Amber McCarville (Class of 2014) had never been to Guatemala and didn’t speak Spanish. But after hearing about the Iowa Miles of Smiles (MOST) Team mission trip, she wanted to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

On February 7, 2014, a group of 38 volunteers from Iowa, New Jersey, and North Carolina, comprised of pediatricians, two dentists (including Dr. Steve Aquilino, Department of Prosthodontics), anesthesiologists, surgeons, nurses, dental students (including Amber), medical students, and non-medical volunteers, flew to Guatemala City. The trip was an adventure from the start: their flight was delayed for a day.

In Guatemala, the group’s five-hour bus ride to Huehuetenango morphed into a nine-hour ride because of mechanical problems.

The local Huehuetenango hospital, owned by three physicians, was their mission work site. Amber was impressed how well organized the trip was: boxes shipped to the hospital ahead of the group had been already unpacked when the group arrived.

During the week, the MOST team worked twelve-hour days. They stayed at a local hotel and met during breakfast every morning to go over the day’s schedule. Local residents generously provided the group with lunch. Dental procedures for the team included cleft lip and palate repair on children 18 years or younger. Approximately 60 patients were screened daily; the team provided treatment for about 40 patients. Treatments included nearly 100 tooth extractions and the fabrication of 6 obturator/speech
President Mason Visits the College

University of Iowa President Sally Mason visited the College of Dentistry on Thursday, July 10, 2014. During her visit, she attended a luncheon with invited faculty, staff, and students. Later, she attended five faculty and staff presentations, including:

- “Non-Viral Gene Delivery for Bone Tissue Engineering,” by Dr. Satheesh Elangovan, Department of Periodontics
- “Evidence-Based Dentistry,” by Dr. Teresa Marshall, Department of Preventive & Community Dentistry, and Dr. Cheryl Straub-Morarend, Department of Family Dentistry
- “ADEA Directions,” by Dr. Lily Garcia, Dental Administration
- “Retaining New Dentists in Iowa – Office of Iowa Practice Opportunities,” by Ms. Deb Hoyle, Dental Administration
- “Dental Wellness Plan,” by Dr. Michael Kanellis, Clinic Administration.

At an open forum, which was held later in the afternoon, President Mason gave brief introductory remarks, then a question/answer session followed.

Right (Left to right): Dr. Satheesh Elangovan, Periodontics; Debra Hoyle, Dental Administration; Dr. Cheryl Straub-Morarend, Family Dentistry; Dr. Lily Garcia, Dental Administration; Dr. Teresa Marshall, Preventive & Community Dentistry; UI President Sally Mason; and UI Provost Barry Butler.

In memoriam


FACULTY

Veerasathpurush Allareddy, BDS, MBA, MHA, PhD, MMSc, orthodontics, received two Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) scientific awards for the following two studies: “Outcomes of Bone Marrow Transplant Patients with Acute Respiratory Failure Requiring Mechanical Ventilation” and “Pediatric Fatalities at 30,000 Feet: Characterizing Pediatric Deaths on Commercial Airline Flights.”

Kim Brogden, PhD, periodontics and director, Dows, was one of six UI faculty members who received the 2014 Regents Award for Faculty Excellence.

John Casko, DDS, MS, PhD, professor emeritus, orthodontics, received the Albert H. Ketcham Memorial Award, the highest honor given by the American Board of Orthodontics.

Isabelle Denry, DDS, MS, PhD, prosthodontics, was selected by the editors of Dental Materials for recognition of her high quality work as a reviewer. She received the Certificate of Excellence in Reviewing in acknowledgement of her outstanding contribution to the quality of the journal.

Kirk Fridrich, DDS, MS, head of oral and maxillofacial surgery, received the 2014 Donald B. Osbon Outstanding Educator Award from the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.

John Hellstein, DDS, oral pathology, radiology and medicine, was installed as the 68th president of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology.
Leonardo Marchini, DDS, MSD, PhD, preventive & community dentistry, received the Colgate-GABA Award during the European College of Gerodontology (ECG) meeting in June. His presentation was “Bone Metabolism Related Gene Expression in Early Phase of Residual Ridge Resorption in Human Mandibles.” He shared the award with a group of Greek researchers. He was also elected as a counsellor on the ECG Board and will serve three years.

