

# alumni newsletter

## Richard Tucker 1996 Distinguished Alumnus

Dr. Richard V. Tucker, Class of 1946, has been named the 1996 Distinguished Alumnus by the Washington University Dental Alumni Association at the annual banquet on September 21 at the Ritz-Carlton.

This honor recognizes the many contributions that Dr. Tucker has made to the dental community with his efforts to further the use of cast gold restorations in the average dental practice.

Tucker received his Bachelor Degree from the University of Washington-Seattle in 1942. That same year he entered Washington University School of Dental Medicine and graduated in 1946, having been President of his Senior class. He served in the Navy upon graduation until 1948, at which time he began his private practice. Tucker still practices in Ferndale, Washington, but he has international following and influence.

Dr. Tucker received the Biaggi Gold Medal from the XXIII Italian Congress in Rimini, Italy in 1990 for his contribution to dental education in Italy. In 1991 he was the recipient of the Gold Medal for Excellence from the Academy of Operative Dentistry in Chicago. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Award from the College of Dental Surgeons in British Columbia in 1993.

Tucker is a past president of the Washington State Dental Association (1963), American Academy of Operative Dentistry (1980), and the Academy of Gold Foil Operators (1989). He is a fellow of the American College of Dentists and the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry.

Tucker's efforts to help his fellow dentists with cast restorations include teaching videos and numerous papers which were published. There are currently thirty one Tucker Study Clubs in the United States, Canada and Europe. These study clubs are clinical operating groups of twelve members each which meet

each month to learn and discuss his technique with cast restorations. Many of his study clubs have members who have been actively involved for twenty or more years. He has met personally with six of these groups each month.

He has presented more than 150 lectures and graduate courses in dental schools, institutes and the dental organizations all over the world on his favorite subject - "Cast Restorative Dentistry".

Dr. Tucker has also been active with many community activities including serving as President of the Ferndale Lions Club and on the Board of Education for the Ferndale School District. He lives in Ferndale with his wife, Claire.

Each year the Alumni Association recognizes an alumnus who has served the School, the profession and the community with dedication and energy. We are proud to honor Dr. Richard Tucker for his extraordinary career as an educator and prominent international authority on cast restorations. Congratulations, Dr. Tucker and Thank You!



Richard Tucker, '46 collects his Distinguished Alumnus Citation from President Don Oliver, '63.

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# The 130th Annual Meeting

Washington University's Dental Alumni Association met again this year with the Greater St. Louis Dental Society's Mid-Continent Dental Congress at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Clayton (suburban St. Louis) on September 20 and 21. Departing from our most recent custom of opening the meeting down near the old Dental School, the Friday night cocktail reception was held at Alumni House on the Main Campus (formerly called Ellenwood House) where parking was much more convenient. After a very well-attended reception, the various classes held their reunion dinners at different locations around the city. The Fifty Year Class held a special dinner for the fifteen members present to mark the occasion. The Ten Year Class held a reunion in California this previous summer. (Attention: Class of 1986: Send pictures and story. It's easy to break into this print.)

Early Saturday morning, the Association's Board of Directors met at the

Ritz-Carlton to conduct annual business, put forward a slate of officers and hear the reports of the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee and the Editor. In that report, Editor John Gilster, '44, announced that Gail Holcomb, '79, had agreed to assist in the Newsletter publication. (This arrangement was put to the test, when on October 19, Editor Gilster broke his shoulder and publication was delayed; but Dr. Holcomb filled in well enough so that this issue is getting to you now.) Dr. Holcomb presented the Directory Committee report. The new Directory will be mailed in the Fall of 1997 by Publishing Concepts. A survey is being mailed in January and in March. It is imperative that alumni respond to one of these mailings.

Dr. John Durham, '56, presented the Alumni Development report, including the status of the Harriet Steuarnagel Library Fund, and the Shepard Lecture Series Fund. The Memorabilia Fund retains a surplus; but all

expenses needed for the foreseeable future have been paid. It was moved that this small surplus be moved into funds to support the ADA Washington University Alumni Reception. Dr. Oliver announced that the Shepard Lecture will be given by Dr. Lloyd Pearson on Wednesday, April 9.

