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A TRANSFORMATIVE YEAR

Dr. Elsbeth Kalenderian's
First Year as Dean of
Marquette School of Dentistry

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Hello Marquette Alumni and Friends –



More than one year has passed since I began as your dean, and I feel like I'm just getting started. It's been an amazing first year. In the cover story, you'll learn about the collaborations underway, fresh connections made and new initiatives taking shape to benefit our dental students and support the legacy of the university you call home.

In addition, we spotlight one of our own local leaders, Tom Reid, D '99, and highlight the path of student Keily Borgelin in her quest to become a dentist. Then we take a deep dive into the exciting research underway at Marquette.

And, we also share facts about the incoming class of 2028, a warm send-off to the graduating class of 2024, reunion remembrances, farewells to our Marquette alums no longer with us – and CE opportunities to keep your skills and knowledge sharp.

With all my best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kalendarian", followed by a long horizontal line.

Dean Kalendarian, DDS, MPH, PhD

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A TRANSFORMATIVE



Dr. Elsbeth Kalenderian's First Year as Dean of Marquette School of Dentistry

YEAR

In her first year as dean of the Marquette University School of Dentistry, Dean Elsbeth Kalenderian has capitalized on opportunities for growth that have allowed her to bring a fresh perspective and new initiatives that will shape the school for years to come.

Communication and collaboration

One of Kalenderian's primary goals was to improve transparency and foster open communication across the school and alumni base. These efforts included breakfast sessions with faculty and students, regular town hall meetings and travel to meet dentists across Wisconsin – and the rest of the country.

"I try to be very approachable, and my door is always open," she explains. "I wanted my first year as dean to be about connections and opportunity. I've learned a great deal from our faculty, students, staff and alumni, and I look forward to expanding those relationships."

In addition, she has continued to strengthen ties with state officials who support the dental school's mission. Along with other Wisconsin healthcare leaders, Kalenderian was appointed to the Governor's Task Force on the Healthcare Workforce to study workforce challenges, explore ways to improve patient care and retention, and create a plan for sustainable healthcare workforce development and innovation.

Among other highlights, Kalenderian hosted state officials to recognize MUSoD's May 2024 graduates as the first in the country to offer a diploma privilege program, which speeds up the licensing process for new graduates who plan to practice in Wisconsin. She has also emphasized

a strengthened relationship with the Wisconsin Dental Association, a leading organization in state dental policy that includes many Marquette alumni as members.

"Dean Kalenderian is a true partner and is committed to working with organized dentistry in Wisconsin," says Tom Reid, DDS '99, WDA president. "She understands the importance of the School of Dentistry as the convenor on oral healthcare policy, such as hosting the Dental Examining Board and the Governor's Task Force on the Healthcare Workforce meetings at the dental school for the first time, and celebrating the first-ever class to receive diploma privilege in dental education. These initiatives exemplify the dental school's commitment to statewide organized dentistry, and I am excited for the WDA's partnership with the school to continue to grow."

A major highlight was securing a \$5 million state grant to address a gap in oral health expertise in Wisconsin. Since the closure of the state's last General Practice Residency (GPR) program in 2015, there has been a pressing need to train dentists capable of treating medically complex patients.

"Not having a GPR program created a huge gap of expertise in the state for oral health specialists," she says. "Establishing this program means we can be at the center of addressing a very real issue in our state."

Pending Commission on Dental Accreditation approval, the grant from the state Department of Health Services will create a new GPR program at MUSoD and with a regional hospital partner is expected to be operational by the end of 2025.

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Dr. Tom Reid, President, WDA

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xpanding educational opportunities and research

Kalenderian is making headway in expanding externship sites in rural areas, which allows students to practice outside the classroom clinical setting and simultaneously address needs in areas where healthcare is scarce. She is leading the effort to create a new Director of Externships position to help the school expand its program, with a goal to establish up to 10 new sites in a variety of clinical settings with calibrated dental preceptors in the next year.

She established the Department of Community Dental Sciences, which underscores the school's mission to serve patient populations that don't have access to regular dental care.

"We want to reinforce the message that we're a community-focused dental school," she says. "I think that's truly important as the only dental school in Wisconsin."

She also worked to strengthen this newly developed, state-supported rural dental scholarship program, which aims to increase dental access, particularly in rural communities, while incentivizing dentists to practice in rural Wisconsin. The annual scholarships provide \$30,000 to a student who practices in an area with a dentist shortage for 18 months. The scholarships are awarded to up to 15 MUSoD students each year.

"This has been a terrific development," says Dean Kalenderian. "We've worked very hard to build a more permanent infrastructure for the school and our programs, while expanding efforts to engage with the community, which has been incredibly successful for the school."

On the research front, the school has received several large National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants. Additionally, Kalenderian has hired new faculty members focused on clinical research, further enhancing the school's scientific contributions and academic offerings. "It's super exciting to see where we can go with that research, and I know we'll steadily expand our research strengths," she says. (Read more about MUSoD's research grants on page 10.)

Strategic initiatives for growth and innovation

Over the past year, Kalenderian and her leadership team prioritized working with the university to align their strategic plans in conjunction with a revenue enhancement plan that will ensure the financial stability of the dental school and university. "Being able to get our strategic plan drafted quickly in sync with the university was a huge accomplishment," she explains. "Our strategic plan focuses on helping students thrive, creating a healthy campus environment and caring for the world. It's a robust plan that sets us up as active participants of the university's 'Securing Our Future' efforts."