Sreedevi Srinivasan, BDS, ScD, orthodontics, received a one-year $15,000 Orthodontic Faculty Development Fellowship Award from the American Association of Orthodontists Foundation (AAOF).

Cheryl Straub-Morarend, DDS, family dentistry, received the American Dental Education Association's 2012 Olav Alves Award for Outstanding Articles Published in Journal of Dental Education. Previous Iowa recipients of this award have included Elham Kateeb, former dental public health graduate (2013); Karin-Weber Gasparoni, pediatric dentistry (2011); and former operative dentistry graduate (2008), Ana Elashvili.

John Warren, DDS, MS, preventive and community dentistry, was mentor to Elham Kateeb, a former oral science graduate (PhD, 2012), who won the Olav Alves Award for best article published in Journal of Dental Education in 2013.

Rick Williamson, DDS, MS, family dentistry, received the 2014 Outstanding Faculty Advocate Award. He and April Tressler (D4) founded the Professional Student Veterans Group and Allies (PSVGA), which partners with UI student veterans for specific activities throughout the year.

Michael Scalia (’07 Cert. in Prosthodontics) purchased a prosthodontic office in Lawrenceville, New Jersey in April 2013. Runs 5k’s, loves planting (indoors), and enjoys time at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry.

Abby Shannon (’08 DDS, USPHS) transferred from Indian Health Service in South Dakota to the Coast Guard in Cape May, New Jersey. Still working for the US Public Health Service.

Karen Potter (’09 Cert. in Endodontics) welcomed second daughter, Josephine “Joey” Bea Potter-Dunn on March 8, 2014.

John Coover (’65 MS Oral Surgery) retired to Florida from Nebraska after 45 years in private practice and in the US Air Force Reserve; now a retired Lieutenant Colonel.

Michael Patten (’68 DDS) installed as president of the Atlantic Coast Dental Association; now assistant professor of fixed prosthodontics at Nova Southeastern College of Dental Medicine.

Robert Ruehrwein (’90 DDS) completed 3 years in the United States Navy Dental Corps and attained the rank of LCmdr. His wife Jane of 26 years has enjoyed 21 years of private practice with support of the Tonawanda Seneca Indian Clinic. They have four children and seven grandchildren. Also arrived home from 5 months on the USS George W. Bush aircraft carrier in the Middle East. They consider Virginia at Little Creek Amphibious Base their home.
As an Iowa undergraduate, Thomas Schierbrock enjoyed physics but didn't want to teach. The West Point, Iowa, native also had good manual dexterity skills and this awareness, coupled with a fellow student’s advice, compelled Tom to apply to the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. He was accepted and after graduating with his BS in 1970, Tom Schierbrock began dental school. (The fellow student joined him the following year.)

Tom met his future wife, Jeanette, at Iowa during a party and they married in June 1972. Jeanette was an education student and later taught home economics and science for 4 years in California and nearly 30 years in Council Bluffs.

In 1974, to fulfill his ROTC commitment following graduation, Dr. Schierbrock was stationed for four years at Norton Air Force Base in California as one of 18 dentists. Before finishing his Air Force commitment in 1977, Tom and Jeanette returned to Iowa to visit larger communities for his dental practice. After touring the Quad Cities and Des Moines, the Schierbrocks settled in Council Bluffs. Thirty-six years later, Dr. Schierbrock has seen dental technology advance from x-rays to digital radiography; elderly patients retain more of their teeth (but may also have additional caries); and ultraviolet light cured composites, like the one he received in 1974 from Dr. Gerald Denehy following a sports injury, have evolved into today’s visible light cured composites.

Dr. Schierbrock practiced alone until 1996 when Dr. Andrea Cardenzana (DDS 1996) joined as an associate; she became a partner in 2001. Another Iowa graduate, Dr. Caitlin Beresford (DDS 2008) also joined the practice in 2008. Today, both Drs. Cardenzana and Beresford are partners and Dr. Schierbrock is now an associate who, as he puts it, “works for them.” When asked about his future goals, Dr. Schierbrock quipped, “To make it to retirement!”

In 2008, the three dentists constructed a new building and the practice was renamed Bluffs Family Dentistry. Today they have seven dental hygienists, six chairside assistants and three front desk employees. Says Dr. Schierbrock, “I’ve been fortunate to have really good people.”

