Hello to all my IUPDAA friends,

How can it be? Surely I am not the only one who feels like it was only yesterday. For me it has been 26 years since I finished my residency program and started my practice.

Now is the day of sixth generation bonding agents and third generation patients. Not a day goes by that I do not realize how fortunate I am to have received my training in pediatric dentistry from the Indiana University School of Dentistry and Riley Children’s Hospital.

That feeling is so greatly reinforced each time I am reunited with my IU alumni colleagues. Nothing reinforces that sense of pride more than the privilege of attending our biennial alumni meetings. Our meeting this past June was no exception. The scientific portion by Dr. Ron Bell and that by our own residents was excellent.

Our awards dinner held at the Woodstock Club in Indianapolis honoring Dr. Dave Avery as the IUPDAA Distinguished Alumnus was extraordinary. The very special bond evident among those in attendance and the humility so obviously exhibited by those in our organization who are and have been at the forefront of our specialty make me know that there is no group that exists in the profession of dentistry that compares to the Indiana University Pediatric Alumni Association.

We have some exciting plans for the future. As you may know the AAPD Annual Meeting will be held May 2008 in Washington, D.C. Jim Weddell has confirmed our hospitality suite in the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. As more details become available with regard to the suite activities, information will be made available. Plans are in progress for our next biennial meeting to be held in conjunction with the 2009 AAPD Annual Meeting in Hawaii. More information will follow in our next newsletter.

A very important part of the support for our alumni association and our student programs comes from our annual donations. In the next few weeks you will be receiving your annual donation letter. Please be generous with your support.

Most importantly I would like to ask all of our alumni to join us. Nothing that I do rejuvenates me professionally like reconnecting with my IU friends. I am not asking anyone to volunteer for an office or donate any extra money. Just join us in celebrating what we have.

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David R. Avery Named the 2007 Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry Distinguished Alumnus Award Recipient

David R. Avery has given nearly four decades of service and expertise to Indiana University School of Dentistry and to the profession. He has taught and mentored thousands of students, served as a dedicated and versatile administrator, and contributed to the life of the school on committees too numerous to mention.

Dr. Avery retired in 2005 as Director of Pediatric Dentistry, a post he held since 1993. He is a former Chairman of the Division of Undergraduate Pedodontics (1970-1976), Chairman of Pediatric Dentistry (1976-1993), Director of Postdoctoral Pediatric Dentistry (1976-1998), and Director of Riley Dental Clinic (1997-1999).

Dr. Avery holds an undergraduate degree from Purdue University. At Indiana University, he earned a D.D.S. and an M.S.D. degree in pediatric dentistry, dental materials and dental education in 1971. He joined the School of Dentistry faculty in 1970 and attained the rank of professor in 1979. In 2002, the Indiana University Board of Trustees appointed him the first Ralph E. McDonald Professor of Pediatric Dentistry.

He has served in many key advisory and consulting positions for seven national dental organizations and was named a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in 1978. He is widely published and is the co-author (with Ralph E. McDonald and Jeffrey A. Dean) of the well-regarded textbook Dentistry for the Child and Adolescent, which has been published in six languages. Dr. Avery has presented at more than 165 meetings in the United States and 17 foreign countries. He has been a Visiting Professor at Chulalongkorn and Prince of Songkla Universities in Thailand and at Osaka Dental University in Japan.

The Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Association was proud to present David R. Avery with the 2007 Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Association Distinguished Alumnus Award at the Biennial Dinner in June.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Mark Your Calendar for the 2008 IUPDAA Alumni Suite in Washington D.C. on May 22-25, 2008. Jim Weddell, the AAPD Alumni Suite Chairman, has secured a suite for us at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. More information will follow after the first of the year.
Graduate Program Update

by Brian Sanders
Professor of Pediatric Dentistry
Director, Riley Dental Clinic
Director, Advanced Education Program in Pediatric Dentistry

It seems like only yesterday that I was asked to introduce the future class of 2007 and now they have all graduated. Greg Sheppard has gone into private practice in Litchfield Park, Arizona. Matt Lahair has moved back to Massachusetts and in private practice. Lisa Leniski is practicing in Topeka, Indiana at the Amish Dental Clinic. Tamara (Gierke) Button has moved to Bangor, Maine to work at the Penobscot Community Health Clinic. Joe Guido has gone into practice in Louisville, Colorado and Amy Westerman who is in the Air Force is now stationed in Aviano, Italy. This is the last class that will not be required to complete their master’s projects in conjunction with their certificate in Pediatric Dentistry but we are proud of the fact that all six have completed their oral defenses and Tamara Button successfully completed her master’s degree prior to graduating. Matt Lahair and Tamara Button were both recipients of the McDonald Research Scholar Award and Greg Sheppard was the recipient of the Baker Award. We wish them the best of luck and hope to see them at the alumni meetings in the future. If you run into any of them, remind them that I still want them to submit their research and get their master’s degree.