Her vision for the school's future additionally includes updating teaching methods by including active learning and new technology approaches. She's committed to ensuring that the school's physical infrastructure supports these advancements. In recent years, the school has renovated several clinics – including the Pediatrics clinic and the new Delta Dental Urgent and Special Care Clinic this year – in addition to the state-of-the-art Innovation Center; the dean has plans for future improvements in other areas.

"A thriving campus looks at your buildings and classrooms to ensure they're equipped to deliver a modern pedagogy," she explains. "To be at the forefront of dental education, our students and faculty require an investment that allows them to grow as the profession grows. An emphasis on matters such as artificial intelligence and special needs care keep us on this path of progress."



Dr. Kimo Ah Yun, acting president, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, said he's impressed with Dean Kalenderian's progress over the last year.

"As a campus leader, Dean Kalenderian's innovative approach to dental education has been invaluable to the efforts of both the university and School of Dentistry's strategic plans that are aligned with our mission in service to others," he says. "Dean Kalenderian is a highly sought-after expert, ranging from her appointment to the Governor's Task Force on the Healthcare Workforce to continuing to expand her research portfolio on patient safety and quality improvement in a dental setting. I thoroughly enjoy working with Dean Kalenderian and look forward to seeing the Marquette School of Dentistry continue to thrive under her leadership."

Making mental health and wellness a top priority

Student mental health was another critical focus during Kalenderian's first year. Recognizing the unique challenges students face, particularly their demanding clinic schedules, she established a mental health task force in December of 2023. The task force quickly developed a comprehensive plan to support students' well-being. The school has already implemented several initial measures, and Kalenderian and the student affairs staff are working to hire a mental health and wellness counselor who will help students navigate the available mental health resources.

"It was made clear that we need a mental health counselor in place to help put that entire plan into action," she says. "We're listening to students and doing as much as we can for them. We always want to do more, and I know we will get there together."



Kalenderian recognizes the hurdles and stigmas that still exist in discussions about mental health, but working with other campus leaders and resource officers has made the process more fluid.

"I appreciate how incredibly kind the Marquette community is," she emphasizes. "We have a strong, mission-driven organization, and it's a good place to work. People truly have each other's backs."

Strengthening alumni relationships

Kalenderian deeply values alumni engagement and views Marquette School of Dentistry graduates as critical to shaping the future of the school and its students. "I so appreciate our alums," she exclaims. "They're invaluable to the history, the present and the future of our school."

She sees alumni as vital contributors not only through financial support but also through externship programs and mentorship opportunities, which offer valuable life and professional student guidance. "Alumni are the guiding light to show our students the impact they can make in our profession," she says.

She invites alumni to visit the school and experience how MUSoD has innovated since their times as students. "It's a different day and a different school," she says. "We'd love alumni to see how the school has grown, how education has grown and how we're moving forward."

As Dean Kalenderian looks to the future, she's confident that the Marquette School of Dentistry is well-positioned to thrive. "We're setting the foundation for success." ●

Dean Kalenderian looks forward to hearing from MUSoD alumni and readers of Dental Images. You can reach her at elsbeth.kalenderian@marquette.edu.

BUILDING IT FORWARD



DEVELOPMENT

OUR SHARED COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THIS PROFESSION

By Carol Wacker, Director of Development

It's my privilege to be representing our world-class dental school as your development director. I look forward to leading fundraising endeavors that will secure and enhance the education, practice and community service initiatives that differentiate Marquette's School of Dentistry.

Many of you have welcomed me warmly, eager to share your stories, thoughts and ideas as we all work to cultivate compassionate oral healthcare providers who are equipped with a well-rounded knowledge of the profession.

I am amazed and inspired by your personal stories and the differences you have made as providers, business owners, educators, mentors and researchers. You share a commitment to service and have left a deep imprint on families and communities across the country.

I am encouraged to learn that many of you count the dental school among your favorite charitable causes.

It is my great joy to bridge what is important to you – your interests and values – with the vision and goals of the dental school, and help you realize the impact you can have with your support. Gifts of all sizes and types are celebrated. ●

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If you'd like to explore philanthropic opportunities, please contact Carol Wacker, director of development, by emailing carol.wacker@marquette.edu or calling 608-289-0348.

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THE 1894 SOCIETY

1894 SOCIETY

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

As we honor the past, we embrace a most promising future in dentistry. To reflect this pivotal time, we're sunsetting the Dean's Circle and replacing it with the 1894 Society. The Dean's Circle donor recognition society was established 24 years ago to celebrate our benefactors and nurture a strong culture of philanthropy for those who gave \$1,000 or more during an academic year. Your contributions continue to address the needs of the school, faculty, students and our high level of patient care.

Much has changed over nearly a quarter century, not the least of which is the cost of conducting business, the rapidly changing technology landscape and the increasingly more complex healthcare needs of people, many of whom are suffering.

As we reflect on the pride of our past, we confidently embrace a future, presenting both opportunities and challenges. Our benefactors are critical to our ability to live out our mission and remain a destination school. For this reason, we are introducing a new donor recognition society: The 1894 Society.

To keep pace with new opportunities and challenges, we've increased the minimum donation amount to \$1,894. Please see the back of the magazine for more information. We all look forward to building our 1894 Society together. ●

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN LIVES ALREADY

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

KEILY BORGELIN

Originally from Palm Beach County, Florida, Keily Borgelin moved north to study dentistry at Marquette School of Dentistry.

"I'd often joke with my family that one day I would become a firefighter or a police officer because I loved how they're portrayed on television and in movies," shares Keily. "However, my family encouraged me to dream bigger. But more specifically, my uncle suggested I pursue a career in dentistry."