As alumni and Iowa football supporters, Tom and Jeanette Schierbrock have been involved with the University of Iowa for years. Dr. Schierbrock serves on the University of Iowa Dental Alumni Board and from 1985-1993 he served on the University’s Alumni Board (UIAA), which he chaired from 1991-1992. (Jeanette is also currently a University of Iowa Alumni Board member.) Tom is currently the National I Club president. The couple has bought Iowa football season tickets since 1978 and they are Directors Club Honor Circle members of the UIAA as well as Presidents Club members. They participate in the ASIST (Alumni Seeking Iowa Students) program, which connects prospective students with Iowa alumni from their communities.

Dr. Schierbrock was on the Children’s Square U.S.A. Board of Directors from 1985-2014 and twice served as board chair. Since 1995, he has been a Christian Home Association/CSUSA Foundation Board member. His community affiliations include the Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce and St. Patrick’s Church. Dr. Schierbrock’s professional memberships include the American Dental Association, American College of Dentists, Southwest Iowa District Dental Association, Iowa Dental Association, Pierre Fauchard Academy, and Delta Sigma Delta Professional Dental Fraternity.

The Schierbrocks raised one son, William, who pursued electrical engineering at Iowa. He is now a substation design engineer with Mid-American Energy in Davenport. William and his wife, Catherine (Iowa M.D. 2011), have a two-year-old son, Harrison.

Tom and Jeanette enjoy golfing, including golf trips to Ireland and Scotland and other trips to Germany, the Czech Republic, and Italy.

The Schierbrock surname is uncommon worldwide – only 17 families have this name in the U.S. Several years ago, Tom received a letter from a Reinholdt Schierbrock in Itzehoe, Germany. Reinholdt and Tom discovered their great-great grandfathers had been brothers. Tom's great-great grandfather had settled in West Point, Iowa, in the 1850s while the other brother had remained in Germany. Tom and Jeanette have visited Reinholdt and his family several times and some of the German relatives have also visited Iowa.

Dr. Tom Schierbrock’s dedication to dentistry and the University of Iowa have enhanced dentistry in Iowa and because of the Schierbrocks’ loyalty to the university, numerous students have attended Iowa. The University of Iowa Dental Alumni Association and the College of Dentistry recognize his accomplishments and are pleased to honor Dr. Thomas Schierbrock with the 2014 Dental Alumnus of the Year Award.
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2014 Dental Educator of the Year
Dr. Peter Damiano

Dr. Peter Damiano’s Hawkeye roots run deep: Pete’s grandmother graduated from Iowa with a teaching degree in 1913; his great-great grandfather, Jimmy Barry, was a groundskeeper of the University of Iowa athletic field from 1904 until his death in 1919; and his great uncle, William Barry, received his DDS from Iowa in 1914 (then died in the 1918 flu epidemic).

Dr. Damiano’s interest in dentistry was piqued as a Cub Scout when his troop visited a dentist’s office. He received his BS from Iowa in 1982, then completed dental school here. His classmates, Pete recalls, were “great – they were quite a cast of characters…a memorable class.”

Pete’s career path took an interesting deviation that later delivered him back to the University of Iowa. He spent part of his D4 extramural rotation working in Senator Tom Harkin’s office where he researched certain Medicare policies and recognized the need to provide evidenced-based research results to policymakers.

After receiving his DDS in 1986, Dr. Damiano spent two years with the Indian Health Service in New Mexico learning the importance of public health services. “It was quite a clinical and cultural experience,” Pete says. “It brought home the importance of treating individuals and populations.”

With these activities, Dr. Damiano realized the importance of research as well as informing policymakers and the public in a non-partisan, non-biased way. From 1988-1990, he participated in the Robert Wood Johnson Dental Health Services Research Scholars Program at UCLA and the Rand Corporation while earning his masters in public health. In this program, Pete became a health services researcher, studying access to care, quality of care and cost of care at the health systems level.

Dr. Damiano’s career path arrived back at the University of Iowa in 1990 when he was hired by Dean James McLeran as an assistant professor in the College of Dentistry, with a joint appointment in the newly formed University of Iowa Public Policy Center (PPC). He initiated the health policy research program at the PPC at that time. Pete became PPC director in 2007 and has since added environmental policy, housing and land use, and social science to the existing research programs.

