been priced at a very reasonable group room rate of \$60.00/day. Transportation from the Breckenridge Hotel to the Chase Hotel, site of the Mid-Continent meeting which is approximately 10 minutes away, will be provided to all our alumni.

The Mid-Continent meeting will start on Thursday, Sept. 10th and continue through Saturday, Sept. 12th with an interesting and diverse program of speakers. The schedule of programs is on the opposite page.

The class reunions will be held Friday, Sept. 11th and all the regular activities of the Association will take place on Saturday, Sept. 12th. The agenda for the Washington University Dental Alumni Association begins at 8:30 a.m. with the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association at the Chase Hotel. At noon, all alumni and members of their families are invited to gather at the Chase Hotel for the annual Dental Alumni Luncheon.

Following the brief business meeting, the luncheon program will feature the annual report to the alumni on the School of Dental Medicine, its prospects and progress. The Student's Table Clinic will also be featured at the luncheon gathering.

The traditional festive banquet that always concludes the annual meeting will be held in the elegant ballroom at the Breckenridge Hotel on Saturday evening, Sept. 12th. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Association's 1987 Distinguished Alumnus Award to Dr. Fred F. Schudy, '32, of Houston, Texas. There will also be a special tribute to members of the 50 year class of 1937 and the 25 year class of 1962. New officers of the Association will then be installed as we conclude the evening.

A mailing containing a pre-registration form for the 121st Annual Alumni meeting has been sent to you. Please fill out the form and let's meet in St. Louis!

Saturday, September 12, 1987

"Average Health is Not Normal-Reading the Body",
Lendon Smith, M.D., Portland, Oregon

"The Relationship of the Cervical Syndrome to TMJ",
Rene Cailliet, M.D., Pacific Palisades, CA.

**"Successful Restorative Dentistry
for Patients with Intracapsular TMJ Disease,"**
Jerry Young, D.D.S., St. Louis, MO.

**"General Patient Assessment
and Oral Diagnosis for the Hygienist",**
William Goebel, M.D., Alton, Ill.

"A Challenging New Age in Restorative Dentistry",
Reuben Roach, D.D.S., St. Petersburg, Fla.

"Radiographic Review",
Thomas Schiff, D.D.S., St. Louis, MO.

Student Table Clinic Awards



At the luncheon after the Table Clinic competition, Dr. Robert J. McCune, organizer of the event, presents a Certificate to First Prize Winner, Greg Groshan, while Dean Bensinger looks on.

The Student Table Clinic competition was held in the Library on April 13 with twelve students entering. All the entries were well planned and most impressive.

Winners of the competition were announced during a luncheon which followed:

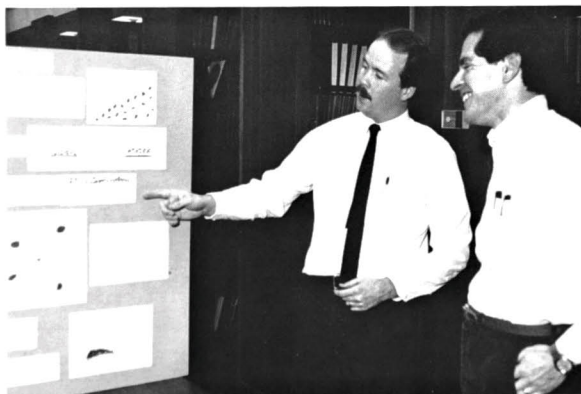
Greg Groshan was winner of the first prize of \$250. His entry was "The Effects of Mandibular Position on Obstructive Sleep Apnea." As first prize winner, Greg will also receive an all-expense-paid trip to the annual session of the ADA in Las Vegas.

Michael Saxe was winner of the

second prize of \$100. His entry was "Child Abuse — Recognition and Reporting: The Duty of the Dental Practitioner."

William Cohen was winner of the third prize of \$50. His entry was "Adhesive Strengths of Glass Ionomer Cement Bonded to Composite Resin on Dentinal Tooth Structure."

As representative of the American Student Dental Association, Mr. David Fedewa awarded Cross pens to fourth place winner Steven Saxe, fifth place winner Kurt Schwartz, and sixth place winner Taebong Kang.



Junior Kurt Schwartz pointing out some of the fine points in his table clinic to faculty member Dr. Phillip Osdoby.

Emmett Jurgens Killed

Emmett H. Jurgens, '52, President of the Dental Alumni Association in 1975, was killed on April 16 in a crash of his private plane near Lafayette, IN. Dr. Jurgens practiced Oral Surgery with his brother, Paul, '52, in Decatur, IL, from 1955 until his death.

