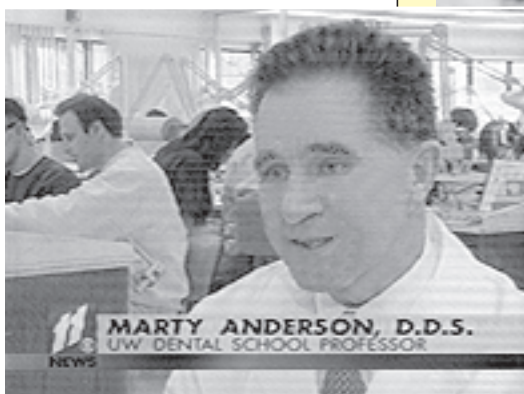




DENTAL ALUMNI NEWS



Dr. Marty Anderson explains that the simulators are lifelike and will make the transition to working on real patients much easier for the dental students.



Dental Simulators Make News!

On January 21, 1997, the D-1 dental school lab was the setting for a Channel 11 Newscast. The subject: our state-of-the-art dental simulators which are setting the pace for the future of dental education. The newscast focused upon the obvious advantage of the new simulators over the old lab set-up: they ease the transition to working on real patients by allowing dental students to become familiar with working inside a person's mouth in an environment where they can learn from their mistakes and correct them.

A small group of second- and third-year dental students are currently testing the five dental simulators in the lab. Kirk King, a student representative to the Dental Simulator Planning Committee (and one of the students currently testing the simulators) explained that "I get the feeling that I'm working on a patient—not a plastic model. The simulators make you aware of the limited access you have with a patient, the best angle to work at for different proce-

dures and many other things that were such a huge adjustment when starting real clinic work." Plans call for a total of 55 workstations to be installed this coming fall.

Dental Alumni will not want to miss the **D-1 Lab Open House** scheduled for the evening of November 21, 1997 to celebrate the installation of the simulators. Alumni will have a chance to tour the remodeled lab, take a trial run on the simulators, and toast their own generosity in raising the funds necessary to pay for the new technology.

As of press time, the Dental Alumni Association has received pledges totaling \$435,000. The classes of 1951 and 1975 are leading the pack with pledge totals of \$26,825 and \$23,650 respectively. Not too far behind are the classes of 1981 and 1978 with pledge totals of \$20,250 and \$20,000. Thanks go to all alumni who have contributed to this campaign...we still have a long way to go, but our progress has been magnificent!

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Ross J. Drangsholt

DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

After the first wave of membership mailings, the Dental Alumni Association is pleased with the current total of 945 members. However, we still have some way to go to meet and exceed last year's membership total of 1290, which was a two-year high.

How does your class fare? Check below to see what percentage of your class has joined the association. If you have not yet joined, please return the membership renewal form in this issue!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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| 1996 | 6% |

President's Message

For twenty-seven years your Dental Alumni Association has provided a day of enrichment honoring the founding dean of the University of Washington School of Dentistry through the annual Ernest M. Jones Memorial Lectureship. This year, Dr. Bruce Crispin did a wonderful job discussing the state-of-the-art in fixed prosthodontics and many of the new conservative esthetic techniques that dentistry will be using and perfecting in the next decade.

The commitment you make as a member of the UW Dental Alumni Association goes a long way towards making the dental school experience better for the current students.

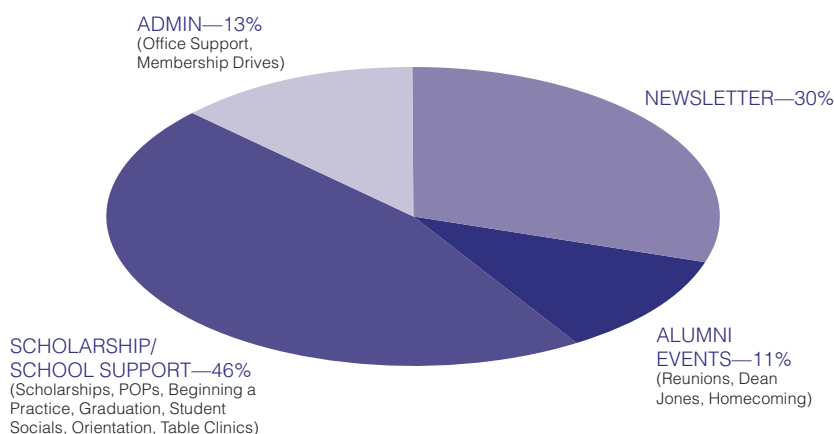
In addition to the valuable information gained from the lecture, the Ernest M. Jones lecture provided a forum for camaraderie among you and your colleagues. Those who chose to attend the luncheon at the Don James Center also received a state-of-the-school address from Dean Paul Robertson.

I am proud to report that after our first of four years of the 50th anniversary campaign for the remodeling of the D-1 Lab into a preclinical simulation clinic, we have received a total of \$435,000 in pledges. The response has been wonder-

ful, with the classes of 1951, 1975, 1978 and 1981 already having reached the goal of \$20,000 to purchase a unit for the simulation clinic, with the classes of 1967 and 1976 close behind. The construction will begin in early summer, and the Dean will be borrowing funds until all of our pledges are in and our million dollar goal has been met. As you can see on the upcoming calendar of events, the grand opening of the lab will be celebrated during our homecoming weekend in November. I would like to personally invite all of you to see this new state-of-the-art teaching lab.

The commitment you make as a member of the UW Dental Alumni Association goes a long way towards making the dental school experience better for the current students. I thought it might be of interest for you to see where each dollar of the \$50 membership goes. Student scholarships and activities represent \$23; the newsletter, which keeps the alumni informed about the school and each other, represent \$15; Alumni events such as the all-classes reunion, homecoming, etc. represent \$5.50; and administration and office supplies represent \$6.50. As you can see, almost half of every dollar of your membership dues goes directly toward the school and student support. I would like to encourage all of you who are not members to join and help make the dental school experience and our school better and stronger each year.

ALLOCATION OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION DUES



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The "old" D-1 lab set-up: dental students work on hand-held models.

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The new simulators: much more realistic, lifelike—and spacious!



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DENTAL ALUMNI NEWS

Electronic Atlas Sets the Pace for Pediatric Dentistry

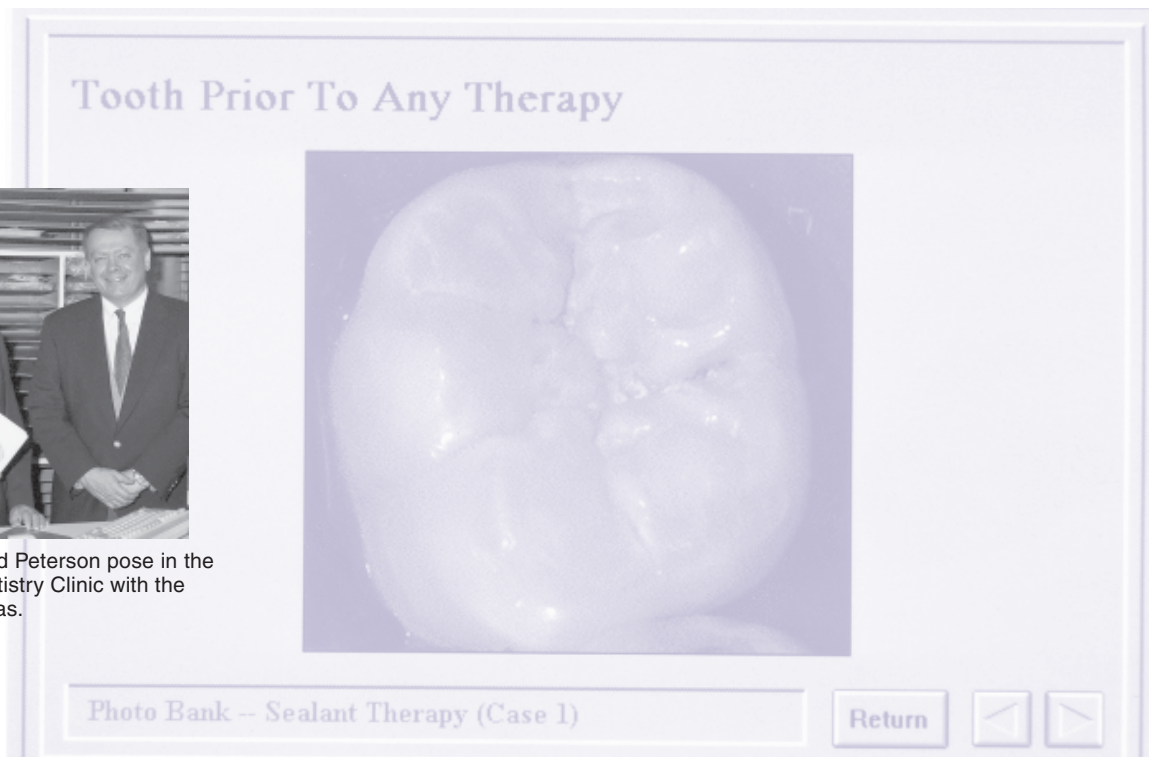
For the past seven years John Davis (DDS '61, MSD Pedo. '67) and Devereaux Peterson (both Associate Professors in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry) have been updating and reconfiguring the former *Atlas of Pedodontics* (Davis, Law, Lewis). The classic textbook and reference is being transitioned into an electronic, computer-based “textbook” from its original paper and print form.