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Legacies

First-years continue family dental tradition

Brooke Berkey and Scott Yegge, uncle, 2006

Erik Blomquist and Eva Dahl, mother, 1976 DDS, 1979 OPRM, 1982 Endo

Keegan Bohn and Courtney Bohn, sister, 2016

Jeffry Breitbach and Kevin Kane, cousin, 1980; Nick Kane, cousin, 2010; Erin Johnson, cousin, 2016

Natalie Brown and Jeremy Grabouski, brother-in-law, 2013

Cameron Clause and David Clause, father, 1987

Peter Douglas and Daniel Douglas, father, 1984; David Kozeluh, uncle, 1981
Christopher Lawhead and Carlton Lawhead, great-grandfather, 1914; Charles Lawhead, grandfather, 1943; Charles Lawhead, uncle, 1974; Carlin Lawhead, father, 1981

Ian Lam and Matthew Lam, brother, 2016

Craig Kozeluh and David Kozeluh, father, 1981; Sara Kozeluh, mother, BS Dental Hygiene, 1979; Dan Douglas, uncle, 1984

Ryan Frost and Irwin Frost, grandfather, 1943

Maria Paula Gomez Hernandez and Marcella Hernandez, mother, faculty; Manuel Gomez, father, faculty

Seth Hintze and Adam Klein, cousin, 2005; Aric Klein, cousin, 2005

Aaron Keith and Keith Whittmore, cousin, 1988; David Whittmore, cousin, 1966

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Christopher Lawhead and Carlton Lawhead, great-grandfather, 1914; Charles Lawhead, grandfather, 1943; Charles Lawhead, uncle, 1974; Carlin Lawhead, father, 1981
Legacies (cont.)

Christopher Liu and Jack Liu, father, 2001 DDS, 2005 Endo

Lauren Schmell and Larry Squire, uncle, 1976

Andrew Richter and Sam Christensen, grandfather, DDS 1955, Ped Dent 1960; John Christensen, Uncle, 1982; Louis Christensen, cousin, 2011; Sam Christensen, cousin, DDS 2013, Ped Dent 2015

Eric Meyer and Andrea Schmidt, cousin, 2010; David Meyer, uncle, 1987

Cody West and Robert West, father, Ortho 1987

Miles of Smiles
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prostheses. Amber valued having the opportunity to participate in all aspects of patient care.

Amber and some non-medical volunteers also spent a day at local schools where they handed out toothbrushes, toothpaste, and sang Spanish songs.

On the day before departure, Amber and eight team members went zip lining in Antigua for a day of rest and recreation.

Dr. Amber McCarville graduated in June and has joined Dental Associates of Decorah, Iowa. She will continue to volunteer her services to help underserved populations. “Embrace the opportunity to go,” she says. “It is a very well-organized trip, and you’re definitely out of your comfort zone – but you get to experience things that you would never have experienced in dental school.”
Dr. Lewis Humbert Receives the 2014 James H. McLeran Faculty Award

Dr. Lewis Humbert attended the University of Iowa College of Dentistry on an Air Force scholarship and received his DDS in 1975. His first military assignment was Kelly Air Force Base (AFB) in San Antonio, Texas, where he took a six-week periodontics short course.

In 1977, he was transferred to Osan Air Base in Pyeongtaek, Korea, where he gained trauma experience and became assistant base dental surgeon.


Lewis was transferred to Offutt AFB in Omaha, Neb., in 1985 where he taught in the AEGD program. Dr. Humbert was transferred to Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, Texas, in 1992 and became chief of the periodontics department, interim hospital commander, and dental squadron commander.

From 1999-2004, he directed the periodontics AEGD residency program at Lackland AFB, taught, and was a member of the dental executive committee. Dr. Humbert applied for retirement in 2004 but received orders to transfer to Afghanistan. Because he was leaving the military, those orders were rescinded.

Dr. Georgia Johnson heard about Dr. Humbert’s retirement through a mutual friend. She had a faculty opening in the UI College of Dentistry Department of Periodontics and Lewis’s skills dovetailed nicely — Lewis was offered the position and he accepted.