In our current second year class Diana Kozlowski and Charles Fuhrer both received the Art Klein Research award that is given to the first year resident(s) that has made the greatest progress towards their research. The rest of the group, Sam Bullard, Brad Dawson, John Patangan and Danielle Haman-Smith are hard at work and should have begun their projects by the time this goes to print.

Our new first years have successfully completed their summer courses. Dr. Lisa Porapaiboon is a 2004 graduate of Indiana University. She completed a GPR residency at Indiana University and most recently has come from private practice in Colorado. Her sister Kim Porapaiboon was a 2004 graduate of our Residency Program. Dr. Amy Nguyen is a 2007 graduate of UCLA and doing a remarkable job finding her way around Indiana. Dr. Cody Hughes is a 2007 graduate of UNLV and recently admitted that he “bet” that we would accept him into our program. Dr. Lauren Weddell is a 2007 graduate of Indiana University and daughter of Dr. Jim Weddell, a 1979 graduate of the Indiana program and currently a full time faculty member of Indiana University. Lauren has graciously agreed to help her dad master all of the residents’ names during their residency. Last but not least is Marc Ditto who is also a 2007 graduate of Indiana University and the son of Ron Ditto, a 1973 graduate of Indiana University. Ron has recently started volunteering to come down and help teach in the residency program (but we suspect it’s really to make sure we’re not too hard on Marc).
James Jones Named Department Chair
by Ralph McDonald

Dr. James Jones has been appointed Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the School of Dentistry and Riley Hospital. He has an excellent background having served as Chair of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Tennessee. He also brings expertise from his role as Dean of Health Sciences at Indiana University Purdue University at Fort Wayne where he taught courses to the dental hygiene and allied health students, and served as Dean for 12 years.

In addition to his didactic and administrative duties at Riley, Dr. Jones will endeavor to increase the patient pool in the Pediatric Dentistry Department at the Dental School and assure that pre-doctoral students have a broad experience in providing dental care for children.

Want to know how you can get this IU Pediatric Dental Alumni Bag? Be sure to donate to the AAPD Indian Alumni Suite. We’ve had a lot of requests for purchasing this bag but it is given to donors of the suite only. We want to send one to you next year so please donate to the suite!

Latest News Concerning the 2009 Biennial Meeting
by Leslie Tanimura

Greetings from Oakland, California... home of our nation’s best weather according to a recent news article! I would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey for the 2009 biennial meeting. Your e-mail and snail mail responses have played an integral part in the assiduous planning of our convivial gathering. Approximately 100 replies were received and the preliminary results indicate that the 2009 IUPDAA meeting will be held prior to the AAPD session and at an island other than Oahu. Again, many thanks to those of you who took the time to respond to the survey.

Dean Appointed to New Position
by Ralph McDonald

Dean Larry Goldblatt and the Indiana University Trustees have appointed Dr. Jeffrey Dean to two positions at the School of Dentistry: Executive Associate Dean represents the Dean in supporting, facilitating, coordinating and implementing all programs and activities within the School of Dentistry. He also will assist in facilitating the implementation of the curriculum and work to maintain a sound and productive relationship between faculty and students.

As an Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Dean will be responsible for administrative aspects of faculty recruitment, development, accountability as well as promotion and tenure.

In addition to Dr. Dean’s new administrative responsibilities, he will continue to play a role in the Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program at Riley Hospital. He will continue to teach pediatric dentistry, as well as oversee the orthodontic portion of the resident’s program. This includes the ortho biomechanics portion of the technique course and the orthodontics portion of their clinic experience. Good luck and God speed as you continue your responsibilities.

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In closing I would like to share with you one of my favorite verses from James Whitcomb Riley’s Old Fashioned Roses:

“We say and we say and we say
We promise, engage and declare
Til a year from tomorrow is yesterday
And yesterday is... where?”

Very sincerely,
JBB
2007 Biennial Dinner

Jim Roche, Brian Lee, Ron Bell, and Chuck Poland enjoy a moment together.

Brian Sanders presents graduate Amy Westerman her certificate.

Jeff Dean with Paul Starkey

Jeff Dean speaks to attendees.

Ron Bell receives congratulations and appreciation from Jenny Stigers for his excellent lecture presentation.

Chuck Kerkhove presents golf award to resident John Patrangon.