The 1997 meeting will again be held in conjunction with the Mid-Continent; however the location has been changed to the Regal Riverfront Hotel in downtown St. Louis, with the Cocktail Reception again at Alumni House on Friday, September 19, 1997 and the business meetings and banquet on Saturday, September 20.

The noon luncheon-business meeting of the Association was also held at the Ritz-Carlton with a quorum of loyal alumni in attendance. Reports from the Board of Directors meeting were given and the appropriate action taken. The slate of new officers was presented and elected. They were: Dr. Pat Wilson, '73,

President (automatic); Eloy Gutierrez, '54, President-elect; Dr. John Goin, '56, Vice-president; Dr. Doxey Sheldon, '79, Secretary-Treasurer and Dr. John Gilster, '44, Editor. The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

The annual banquet was held in the dining room of the hotel that night and various reunion classes were acknowledged, with special emphasis on the Fifty Year Class (1946). The one member of the Twenty Five Year Class received a citation. After the traditional medallions were presented to the members of the Class of 1946, the President gave a tribute to the 1996 Distinguished Alumnus, Dr. Richard Tucker, '46. Dr. Tucker responded with a gracious acceptance and was greeted with a standing ovation (and enthusiastic cheers from his Classmates). After the new officers were installed, the 130th meeting of the Alumni Association concluded.

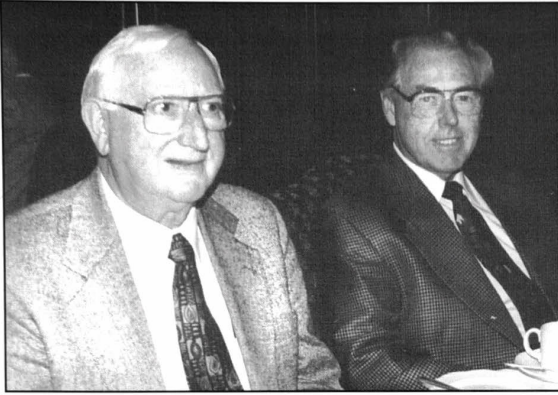


President Don Oliver '63



Board of Directors (and man and wife team), Gail Holcomb and Bob Boyle, both '79, at the Board meeting.

# The 130th Annual Meeting *Continued*



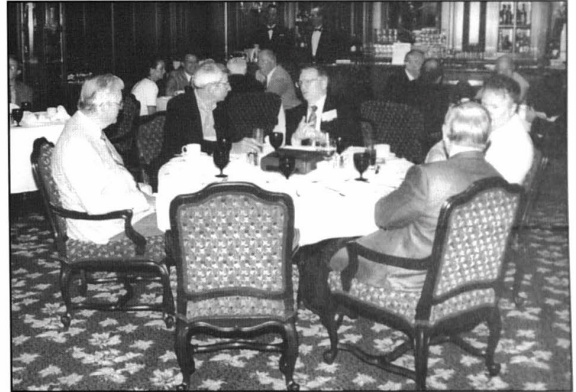
Distinguished Alumnus Richard Tucker, '46 seated at the alumni luncheon with classmate Clifford Neill.



New President Pat Wilson, '73 presents the Past-President's plaque to Don Oliver, '63.



New President Pat Wilson, '73.



The Saturday luncheon meeting.

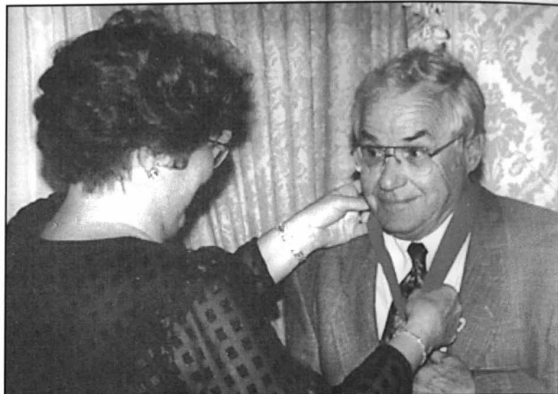


The Saturday morning board meeting.