Lewis enjoys working at the College of Dentistry, particularly being on the cutting edge of dentistry and dental technology, having CE courses available, and attending the national graduate program director meetings as well as the American Academy of Periodontology committee meetings.

As the UI periodontics program director, Dr. Humbert encourages the residents to publish and enter national competitions such as the Balint Orban Competition. He is also pleased to note that since 2006, 90 percent of the periodontic residents have passed the American Board of Periodontology.

Lewis and his wife, JoLene, have four children: Ryan, a U of Iowa D4; Lisa, a third-grade teacher; Jennifer, an apartment manager and mother of three; and Marc, a UI senior.

Dr. Humbert says, “It is a very high compliment to receive the McLeran Award. We can teach our students and residents all of the technical skills but I want them to also learn caring, compassion and empathy for the patients they treat so they’ll have the ethics and integrity to do what is right.”

2014 Dean’s Student Leadership Recognition Dinner Awards

Dean’s Leadership Four-Year Award, 2011-2014: Lauren Harvey (DDS ’14).
International Association of Student Clinicians/American Dental Association (SCADA) Dentsply Award: Justin Anderson (D4).
Leadership Award:
(D3): Tim Albright, Adam Bahr, Collin Barker, Kaisha Brown, Mackenzie Colbert, Tommy Crary, Greg Farris, Zack Goett sche, Jessica Gradoville, Ben James, Diana Jones, Danielle Meirick, and Matthew Wettach.
(D4): Ursula Diehl, Daniela Haase, Meghan Hash, Emily Hershberger, Kaitlin Hoogeveen, Brittany Johansen, Judith Kituku, Diana Pickard, Alex Whitesell, and Taylor Zmoos.
Dr. Saulo Sousa Melo, a resident in the Department of Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine, received a one-year scholarship from the Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Cientifico e Tecnológico, Ministério da Ciência e Tecnologia e Inovação.
Kaitlin Hoogeveen (D4) and Courtney Mann (D4) each received $5,000 scholarships from the Iowa Dental Foundation.

Dr. Cole Weaver, a resident in the Department of Orthodontics, won the Charley Schultz Resident Scholar Award.
Cory Hatch (D3) received the Award for Superior Achievement in Dental Gross Anatomy and also the Michael W. Finkelstein Award.
Taylor Zmoos (D4) received the 2014 Dental Scholarship Award, given by the Pierre Fau chard Academy Foundation, and also the 2014 Award of Excellence from the American Student Dental Association, both in recognition of outstanding dedication and service.
Mari Heslinga (D3) was selected into the Paul Ambrose Scholars Program (PASP), part of the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research (APTR).
Dr. Ali Pourian, a graduate resident in the Department of Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine, received the Howard R. Raper Award from the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology.
Dr. Carol Fischer, a postdoctoral research fellow with the Dows Institute for Dental Research, received the 2014 Oklahoma Division of Student Assistant Programs’ TRIO Achiever Award.
Alumni Reunion Awards

2014 Dental Honorary Recognition of the Year
The Honorable J. Scott Raecker

As the son and grandson of two Waterloo, Iowa, dentists, Scott Raecker could have followed a similar career path. His grandfather, Arlyss M. Raecker, graduated from Iowa with his DDS in 1928 and his father, James A. Raecker, received his DDS from Iowa in 1959. Scott, however, discovered “different choices and opportunities” as a Grinnell College student majoring in political science and religious studies.

One opportunity was a summer internship at the National Bank of Waterloo after his junior year. Then, as a Grinnell graduate in 1984, Scott worked three years in a Denver, Colorado, bank then worked with the Vail Valley Foundation, which connects arts, athletics and education programs with the local community.

There he met his future wife, Martha, a proud Iowa farm girl. They had both been Iowa All-State Band members in high school (but hadn’t known each other at the time). Scott and Martha married in 1991.

In 1992, former Governor Robert Ray asked Scott to return to Iowa to become executive director of the Iowa Sesquicentennial Commission. Scott describes the moment as a “life-changing, pivotal moment.”

In 1997, another career-shaping moment occurred when former Governor Ray asked him to help establish a new non-profit, grant-funded institute at Drake University called Character Counts in Iowa (CCII). Scott remains in this position today.