Ralph inducts new board of IUPDAA: Barry Burgess, Leslie Tanimura, Bill Keaty, Jim Weddell, Chad Hazelrigg, Vickie Hemann, and Chuck Poland

Jenny Stigers presents Dave Avery with the IUPDAA Distinguished Alumnus Award.

President Jenny Stigers addresses audience.

President Barry Burgess presents Jenny Stigers with a thank you gift for a job well done.

Paul Starkey acknowledging the fundraising efforts for the Paul E. Starkey Endowed Research Professorship in Pediatric Dentistry
Cecil Spencer Tribute

by Becky Donnelson

Ms. Cecil Spencer was a true “character.” She left us this summer after ninety-six and one half interesting and productive years. Many of us first knew this strong independent lady as a demanding teacher in the Riley Dental Clinic ortho lab. Secondly, she became a great friend, a counselor and a psychoanalyst to several of us. She was a great listener and had an opinion about everything.

In the 1950’s, Cecil made her home in Speedway, Indiana “track side” and lived there with Snoopy the cat until Easter Sunday of this year. She actually loved all the chaos and excitement from the track and always welcomed the noise and visitors each year. She was quite a site in her A.J. Foyt baseball cap pushing her “Cadillac” (walker) around her neighborhood.

Cecil had so many varied interests with an added bonus of years of experience perfecting these interests! She loved to garden and was able to raise wonderful flowers and a great deal of her own food. Cecil’s vine ripened tomatoes, Thelma’s famous bread and butter pickles and Betty Kalyavas’ sweets are part of my fond memories of the “working lunches” in the McClure Conference Room. And, how many of us are still wearing socks, hats, scarves and sweaters “Made with Love, by Cecil”? Cecil perfected my crocheting skills, knitted lots of her own clothes and provided countless Afghans for friends, relatives and former students! “Active fingers don’t get arthritis, you know!”

Being a voracious reader (non fiction preferred) and a world traveler made her somewhat an expert on politics and geography. Cecil was able to travel extensively to almost every continent. Her world map filled with stick pins denoting her travel destinations was one of her prized possessions. Color slides and lots of stories were available for review for most of these trips. She listened to several varied news broadcasts and debate shows on Sundays and dissected an Israeli newspaper weekly to keep up on what was happening internationally.

Cecil never forgot the residents that she helped teach. She doted on “her boys” and …some of the girls were ok too! Unusual procedures such as cleft obturators, burn appliances and mouth sticks for quadriplegics were part of her lab repertoire.

In return for this outstanding training, she managed to gain the true respect and admiration from her students. She helped most of us with the set up and training of our office labs. Each card, letter and family picture that we sent forwarded our office parties, Holiday celebrations, kids’ graduation festivities, weddings and even funerals. We will miss this lady and can be sure we were better for knowing her.

Cecil Spencer 96, passed away June 25, 2007. Cecil was born in Archie, MO in 1911 to James K. and Mary McDonnell. After high school, she moved to New York to continue her education, becoming one of the first certified dental technicians in the country. In 1954, she relocated to Speedway, IN, where she lived for the remainder of her life. Her beloved brother, J.H. McDonnell his wife Marie, and several nieces and nephews still reside in Drexell and Raymore, MO. Her husband, Mr. Spencer, her sister, Georgia Bosley and her parents, J.K. and Mary McDonnell, preceded her in death. Cecil influenced the life and career of many pediatric dentists that she helped train at Riley Hospital’s Childrens Dental Clinic. As a teacher of laboratory procedures, she helped develop the skills of the residents she taught and boost the confidence and well-being of the patients they served. Solutions for complicated problems of children with developmental defects and serious illness were tackled, tested, and taught in her lab under the guidance of the director Dr. W.B. Davis.

Students that she influenced now are practicing from the east coast to Hawaii. Through a program at Marion College, Cecil also helped visiting Japanese students develop their English skills while becoming comfortable with American customs. Cecil was a member of St. Michael’s Church, a prolific gardener, master knitter, cat lover, expert on world affairs and, until close to her death, dedicated water aerobics participant. Although Cecil had traveled to most every country in the world, she loved Indiana and its change of seasons. The “Month of May” in Speedway delighted her, and mention of “Foyt or Nascar” would light up her eyes! The campers that returned each race season to stay in her yard were one of her pleasures. A celebration service will be held at St. Michael’s, 3354 W. 30th St., Indianapolis, at 11 a.m. on August 25, 2007.

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San Antonio Fun

Phil Miller, Barry Burgess, and Kevin Hale

Keith and Cathy Roberts

Joe and Cynthia Forgey

Phil Miller provided some of our entertainment!