The first atlases were published in two editions in five languages and were used by tens of thousands of students and practitioners over about thirty years.

Now called the *Electronic Atlas Of Pediatric Dentistry*, the project is being written and produced for use by students and practitioners on their computers. For example, second-year students now cover pediatric restorative dentistry using a computer module installed on computers in the Health Sciences Library. Third- and fourth-year students can review procedures before treating an actual patient by using a computer in the pediatric dental clinic.



Drs. Davis and Peterson pose in the Pediatric Dentistry Clinic with the Electronic Atlas.



The chapter covering pediatric restorative dentistry is also used by practicing dentists, both for review of specific procedures and for continuing education purposes. The restorative chapter can be purchased through the School's Continuing Education Department for \$150.00 (206-543-5448). Completion of the chapter carries seven hours of continuing dental education credit.

John Davis and Devereaux Peterson are authoring the electronic generation of the textbook. Two chapters have been completed (developmental anomalies and pediatric restorative dentistry) and two additional chapters are near completion (pulp therapy in primary teeth and treatment of traumatic injuries to the teeth of children). The pulp and trauma chapters are expected to be available to practitioners through the CDE department this summer. Drs. Davis and Peterson are planning to complete the entire electronic atlas, about ten chapters, in phases, over the next three years.

Photographs of the restorative chapter are shown here and demonstrate some of the features of the program. For example, Figure 1 shows a typical "page" where text is accompanied by a large color photograph, and electronic buttons are present to activate other opera-

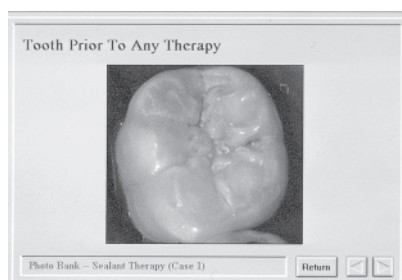


Figure 1

tions. For those of you who are familiar with the new electronic encyclopedias, the electronic atlas has the same "look and feel" as software you could purchase at software retail outlets.

Figure 2 demonstrates one of the pages in the section designed for practitioners to show patients and parents. These are very large photographs with text in lay terms, so that care providers can show parents what specific procedures look like. Finally, Figure 3 is an example of one of the questions contained on the quiz section of the atlas.

The restorative chapter alone contains approximately 325 color clinical photographs and radiographs, along with dozens of other graphics, such as drawings of various restorative procedures. An atlas format is used to optimize on the advantages of the computer so that virtually unlimited numbers of photographs and other graphics can be included.

The program is highly interactive, with numerous menus, questions, pop-up windows, and pathways to engage the user. The program contains many sophisticated applications, such as word search systems, user notebooks, note taking, book marking, and pathway creation.

This work represents the wave of the future in dental education; the electronic atlas will be installed on computers in the School's new cutting edge simulation laboratory. It is now being programmed so that it will be available for national and international distribution on the internet. All income resulting from distribution and sales of the atlas is returned to the Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

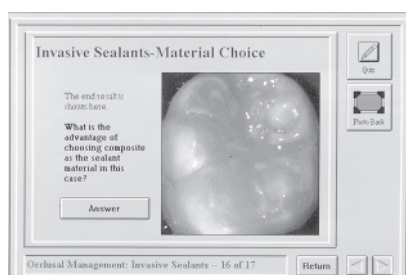


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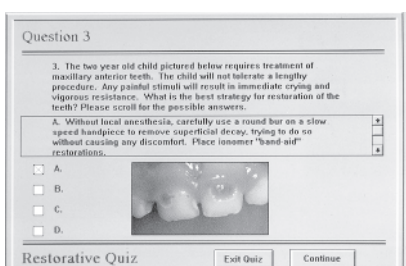


Figure 3

PROFESSIONAL SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULED

Thursday, July 17th has been scheduled for a symposium at the Oregon Health Sciences University School of Dentistry. The event will be sponsored by the National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias and co-hosted by Dr. Jan Kronmiller, OHSU, School of Dentistry and Dr. Jonathan Zonana, OHSU Department of Medical Genetics. The event will provide information concerning the genetic development of dentitia and specifically about a disorder known as the ectodermal dysplasias (ED).

Dr. Zonana is a lead researcher in gene identification concerning the most common form of ED. Along with collaborators in Missouri, South Carolina and Helsinki, Finland, the gene has been isolated and identified. The next step will be the study of how the gene functions and its impact on dental development. Dr. Kronmiller stated, "This is a prime opportunity to inform the professional community of the needs and state-of-the-art treatment for patients with ectodermal dysplasias."

Other speakers will include Albert Guckes, DDS, MSD, Director of Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of North Carolina, School of Dentistry; Ronald Jorgensen, DDS, PhD, geneticist from Austin, Texas and Frank Farrington, DDS, MS, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, Medical College of Virginia, School of Dentistry.

The four-hour symposium will be held in the afternoon on the OHSU campus. For more information, contact the NFED's Regional Representative, Betsy Howe, 206-735-5195 in Auburn, Washington or Dr. Jan Kronmiller at OHSU, 503-494-6155. Registration materials will be available by May 1, 1997.

LAW/LEWIS LECTURESHIP APPROACHES

The fifth Law/Lewis Lectureship will be held on Friday, September 19, 1997 at Kane Hall, UW Campus. Topics: Pharmacology, Mouthguards and Oral Pathology. More information is forthcoming.



Paul B. Robertson

I was reminded of the strength of our relationship with the professional community at a recent student party that celebrated the fact that essentially all UW students are present members of organized dentistry. The students were clearly proud of their School and chosen profession, and I was proud to be a part of the productive working relationships with our community.

Dean's Column

The 1997 Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science held in Seattle this February included a session on dental education. My part of the meeting discussed critical forces that affect dental education, including shifting demography in patterns of oral disease, the background of students entering the dental profession, and reactions of the professional community to the IOM and PEW recommendations.

A remarkable improvement has occurred in the nation's dental health, with substantial decreases in the prevalence of caries and the periodontal diseases, and dramatic increases in retention of the dentition. Results of the recent NHANES III dental survey found no caries in the permanent teeth of 55 percent of children and adolescents aged 5 to 17. Moreover, about 80% of the caries that was present occurred in less than 25% of the 5-17 year olds. The survey also showed that one third of U.S. adults retain all of their teeth and only 10 percent of adults are edentulous. Ninety percent of adults surveyed had, on average, a natural dentition comprised of 24 teeth.

Present projections show that the U.S. population will increase by more than 60%, reaching 400 million by 2050. Moreover, the growth will be concentrated at the two ends of the age spectrum. The birthrate is expected to increase dramatically in the new century and will augment young arrivals through immigration. By 2011, the early members of the Baby Boom will reach 65 and by 2050, the number of citizens 65 years and older will have doubled. Concurrently, our population will become far more diverse, and the term "minority" will need to be redefined.

At the same time, the diversity and educational demands of students entering the dental profession is changing markedly. The number of applicants to dental school is increasing. Presently, the nation's 54 dental schools offer about 4100 first year positions. The applicant pool for 1995 was about 7700 and for 1996, slightly higher. More importantly, women and minorities as a percent of first-year enrollment have increased from 2.1% and 12.9% in 1970 to 35% and 33% in this year's national class. It seems clear that we will have to add to our

educational responsibilities in this increasingly diverse student cohort, both the management of oral disease increasingly localized to high risk population groups and the prevention of oral disease in a general population who expect to retain their teeth for an increasingly longer lifetime.

I took some perverse pleasure in listening to the professional community response in other areas of the country to both the IOM and PEW recommendations, which ranged from biblical acceptance to angry denial. Some members of the American Association of Dental Schools set about prioritizing the recommendations, presumably to facilitate imposition of the new national order on its hapless constituency. The American Dental Association House of Delegates was flooded with resolutions of concern for the future of the profession. A bibliographic search for the IOM and PEW reports revealed more than 60 contributions in 1996 Medline journals, and many more editorials and commentaries appeared in local publications. Some authors characterized the IOM and PEW recommendations as advisory, to be used differentially given the mission of individual schools while others viewed the recommendations as blueprints for destroying dental private practice, integrating dentistry with medicine, establishing a technician-based health care force, and even socializing delivery of health care services.

While others were dealing with turmoil, we at UW were working with our professional community in using these recommendations, as appropriate to our strengths and problems, to enhance a well-documented national reputation for excellence in dental education, expand our educational options to meet student demand and interest, and explore new educational approaches to preclinical and clinical training. I was reminded of the strength of that relationship with the professional community at a recent student party that celebrated the fact that essentially all UW students are present members of organized dentistry. The students were clearly proud of their School and chosen profession, and I was proud to be a part of the productive working relationships with our community.

\$41,200 Generated in Microsoft Challenge 2000 Faculty Matching Campaign

The School of Dentistry faculty once again came through with an incredible show of support during the fifth faculty matching fundraising campaign this past December. Thirty-five dental faculty contributed \$20,600 to 14 funds, and these funds were completely matched by Microsoft Corp. The matching campaign was created in order to raise money for gift funds in direct support of graduate or professional students.

In past years, the matching funds were provided by discretionary dollars donated to the President's Fund for Excellence. However, sufficient funds for this program were never guaranteed due to competing demands for the discretionary dollars. This year, Microsoft generously committed to providing \$200,000 in matching dollars each year for the next five years, through the year 2000.