The CCII’s mission recognizes, enhances and sustains positive qualities of Iowans (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship) to promote civility through character development. This work led to Scott’s recent appointment as chairman and president of the national Josephson Institute of Ethics (JI).

An additional pivotal moment occurred when Scott was encouraged to run for the Iowa state legislature. Scott and Martha had two young children, Emily and Max, and because he was already working full time for the CCII, he was reluctant. Eventually convinced, he ran and in 1999 began 14 years of service as the 63rd district’s state legislative representative.

For the Honorable Scott Raecker, his work as a state legislator was a “collective process....” His legislative contributions included reforming Iowa’s mental health system; creating the Endow Iowa Tax Credit program; initiating funding for melanoma research through the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics; supporting state infrastructure, including the renovation of the Dental Science Building; and developing a fiscally responsible budget and process.

As a state legislator for seven terms, he also assumed leadership roles as chair of the House Appropriations Committee, chair of the Ethics Committee, and chair of the Midwest Council of Government’s Legislative Leadership Institute. Reflecting on his experiences, Scott describes his former role in the state legislature as “a privilege and an honor.”

Today, besides his responsibilities at CCII and JI, Scott Raecker is also a civic volunteer. He is a board member of several organizations: the Drake University School of Education National Advisory Board, the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation, the Shining City Foundation, the Drake Bulldog Club Board, and the Rotary Club of Des Moines. He is member emeritus of the Smithsonian Institution Center for Folk Life and Cultural Studies Advisory Board as well. Scott has also been a keynote speaker on ethics and civility to many U.S. state legislatures.

Scott’s close ties to the University of Iowa College of Dentistry began with his father and grandfather. (His grandfather began purchasing Hawkeye football tickets in 1924.) The Raeckers have been avid tailgaters in the dental parking lot since the early ’70s.

Scott is passionate about the University of Iowa College of Dentistry: “The College of Dentistry is one of the finest schools for dental students to hone the art and science of dentistry.” The college also has a “deeper and fuller legacy,” he adds. “Iowa dental graduates leave with a commitment to serve others.”

When Scott’s father retired in 2004, Dr. James Raecker donated his hand equipment to the Shining City Foundation where it was given to a dental clinic in Yunnan, China. His larger equipment was donated to Rotary International to fulfill dental needs in Nicaragua. The family also established the James A. Raecker Dental Service Award in honor of his dad’s retirement, to perpetuate his legacy of positively impacting the lives of others through dentistry.

Throughout his career, Scott Raecker’s many accomplishments have greatly benefited the state of Iowa and its dental school. The University of Iowa Dental Alumni Association and the College of Dentistry are delighted to acknowledge his accomplishments with the 2014 Dental Honorary Recognition Award.
Dr. Ed Schooley

Ed Schooley was born in Pennsylvania but his parents moved the family to Sioux City, Iowa, where he grew up with his two younger sisters, Gaylene and Lenice. Ed’s mother was a busy housewife and his father was a custodian at Saint Boniface, a complex that included a large school, church, rectory, and convent.

Ed had a strong aptitude for math and science — by his senior year at Bishop Heelan High School, he had decided to pursue a science-related education. As an Iowa freshman, his career choice briefly gravitated towards pharmacy but he considered medicine or dentistry instead and finally focused on the latter. “I chose dentistry for its autonomy and lifestyle,” Dr. Schooley says. (It was his family dentist, Dr. Thomas Malone, who had sparked his interest.)

After completing his BS in 1970, Ed was accepted into the University of Iowa College of Dentistry program. His first two years as a dental student were “heavy science years and lots of studying,” Ed says. “Dr. [A.K.] Fisher and pathology stand out above the rest.” He also appreciated the personal encouragement of Dr. Dan Hall who “provided significant guidance clinically” and later supported Ed’s decision to enlist in the Navy after dental school. Ed Schooley received the Class of 1923 Award during his dental schooling.

As a D3, he met his future wife, Joan, on a blind date. She was pursuing a master’s degree in the University of Iowa speech pathology program and they married after Ed received his DDS. Dr. Schooley served as a dental officer in the U.S. Navy from 1974–1976 at the Naval Station Great Lakes, Ill., then was in private practice for three years in Broomfield, Colo.