A first-generation Haitian-American

Being a first-generation Haitian-American, Keily's parents instilled the values of community, education and faith. In pursuit of the American dream, her parents faced many challenges.

"With the desire to live a better life, my father has now built a career in information technology (IT), and my mother serves as a registered nurse," she explains. "In addition, my parents have led a pastoral ministry in the heart of South Florida for the past 23 years. Exemplifying the values they've taught me."

The 10-year plan

Very ambitious, Keily knew her life plan even before high school. "I had a 10-year plan," explains Keily. "The summer before starting high school, I wrote out my goals. 'I want to get into dental school!' I researched the exams I would need to take, the undergraduate major, and the costs – and I was ready to get started."

With the various dental school prerequisites in mind, Keily says she chose a degree in biology. "I began my college education at a local community college and later transferred to Florida Atlantic University (FAU) in Boca Raton. Because of my preparation, I graduated debt-free!

I utilized financial aid, grants and scholarships to pay for my education."

Preparing for dental school

In 2019, Keily took a gap year and worked as a dental assistant. She applied to dental school twice, "During my first application, I submitted my materials late in the cycle, which I knew would decrease my chances," she explains.

"During a Zoom event with the Pre-dental Club at FAU, Brian Trecek shared that half of the students admitted come from out of state, which made me more hopeful that I could get in," she admits. "I applied to six other schools, and was accepted into three."

Why Marquette? "Marquette was the first school that accepted me," she shares. "I paid to hold my spot, so that was it."

The interview experience

She recalls, minutes before her interview with Marquette, Keily's internet disconnected randomly. "My heart was racing, but it came back on with seconds to spare! I was so nervous and anxious, that I immediately ran toward my parents. And I asked if they would pray with me. Sure enough, that prayer worked. My interview went well!"

During the interview, Keily recalls one particular question. She was asked about her hopes and aspirations as a dentist and if anything would deter her from pursuing this career.

She replied, "I was assisting with a full-mouth extraction, and during the procedure, the patient stated that he was not feeling well. Seconds later, he started throwing up everywhere." What would be a vulnerable and embarrassing moment for anyone became a moment that Keily would later describe as unforgettable.



"That experience taught me the values I should embrace as a future healthcare provider," she says. "Empathy and compassion are some of the greatest skills anyone can possess, which has set the tone for how I care for my patients here at school."

Keily stated during her interview that nothing could deter her at this point. "My interviewers laughed, and most importantly the patient got the care and comfort he needed."

Last week, it was Keily on the other side of the Zoom call when she listened to 10 prospective students and heard their stories.

Looking toward her impactful career ahead

"At first, it took me a while to adjust to the social life, the weather and the academic rigor," she admits. "However, I found my support system, and today I tutor and offer advice to other students. There will be bad days along the way, but keep pushing forward with your future in mind."

As she begins her job search, she's seeking a mentorship opportunity. "I'd like to work in a Federally Qualified Health Clinic (FQHC) to help underserved areas. But I'm also exploring other options."

Even during the toughest days in dental school, seeing people get the dental care they need motivates Keily. "I know I made the right decision. I know I'm making a difference now and will in the future." ●

ALUMNI AWARDS 2024

The School of Dentistry Alumni National Awards and 130th Anniversary Dinner was held on Friday, September 20, 2024, at the Wisconsin Club in Milwaukee. Congratulations to this year's honorees.



Dr. Eugene Shoemaker, Dean Kalenderian, Dr. Shaheda Govani and dental student Ben Sierra accepting for Dr. Paul Andrews who was unable to attend.

Distinguished Alumnus in Dentistry Award Paul A. Andrews, DDS, PhD, D '74, Lake Mary, Florida

When Dr. Andrews arrived on campus in 1970, the Elkhorn, Wisconsin, native had already served six years in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps.

After graduation, he spent another four years in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps, and then established his own practice treating patients with TMJ disorders and craniofacial pain. His wife, Patricia, has worked as his practice administrator from the very beginning.

Committed to the value of service, Paul donates his time and expertise to the Wounded Veterans Relief Service. In 2017, Paul and Patricia pledged a gift to the school to establish scholarships for those who served in the military or are the children of veterans. Paul says, "I'm grateful for the privilege of attending the Marquette School of Dentistry." •

Outstanding Dental Service Award

Eugene B. Shoemaker, DDS, Arts '83, D '89, Waukesha, Wisconsin

Dr. Shoemaker defines success as living the Marquette call to Be The Difference. He's spent years supporting fellow dentists in Wisconsin, expanding access to dental care, and providing educational opportunities for students.

A longtime leader in the Wisconsin Dental Association (WDA), Dr. Shoemaker served as president from 2010 to 2011 and currently sits on the WDA Foundation's Board of Directors. He has also treated patients through the WDA Foundation's Mission of Mercy Program. He's known for his efforts in mentoring new dentists and expanding dental care for special needs patients. He shares his practice with Marquette alumna Kate Gilson, DDS, Arts '96, D '99.

Dr. Shoemaker's generosity also extends beyond dentistry in his work as board president for the Waukesha Education Foundation. "Marquette taught me that if you have the opportunity to give back to others and your community, you absolutely should do so."

Young Alumna of the Year Award

Shaheda G.M. Govani, DDS, D '10, Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Dr. Govani, who established Govani Dental in 2010, feels fortunate to have a career she loves with opportunities to help patients and her broader community. "The ability to change a person's day or year using my hands and heart makes me so proud," she says.