Cathy Roberts with our photographer and alumnus George Krull. Thanks George for the pictures.

Phil and Laura Miller

Donna and Randy Bumgardner

Swati Singh with husband Sam Bullard

Bill and Phyllis Keaty
### IUPDAA Auction and Raffle

**2007 AAPD Meeting in San Antonio**

*(A special thanks to all the donors of raffle and auction items and to our members that purchased tickets.)*

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*Our young alumni!*
Resident Life

by Charlie Fuhrer, Chief Resident

It has been a great start to the residency year at Riley Hospital. The new residency class is busy getting their feet wet in the clinic while the second year residents are honing their skills in pediatric dentistry. We are excited for what the year has in store for us.

I thought I would take the opportunity to introduce the first year residents and give you an update on the second year residents.

First Year Residents:

Marc Ditto – Marc is a first year resident from Lafayette, IN and is the son of Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry residency alumni Ron Ditto. Marc is an avid golfer and spends his time away from the clinic with his wife and one year old son. He has been studying hard for his classes, but did find time to recently show off his dancing skills at the Jimmy Buffet concert with some of his fellow residents.

Cody Hughes – First year resident from the sunny state of Nevada. A gambler at heart, he is still trying to shake all of the bad habits he picked up at the UNLV dental school. He spends his time away from Riley with his wife and two year old daughter when not golfing with Marc Ditto. He also loves Hollywood gossip and aspires to be a member of the paparazzi if this dental thing doesn’t work out.

Amy Nguyen – Hailing from UCLA, Amy has traveled the furthest distance to become a resident at Riley Hospital. She is making the transition from Los Angeles to Indianapolis quite well, but finds it a bit quiet. Amy has been experiencing “Hoosier hospitality,” first hand, from the difficult patients generously handed down to her from the past graduating class.

Lisa Porapiaboon – A graduate of Indiana University School of Dentistry, Lisa has been working in private practice in Colorado for the last several years. She is the sister of Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry residency graduate Kim Porapiaboon. Lisa is missing the outdoors of Colorado, but is happy to be close to family and friends again in Indiana.

Lauren Weddell – Another Indiana grad, Lauren is the daughter of Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry residency alumni and staff member James Weddell. She is an avid runner and is contemplating participating in a triathlon. She is truly enjoying her nights on call. In her ever depleting time away from the clinic, she likes to spend time with her dogs.

Second Year Residents:

Sam Bullard – Sam is another of our illustrious IUSD grads. He is the husband of a recent graduate from the Indiana University Pediatric Dentistry residency, Swati Singh. When not rooting on the Irish during football season, Sam and Swati enjoy spending time with their son. Sam is planning to practice in Indianapolis after graduation.

Brad Dawson – Brad also comes to us from the dental program at UNLV (yes, we were lucky enough to get two). He and his wife have recently welcomed a second son into their family. When not trying to catch up on his sleep, he enjoys Yankee baseball, Cowboy football, and the pursuit to become dual trained (ortho/pedo).

Charlie Fuhrer – I hail from Indiana University School of Dentistry, and I am still wondering how I was allowed into the Pediatric Dental Program. My wife and I are expecting our first child in early February and are very excited. I am still undecided on practice opportunities after graduation, but I want to stay in Indiana.

Diana Kozlowski – Diana comes to us from Indiana University School of Dentistry. She and her husband (who is a resident with the endodontic program) have recently purchased their first house in the Indianapolis area. When not enjoying ortho Thursdays, she spends time with her dog, Doc. She is undecided about her future after graduation, but is interested in staying in Indiana, or doing extensive amounts of mission work.

John Patangan – John is our lone military person (Navy), and comes to us from the Tufts University dental program. John had done some world traveling before coming back to a residency program and last called San Diego home. John enjoys golf when not spending time with his wonderful wife. He will most likely spend the next few years after graduation assigned to Okinawa for the Navy.

Danielle Haman-Smith – Danielle is a graduate of the University of Louisville dental school. Danielle and her husband are expecting their first addition to their family as well (there must be something in the water). When not spending time split between Louisville (where her husband is a general practice dentist) and Indianapolis, she enjoys running and spending time with her dogs. Danielle is looking at Colorado for a possible location to practice after graduation.

We as residents would like to thank the Alumni Association for the generosity shown in sponsoring so many activities and events. Without your support, we would not be able to have the great opportunities to learn and associate within the pediatric dental community. We hope we can continue to uphold the legacy of the pediatric dental program at Indiana University.

Brian Lee, Chet Coccia, and Stan Herman at the Biennial Conference continuing education.

Ralph McDonald holds Our Tree statue.