While pursuing an MS in health administration at the University of Colorado, Ed was also assistant professor at the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine and served as dental director of their migrant health program. He also established preceptor sites with private practitioners for the dental students. After completing his MS, Dr. Schooley became a dental insurance consultant in Denver; the position commenced his future experience in the dental benefits industry.

In 1982, he also organized a dental group practice and managed its partnership operation. Dr. Schooley began working with Safeguard Health Plans, Inc. in 1984 as a dental insurance consultant, which contributed to his growing skills in dental benefits. That year he also completed over 1,000 hours of continuing education and was awarded an Academy of General Dentistry fellowship.

In 1986, Ed became director of dental operations (Southeast) of CIGNA Dental. His directorship with the company changed to the central region of the U.S. in 1988 and continued until 1995 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Both directorships gave him experience with managing multi-state dental provider networks and quality assurance standards, utilization review norms, and treatment dissatisfaction resolution.

Dr. Schooley became CIGNA Dental’s national dental director in 1995. During this time, Ed became certified as a dental insurance consultant through the American Association of Dental Consultants. In 1998, Dr. Schooley accepted the national dental directorship for Aetna U.S. Health Care / Prudential HealthCare in Chicago, Ill. In this professional capacity, he was responsible for corporate clinical oversight for the national quality assurance program and also managed a corporate relationship with Columbia University School of Dentistry’s research in tobacco cessation and dental sealant use.

Dr. Ed Schooley’s twenty years of experience in dental benefits paved the way for his most recent job as vice president and dental director with Delta Dental of Iowa, beginning in 2001. His responsibilities included professional external relations, dental policy, and utilization management activities. In 2003, he championed the establishment of the Delta Dental of Iowa’s public benefit program, which is now prominent in the state.

In 2014, Dr. Schooley retired from Delta Dental of Iowa.

Ed and Joan Schooley raised two children. Their son, Christopher, lives in Urbandale with his wife, Megan, and their two children: Lucas (age 4) and Noah (age 2). Their daughter, Jennifer, lives in Chicago with her husband, Mike.

On the outside, Ed Schooley is an avid runner and has competed in a couple of marathons. He enjoys bike riding in the Midwest and Colorado. He also plays second base and outfield on a traveling senior softball team from Des Moines and Omaha, which competes regionally and nationally. Joan and Ed participate in summer and winter activities in the Colorado mountains.

Dr. Schooley’s professional memberships include the American Dental Association, the Iowa Dental Association, the Chicago Dental Society, the National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association (he is certified as an accredited health care fraud investigator), and the American Association of Dental Consultants. He is an adjunct faculty at the UI College of Dentistry and a former board member of the Free Clinics of Iowa, a volunteer healthcare network, and also the Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation.

Dr. Ed Schooley, through his many achievements, has demonstrated an impressive commitment to the American dental profession and its patients. The University of Iowa Dental Alumni Association and the College of Dentistry are pleased to honor him with the 2014 Dental Service Recognition Award of the Year.
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Iowa's First Teacher of Orthodontics

Iowa's first orthodontics instructor was Dr. John J.R. Patrick. Born in England in 1828, he immigrated to St. Louis, Ill., attended medical school, completed a jewelry apprenticeship, and studied dentistry.

Besides teaching orthodontia at Iowa (1889-1895), Dr. Patrick studied malocclusion and the use of gold in restorative dentistry. He also collected various animal and human skulls for anthropological research and his UI collection was displayed in Old Dental's museum.

In the 1890s, Patrick surveyed and classified prehistoric and contemporary human skulls in US museums, including the Smithsonian, and recorded their incidences of dental disease.

After Trowbridge's construction, Patrick's collection was moved to its new museum. When the current dental science building (DSB) was constructed in 1973, however, it lacked a museum space. Patrick's collection was stored in an Oakdale dental research lab until 2004 when it was moved back to a basement in the DSB.

In 2014, Dr. Patrick's collection was formally transferred to MacBride Hall, to be properly stored and catalogued with the UI natural history collection.

When Dr. Patrick died in 1895, he was eulogized in the US and Europe: “...in the death of Dr. Patrick, dental surgery and dental science has lost one of its most ardent devotees and distinguished members...” stated one obituary. His work also laid the foundation of future orthodontic research at Iowa.