A Wisconsin native, Dr. Govani liked the idea of remaining in-state for her dental education. She also appreciated Marquette's strong reputation for teaching hand skills, and the school's pillars of excellence, faith, leadership, and service matched her own core values.

She's also created a culture of generosity at her practice, where through Govani Gives, a three-part giving program. It includes a matching gift that her practice donates quarterly to a local charity and an annual scholarship program. She enjoys mentoring dental students, serves as a preceptor at her local technical college and serves as vice chair of the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board.

BEING A DIFFERENCEMAKER

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

TOM REID, DDS, D '99



Dr. Eugene Shoemaker, Dr. Ray Cohlma, Executive Director of the ADA, Dr. Tom Reid, and Dean Kalenderian

Dr. Tom Reid's journey to becoming the newest President of the Wisconsin Dental Association (WDA) began at Marquette University School of Dentistry, where he learned the importance of community engagement. "Giving back is one of the most important parts of being a MUSoD graduate," he says. "We're all committed to being the difference."

With more than 20 years of dental experience at East Grove Dental in Madison, Wisconsin, Dr. Reid has built a reputation as a skilled family dentist and a leader who values relationships and patient-centered care. His commitment to dentistry goes beyond the chair. He works as a strong advocate for the profession, pushing for advancements that benefit both practitioners and patients across the state. Now, as he steps into his year-long tenure as WDA President, Dr. Reid will lead Wisconsin's dental community into a future filled with innovation, unity and an unwavering focus on elevating the standard of care.

MUSoD: A great decision

A native of Decatur, Illinois, Dr. Reid chose MUSoD for its challenging curriculum emphasizing both didactic learning and hands-on training. He says his experience at MUSoD was "tough but worth it," helping him navigate real-life difficulties such as the death of his dental partner in 2010 and the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Going to Marquette is one of the best choices I ever made," he says. "Marquette graduates are high-quality dentists, and the success of its alumni speaks for itself."

After graduation in 1999, Dr. Reid became a partner at East Grove Dental in Madison, where he found a practice culture aligned with his values. Over the years, he's formed close relationships with patients, some spanning multiple generations in the same family. "We treat oral health in a down-to-earth way, where patients are like family," he explains. "People appreciate being treated like they matter."

In his personal life, Dr. Reid has five children with his husband of 14 years, Rolando Cruz, who works alongside him at the front desk of East Grove Dental. Their oldest child plans to retrace Dr. Reid's path to Milwaukee, where she's hoping to enroll in Marquette University Law School for the fall 2025 semester. Together, the family enjoys an active life, and Dr. Reid has competed in several Ironman Triathlons, marathons and ultra-distance events.

A commitment to leadership

As WDA President, Dr. Reid plans to focus on key issues affecting dentists statewide, such as workforce shortages and reduced compensation from dental benefit companies. He also wants to build a stronger association that delivers value to Wisconsin's dental community. "We need to do right by the WDA to support our profession, patients, families and communities," he says. "By supporting the WDA, we're building better communities in Wisconsin."

His vision for the WDA includes unifying the 3,000-plus dentists in Wisconsin under one banner. "As dentists, one of the best things we can do is join the WDA to support one another and our patients," he explains. "By unifying together, we can bring dentistry back to being one of the most trusted professions."

He plans to expand on current successes, such as WDA's \$20 million grant to invest in hygiene programs at Wisconsin's technical colleges. And he's eager to reinforce the strong partnership between the WDA and MUSoD, fostering innovative teaching methods and practice strategies that benefit students, dentists and patients.

"We're fortunate to have such a great relationship with the dental school," he concludes. "Dean Kalenderian is doing marvelous things and we're excited to continue being part of that process. We want to make necessary and beneficial changes to our profession, which is what being an MUSoD graduate is all about. Marquette makes difference-makers." •

NEW MAJOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL GRANTS ARE AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF DENTISTRY



Dr. Jeffrey Toth is spearheading research that supports MUSoD's research mission and goals, and the field of dentistry.

Clinical decision-making in dentistry hinges on a continuous process of evidence-based practice, informed by both clinical outcomes research and discoveries in basic science. As the dental profession evolves, there's a growing need to expand and validate our current and future knowledge base.

The Marquette University School of Dentistry plays a pivotal role in shaping this knowledge, influencing how our students and professionals practice dentistry now and in the future. As one of the four key pillars of our strategic plan, research is integral to MUSoD's mission and central to our five-year strategic plan. Our growing slate of research projects reflects the dedication of our faculty to contribute to the university's research mission and goals, and the broader field of evidence-based dental medicine.

"At MUSoD, we're at the cutting edge and the forefront of discovering the knowledge that will inform how dentistry is practiced in the future," says Dr. Jeffrey Toth, PhD, BS Eng., Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Biomaterials at MUSoD, and director and principal investigator of OREC's Biomaterial & Histology Laboratory (BIMA). "Our dental school is known for research, so discovering new information and then disseminating that information is an important

focus for not only the dental school, but also for Marquette University."

\$7.3 million in new research grants

MUSoD's faculty are committed to enhancing our research initiatives, which represent a vital investment in the future of dentistry. This year alone, the school received three new major grant awards – two from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and one from the Department of Education (DOE), totaling \$7.3 million. These large competitive grants reflect the dental school and university's commitment to expanding our dental school and the university's research mission.

One R01 grant from the NIH's National Institute on Aging awarded \$2.38 million to Dr. Toth and his co-principal investigator, Dr. Carol Everson, professor of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, to examine the link between bone loss and chronic sleep restriction. This research aims to shed new light on this complex relationship, offering valuable insights into the cellular consequences of sleep restriction and risk of disease, including its impact on bone health.