News stories of the accident described the weather as rainy and foggy with visibility reduced to zero at the time. An official at a nearby airport said that Dr. Jurgens had aborted an earlier attempt to land because he could not see the runway. Witnesses also said that visibility was even worse in the area where the plane went down about ten miles from the airport.

Emmett Jurgens was a real credit to his Alma Mater, serving his community, profession and church. Besides serving in the offices of the Alumni Association and President in 1975, he also served on the Park Board in Decatur, and became president of the Board in 1979. He was on the national legislative committee of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Locally, he was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, the Rotary Club, and the Salvation Army. Besides his brother, he is survived by his wife, Pauline, two sons, two daughters and eight grandchildren.

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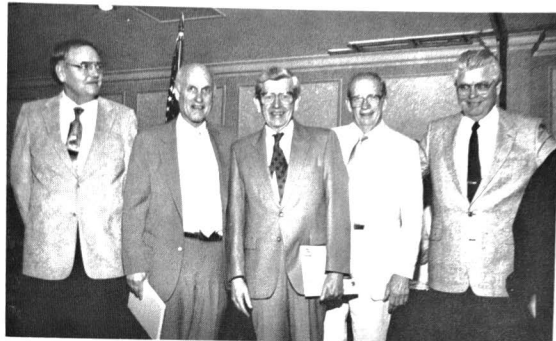
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School and Faculty News

... **Dr. John E. Gilster, '44**, Professor of Pediatric Dentistry, was featured in the January 21 issue of the St. Louis **Post-Dispatch**. He received the Gold Medal Award from the Greater St. Louis Dental Society in recognition of his long service, leadership, and support of the Society. This is the highest honor the Dental Society gives a dentist ... **Dr. William D. (Don) Gay** was recently promoted to the rank of Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. He was presented with an "A" Specialty Designation, which means that he is internationally recognized in his specialty. He was also awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for Heroism in helping rescue a man from a burning car ... **Dr. Samuel E. Guyer, '52**, Professor of Restorative Dentistry, returned to serve as an examiner on the American Board of Prosthodontics in Chicago from February 9-11. (He previously served on the board from 1965-1972.) While in Chicago, Dr. Guyer was also honored by the American Prosthodontic Society when he received its International Circuit Courses Citation for having lectured to the Dental Society in Hong Kong and dental schools in Jakarta, Indonesia and Sidney, Australia during the past year ... **Thomas Schiff, D.M.D.**, Associate Professor, Dental Diagnostic Services/ Pathology, gave a presentation, titled "Clinical Comparative Effects of Two Commercially Available Anticalculus Dentifrices" during the Symposium on Calculus Formation and Prevention at The University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine ... **Dr. Richard Smith**, Associate

Dean, has been appointed to the National Board of Dental Examiners Test Construction Committee in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry ... **Dr. Donald Huebener, '64**, was featured in the "Notables" section of the April 30 issue of the **Record**. He is this School's faculty delegate to the American Association of Dental Schools and was named president-elect of the AADS Council of Faculties during the annual meeting held in Chicago on March 8-11. He was moderator of a symposium "Legislative Fellowship and Workshop Programs: Viewpoints From Dental School Administrators." Dr. Huebener is also serving as the program chairman for the council's interim meeting to be held October 27-31 in Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, Virginia ... **Thomas Schiff, D.M.D.**, Associate Professor in the Department of Dental Diagnostic Services, gave a seminar on "New and Exciting Therapeutic Agents for the Prevention of Dental Diseases" in Panama City, Panama, during the XXI meeting of the Panamanian Dental Association ... **Richard E. Coy, D.D.S.**, Professor of Restorative Dentistry, has been named to chair the Publications Committee of the International College of Cranio-Mandibular Orthopedics (ICCMO). The ICCMO is composed of dentists and physicians throughout the world concerned with the prevention and correction of deformities related to head and neck pain and dysfunction. Coy was named to the chair at the recent Fifth Annual Congress of the ICCMO held in Honolulu ...



At the honors luncheon, the senior class honored the above faculty members on their retirement and achievement of Emeritus status. L. to R., Drs. Samuel Guyer, '52, Hugh Berry, '52, Charles Waldron, John Gilster, '44 and Dean Selfridge.



Proud father Jules Snitzer, '55 flanked by two sons, (left) Jeffrey, '83 and (right) new graduate, Richard, '87.



Proud alumna, Maria Wong, '86, and her brother, new graduate, Thomas Wong, '87.



Another Brother-Sister team of alumni: Drs. Howard Wright, '83 and new graduate Claire Wright, '87.