# Alumni Association Banquet



Photographer Ed Gill at the cocktail reception with Harriet Steurnagel.



Secy.-Treas. Doxey Sheldon presents Bob Barkelew, '46, with his 50th Anniversary Medallion. All class members received one.



Stephanie (Zotos) Houseman, '76, with her father, Gregory Zotos, of the 50 year class.



President Don Oliver (left) presents citation to the lone member of the '25 year class, Robert Schrameyer, '71.

Anatomy Professor-Emeritus John R. Ring and Lucille Ring announced their imminent move to Washington State. New address: 2041 Reservoir Loop, Selah, WA 98942.



## Alumni Association Banquet *Continued*



Chris and Hugh Berry, '52, John Houseman, '81, and Stephanie Zotos Houseman, '76 at the banquet.



Washington University Chancellor Mark Wrighton with President Don Oliver, '63 just before the Chancellors remarks at the banquet.

## Alumni Cocktail Reception



L. to R.: Ruthe Selfridge, Shirley Snitzer, photographer Ed Gill and Marie Cuccia-Brand enjoying the Friday evening cocktail reception.



Dee Pulsipher '66 and Professor of Anatomy, Richard Brand.



Dennis Parrott, '78, Homer Sedighi, '87 and Greg Hoeltzel, '70 at the cocktail reception.



Dean Emeritus George Selfridge, Richard Campbell, Doxie's husband, and Doxie Sheldon, '79.

# Alumni Cocktail Reception *Continued*



Gordon Thompson, '52, with Naomi Davidian of the Supply Room, and Mary Donohue McClellan, '82 at the reception.



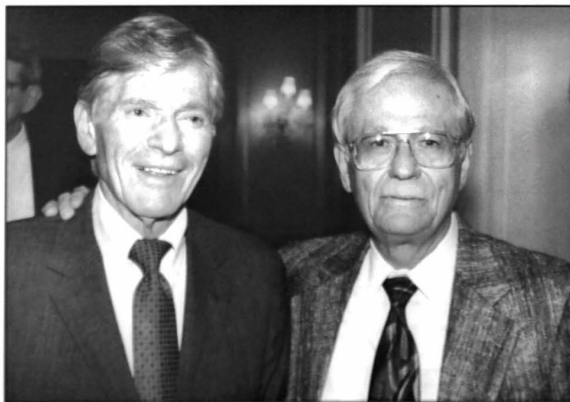
Classmates Isadore Voda, '37 and Charles Blake visit with Doxie Sheldon, '79.



Dennis Parrott, '78 and wife, Zora Hanko, '84 stand on either side of Robert Schrameyer, '71.



Mrs. Gregory Zotos, wife and mother of two alumni, chats with her husband's classmate, Jim Baumann, '46.



Harold Schreiber, '47 and Malcolm Baron, '46.



Nancy and John Durham, '56.

## Shepard Memorial Lecture

Dr. Lloyd Pearson, nationally known orthodontist, will be the speaker at the Second Annual Shepard Memorial Dental/Otolaryngology Lecture Series on Wednesday, April 9, 1997. The presentation will be from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. in the Eric P. Newman Education Center at the Washington University Medical Center, 320 S. Euclid Avenue. A continental breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 A.M. Dr. Pearson's subject will be, "What Do Patients and Dentists Expect of Modern Orthodontics?" A past president of the American Board of Orthodontics, Dr. Pearson has made numerous

contributions to the literature and has lectured widely. Limited seating will be available. Please RSVP to 935-4780 no later than April 1, 1997.

The Shepard Lecture Series is named in honor of the late Wilma and Earl Shepard. Dr. Shepard was Professor Emeritus and longtime Chairman of the Department of Orthodontics at Washington University, School of Dental Medicine. His outstanding contributions to his specialty are recognized nationally. The Shepards are known for their numerous benevolent contributions to Washington University and the Greater St. Louis community.