Beginning on December 2, faculty gifts of \$100 to \$10,000 in direct support of graduate and professional students, up to \$200,000 campus-wide, were matched by Microsoft's offer. The response to this offer by the faculty was overwhelming. The \$200,000 in matching funds was claimed in the first three days. Fortunately, President McCormick was able to allocate other unrestricted gift funds to match the additional faculty donations. More than \$242,000 from 242 was matched campus-wide; the dental faculty contributed \$20,600 of this money—approximately 8% of the total dollars matched.

The combined gifts, totaling \$41,200, will provide needed and appreciated support to the following funds: the Ethan Baker Endowed Memorial Fund, the Omnell Endowed Scholarship Fund, the Graduate Endodontics Fund, the Oral Biology Student Support Fund, the Oral Medicine Endowed Fellowship, the Orthodontics Graduate Student Fund, the Pediatric Dentistry Educational Resources Fund, the Graduate Pediatric Student Fund, the

Graduate Periodontics Fund, the Periodontic Student Support Fund, the Prosthodontics Honors Program, the Prosthodontics Endowed Fellowship, the Stibbs Endowment and the Graduate Fixed Prosthodontics Fund.

The Oral Medicine department fared particularly well during this campaign; faculty members contributed \$5,050 to the Oral Medicine Endowed Fellowship Fund, which substantially boosted the balance of the fund. It is now within \$1,000 of reaching full endowment.

Thanks to the following School of Dentistry faculty members who participated in this program:

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 25, 1997, 7-10 PM

Northwest Dental Student Conference *
Urban Horticulture Center
Seattle

APRIL 26, 1997, 8-5:30

Northwest Dental Student Conference *
Kane Hall, University of Washington
campus, Seattle

* Call Steve Broughton, ASDA Representative, at 685-9707 for more information.

APRIL 26, 1997, 6:30 PM

Dean's Club Dinner
Columbia Tower Club
Seattle

JULY 16-18, 1997, ALL DAY

Pacific Northwest Dental Conference
Washington State Convention Center
Seattle

JULY 18, 1997, 6:30 PM

Seventh Annual All-Classes Reunion
Dinner
Columbia Tower Club
Seattle

OCTOBER 18, 1997, 6:30-8 PM

American Dental Association Annual
Session
Hosted Dean's Reception for Alumni
Washington, D.C.

NOVEMBER 21, 1997, 6:30-9 PM

D1 Lab Open House Celebration
D165 Lab, Health Sciences Lobby

NOVEMBER 22, 1997, 10 - 12 NOON

Football Homecoming and Brunch
Center for Urban Horticulture

Doug and Peggy Burton Give Back to the Dental School

When Douglas Burton (DDS '51) was growing up in Snoqualmie, Washington, he couldn't afford to play golf on the courses where he now enjoys a single-digit handicap. Coming of age in a working family during the early years of World War II, he went to a tiny high school and started working in nearby logging camps when he was only 16. Not only did he manage to put himself, with help from the G.I. Education Funding Bill and the U.S. Navy, through Gonzaga University and the UW School of Dentistry, but he also built a successful general practice in Everett. When he was 53, he made an unlikely jump out of dentistry into a challenging second career as a banking official, stock broker and, finally, vice-president for private banking at Seafirst Bank — where he's still working at the age of 71.

This year, Burton felt that it was time to give something back to the dental school. He and his wife Peggy have made a \$20,000 stock donation to the Dental Alumni Anniversary Campaign on behalf of the Class of 1951. "I was very fortunate with my investments," he explains. "The

\$20,000 donation was a feel-good kind of thing to do."

Burton decided to make the gift after looking at the contributions that various classes had given to the anniversary campaign. "I'm not saying that I want my \$20,000 to start a precedent," he says, "but I was

surprised to discover that the campaign did not have a broader base of support."

The two dentists were coming back from a fishing trip when their plane crashed into Baker Lake near



Striding forward are the officers of the Class of 1951. Pictured are: President, Douglas Burton and his co-officers, (L-R) Gordon Patterson, Neal Beasley, Burton and Gerald Lamers.

—1950 Dentalog Yearbook



Peggy and Doug Burton with Arnold Palmer.

Burton's gift is dedicated to his two best friends in dental school, Drs. Bill Mackey and Frank Hayden, who died in a tragic circumstance only three years after graduation.

Concrete, Washington. Besides honoring their memory, Burton wants to honor the dental school for giving him the best available dental education, and would like to insure the same for many future students.

"I found some very good role models there," he says. "There were many premier dentists in Seattle who taught part-time at the dental school at great financial sacrifice to their practices. They were paid practically nothing. It is hazardous to name only two instructors, but I particularly remember Drs. Bert Hagen and Robert Hampson as great dentists and very good golfers." Burton began playing golf during predental school, and has not only played with such famous golfers as Tiger Woods, Phil Michelson and Billy Mayfair, but also with basketball star Michael Jordan, famed crooner Bing Crosby, Glen Campbell and other celebrities.

"Many dentists are excellent golfers," Burton says.

"Few lawyers are and few physicians. Nobody knows exactly why. There is a theory that dentists are proficient at making small hand movements. They are good at making delicate shots. Golfing requires timing, a delicate feel and dedicated practice time."

Burton, who likes to pay tribute to his role models, is something of a role model himself. He's led a varied, risk-taking life. The father of four children (Bob, Jane, Bill, and Ann), he looks much younger than his 71 years. He attributes that to the fact that, during his many years of golfing, he has seldom used a cart. "Golf carts detract from the real enjoyment of golf," he says.

When Burton entered dental school, he was fresh out of the navy, having served aboard the battleship Wisconsin in the Pacific at the end of World War II. "It was very risk-free," he says, "Our battleship was not engaged in the dirty part of the war like the early Marines experienced. Our ship was far from the actual fighting. We could fire our shells for 15 miles and hit a wastebasket, so we didn't have to get very close. I didn't experience real war."

In dental school, most of Burton's classmates were veterans, too. "The students were an incredibly good group of people who were extremely motivated," he recalls. "They all had children and wives, and they were very

GRADUATE PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY PROGRAM RECEIVES FULL ACCREDITATION

The University of Washington Office of the President and School of Dentistry received word on February 20, 1997 that our Graduate Program in Pediatric Dentistry received full and unconditional accreditation (with no recommendations) by the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation. The announcement included the following information:

"At its January 1997 meeting, the Commission on Dental Accreditation considered the report of the site evaluation of the advanced specialty education program in pediatric dentistry offered by the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington. Following consideration of the report, the Commission adopted a resolution granting the educational program the accreditation classification of Approval."

"My congratulations to everyone who worked so hard to make the program, and this site visit, such a resounding success. Special thanks to Penny Leggott, Peter Domoto and the faculty, staff and students of the Department here, at Children's Hospital and Yakima Valley for bringing this great credit to the School of Dentistry," commented Dean Paul Robertson.

"I had a modest net worth when I left dentistry," he says. "I had no job and I didn't know for sure that I was employable. Now I'm here. The thing that I can do for Seafirst is to generate new business for the bank by bringing in new customers. The majority of those customers were discovered on the golf course."



Doug Burton in his 1950 yearbook photo. "Let's go fishing" is his memorable quote.

serious. I wasn't married and I was one of the youngest members of the class, but I was serious, too. We set high standards for ourselves. We didn't have time to do anything but study and work and learn how to restore teeth."

After graduation, Burton set up practice in Everett. "I had a very busy practice, because there was a shortage of dentists at the time," he says. "I couldn't take care of the demand for services. I even took my name out of the phone book, because word of mouth was all I needed to get patients. The downside was that patients needed to be introduced to preventive and restorative dentistry. Snohomish County had the most prevalent rate of decay of any county in the state. The water there was

snow-fed and free of minerals and fluoride." Even though Burton had a thriving practice, he found himself getting restless. At 55, he sold his practice and looked around for a new career. "Dentistry just got boring after a while," he said. "After I sold my practice at age 55, I thought I should be working, not just sitting around."

By using contacts he'd built up over the years, Burton landed a job as a banking official. Later he became a Merrill Lynch stock broker and, finally, landed at Seafirst. Dick Cooley, then chairman of the board, just happened to be a golfer and often joined Burton and other clients on the links. Today, Burton works in the Columbia Tower in downtown Seattle, in an office with a lovely view of Seward Park and the surrounding area. "I had a modest net worth when I left dentistry," he says. "I had no job and I didn't know for sure that I was employable. Now I'm here. The thing that I can do for Seafirst is to generate new business for the bank by bringing in new customers. The majority of those customers were discovered on the golf course."

How did he become fairly good at golf? "I'm stubborn," he says. "You have to be. I worked on my shots until my hands bled, and I am still not good enough to shoot my age."

An Open Letter to Alumni

From the Class of 1997

Dear University of Washington Dental Alumni:

Two years ago, our class initiated a campaign to raise funds to establish a dental student emergency support fund in the memory of Ethan Baker. It is with great joy that we can now announce the realization of that challenging goal.

Evan Baker, one of our classmates, lost his four-year-old son Ethan to leukemia after a long illness which included two bone marrow transplants. After Ethan's death, Evan expressed a desire to have his son's strength and courage memorialized in a way that would help other dental students. The establishment of the Ethan Baker Memorial Fund represents the fruition of this wish.

The memory of Ethan gave us the incentive to raise \$25,000 (the amount required to establish an endowment at the University of Washington). Eighty-six dental students, alumni and friends of the School of Dentistry generously contributed in support of this important campaign, and in less than two years we have reached our goal.