During the meeting of the senior students with Dean Bensinger on May 14, the Class presented Certificates of Appreciation to Dr. Mohamed Marzouk, (left) Dr. Patricia Parsons, Mrs. Cheryl Genovese and Mrs. Tammy Vaughn for Outstanding and Dedicated Service. Dr. Hugh Berry accepted a Certificate of Appreciation for the Endodontic Department. Homayoun Sedighi (right) presided.

Officers of the Alumni Association

President	Michael Brann, D.M.D.
President-Elect	Sanford Wax, D.D.S.
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Richard Smith Associate Dean

Dr. Richard J. Smith, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, has been appointed Associate Dean of the School of Dental Medicine. He will continue to serve as Chairman of the Orthodontic Department and will continue the duties he had previously assumed as Assistant Dean for Advanced Education. One of his first responsibilities will be the re-design of clinical operations at the School.

Dr. Smith received his Bachelor's Degree from Brooklyn College in 1969 and earned the degrees of Master of Science in Anatomy and D.M.D., cum laude at Tufts University in 1973. He took post-graduate training in Orthodontics at the University of Connecticut and went on to receive masters and doctoral degrees in Anthropology from Yale University. He has taught at Tufts, Connecticut and the University of Maryland as well as having served as Visiting Professor at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.

Junior Student Saves Patient's Life

A physician, the brother-in-law of a clinic patient, wrote to the Dean recently, commending the skill and attitude of Kurt Schwartz, a junior student. The letter, in most appreciative terms, expressed deep gratitude to Kurt for saving the life of his brother-in-law through the process of carefully taking the patient's history of medical symptoms.

In the course of taking history the patient related problems with urinary frequency. Kurt recommended consultation with a urologist who in turn confirmed a diagnosis of prostatic carcinoma.

The physician, writing from his New Mexico office, attributes Kurt's action as "saving the life of the patient." He conveyed his appreciation in particular to Kurt, and in general to the school for its educational program.

Alumni Deaths

Dr. John W.D. Enloe	'24
Dr. John E. Kirby	'29
Dr. Isadore Jacobson	'31
Dr. Norvel L. O'Brien	'33
Dr. John W. Dupuy	'41
Dr. Emmett Jurgens	'52

Important Updates In Pharmacology

Dr. Sam Holroyd, Chairperson of the Department of Periodontics Pharmacology has requested that all faculty and students be aware of some important updates in pharmacology

1. Beta-Blockers and Penicillin Anaphylaxis

Although anaphylaxis to penicillin is a well-known phenomenon, fatal reaction to oral penicillin are rare. Beta-blockage can apparently potentiate anaphylactic reactions to penicillin, and unusually aggressive treatment may be necessary to reverse such reactions.

Within a single week, a man and a woman in the same community had a fatal anaphylactic reaction to oral penicillin. Neither had a history of penicillin allergy; both were taking a beta-blocker for hypertension.

The man, aged 48, was taking nadolol. After periodontal surgery, he was given penicillin V to treat gum inflammation. He took half the tablets without incident, and then stopped. A week later he took another tablet; within 10 minutes, generalized pruritus developed, followed by truncal urticaria, respiratory stridor, and coma. He died three days later of anoxic brain damage.

The woman, aged 51, was taking propranolol. She too was given penicillin V for gum inflammation. Within 20 minutes of taking the first tablet, she called her dentist to say she was having an allergic reaction with generalized pruritus and weakness. Thirty minutes later she was found without pulse or respiration, and could not be resuscitated.

See; Berkelman R, et al; Beta-adrenergic antagonists and fatal anaphylactic reactions to oral penicillin (letter). *Annals of Internal Medicine* 104;134, 1986.)

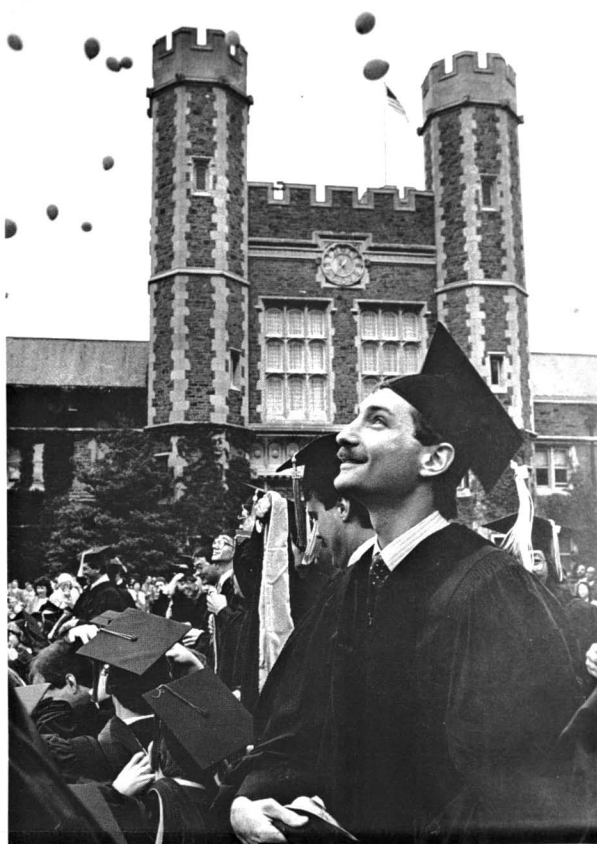
2. Interaction Between Antibiotic Therapy and Oral Contraceptives

