Attention Staff and Faculty:

The Annual College of Dentistry Staff and Faculty Appreciation Ice Cream Social has been rescheduled! It will be held Tuesday, August 26, 2008 2-4 pm in the Filling Station. Canned goods and paper products will also be collected for the Crisis Center.

Rosemary Stanley to Receive the 2008 University of Iowa Outstanding Staff Award

Rosemary Stanley, supervisor of Radiology Services, OPRM, will be one of the recipients of the University of Iowa Outstanding Staff Award for 2008. The Regents Staff Excellence Award recognizes staff members who have significantly benefited the University of Iowa, brought honor or recognition to the University, and who have had a significant positive impact on the State of Iowa.

Rosemary will be recognized at a Faculty/Staff Awards Banquet on October 7, 2008.

Recent Publications


Lend a Hand to a Co-Worker

Dr. Paula Weistroffer, a clinical assistant professor in Periodontics, is finally getting a kidney transplant! Because she is a relatively new faculty, she has exhausted her sick leave and vacation due to the surgery and recovery period. Anyone wishing to help Paula by contributing vacation time may pick up a catastrophic leave donation form from Diane Dautremont (S450) or by going to http://www.uiowa.edu/hr/benefits/forms/contrib.pdf. Once the form is completed, please send it to the Benefits Office, USB. Any contributions of one hour or more on Paula’s behalf are welcome and will be truly appreciated.
FILLING STATION MENU

Monday
Sloppy Joe Sandwich & Chips $3.75
Soup, Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, Sushi & Paninis

Tuesday
BBQ Chicken Sandwich & Chips $3.95
Soup, Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, Sushi & Paninis

Wednesday
BBQ Pork Sandwich & Chips $3.95
Soup, Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, Sushi & Paninis

Thursday
TACO BAR!!!
Cheddar Bacon Chicken Sandwich & Chips $4.95
Soup, Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, Sushi & Paninis

Friday
Macaroni & Cheese $3.50
Mini Beef Steak Burger $1.25
Soup, Salad Bar, Deli, Pizza, Sushi & Paninis

Save the Date!
The 2008 Staff Retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9. Plans are underway for a great day! The day will begin with pastries, coffee, and juice in the Filling Station Dining Room. The rest of the day will consist of two presentations. One will be held in the Paul W. Brechler Press Box (indoor club lounge of Kinnick Stadium), and the second one will be held in Galagan Auditorium. Both presentations will be offered in the morning and in the afternoon, so you may attend both. Lunch catered by the IMU will be served at the Press Box. Specific details will be sent to you soon, so stay tuned!

Several College of Dentistry Faculty and Students Ride RAGBRAI XXXVI

This year’s RAGBRAI XXXVI event began in Missouri Valley, with 8,000 officially registered participants. Dr. Steve Aquilino, Department of Prosthodontics, and Jerry Denehy, Department of Operative Dentistry, spent the first night before the ride began with former Prosthodontics and UI Hospital Dentistry faculty, Dr. Jeff Markt and his wife, Janine, at their new home in Omaha. This year, Dr. Markt rode the first day of RAGBRAI from Missouri Valley to Harlan and then back home.

During various stages of the RAGBRAI route, other College of Dentistry faculty and alumni joined the ride: recently retired Dr. Murray Bouschlicher; Dr. Deb Cobb, Operative Dentistry; Dr. Dan Caplan, Preventive & Community; Dr. Rick Walton, Endodontics, and his wife, Laura; former Prosthodontics resident (’89), Dr. Jose Mondragon and his son, Imanol, who came from Mexico City; and several current Iowa dental students.

During this trip, the Aquilino-Denehy team was usually on the road by 7:30 am so they could arrive at the next overnight stop between 3-5 pm.

Dr. Aquilino reports that the first two days of the ride were very hilly – day one encompassed 58 miles and the second day’s ride was a whopping 83 miles. Fortunately, the temperature was moderate. During their first night’s stop in Harlan, however, there was a severe storm warning that compelled campers, including Drs. Aquilino and Denehy, to wait out the rain, wind and lightning in a nearby quonset hut. When they biked to Jefferson the next day, they observed crop and tree damage from the previous night’s storm.

Food is a must for these hardy bicyclists. Breakfast for Drs. Aquilino and Denehy often included breakfast burritos. They also savored some homemade pies along the route, including bluebarb pie (blueberries/rhubarb) from “Blue Ribbon Pies” (two local women near Scranton who had prepared approximately 200 pies for the hungry riders).

On day three, the intrepid Drs. Denehy and Aquilino rode into Ames wearing their Hawkeye jerseys and received good-natured ribbing from locals. Dr. Denehy’s son, Mike, acquiesced and rode with the old folks on day four from Ames to Tama-Toledo.

Day five’s ride from Tama-Toledo to North Liberty was accompanied by steady drizzle and a bit of head wind. A highlight was stopping in Chelsea to watch the toilet racing (see page 5 of this issue).

On day six, the ride from North Liberty to Tipton included an optional stop in Sutliff where the old wood trestle bridge, built in 1898, had lost a span during the recent June flooding. Bikers continued to their next stopover, Tipton. At this point, the numbers of hungry and thirsty RAGBRAI participants approached an estimated 15,000-20,000.

The last leg of the ride ended in LeClaire, on the Mississippi River. A good time was had by all. (See photos on pages 4-6.)
Kim A. Brogden, Ph.D.
Professor
Department of Periodontics
Dows Institute for Dental Research

Where did you grow up? In Boone, Iowa.

Joined UI faculty: 2004

Professional Interests: Dr. Brogden’s area of research focuses on the basic parameters of defensin-induced adaptive immunity in the oronasal cavity.

How or when did you become interested in microbiology: As a child, I was interested in science and later I considered engineering (waste water treatment) but eventually I became interested in zoology. That choice, however, didn’t seem to offer a good career potential so I chose plant pathology (study of plant pathogens & plant diseases). That led to working at the USDA in Ames while I was a student and later pursuing advanced degrees in microbiology.


Your idea of a perfect meal: Italian hot sausage sandwiches!

If you could visit with three famous people, who would they be: Leonardo da Vinci, Albert Einstein, and Douglas Adams.

If you could travel anywhere in the world: I would go back to Florence, Italy.

Advice for dental students:
Be persistent, have perseverance, and endure – you will overcome all obstacles.
Enjoying some homemade blueberry pie!

Camping in Missouri Valley

RAGBRAI from a different perspective

Elvis Presley impersonator and “the running of the bulls”

Drs. Aquilino and Denehy enjoy their breakfast burritos

A new innovation in voting booths...

Enjoying some homemade blueberry pie!
RAGBRAI 2008 (Continued from page 4)

Left to right: Prosthodontics resident (‘89), Dr. Jose Mondragon; Dr. Aquilino; Imanol Mondragon

Toilet racing in Chelsea, Iowa

A banana bike (Carmen Miranda would be proud!)

Where’s Waldo?

Dr. Denehy and his son, Mike, enjoy a meal

Drs. Aquilino and Bouschlicher pose next to the remains of the Sutliff bridge
Road kill?

Dr. Steve Aquilino with one of the Cornell College sheep (Ramses II?!)