This research has significant implications for dental health, as bone healing is essential after common oral procedures and surgeries, such as tooth extractions and dental implants. "Bone healing after a dental procedure may be affected by sleep restriction, making this an important topic for us at the dental school to investigate," says Dr. Toth.

A second UH3 grant awarded more than \$3.5 million in funds from the NIH and National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) to Dr. Christopher Okunseri, MUSoD professor and director of the predoctoral program for dental public health. This project continues a longstanding research focus of the school in the areas of dental public health and access to care, representing another step forward in breaking down the barriers to dental care.

"Appointment no-shows are a common occurrence in dental offices," says Dr. Okunseri. "Rather than blaming patients for failing to show up, we believe dental clinics can take the lead to reduce no-shows with a systematic approach. With this project, we will test an organizational change model that is shown to reduce missed appointments in medical settings but remains untried in dentistry."

Dr. Okunseri and his research partner are piloting an evidence-based organizational change model that works to

integrate effective practices such as regular calls and texts to patients regarding appointment times, shorter and more convenient appointment times, and using motivational conversations to encourage patients to prioritize their oral health.

A third \$1.37 million grant from the DOE was awarded to principal investigator Dr. Elisabeta Karl, DDS, MS, PhD, Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at MUSoD. The grant will fund the creation of a consortium institution consisting of faculty member content experts in collaboration with instructional designers to make open educational resources (OER) available to dental students. OER are free, openly licensed materials that can be used for learning and research. The founding members of the consortium have identified at least six books that will be the first targeted products of the grant.

The initial goal is that each dental education organization within the consortium will convert at least 25% of its curriculum to OER within the three-year grant period. "We anticipate that student performance, engagement and use of OER will increase, ultimately resulting in improved student learning," says Dr. Karl. "This would also create about a \$500,000 total cost savings across the targeted degree programs during the grant period."

Three main research themes

These three grants align with the strategic priorities of Elsbeth Kalenderian, DDS, MPH, PhD, Dean of MUSoD. "Dean Kalenderian is very supportive of the research mission, both of Marquette University and the dental school," says Dr. Toth. "Her expertise in public health, patient safety and quality improvement are all areas that we intend to grow in the future with her expertise."

All grants fall within one of MUSoD's three distinct fields of research. "Our biggest strengths lie in these areas, so we've pursued grants that continue building on these strengths," says Dr. Toth.

• Clinical Oral Healthcare and Outcomes Research.

MUSoD recognizes that evidence-based dentistry resulting from high-quality clinical oral health care outcomes research informs dental clinical decision-making. The continuous process of evidence-based dentistry driven by clinical outcomes research unites with our evidence-based clinical teaching.

• **Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering.** It's estimated that 50%-75% of a dentist's time is spent with the biomaterials that they use for patient care. Biomaterials research at MUSoD has focused on characterization of material properties, fabrication of new biomaterials, characterization of the host response to biomaterials (biocompatibility), and improving adhesion to tooth structure by modification of adhesive resins. Many of our clinical graduate programs also perform research on dental biomaterials used in endodontics, orthodontics, prosthodontics and periodontics. MUSoD has tissue engineering research that seeks to repair hard- and



A \$2.38 million grant will fund research on the link between chronic sleep restriction and bone loss.

soft-tissue deficits using biomaterial scaffolds combined with cells or therapeutic agents. We also have expertise in regenerative dental medicine and dental medical devices.

• **Dental Public Health, Epidemiology, and Access to Care (Healthcare Disparities).** This is one of our most well-established research areas. Our faculty have expertise in investigating epidemiology of oral diseases and dental health care services research, including evidence-based dental outcomes research, oral health prevention, health promotion, biostatistics, and data science in dentistry and public health. This focus is consistent with the university's mission of service to others.

A competitive advantage

Research not only helps attract top-tier students, it supports them by offering unique opportunities to participate in the leading edge of dental research. Dr. Toth estimates that more than 10% of students are active in research during their four years at the school, and he expects that number to increase as the school receives more – and bigger – grants.

A strong research program also appeals to faculty, bringing in curious minds who are asking the most important questions in dentistry and medicine. "The strength of our research program is our faculty," he says. "Our students know it, and our alumni know they had good faculty while they were here. It's my pleasure to work with our faculty every day." The school's upgraded facilities, such as the Delta Dental Research Laboratory, a nearly 4,700-square-foot lab dedicated to research, have had a significant impact on the school's ability to attract research funding. Dr. Toth's grant application was rated in the top 5% of applicants, indicating the high quality of the university's research facilities and capabilities. "The fact that Marquette made an investment in research facilities allows us to compete at a new level," says Dr. Toth. "That's a big difference we didn't have before."

Dr. Toth also credits alumni support as a critical first step in establishing the school as a destination for high-quality research projects. "Before you can have sustainability through continuous funding, you need an initial investment – and that initial investment was made in part by industry partners, the university and our amazing alumni," he concludes. ●

CLASS REUNIONS

More than 350 alumni and their guests returned to MUSoD in September of 2024. In addition to celebrations, the weekend also included CE, tours of the school, and a reception and dinner at the Alumni Memorial Union. Thank you to all who helped make this a special occasion for our alumni.

It was great to see all 13 classes gathering together at Marquette!