It is now known that antibiotic therapy can significantly reduce the effectiveness of contraceptive medications. Patients taking oral contraceptives should be warned of this interaction.

(See; Bainton, R. Interaction between antibiotic therapy and contraceptive medication. *Oral Surg. Oral med. and Oral. Pathol.* 51;435-5, 1986.)

3. Prophylaxis Against Infective Endocarditis

Please insure that you are using the most current (1984) antibiotic regimen for patients predisposed to infective endocarditis. Copies of



Dr. Marshall Ruby, '85 looks appreciatively skyward during his commencement ceremony two years ago. This picture was taken by a photographer on the main campus then but was only recently used (May 7) to illustrate Commencement activities for the entire University.

Dean Selfridge Receives Award

Dr. George D. Selfridge has been named the recipient of the Missouri Dental Association's 1987 "Distinguished Service Award."

The award was presented May 7 during the Association's 122nd statewide annual session at the Lake of the Ozarks. The meeting was attended by dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, and dental office staff across the state.

The "Distinguished Service Award" is meant to recognize and honor persons who have given many years of dedicated service to the dental profession in Missouri. Dr. Selfridge was honored by this award for his dedication to dental education and professionalism.

a summary of the regimen approved by the American Heart Association can be picked up in the Perio Office. For the full report see

Alum Serves On California Board

H. Michael Hersh, '72, of Mission Viejo, has been appointed to a two-year term as Expert Examiner for the California State Board of Dental Examiners. After graduation, Dr. Hersh completed a one-year internship at Jewish Hospital (St. Louis) and then completed his two year residency in Periodontics at the University of Missouri at Kansas City in 1975. He has practiced his specialty of periodontics for the last ten years in Mission Viejo.

Shulman S.T. et al. Prevention of bacterial endocarditis. *Circulation* 70;1123A, 1984.

A Letter From Wes Russell, '51

(Printed in the Shelby Co., Missouri, Herald - 11-19-86)

Editor's note: The following letter was received from Dr. Wesley Russell and his wife, Mary Lea, of Shelbina, who are presently in Africa where Dr. Russell is serving in a dental clinic. They left Missouri this past summer beginning a two year missionary stay in Africa.

Dear Rogers,

Now that we're pretty well "settled in" thought I'd write and tell you how we find things over here.

We live in the city of Abomey, which is the city of the kings or the former tribal capital of the Fon (pronounced phone) people who comprise 40% of the population of Benin. We have a nice three bedroom home of concrete block structure, built in 1979. We have all modern conveniences, water (we do boil and filter it), electricity, telephone, washer, refrigerator and stove (gas). The floors are all tile or marble and roofs are either tin or composition. Very little wood is used because termites are so bad they would destroy it. The countries France colonized, of which Benin is one, have what is called the Francophone system which is the best in Africa. We can dial or be dialed directly from the U.S. and have excellent (usually) reception. We have a beautiful yard, landscaped with a variety of tropical flowers and trees. We have a poinsettia tree that is 8 feet tall, 2 inches in diameter and has blossoms 8-10 inches in diameter. This is all surrounded by a six foot concrete block wall. The government requires all property be demarcated by a wall but it also serves to deter thieves. We have a guard on the gate as an extra precaution, as does everyone.

The Southern Baptist Dental Clinic is located in Bohicon, five miles from where we live. We are open Monday-Friday from 8-12 and 3-6 or whenever I finish. In this country everyone takes a siesta from 12-3 except me, and I hope the Lord will continue to deliver me from that!! We probably have the most modern dental facility in the

country and there is only one other dentist, in the hospital serving 100,000 or more people. Most people don't seek dental care because of lack of money or lack of facilities and consequently I see a number of dental problems that I have never seen in the U.S. For example, abscesses that erode through the soft tissues and drain out through the face. I have two very capable national assistants, Emile and Phillip. The former is my translator and they both do lab work as well as assist me. We make a large number of plastic partials with wire clasps. A relatively small fee is charged, but if a patient doesn't have any money the work is done for nothing so the clinic is operated at a large deficit. We have one completely equipped operatory plus four areas for extractions, prophylaxis or recovery. Our supplies have to be 100% imported, either from the U.S. or Europe. So far everything I've gotten is from the U.S. Shipping is very expensive and not very rapid.