## WU Alumni "Horses" Around

Bill Thompson, WUSDM Class of '57, has been "horsing around" since the early '80's and has a quarter horse named Avison who is ranked No. 1 in the American Quarter Horse Association's Horse Racing Poll. In an article which appeared in the 11-20-95 ADA News, Bill says that he had always been interested in horses and horseback riding since growing up in Tulsa, OK. However, it was not until the early '80's that he became involved with the sport of racing quarter horses. "Quarter horse racing is a world to itself," says Bill. "All horses have a lot of things in common, but race horses have very specific differences from other horses and quarter horses have even more specific differences from thoroughbreds."

To learn more about horse breeding and racing, Bill's wife, Joan, and one of their sons attended continuing education classes on animal husbandry and horse training at Loma Linda University. Meanwhile, Bill learned all he could from local horse trainers and breeders.

Bill has owned many horses over the years, but he was able to make a successful bid for Avison in 1992. Avison recovered from arthroscopic surgery to remove bone chips in 1994 and won the first race of the session in 1995 which earned him the No. 1 ranking in the American Quarter Horse Association's Horse Racing Poll.

Bill Thompson lives in LaMesa, CA with his wife, Joan. One of their sons, James, is also a WUSDM alum, Class of '86.

## Letter to the Editor

Sept. 24, 1996

Dear Jack;

I'm sure I speak for all members of the Class of '46 who attended the Alumni banquet, when I say "Wow, what an evening!". We were made to feel very special and honored as we celebrated our 50th reunion.

Of course, most classes from our school feel special, as indeed, they are. But our class, the one to begin and end on the 3-year wartime program, feel extra special. To have our classmate, Dick Tucker, honored as Distinguished Alumnus verifies our pride in him and in the Class.

As all those who have reached this 50 year milestone know, it is a particularly gratifying and pleasurable occasion when such old time classmates meet and reminisce.

Please convey to all who participated in planning this memorable event our sincere thanks - the Alumni Board, and especially John Durham and Doxey Sheldon.

We now anticipate our 60th!

Best personal Regards,

Bill Stocker

# Alumni News

Dee Pulsipher, '66, was honored by the Greater St. Louis Dental Society January 11, 1997, with its prestigious Gold Medal Award for his many contributions to dentistry and the Society. Dean Emeritus George Selfridge received the Award in January 1995.

Bert Dannheiser, '52, recently received a special Lifetime Service Award from the Florida Dental Association for his 18 years service as Editor of Florida's Dental

Journal. He also served as President of the FDA in 1976.

Larson Keso, '55, served as Secretary-Treasurer of the American Association of Orthodontists.

Leslie S. Cutler, '68, was appointed chancellor and provost for health affairs and president of the University of Connecticut Health System, in Farmington, Conn.

Kurt H. Studt, '66, presented a seminar, "Management of Common Oral Lesions," as part of a dental medicine

conference sponsored by St. John's Mercy Medical Center. He is certified by the American Board of Oral Medicine and is chairperson of the greater St. Louis Dental Society Speakers Bureau.

Kenneth Kornblum, '63, and Ollie Fisher, '77, were inducted into the American College of Dentists on Sept. 27. And Arnold Jacobson, '76, was inducted into the International College of Dentists on the same date.

J. D. Patterson, '52, has participated in more than a dozen volunteer mission trips to Brazil, Chile, Tanzania and last summer to Kenya. Besides the spiritual guidance inspired by his membership in Searcy's Temple Baptist Church, J. D. provides needed dental care in remote locations of these countries. He has also furnished financial assistance to young college students to accompany him.



Alumni representative David Jolly admires a snap of Jack Gilster's triplet grandchildren while Harriet looks on.



Editor Jack Gilster, '44, attempts to pacify new triplet grandchildren, L. to R. John III (little Jack), Madalene, showing anxiety at sliding off Grandpa's lap, and Benjamin, just irritated by the whole thing.



This photo from last years meeting was incorrectly titled. From the Class of '40; L. to R.: Irving Levy, Nicholas Matsakis, Ken Marshall and Kermit Westerfeld.