1959
Row 1: William Slavin, Jack Peters, Jon Jacobson, Frank Brazelton



1964
Row 1: Gloria List, Ron Wanek, Ronald Yamachika, Richard Schaefer, Lawrence Waitrovich, Richard Odgers. **Row 2:** Norman Plotkin, Darrell Mergen, Richard Labinski, Allan Wasserman, Ell "Skip" Lee, John Grignon. **Row 3:** Peter Rengstorff, Ron Pruhs, Lawrence Gregory



1969
Row 1: Ken Ring, Ed Binninger, Tim Twohig, Robert Saur, Phillip Florek, Tim Brown



1974
Row 1: Terrence Frantal, Bill Bohlen, Patrick "Mick" McCormick, Kathleen Roth, Bob Fleming, Ronald Meier, William Swetlik. **Row 2:** Jeff Winn, Dave Hofmeister, Dan Roth, David Young, John Pesch, Edwin Schuler. **Row 3:** Frederick Saigh, Larry Hetzel, Richard Majeska, Paul Marischen, Jim Rollefson, John Petrie, Robert Salnick. **Row 4:** Dennis O'Brien, Larry Porter, Vinny McAvoy, Jim Flatley, Jim Becker



1979

Row 1: David Page, Barbara Delap, Jeff Nehring, Ric Palmer. **Row 2:** Rob Ritter, Mike Harper, Philip Hawkins, Chuck Hajinian, Paul Svoboda. **Row 3:** Tim Jenness, Mark Heideman, Dan Breitweiser, Steve Hein



1984

Row 1: Mary Cimrmancic, Linda Yusman Wirth, Sandra Casper, Jennifer Arndt Kitson, Sue Meinerz. **Row 2:** Blair Isom, Carl Erck, Tim Smith, Roger Hanks, Jim Reagan. **Row 3:** Scott Johnson, Jerry Hart, Ron Schmidt, Tom Charapata, Peter Reichl



1989

Row 1: Vincent Zammuto, Mary Gajewski, Van Anh Le, Helen Best (Rodriguez), Gordon Chiu. **Row 2:** Drew Delforge, Joe Best, Joe deGuzman, Gene Shoemaker. **Row 3:** David Martyn, Michael Kopecky, John Gernetzke, Robert Paton



1994
Row 1: Celestino Perez, Stacie Piacsek, Janet Childs, Stephanie Race.
Row 2: Eric Meeker, John Kittleson, Brian Childs, Todd Sarauer



1999
Row 1: Lisa Skutak, Tom Reid, Viney Saini



2004
Row 1: Jeff Weisbrot, Evonne Nadelhoffer-Altig, AnnMarie Hoyme, Chuck Kosowski, Rachel Steele, Brian Prouty.
Row 2: Michelle Weninger, Brian Schroepfer, Anthony Kraft, Chris Shumway, Kevin Connor. **Row 3:** Karla Schmidt, Scott Weninger

SAVE THE DATE

For those who graduated
 in years ending in 5 or 0
 the 2025 Dental Reunion
 is scheduled for
 September 20, 2025.
 More details to follow!



Row 1: Jason Potrykus, Justin Gilling, Courtney Reich, Ashley Reed, Shane Connor, Nick Romanesko. **Row 2:** Megan DesRoches, Sarah Jacobs, Meghan O'Connell, Patti Sigl, Alison Mantel, April Kennedy. **Row 3:** Leah Felkner, Derek Rognlien, Katie Rognlien, Jane Wright, Becky Bosack, Kathryn Connor, Andrew Smith, Adam Markham



Row 1: Jessica Pasono, Katharine Nelson Suwalski, Maura Darnieder, Mariela Siehoff, Christina Rodenas, Neal Rosenberg. **Row 2:** Drew Partridge, Adam Pasono, Alexis Belisle Colosimo, Samantha Synenberg, Justin Coffman, Heather Carpenter, Nick Russo, Austin Wessell. **Row 3:** Kyle Merry, Peter Colosimo, Katherine Stahrr, Derek Schmidt, Arnaldo Lopez, Eric Biederwolf, Casey Wilson, Kyle Garro. **Row 4:** Joseph Lenz, John Kurzawa, Kris Alpers, Blake Treichel, David Jadin, Keith Sonneveld. **Row 5:** Judd Smith, Jon-Ross Crow



Row 1: Shalane Gerard, Danielle Cianciolo, Seth Ebben, Samantha Best, Mary Catherine Pawelski, Claire Troullier



Congratulations to the Marquette University School of Dentistry Graduating Class of 2024

On Friday, May 17, 2024, the MUSoD Class of 2024 celebrated their accomplishments at the Hooding & Awards Ceremony held at Gesu Church followed by the official Graduation Ceremony the following day, Saturday, May 18, 2024, at the Pfister Hotel.

In the MUSoD Class of 2024, **93.3** percent of Wisconsin residents and **26.3** percent of non-residents plan to practice in Wisconsin. Of the **100** graduates, **6** will work in government service, **14** will provide dental care working in public service, and **20** will pursue postgraduate education.

SCHOOL NEWS



Dr. Nancy Larson – American College of Dentists New Board of Regent Member

Dr. Nancy Larson of Mequon was named as a Board of Regent for the American College of Dentists effective October 17, 2024, following the ACD's Annual Meeting and Convocation in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dr. Larson is replacing Dr. Thomas Raimann of Milwaukee as the regent from Regency 5 that includes Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. She's a member of the American Dental Association, Wisconsin Dental Association and Greater Milwaukee Dental Association. Dr. Larson is presently a general practice dentist in Mequon and an Adjunct Professor at Marquette University School of Dentistry.