Our reason for being here is to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ours is a small mission, 9 people, 2 in Abomey, 2 in Bohicon, 2 in Proto Nova, 3 in Cotonow, which is the nation's real capital, although the provisional capital is Porto Nova.

Incidentally in order to vote our absentee ballots we had to drive to Cotonow to the American Embassy which is the only notary public in the country. This is a two hour drive in each direction. We have two other missionaries that went home on furlough in September for 10 months. A career missionary normally spends three years here before he goes home. This mission was established in 1970 and our head, Dutton Bonnel, and his wife, Marilyn, have been here in Africa for 26 years. They retire next year. We have a ten minute devotional at the clinic every morning at 8:00 and again at 3:00. The career missionaries work out in the rural areas as well as in town. The "bush" areas are very bush and you don't have to go but two or three miles to be in them. They don't have anything like electricity, water, telephone, etc. and the

people are frequently dressed only from the waist down and some of the small ones not dressed at all. I know of one case where an influential man had a telephone and television just for prestige even though he would never be able to use them. The primary religion in the country is Fetish with Moslem second. The Roman Catholic Church is the largest Christian church, 2nd the Methodist, the largest Protestant. There is also a large Assembly of God mission. The people are very receptive to Christianity but we happen to be in the heart of Fetish country and it is much more difficult to reach them here. This was the primary reason the dental clinic was established, as a method of reaching people to spread the gospel. The women are the staunchest supporters of Fetish and in our Baptist churches I would say there is a ratio of four men to every woman.

We like it here very much but needless to say we miss our house, our family and friends. We enjoy our church here but when the service is in a foreign language, it's difficult to get much out of it. We have a tutor and have three hours of French lessons every week. So far it's been very slow! I've tried to convince him that I only want to be able to speak broken French but he doesn't buy it. The people have been most gracious and we are very fond of them. They are very poor, the average income is only \$350 a year but they can smile easier than any people you've ever known. They are amazingly clean and when you have to haul water in a dish pan on your head you can be sure they work at it. I am sure that we will be much more appreciative of all we have when we come home.

I want to thank you for the nice article you wrote when I retired. We couldn't have spent 35 years in a better place with nice people. I also appreciate the pictures you took and all you had made for our passports, etc.

Our love and best wishes to all, /s/ Wes and Mary Lea Russell
P.S. Fetish religion is what we call Voo-doo.

(Deans Message continued)

ingenuity and introspection, critical to survival. At a time when all dental schools must consider the possibility of admitting students carrying credentials at variance with the recent past, the council has been debating the problems presented by such students. At the same time the council is dealing with the resources the school should expend on behalf of students who are academically under-achieving. Obviously, while the faculty is the continuum of the school, its students are the lifeblood. Both require nurturing for survival.

Similarly the faculty must be cognizant of trends within the health care system. Today's students must be tomorrow's providers. It is absolutely clear that health care will have new systems and actors. To meet the needs and opportunities of our academic program, the council is developing dual degree opportunities with other divisions of the university. Considering that our graduates will enter management fields in insurance companies and HMO's, we would like to be able to offer the student a masters degree program in Health Care Administration or Business Administration. Considering some will consider a research career, we are able to offer a Ph.D. or masters degree in the sciences. New needs and demands — hopefully new and responsive solutions.

And so we move into our future — with openness, opportunity, optimism and the hope that alumni share our goals. The role of the alumnus is one of importance. He is the compassionate critic, the friendly interrogator, the older sibling. He is the parental constant always offering support and nurture.

The future of any university has a tripartite base — the faculty, the students, the alumni. Each is important — and with the involvement of each, the school will definitely remain the oldest west of the Mississippi!

David A. Bensinger, D.D.S.
Interim Dean

Mark Your Calendar Now

121st Alumni Meeting September 11 & 12



Sometimes the "Archives" is really the bottom of an old desk drawer, but the Editor's presence on the picture will guarantee its appearance. The event was probably a Senior Award night in the mid-fifties. L. to R. Professor Emeritus John R. Ring, Dean Bensinger, Dean - Emeritus John T. Bird, Professor-Emeritus John Gilster, and the late Carl Lattner, '40, former President of the Alumni Association and teacher of Oral Surgery.

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