The Ethan Baker Memorial Fund will allow the School of Dentistry to provide financial support for students in emergency situations. It is Dean Robertson's and the Class of 1997's intent that the fund be used for, but not limited to, medical expenses, travel expenses or even tuition needs, all on a limited basis. The money given through the Ethan Baker Memorial Fund does not have to be repaid. The amount and terms of each award, as well as the recipients, will be decided by the Dean or his designee with strong recommendations made by the student council officers, student services office and faculty.

At this time we wish to thank all who contributed in support and organization of the Ethan Baker Memorial Fund (listed here). We are extremely gratified that so many individuals have helped us achieve this worthy goal.

With sincere thanks,

The Class of 1997

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO HELPED ENDOW THE ETHAN BAKER MEMORIAL FUND:

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Drs. Kinney and Jackson Join the School of Dentistry Faculty

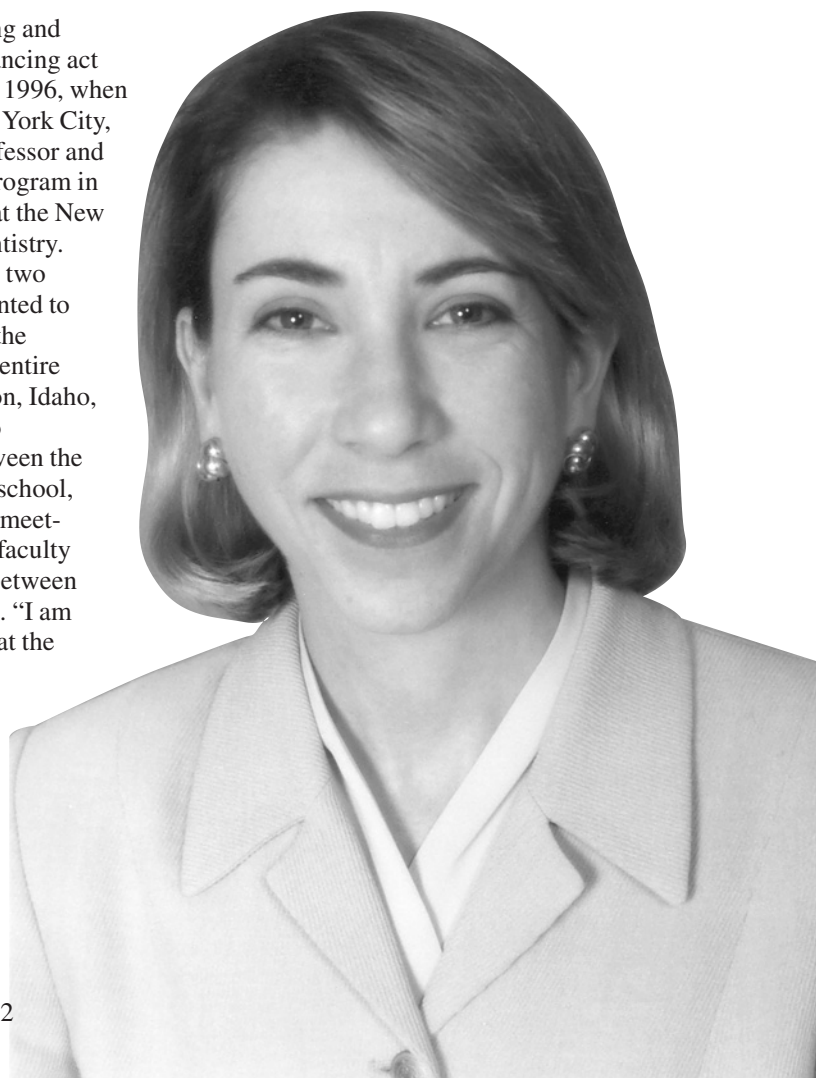
“If you want something done, ask a busy person,” goes an old adage. **Dr. Lisa Kinney, D.D.S.**, may very well be that person. Not only is she chief of the dental service at the Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System, but she’s also an associate professor in the department of oral and maxillofacial surgery at the University of Washington.

“I’m very interested in research collaborations between the VA hospital and the School of Dentistry. We have submitted one research proposal for funding through the VA and hope to have more of this kind of collaboration.”

“It’s been very challenging and rewarding,” she says of the balancing act she’s maintained since October 1996, when she moved to Seattle from New York City, where she was an associate professor and director of the undergraduate program in oral and maxillofacial surgery at the New York University College of Dentistry.

“When I came here, I had two objectives,” Kinney says. “I wanted to serve the patient population of the Veterans Administration in our entire area, which includes Washington, Idaho, Alaska and Oregon. I wanted to strengthen the relationship between the UW and the VA.” At the dental school, Kinney has attended numerous meetings, introducing herself to the faculty and establishing relationships between the various special departments. “I am getting to know my colleagues at the dental school and facilitating communication between the VA and the UW,” she says. At the VA, Kinney’s time is

divided between administration of the dental service and direct patient care. In the beginning she focused on getting various facets of the program up and running — including establishing a VA-funded residency position in oral surgery. “We’ve had an oral and maxillofacial surgical resident since October,” she says. “With the support of the Department of Graduate Periodontics, we have initiated a rotation for third-year Periodontics post-graduate students. Several faculty members from the university have been appointed to the staff as well. In addition, I’m very interested in research collaborations between the VA hospital and the School of Dentistry. We have submitted one research proposal for funding through the VA and hope to have more of this kind of collaboration.”



There's no doubt that the VA work is both challenging and fascinating.

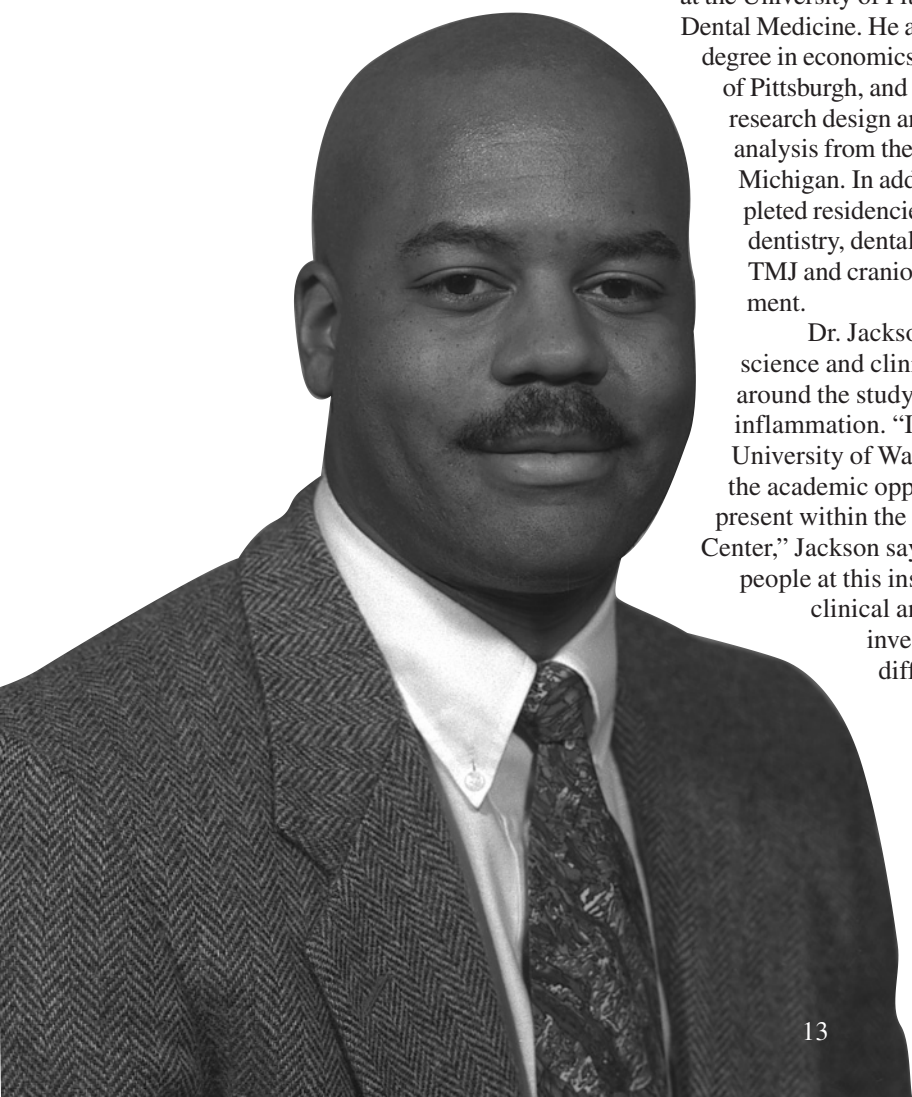
"We have a very diverse patient population," Kinney says. "They're very, very interesting. This is a tertiary-care facility; we see patients with significant medical problems. They are very diverse in age, medical history and kind of problems. We see a huge spectrum of dental pathology; for example, we have large patient populations who have head and neck cancer, and patients who are undergoing bone-marrow transplants."