**Arndt Guentsch, DMD,
PhD, MHBA, MS**



**Ufuk Tatli, DDS,
PhD, FICD**

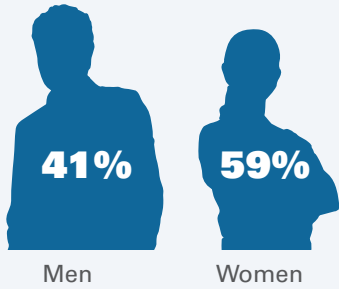
Faculty Members Inducted as Fellows

Two Marquette University School of Dentistry faculty members, Dr. Arndt Guentsch and Dr. Ufuk Tatli, were inducted as Fellows of the International College of Dentists USA Section on September 7, 2024, in Nashville, Tennessee.

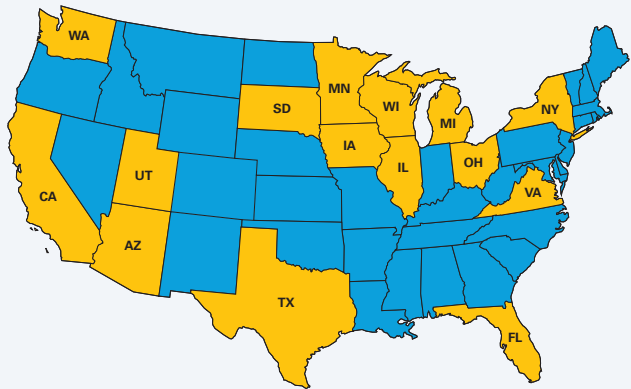
The International College of Dentists (ICD) is one of the oldest and most prestigious honorary dental societies in the world. Fewer than 3 percent of dentists in the United States have been accepted for Fellowship in this society. This honorary degree is given to the dentists who demonstrate significant integrity, leadership, and service to others in the field of dentistry.

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY CLASS OF 2028 PROFILE

(incoming class of 2024)



FROM THESE STATES AND TERRITORIES



White Coat Ceremony Marquette University School of Dentistry Incoming Class of 2028

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more information on the events below, please contact the CE Alumni Relations Office at 414.288.3093.

JANUARY

Jan. 14

ACDE CE: Creating, Maintaining and Enjoying the Esthetic Practice
Dr. Marc Schlenoff
7 – 8:30 p.m.

Jan. 28

ACDE CE: Beyond the Scanning – Digital Workflows that Make Sense and Cents!
Dr. Geraldine Weinstein
7 – 8:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1

ACDE CE: How to Manage Patients with Acute Jaw Pain; Quick Assessment for Diagnosis and Evidence-based Treatment Planning
Dr. Zovinar Der Khatchadourian
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Feb. 1

MUSOD Alumni Board Pre-Game Basketball Reception
5 – 7 p.m. Wisconsin Club
(Fee to be determined – call 414-288-3093 for more information)

Feb. 4

Advanced Cardiac Life Support Recertification
Mr. Jim Bovia
8 a.m. – 1 p.m. OR 1 – 6 p.m.

Feb. 5

ACDE CE: Oral Ulcers Unveiled – Decoding the Hidden Clues in Diagnosis
Dr. Angela Ritchie
7 – 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 7

ACDE CE: Bioactive Restorative Materials – Unraveling the Confusion, Exploring the Promise, and Understanding the Benefits for Clinical Practice
Dr. Mary Anne Melo
10 – 11:30 a.m.

Feb. 10

ACDE CE: Key Strategies for Successful Immediate Implant Therapy in the Esthetic Zone
Dr. Rafael Siqueira
7 – 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 18

ACDE CE: Medical Cannabis and the Dental Patient
Ms. Jennifer Cullen
7 – 9 p.m.

Feb. 21

MUSOD Alumni Chicago Midwinter Reception
Renaissance Chicago Downtown Hotel,
1 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601
5 – 7 p.m.

Feb. 22

ACDE CE: The Oral and Systemic Health Implications of Vaping
Ms. Suzanne Burgee
10 – 11:30 a.m.

MARCH

March 1

ACDE CE: Regenerative Periodontal Therapies
Dr. Ahmed El-Awady
10 – 11:30 a.m.

March 14

ACDE CE: Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth – What Is the Best Available Clinically Relevant Evidence
Dr. Steven Morgano
10 – 11:30 a.m.

March 25

ACDE CE: The Importance of Evidence-based Practice Guidelines for Dental Treatments of Dr. Medically Complex Patients
Altat Shah
7 – 9 a.m.

March 30

ACDE CE: Fundamentals of Tooth Preparation in Operative Dentistry – From Outline Form to Caries Removal
Dr. Fatemeh Keshani
1 – 3 p.m.

APRIL

April 4

ACDE CE: Current Trends in Digital Dentistry
Dr. Celine Arce
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

April 9

ACDE CE: 3D Modeling Essentials and Customization for Dental Professionals
Dr. Moshe Berger
7 – 9 p.m.

April 10

Setting up Cases for CT-Derived 3D Printed Surgical Guides
Dr. Tim Hart
6 – 9 p.m.

April 12

ACDE CE: Advancing Endodontic Success by Mastering Root Canal Irrigation Techniques
Dr. Omer Sheriff Sultan
2 – 3:30 p.m.

April 24

Dental Alumni Awards
Wisconsin Club
6 p.m.

April 25

ACDE CE: Team Approach to the Care of Patients with Cleft Lip and Palate
Dr. Renie Daniel
10 – 11:30 a.m.