# Former Alumni President Robert Bedell Dies

Robert E. Bedell, '44, died on May 15, 1966. A loyal alumnus of the University, he had been born and raised in St. Louis. He attended Washington University for his pre-dent training, and there was a member of Sigma Nu social fraternity. Continuing a family tradition of dentistry in St. Louis, he entered the School of Dentistry in the fall of 1941 receiving his dental degree in 1944 and his advanced degree in orthodontics in 1951. Dentistry in the Bedell family spanned four generations: his grandfather, father and himself all having graduated from Washington University and his great-grandfather having graduated from the "school of apprenticeship."

From 1944-1951, he taught pedodontics and general dentistry at Washington University and served in the Army as a Captain from 1953-1955. Besides maintaining an orthodontic private practice, he held the title of associate professor of orthodontics, teaching both undergraduate and graduate students from 1958-1985. He also held offices in the local and state dental societies and various Washington University Dental Alumni Association offices, and was a Fellow of the American and International Colleges of Dentists.

Dr. Bedell compiled an outstanding record as a nationally recognized leader in his specialty of orthodontics and as a supporter of the Washington University School of Dental Medicine. He served as President of the Dental Alumni Association in 1977-1978, represented the School on the university's Alumni Board of Governors and in

1982, upon his retirement from active teaching, the School's Department of Orthodontics gave Bob its Award of Merit for his long service as a member of the faculty. In 1985, he was recipient of the "Distinguished Alumnus Award" of the WU Dental Alumni Association.

His extraordinary service to his profession goes back to 1950 when he became Chairman of St. Louis Dental Society Council on Dental Health. After several years on the board of the Missouri Dental Association, he served from 1970 to 1980, with distinction, as Chairman of the American Association of Orthodontists Council on Public and Professional Relations. In 1979, he was the recipient of the AAO's Distinguished Service Scroll, given annually to a person who has made a substantial technical, scientific, or service contribution to orthodontics and the AAO. As a result of his dedicated work on the Council, he also was awarded the American Association of Orthodontists' James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award.

He served the orthodontic profession as President of the Greater St. Louis Society of Orthodontists, President of the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists and on the Board of Directors and as President of the Missouri Society of Orthodontists. In 1994, the MSO awarded Bob the Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award for his many contributions to his beloved profession.

For many years Dr. Bedell contributed his services as orthodontist for the Missouri School for the Blind. He was a life member of the Missouri

Dental Association, a member of Disabled American Veterans, the Washington University Dental Alumni Association, the St. Louis Club, Delta Sigma Delta dental fraternity and as a Mason, a member of Camp Knox Lodge 919 in Battle Town, Kentucky, the Scottish Rite Valley of

St. Louis and the Moolah Temple Shrine in St. Louis. He is survived by his wife, the former Jane Kirkland, a son, Thomas R. Bedell, and a grandson, Christian T. Bedell. A true gentleman, kind and considerate, he will be missed by his classmates, associates, former patients and many friends.

## Alumni Deaths

Gerald Rosamilia, '36	10/92
Joseph Hartley, '36	12/92
William Bowers, '50	1/94
Jesse Westerman, '28	3/94
Gene Westerfield, '67	6/95
Warren Curran, '45	7/95
Thomas Knox, '33	7/95
George Blaich, '46	10/95
L. Hood Harris, '42	10/95
Fred Schroeder, '24	11/95
Eugene Ausbrook, '29	12/95
Robert Sawyer, '53	12/95
William Howell, '44	2/96
Walter Stanick, '56	3/96
Irvin Solar, '27	4/96
George Pendo, '47	5/96
Robert E. Bedell, '44	5/96
Wayne Thompson, '43	7/96
Richard Wunderlich, '36	8/96
Clifton Elzea, '17	10/96
Francis Shannon, '31	10/96
John Waterston, '51	10/96

# Sam Guyer Receives the George Moulton Award



Dr. Sam Guyer, '52, right, accepting the George Moulton Award of the Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics in Chicago in February. L. to R.: Dr. Ronald Woody, Past-President, and Dr. Patricia Moulton (First woman prosthodontist to become a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and widow of George Moulton.)