What's in store for Kinney, who loves skiing and the outdoor life in Seattle — when she can find the time, that is? "I

expect that more of my time will be spent at the dental school, doing some teaching at the graduate and undergraduate level. I will be concentrating on my own research, as well," she says. "I've been very busy since I came here, but I've been given tremendous support both from the VA and the dental school. I really appreciate that." ■

Dr. Douglass L. Jackson, recently appointed assistant professor in the Department of Oral Medicine at the UW, has more degrees than — well, practically anybody. He came to Seattle from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in Minneapolis, where he did his doctoral training in Oral Biology and Neuropharmacology. He completed his undergraduate dental training at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. He also holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Pittsburgh, and a M.S. in clinical research design and biostatistical analysis from the University of Michigan. In addition, he has completed residencies in general practice dentistry, dental anesthesiology, and TMJ and craniofacial pain management.

Dr. Jackson's primary basic science and clinical interests revolve around the study of acute pain and inflammation. "I was attracted to the University of Washington because of the academic opportunities that are present within the UW Health Sciences Center," Jackson says. "There are a lot of people at this institution involved in clinical and basic science investigations on many different aspects of pain



Dr. J. Martin Anderson, Lecturer in Restorative Dentistry, was presented with the Academy of Operative Dentistry's most prestigious award, the Award of Excellence at the Academy's annual meeting in Chicago on February 21, 1997. This award is presented annually to a member for his/her contribution to excellence in dentistry. He is the twelfth recipient of this award. Three other longtime UW Restorative Dentistry faculty members, Dr. Gerald Stibbs, Dr. A. Ian Hamilton, and Dr. David Bales have received this award in the past. Dr. Richard V. Tucker has also been honored with the award.

Dr. Samuel Dworkin, who heads the Orofacial Pain Research Group in the UW's Department of Oral Medicine, is the recipient of the International Association for Dental Research's 1997 Behavioral Sciences and Health Services Research Award. The award, which also carries a \$2,000 honorarium, was formally presented at the IADR's annual meeting in Orlando, Florida on March 19. Dr. Dworkin, a dentist and clinical psychologist, holds joint appointments as Professor in the Departments of Oral Medicine, School of Dentistry, and Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, School of Medicine. He has been on the faculty since 1974 and has had a distinguished career in teaching and administration as well as research. The research efforts which are being recognized by this award include demonstrating the need to extend concerns about the diagnosis and management of chronic orofacial pain to include the human impact of such painful conditions on the overall well-being of pain sufferers. These efforts are consistent with Dr. Dworkin's career-long interest in expanding the scope of dentistry to reflect sensitivity to the personal as well as biologic needs of all patients. In addition to numerous textbooks, textbook chapters and published teaching materials, Dr. Dworkin's one hundredth scholarly research publication will soon appear in print.

Dr. John Fitzgerald, a clinical instructor in Oral Medicine at the School of Dentistry, has been elected as a AAA Washington Board of Trustees member for the December 1996 – December 1999 term. He is a past chair, and continues to serve the Board.

Dr. Rutger Persson, Chair of the Periodontics Department, is being recognized by University of Washington Training and Development for his support of staff training opportunities. He has actively encouraged the Periodontics staff to take advantage of these courses.

Dean Paul Robertson, was inducted as President-Elect of the American Association for Dental Research on March 19, 1997 at the Annual IADR/AADR meeting in Orlando.

and inflammation.” Jackson says he is looking forward to working and collaborating with many different departments within the UW Health Sciences Center, ranging from anesthesiology and oral biology to pediatric dentistry.

Since arriving in Seattle last November, Jackson hasn't had too much time to get involved in teaching. His initial focus has been setting up his basic science laboratory within the Department of Oral Medicine. Before coming to the UW, Dr. Jackson received a research grant from the National Institutes of Health to study the regulatory effects of the excitatory amino acid glutamate on a

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specific population of nociceptors in dental pulp. “This research will hopefully increase our knowledge of what different endogenous substances activate nociceptors (the peripheral nerve fibers that signal pain) in dental pulp, and perhaps lead to new strategies in the management of acute pulpal pain and inflammation,” he explains.

Having spent much of his career in Minneapolis and Pittsburgh, Jackson is looking forward to getting more involved in teaching as well as exploring Seattle. “I enjoy it here, but I unfortunately haven't had much free time to experience the lifestyle of Seattle,” he says. “I'm looking forward to finding all of the Frisbee golf courses in town as well as the great places to go bicycling one of these days.” ■

Dr. Chasteen Embarks Upon Research Sabbatical

The students, faculty and staff of the School of Dentistry wish Dr. Joseph Chasteen, Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Associate Professor in the Departments of Oral Medicine and Restorative Dentistry, the best of luck as he embarks upon a research sabbatical in Sydney, Australia, where he will be working with a Dental Informatics group from October 1997 through February 1998.

At the end of June, Dr. Chasteen will conclude his term as Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs, which he began in 1989. He has numerous accomplishments to his credit, including improving the quality of life for students through the implementation of an ambitious commercial laboratory support program; the dedication of receptionist support for all students; home-based workstations; voice mail communications; an improved dental record management

system and an expanded instrument loan program. He has also stabilized the clinic budget while improving clinic facilities and expanding services to students and patients, and improved the physical facilities of clinics, reception areas and support laboratories. His work group achieved a perfect evaluation of clinic operations during the 1995 accreditation site visit by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

According to Dean Paul Robertson, "Dr. Chasteen has made the dental school a better place to work, learn dentistry, and receive dental care in spite of tremendous economic pressure placed on the clinic budget due to increasing government regulation and diminishing state funding for the School."

Previous to his appointments at the University of Washington, Dr. Chasteen held the positions of

Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs at the University of Colorado School of Dentistry; Director of the Dental Auxiliary Utilization Program at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry; and Director of the Dental Assisting Program at the Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor, Michigan.



Dr. Chasteen works with dental student Reid Winkler ('98) in the clinic.

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December 1996



Bill and Dorothy at Mt. Rainier, July 24, 1943.

William and Dorothy Kipple Named Lifetime Dean's Club Members

When Dorothy Kipple became the secretary of Ernest Jones, first dean of the UW dental school more than 50 years ago, there wasn't a school yet and certainly no students. Just some ambitious plans and a stuffy attic in Bagley Hall being overhauled for dental education. When the school opened a year later, Dorothy continued to work for Jones. He retired after a decade, and she became secretary to Dean Maurice J. Hickey. In 1974, when Dorothy was 68, she hung up her steno pad and typewriter for good. She and Bill traveled all over the world, but always came back to Seattle.

Now, the Kipples have been awarded the Dean's Club Honorary Lifetime Membership Award for 1997. They will receive the award at the Dean's Club Recognition Dinner on April 26 at the Columbia Tower Club. The award honors the Kipples for the gifts they've given to the dental school over the years. In 1991, they established a \$200,000 Charitable Gift Annuity, from which they receive lifetime income. The gift of the remainder interest is valued at \$90,000 (half of which will go to the dental school, half to endow a scholarship in mechanical engineering). When combined with smaller gifts the Kipples have made — to engineering, dentistry and

the President's Fund for Excellence—their generosity qualifies them to be UW Benefactors.

What made this couple, of admittedly modest means, give so much to the dental school? Because Dorothy now suffers from Alzheimer's disease, it is Bill who tells the story. He says it all goes back to the early years of their marriage, when Dorothy's salary at the university helped him begin his construction business. The school was small in those days — "like a big happy family," Dorothy once said — and Bill remembers his own college tuition costing \$90 per quarter; room and board a mere \$25. "I earned \$22.50 per month as a teaching assistant in 1939 and that more than covered my room and board."

"Dean Jones was sort of an average fellow who got along with everybody," Bill recalls. "He didn't try to throw his weight around. He knew I was in construction, and he was always saying he was going to build a house when prices went down. But prices never did!"

"Dorothy liked him an awful lot, and she liked the dental school. The gift was mainly her idea. We don't have kids or relatives who need the money, so we decided we'd put it back where it came



Dorothy as she appeared in the 1952 Dentalog year-book.

from. When I was building houses, I depended on Dorothy's paycheck, because sometimes I didn't get paid for months, until a house sold." In order to make such a large donation to the dental school, the Kipples used the money they made from selling their home in Innis Arden, a house Bill built during his construction days. They lived in it for 33 years. "We already had enough money to last us the rest of our lives," says Bill. "We live on our incomes, so we put the profit from selling our house back into the university. My teaching assistant job helped me in my undergrad years and I wanted to pass that help on."