Dr. Samuel E. Guyer has been awarded the George H. Moulton Achievement Award by the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics at its annual meeting in February ('96) in Chicago. This award is presented periodically to an individual whose achievements have made

a significant impact and contribution to the Art and Science of Fixed Prosthodontics. The award is named after George Moulton, who was one of the three founders of the Academy (with Stanley Tylman and Claude Baker). Dr. Moulton was the first recipient of this

award in 1962. The Academy was able to express its great sorrow for the loss of Dr. Moulton to his widow, Mrs. Moulton, who was present for this presentation.

Dr. Guyer is a 1952 graduate of the WUSDM and joined the faculty immediately. He was chairman of the Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics Department beginning in 1958 and held this position for many years. In 1977 he became Chairman of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, which incorporated the former departments of Dental Anatomy, Dental Materials, Fixed and Removable Prosthodontics and Occlusion. In 1987 he was awarded Professor Emeritus of Restorative Dentistry. He was also a recipient of the Washington University School of Dental Medicine Distinguished Alumni Award.

Dr. Guyer was recognized for five decades of service

as an outstanding educator, author, editor, administrator, researcher and clinician in fixed prosthodontics. His academic achievements include journal and book publications, videotape and clinical manual productions. He has served on many board and committees, a few of which include Consultant to the Surgeon General of the U. S. Air Force, National Consultant to the Veterans Administration and the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation. He served on the Missouri Dental Specialty Board for Prosthodontics from 1968 until 1986 and was Chairman from 1981 through 1986. He has presented many lectures and post graduate courses nationally and internationally.

Dr. Guyer and his wife, Jane, live in West St. Louis County and he continues to practice clinical prosthodontics.

## Perry Bingham to Head National Organization

The American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID) elected Dr. Perry Bingham, '64 of Santa Rosa, CA, as its 43rd president at its Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada, Wednesday, November 13, 1996.



Perry Bingham

Bingham, an active member of the Academy since 1975, began his relationship with AAID as an Associate Fellow. Seeking to further develop his implant education, in 1985 he passed a rigorous written and oral examination to achieve the status of Fellow within the AAID.

A notable member of the Santa Rosa dental community for over 30 years, and a diplomate with AAID, in 1993 Bingham was selected to be an Honored Fellow of the

Academy. In addition to maintaining a private practice, Bingham served as the Western District Representative of the AAID, National Secretary, and Academy Vice President.

Topping off a 30-year commitment with the Redwood Empire Dental Society and its Continuing Education Committee for Sonoma, Lake, and Mendocino Counties, Bingham also served as president of the Redwood Empire Dental Society.

His commitment to community service, however, does not end with the field of dentistry. Bingham served as the Parent's Club President of his children's school, Sequoia Elementary and served as bishop of a congregation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Bingham will hold office as Academy president until September 1997, at which time he will join the organization's Past President's Council.



## THE MID-CONTINENT DENTAL CONGRESS CONVENTION IS MOVING TO...

**The Regal Riverfront Hotel  
in Downtown St. Louis  
September 18, 19 & 20, 1997**

### **Featured Speakers:**

#### ***September 18***

- Dr. Clifford Ruddle *Endodontics*
- Ms. Sally McKenzie *Practice Management*
- Dr. James Cottone *Infection Control*
- Dr. Nader Sharifi *Removable Prosthodontics*
- Dr. Steve Parel *Implants*

#### ***September 19***

- Ms. Mary Govoni and  
Ms. Annamaria Phillips *Communication Skills*
- Dr. Joseph Massad *Removable Prosthodontics*
- Dr. Michael Schuster *Practice Management*

#### ***September 20***

- Dr. Sebastian G. Ciancio *Pharmacology*
- Dr. Hugh Doherty *Practice Management*
- Dr. Clifford Fox, Jr. *Crown & Bridge*
- Mr. David Meinz *Nutrition*

Additional Speakers to be Announced



The Fifty Year Class, the Class of 1946: Back row, L. to R.; George Poulos, Roland Fowler, Norman Campbell, Rex Witherspoon, Richard Bell (partly hidden) and Richard Tucker; Second row, Bill Stocker, Bob Barkelew, Malcolm Marlis and Clifford Neill. Front row; Gregory Zotos, James Baumann, Malcolm Baron, Mark Nakauchi and Marion Ivanuck.

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