After Dorothy retired, she was active in the Orthopedic Guild of Children's Hospital and did volunteer work for the University of

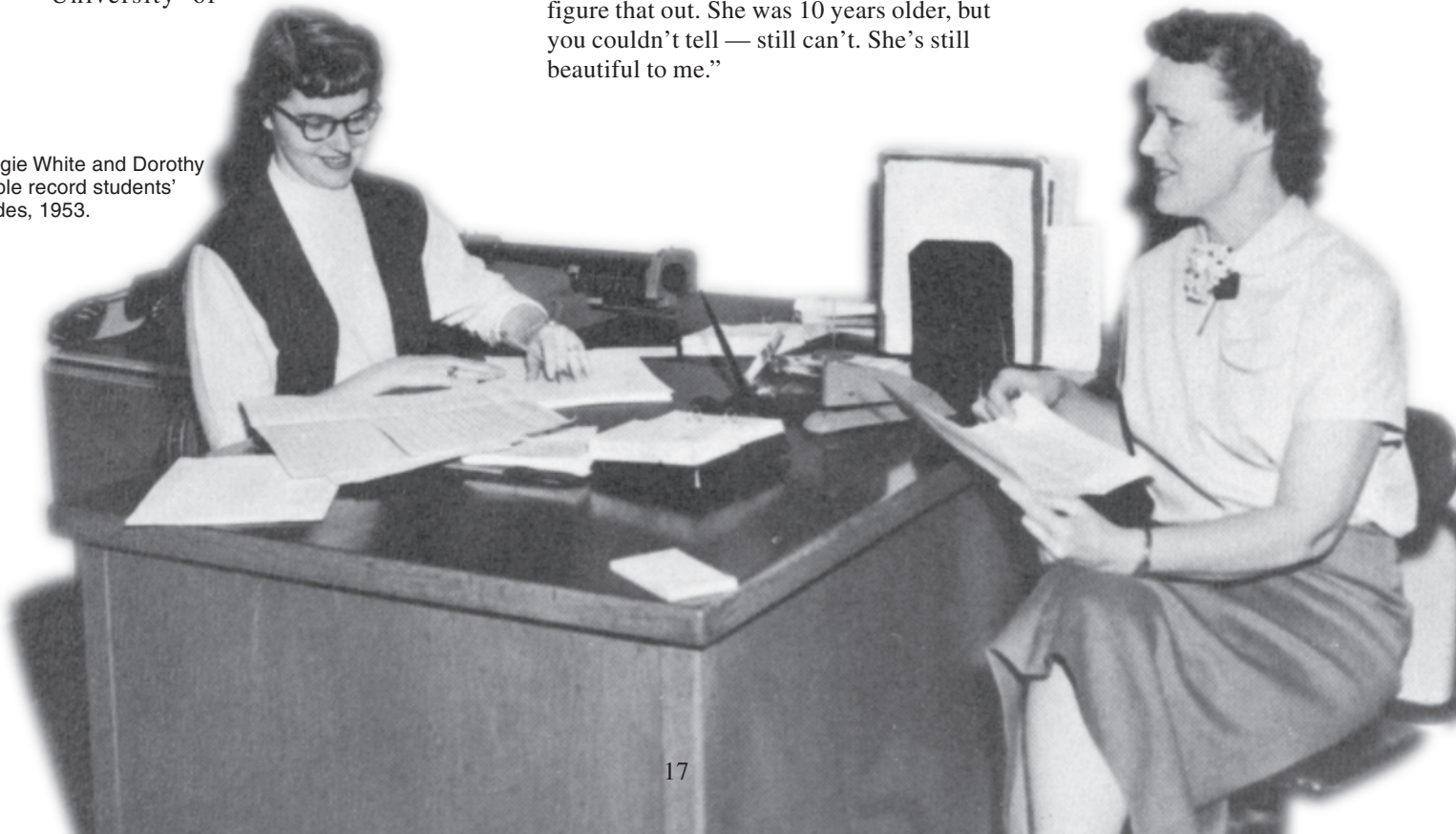
Washington Retirement Association. She also did a lot of traveling with Bill. In 1993, the Kipples celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a big party at the Ida Culver House in the Greenwood neighborhood, where they now live.

Bill took the occasion to write down the story of their first meeting, a story that was printed under the heading "True Romance" in The Seattle Times. "The sound of an avalanche brought us together," he wrote of their first meeting in the lobby of Paradise Lodge in Mount Rainier National Park. "When the ominous rumble began, everyone in the visitor's center rushed outside to see it. Besides the snow slide, we saw each other." That night they met again and formally introduced themselves. They went out for dinner, then a hike. Dorothy was a California girl, just visiting Washington state. Bill hailed from Marysville. Ten weeks after they met, they tied the knot.

Bill insists that their families were "pleased, not shocked" by this rapid courtship. When asked the secret of their long, romantic marriage, he laughs and says you have to go back to the way it all began:

"It just seemed like we belonged together. It only took us about 32 hours to figure that out. She was 10 years older, but you couldn't tell — still can't. She's still beautiful to me."

Margie White and Dorothy Kipple record students' grades, 1953.



THE DENTIST AS CEO

“Those of us in the Business School don’t know much about dentistry, but we do know a lot about how to manage businesses effectively,” says Dr. Bud Knudson, speaking for his fellow professors at the University of Washington School of Business Administration. Knudson, a senior faculty member, is academic director of “The Dentist as CEO,” a course designed for dentists who want to better understand their business practices. Co-sponsored by the School of Dentistry and the School of Business Administration, it is taught solely by business professors. Dentists can earn 40 continuing education credits by enrolling in the course, which has three parts. Knudson teaches “Strategic Aspects.” Dr. Barbara Smith and Dr. Peter Scontrino handle “Organizational/Human Aspects.” Dr. Rocky Higgins presents “Financial Aspects.” For the current year, participants pay \$1,500, which covers course materials and lunches. The class meets for four one-day sessions over a four-month

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period at the Battelle Research Center not far from the UW campus. Most of the students come from Washington, with about 20 percent from other Northwest states. Out-of-towners can board at Battelle. Dates for this fall’s course are Sept. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 14 and Dec. 5.

The Washington Dental Service generously provided funding for the course because members saw a need for a dental education program focused on business practices. “The Dentist as CEO” took shape during a brain-storming session when Knudson got together with Dentistry Dean Paul B. Robertson, Dean William Bradford of the UW School of Business Administration and Washington Dental Service CEO Jim Garrison.

“The four of us got together and decided that the course would be a good idea,” says Knudson, “because the things we wanted to do weren’t covered in the dental school curriculum.” Dean Bradford explains that “in the past, it was enough to have state-of-the-art clinical skills to be successful in dentistry. With the significant changes taking place in the profession, it is vital to have state-of-the-art business skills as well.”

A course brochure invites dentists to develop a “financial way

of thinking about your practice” and warns that “in the current marketplace, it is not enough to provide a needed service at a competitive price. You must also be financially successful.” In the “Financial Aspects” section, topics range from reading financial statements to managing accounts receivable, from managing cash flow to deciding how to approach a bank for a loan.

“This unique and innovative joint effort between the Schools of Dentistry and Business and the Washington Dental Service was designed to meet a critical need in dental education,” states Dean Robertson. Knudson is proud of the fact that no other dental school in the U.S. offers a similar course. “We’re getting quite a bit of recognition in the country. People call up and ask us what we’re doing. We got a letter recently from the Harvard Dental School, wanting to know more about the program. It’s really a pioneering effort, and we hope that some of this will affect the curriculum of the dental school.”

Several things make “Dentist as CEO” unique. “It’s much more interactive between the faculty and the students than the typical continuing education course,” says Knudson.





“Students have lots of opportunities to interact among themselves, because we limit class size to 50 people. Typically in continuing education, you might have 200 or 300 in a section. People just sit and listen to a lecture.”

“Another way we’re different is that we have four days of teaching, but each class session is separated by a month. That gives participants a chance to think about what’s going on in their practices. They have some



very substantial homework to complete. Everybody does it. It’s a lot of work, but they finish it.”

Maybe the reason the homework gets done is that it is grounded in real life.

“The key thing is that participants are always working with their own practices,” explains Knudson. “Instead of saying, ‘Here are some numbers from a fictitious dental practice,’ we have them use their own practices. That way they’re more interested. They develop goals and objectives for themselves.”

There’s also plenty of encouragement and follow-up. “Our faculty is electronically linked to the participants,” says Knudson. “We have a

chat room on the Internet between sessions, so when participants are back home, we can talk to them on the Internet...and they can talk to each other.”

Dr. Wallace Volz (DDS ’63), a member of the first course said, “The course made me sit down and realize what I should have been doing the last 33 years — setting goals, becoming focused on where I want to go, and settling down to a plan of action. Since I took the course, I’ve changed quite a few things about my practice.”

Dr. Thomas Mitchell (DDS ’72), a 20-year veteran with a five-chair general practice in Bellevue, felt a definite need for the course. “It’s taught by business people, not dentists who claim to be business people,” he says. “It’s not just a successful dentist teaching you how to practice, but business professors helping you set up business plans. You can put the information to use immediately, and they show you how to do it.

Dr. Patti Kashiwa (DDS ’85), who operates a four-chair general practice in Bothell, describes the course as excellent. “Everyone was very candid. You not only benefited from the professors, but from the other students. Like the other dentists surveyed, Kashiwa feels her practice, as well as her self-knowledge, has improved since she took the class. “I’ve been more focused in regards to a business plan and staff interaction,” she says. “I’ve learned more about myself and what my strengths and weaknesses are as a leader and business owner.”

Washington Dental Service provided funds for the development of this unique program as well as 10 one-thousand dollar scholarships for dentists who have been in practice less than five years.

Dentists interested in this course can contact Continuing Dental Education at (206) 543-5448 for more information.

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UW Researchers Study the Safety of Mercury Amalgam in Children

Nearly 150 years since dentists started using mercury in fillings, researchers at the University of Washington School of Dentistry are beginning one of the first studies specifically aimed at determining whether such fillings are safe for children.

Seattle



Lisbon



The study, supported by a \$4.1 million grant from the National Institute of Dental Research, will be performed by UW and University of Lisbon researchers in Lisbon, Portugal, and involve testing 500 children—patients most likely to be affected by low-level mercury exposure.

Principal Investigator Timothy DeRouen, chair of Dental Public Health Sciences and professor of biostatistics at the UW, said by monitoring a wide range of possible health effects and using a well-suited study population, the study will provide the first reliable findings about the safety of mercury amalgams, a topic scientists have been debating for decades.

“This study is designed to settle the controversy over whether the most commonly-used dental material in the world, mercury amalgam, has even subtle health

effects associated with its use in children,” DeRouen said.

DeRouen notes that sparse research into mercury amalgams is of concern since millions of people are being exposed to a known toxin. Yet, since dental amalgam is the least expensive, longest-lasting dental filling material for chewing surfaces, banning its use without good reason would have severe consequences, including an increase in the cost of dental care and, consequently, a likely decrease in dental care for the poor.

Children involved in the study will be students aged 8 to 10 enrolled in the Casa Pia School System in Lisbon, which serves disadvantaged children. The school was selected as an ideal site since children tested will have no prior exposure to levels of mercury or lead that might interfere with study results, are in need of substantial

dental care and can be easily tracked during the study period. Additionally, the study will draw on the UW’s longstanding collaboration with University of Lisbon researchers, who will assist in the study.

The known effects of high-level exposure to mercury include kidney damage and a variety of neurological problems such as decreased verbal skills, insomnia, fatigue, gastrointestinal problems, muscle tremors, mood swings and memory disturbances. Little is known about health effects of low-level exposure to mercury.

To access possible health effects on study participants, a team of UW experts in fields including dentistry, toxicology, biostatistics, oral medicine, neurology and epidemiology will administer extensive behavioral and neurological tests before and after subjects receive dental treatment either with or without mercury amalgams.

Additionally, urine samples will be collected on a regular basis and examined for mercury level. The study will follow subjects for five years.

Dental amalgam, which is approximately 50 percent mercury, is the standard material used for dental restorations. Approximately 100 million persons have amalgam fillings in the United States alone. Some controversial studies have suggested dental amalgams could be

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the cause for various diseases, ranging from mild skin conditions to debilitating neuromuscular diseases. However, reports from the Public Health Service (1993) and Food and Drug Administration Panel (1991) found no reliable evidence suggesting a harmful effect of amalgams, although they stressed the need for research programs looking for long-term biological effects.

"Because there has been a lack of clear and consistently demonstrated health effects, dental amalgams are assumed to be safe; however, this safety issue continues to be hotly debated," DeRouen said.

In addition to the UW School of Dentistry, the NIH awarded a similar study grant to the New England Research Institutes in Boston, Mass.

— Julie Rathbun

Pacific Northwest Dental Conference Approaches

The Washington State Convention and Trade Center will again be the site of this premier event, scheduled for July 16–18, 1997. As one of the largest dental conferences in the country, the PNDC provides the finest educational opportunities available in the Pacific Northwest. We encourage you and your whole office team to participate in this annual event.

Endodontics is a rapidly changing technology with many practitioners becoming concerned about all of the new options available to them and questions about what instruments bring the greatest success. Dr. L. Stephen Buchanan, a recognized leader in this field, will present his celebrated 3D multimedia presentations on "Root Canal Shaping with Variably Tapered Instruments" and "The Art of Endodontics."

In today's world with appearance so highly valued, dental patients are more demanding about the esthetic appearance of their smile. The dental practitioner, challenged to create the perfect smile, will learn the latest techniques from Dr. Frank M. Spear. He is highly sought for his advice and guidance in esthetic problem-solving. Don't miss his presentation, "Comprehensive Esthetics."

Learn what new materials are available to create that esthetically pleasing smile. Meet Dr. Alan A. Boghostan, the Gordon J. Christensen Recognition Award winner, when he presents "Adhesive Restorative Materials and Composite Finishing" and "Dental Materials and Clinical Techniques Used in Fixed Prosthodontics." His winning techniques are applauded by the dental profession.

A cohesive dental team will increase performance and help retain patients. Learn the keys to creating a positive office atmosphere by attending the "Team Building Panel" offered at the Conference. Just prior to this lecture is the annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon guaranteed to be a fun activity for your staff to share together. Make the Pacific Northwest Dental Conference a team event!

A Preview Program detailing all of the lectures, workshops and activities is available. The due date for discounted Special Rate Registration is May 28. Registration forms can be found in the Preview Program, and we encourage you to take advantage of the ease and simplicity of registering in advance of the event. Should you have any questions, please contact Leila McConnell, Manager of Convention Services at (206) 448-1914 or (800) 448-3368.

Beginning A Practice Event a Hit

The UW Dental Alumni Association's "Beginning A Practice" program took place in the Meany Tower Hotel Ballroom on Thursday, January 23, 1997. The event was for 3rd and 4th year dental students at the University of Washington. Ross Drangsholt, the Alumni President, was the chair for this event. Eighty-five students and guests attended this year's program and it was fun for all. A delicious buffet dinner was served followed by a build-your-own sundae bar. Four UW graduates took part in the program as they told their stories about getting started in dentistry, ethics, their tips, the do's and don'ts, and just generally answered the questions most often asked by the dental students as to what their options are after graduation. This year's speakers were Don Compaan (class of 1954), Ross Drangsholt (class of 1992), Steve Waterman (class of 1982) and Carrie York (class of 1991). Each had their own experiences and perspectives and related well to the dental students. All four stayed after the program to answer individual questions. It was a very successful Alumni-sponsored event.





CLASS NOTES

UPCOMING CLASS REUNIONS

CLASS OF 1957

Jerry Worden is coordinating the 40th year reunion gala. It will be held at the Rainier Golf and Country Club in Seattle on Friday evening, July 18, 1997. Prices are \$20 a person, \$40 per couple. Contact Dr. Worden at 206-481-8544 for more details.

CLASS OF 1962

Yale Malkin is organizing a 35-year reunion to be held in Whistler, B.C., June 5-8. Contact him at 604-879-7141.

CLASS OF 1967

Chester Woodside, Class of 1967 Alumni Representative, announces that the class will hold their 30-year reunion on September 12, 1997. Plans are in the works for a golf tournament as well as a tour of the dental school. Contact him at 206-323-6555 for more details.



Ray Iverson and Frederic Henninger bask in the gorgeous Alaskan landscape.

CLASS OF 1953

John Perrodin 10338 Oso Avenue, Chatsworth, CA 91311 (irnman@aol.com) "Enjoy retirement and my four grandchildren. I still try to stay active with running and bicycling. Had a great seven days riding Cycle Oregon IX with my daughter, Betsy, in September. Try to run a couple or three marathons or triathlons a year and do volunteer work for the Los Angeles Police Department. The days go by very fast—I really had fun doing dentistry for 39 years, but—retirement is wonderful.

CLASS OF 1954

Norman Chaney 612 Country Club Dr., Yakima, WA 98901-1517, fully retired as of March 1996.

Robert D. Gross 3354 E. Laurelhurst Dr. N.E., Seattle, WA 98105 (206/524-2410) attended the International Geri dental Convocation in Berlin, Germany and met with Geri odontists from many countries with similar problems in long-term care dental treatment concerns...the greatest unmet need in dentistry today.

CLASS OF 1956

Frederick Brown 807 179th Court N.E., Bellevue, WA 98008. "I'm still working in Renton. My youngest daughter is in the University of Washington Medical School and doing great. I still have my plane—a cessna turbo 210—and ski at Sun Valley, and sail and waterski at my beach house on Whidbey Island. Tried retiring to my condo in Hawaii but did not like it. The Northwest is better."

CLASS OF 1957

Frederic Henninger 850 S. E. Ireland St., Oak Harbor, WA 98277-2944 "I sold the dental practice on April 30 to Gordon Keyes ('92), through the Alumni POPS practitioner

database. Gordon really got off to a fast start which is necessary when you have 6 kids to feed.

On May 10th, Ray Iverson ('57) arranged a pleasure-boat trip of a lifetime to Southeast Alaska for 20 days. Some guys really understand how to retire! I had always worried about hepatitis, but Ray assured me that our livers were sterilized and preserved.

I'm still taking P.G. courses but now the subject is tennis instruction. Dentistry was really great!"

Roy Velling 12250 Marine View Dr. S.W., Seattle, WA 98146 welcomes his son Jerry into his West Seattle practice to join brother Mike (DDS '91) and sister Molly (BS, RDH '88).

CLASS OF 1961

Robert McAlpine 59 Rock Ridge, Black Tusk Village, Whistler, B.C. Canada V0N 1B1 "I have retired to Whistler, B.C. and I practice as an associate one day a week (Fridays) and look after weekend emergencies just to keep myself busy. I am also deputy fire chief for our little area outside of Whistler. Life is only beginning."

Roger Meyer 5204 Cardinal Chase, Smyrna, GA 30082-3376 "I married Sheila Mary Hanley on September 29, 1996. Honeymooned in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. Life begins anew!"

CLASS OF 1962

John T. McGwire 2329 Siena Ct., Claremont, CA 91711 (909/621-3113). "I have just hired my first Associate, long-time patient Steve Szarzynski (DDS June 1993, U.O.P. graduate). I am extensively involved in Implant Dentistry and full mouth rehab.

My son Mark is entering his final year of a five year contract with the Oakland Athletics. If he stays healthy he will try and break Roger Maris' single season H.R. record in 1997. My

son Mike (double Ph.D. and MBA) recently relocated to Michigan for business. My son Bob is an "in-house contractor" for Western University of the Health Sciences in Pomona. My son Dan still lives in Redmond, Wash. after four years with the Seattle Seahawks and two years with the Miami Dolphins. He hopes to play QB for another NFL team in 1997. My son Jay is a professional bodybuilder; he was a 1996 contestant in the Mr. California Contest. John and Ginger are looking forward to seeing all 1962 Grads at our reunion in June 1997 in Whistler, B.C.

CLASS OF 1964

James L. Lord 10212 5th Ave. #240, Seattle, WA 98125-7452 was elected to the Board of Directors of the American College of Prosthodontists, President-Elect of the Academy of Prosthodontics, and as Legislative Director of the Washington State Dental Association.

CLASS OF 1969

Jerald D. Bates 13515 N.E. 175th St. #A, Woodinville, WA 98072 celebrated 25 years of practice at the same location in Woodinville, Wash. in July 1996.

CLASS OF 1970

Louis Fiset Dental Public Health Sciences, University of Washington, Box 357475, Seattle, WA 98195-7475 (206/543-2034), Affiliate Associate Professor at the dental school, has long been a student of Japanese-American history and has a book forthcoming this fall from the University of Washington Press on the World War II experience of Seattle's Japanese community. It is entitled "Imprisoned Apart: The World War II Correspondence of An Issei Couple." He is currently at work on a second book, which will focus on the history of the Puyallup Assembly Center, where nearly 7,000 Seattle residents of Japanese ancestry were incarcerated in 1942.

CLASS OF 1973

Robert Stephan W. 731 Indiana Ave., Spokane, WA 99205. "Practice focus—Biological dentistry. Hobbies: Kayaking (5th trip to the West Coast of Vancouver Island, B.C.) Motorcycle touring—4,000+ miles last year. Golf—endless pursuit. Mountain biking—Moob, Utah. Still enjoying the practice of dentistry. Work hard—play hard.

CLASS OF 1979

John P. Depner Dental Department, USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70), FPO AP 96629-2840. "After nearly 18 years, I'll be returning to the Pacific Northwest

with the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, as she changes home port to Bremerton, WA in early 1997. Currently a commander in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps, I'm Senior Dental Officer, leading a department of four other dentists and 14 dental technicians, including Dr. Jeff Ant (Class of 1994). Plan to move Francie and our two daughters Julie (age 9) and Kelly (age 7) to the area in June. Looking forward to seeing many old acquaintances!"

Robert P. Parker Jr. S. 1424 Bernard, Spokane, WA 99203 (509/747-7166) "I'd like to say hello to my classmates from 1979. I'm living in Spokane and still practicing with my classmate Jim Sledge. In February 1996 I was elected to the Board of Directors of Washington Dental Service. My three children are ages 15, 12 and 9. Combined with two stepchildren ages 20 and 18, my wife Sharry and I have a fairly busy household.

James N. Sledge S. 1424 Bernard, Spokane, WA 99203 (509/747-7166) was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Washington Dental Service Foundation.

CLASS OF 1981

Knute Hernas c/o Worldwide Ministries, 100 Witherspoon St., Louisville, KY 40202-1396 "My wife, Lynn, our children Jonathan (9) and Emma (8) and I are completing our third year in Africa on June 14, 1997. I am serving as Director of the Dental Training Program of the I.M.C.K., a Christian medical institute in Kananga, Zaire. The program provides four months of training in Primary Oral Health Care for 2-3 nurses three times per year, and gives an additional 9 months in Restorative Dentistry for one previously trained nurse each year. These "dental nurses" then return to their local dispensaries or hospitals and provide basic services in education, prevention, infection control and referral, as well as direct restorations in some areas. Lynn is kept very busy at home teaching our two children and the 11- and 12-year old daughters of a missionary pilot and his wife. We plan on being back in the States for a 6-month furlough and then off again for another 3-year tour, God willing."

CLASS OF 1987

Kyoko Awamura 1515 116th Ave. NE, Ste. 206, Bellevue, WA 98004 (206/454-5114). "I started a specialty practice in Pediatric Dentistry. My office is located next to the Overlake Hospital in Bellevue. My phone number should not change for at least ten years!"

HONOR GRADUATES IN DENTISTRY

The Office of the Registrar has confirmed the final rankings and the names of the top ten percent of the graduating class of 1996. To mark this distinction, the 1996 graduates listed below will have the words "With Honor" inscribed on their diplomas.

Todd Adams
James Bagley
Matthew Binns
Kristine Grace
Charlie Hall
Charlie Hall graduated with the highest grade-point average and will receive the Alpha Omega Scholarship Award for his achievements.

CLASS OF 1988

Kevin K. Kay 4444 N.E. Sunset Blvd., Ste. 3, Renton, WA 98059. "I'll be celebrating my seventh year of practice in Renton this year as well as my first wedding anniversary this coming April 20th. My wife, Janet, is originally from Spokane."

CLASS OF 1994

Peter Barwick (Ortho. 1994) P.O. Box 729, Woollahra, Sydney NSW 2025 Australia. Phone & Fax: (612-9337-6112). "I'm starting my own practice in Sydney, January 1997. Just up the road from our beautiful opera house and Harbor Bridge. I encourage all of you to consider coming down under for the 2000 Olympics—it's only three years away so start making plans! Presently also working on jazz C.D. with my quartet—I play trumpet. Also, I have my own jazz radio program one morning a week. Any visitors to Sydney are welcome to get in touch with me.

CLASS OF 1996

Dodi Nov 1515 116th Ave. N.E., Suite #305, Bellevue, WA 98004 "I have joined the practice of Jim Rosenwald DDS, FAGD who has been in practice in Bellevue for about 26 years. We moved into our new space that we had built in late November (it's nice and new!) I've really enjoyed it; I'm working four to five days a week here and then teaching at the U every Thursday."



Dr. Karen Sakuma (DDS '79) meets with UW dental students at the Mentor Picnic held on November 1.

The mentor program matches willing dentists with dental students as a means of enriching the dental student years and fostering professional networking. The program is always in need of mentor dentists; those who are interested in participating should contact Madonna Dunn at the Washington State Dental Association, 206-448-1914.



NATIONAL SPIT TOBACCO EDUCATION PROGRAM (NSTEP)

Channel 5, along with several other local stations, covered the launching of the local phase of the National Spit Tobacco Education Program (NSTEP) at the Mariners vs. Royals baseball game on August 14, 1996. The Mariners joined state health care organizations to "hit home" the message that spit tobacco use is dangerous. The University of Washington Department of Pediatric Dentistry hosted the 1996 NSTEP promotion in Washington State.

In Memoriam

Winston A. Heacock died on September 21, 1996 at 78 years of age.

Dr. Heacock was born on November 13, 1917 in Seattle to Ralph and Valora Scott Heacock. He graduated from White Salmon (Wash.) High School in 1935 and worked for years in the logging industry.

On Oct. 10, 1942, he married Virginia Swantz in Lincoln, Neb. He had joined the U.S. Army Air Corps a day after the bombing of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. He earned his navigation wings and commission and went to England at Rattlesden, Suffolk County with the B-17 heavy bomber crews.

He flew 25 missions before his leave to the United States, then returned as a squad training officer in England and flew 37 missions altogether, until the war in Europe ended. He spent the next 1½ years in the service flying air transport command. He advanced to the rank of major and earned many honors including France's top honor, the Croix de Guerre.

He graduated in 1952 from the University of Washington School of Dentistry, and was very proud to have been one of the early graduates of the "new" dental school. Dr. Heacock moved to Walla Walla that year and joined Dr. Albert von Nahmen in his practice at the Drumheller Building. He moved his practice in the early '60s to a clinic at 120 E. Birch St. and retired in August 1980.

He was a charter member of Eastgate Lions Club, a member of Elks Lodge, Blue Mountain Lodge No. 13, Scottish Rite, Blue Mountain Shrine Club, El Katif Temple and played musette in the Blue Mountain Shrine Club Oriental Band. He was a life member of the American Dental Association, and a past president of both the Walla Walla Valley Dental Society and the Walla Walla Valley Camera Club.

He was a member and ruling elder of the First Presbyterian Church and a member of the Walla Walla Country Club.

He volunteered twice weekly at a local hospital for seven years and was an avid fly-fisherman. The couple traveled extensively, including to Australia, New Zealand, England and France. He did the crossword puzzles in ink, enjoyed photography, woodcarving, leaded glass work and tying flies. He also enjoyed camping, hiking, gardening, golfing and baseball.

Dr. Heacock is survived by his wife Virginia of 54 years; a daughter, Cathy Meiners of Portland; a son, Craig Heacock of Philadelphia; two brothers, Richard Heacock of Vancouver, Wash., and Robert Heacock of Seaside, Ore.; and three grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children in Spokane or a charity of the donor's choice.

Paul Howard Stephens (MSD Ortho. '52) of Eugene, Oregon passed away on November 26, 1996. He was born on December 19, 1911, in Hamilton, Montana to Arthur and Ruth Stephens. He grew up in Montana, where he attended high school. Stephens married Evelyn Berg in Missoula, Montana on December 22, 1941.

Stephens served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He attended the Oregon Dental School and earned a master's degree in Orthodontics from the University of Washington in 1952. After receiving this degree, he moved to Eugene, Oregon, where he worked as an Orthodontist for 25 years. He was a member of the Eugene Country Club, the Hillah Temple Shrine, Anaconda and the Montana Masonic Lodge. Stephens was a lifelong member of the Eugene Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Phillip of Salem; two grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Emmett J. Warren (DDS '62) of Phoenix, Arizona passed away on November 26, 1996.

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