April 29

ACDE CE: The Opioid Epidemic and Dentistry
Dr. Kathlyn Powell
7 – 8:30 p.m.

MAY

May 2

ACDE CE: Impacts of Technological Evolution on the Pillars of Endodontic Success – A Critical Analysis Based on Scientific Evidence
Dr. Ricardo Machado
10 – 11:30 a.m.

May 6

ACDE CE: Enhance Your HPV Communication Confidence Applying Brief Motivational Interviewing
Ms. Michelle Arnett & Ms. Cynthia Stull
7 – 9 p.m.

All times listed are Central Time.
Courses listed as ACDE are live webinar-only courses offered in conjunction with the Association for Continuing Dental Education (ACDE) and its member schools.

More information and registration links are available at marquette.edu/dentistry/professionals/continuing-education-calendar.php
Check the link often, as new classes will be added when available.

May 12

ACDE CE: A Review of Minimally Invasive Procedures in Managing Dental Caries in Children
Dr. Kavita Mathu-Muju
7 – 8:30 p.m.

May 13

ACDE CE: Antiresorptive Medications and MRONJ
Dr. Douglas Beals
7 – 8:30 p.m.

May 13

Advanced Cardiac Life Support Recertification
Mr. Jim Bovia
8 a.m. – 1 p.m. OR 1 – 6 p.m.

May 16

OSHA and CDC Infection Control for Dentistry in the Post-Pandemic Era
Dr. Katherine Schrubbe
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

May 21

ACDE CE: Er YAG and CO2 Laser Dental Applications
Dr. Gregory Schuster
7 – 8:30 p.m.

May 30

ACDE CE: Artificial Intelligence and CBCT – Bye, Bye Radiologists?
Dr. Vinicius Dutra
10 – 11:30 a.m.

JUNE

June 4

ACDE CE: Optimizing Orthodontic Outcomes – The Impact of Laser Technology
Dr. Premila Selvi Suganthan
7 – 9 p.m.

June 7

ACDE CE: Dental Trauma – Evidence-based Approaches for Optimal Care
Dr. Georgia Nikoloudaki
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

June 10

ACDE CE: Surgically Facilitated Orthodontics – Essential Techniques & Principles
Dr. Sahar Dowlatshahi
7 – 8:30 p.m.

June 17

ACDE CE: Revamping your Treatment Plan Presentation Skills
Dr. Isabel Rambob
7 – 8:30 p.m.

JULY

July 15

ACDE CE: A Review of Partial Coverage Restorations
Dr. Pierre-Luc Michaud
7 – 9 p.m.

July 18

ACDE CE: Immediate Anterior Implant Placement and Aesthetic Soft Tissue Management
Dr. Matthew Thacker
10 – 11:30 a.m.

July 22

ACDE CE: QPR – Protocol for Inspiring Hope to Individuals Experiencing Suicidal Crises
Dr. Juliette Daniels
7 – 9 p.m.

AUGUST

Aug. 1

ACDE CE: Healthcare 2.0 The Art and Science of Mindful Communication
Dr. Bruce Freeman
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Aug. 8

ACDE CE: Improving the Osseointegration of Dental Implants – Exploring Cellular Mechanisms, Biological Timelines, and Patient Factors Influencing Implant Success
Dr. Zeeshan Sheikh
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Aug. 12

ACDE CE: The Who, What, Where, When and Why of Obstructive Sleep Apnea
Dr. Geoffrey Gerstner
7 – 9 p.m.

Aug. 18

ACDE CE: Power of Precision – Use of Robotics in Dental Implant Surgery
Dr. Niranjan Joshi
7 – 9 p.m.

Aug. 27

ACDE CE: Medical Collaborations and Consultations
Dr. David Carlsen
7 – 9 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 5

ACDE CE: Dentures are Profitable Again! The Digital Workflow Advantage Every Dentist Needs to Know Right Now
Dr. David Brock
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Sept. 9

ACDE CE: Elegant Solutions to a Difficult Rehabilitation – Nuances and Options of a Case Study
Dr. Jennifer Emerson
7 – 9 p.m.

Sept. 10

Advanced Cardiac Life Support Recertification
Mr. Jim Bovia
8 a.m. – 1 p.m. OR 1 – 6 p.m.

Sept. 14

ACDE CE: Advances in Endodontic Irrigation Techniques
Dr. Kapil Ramesh Jadhav
2 – 3:30 p.m.

Sept. 19

ACDE CE: Tips and Tricks to a Loose Implant Restoration
Dr. Beatrice Leung
10 – 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 19

Karen Baker CE
Times & Title to be determined

Sept. 20

MUSoD Alumni Reunions (classes ending in 5's & 0's)
Alumni Memorial Union
5 p.m. – Reception | 7 p.m. – Dinner

Sept. 26

ACDE CE: The Fundamentals of Oral Systemic Health
Dr. Mark Cannon
10 – 11:30 a.m.

REMEMBERING OUR OWN



THE MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY JOINS IN PRAYERFUL REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE WHO PASSED AWAY BETWEEN NOVEMBER 2023 AND OCTOBER 2024. MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE. ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

Since we last printed *Dental Images*, we have lost a number of our MUSoD family including full-time and long-standing part-time faculty. We remember them and their impact on Marquette Dental School and its graduates. We're grateful they shared their time and talents with so many MUSoD students over the years.



The Marquette University community this year has grieved the loss of Dr. Michael R. Lovell, who passed away June 9, 2024, while in Rome with his wife, Amy, members of the Society of Jesus and the Board of Trustees on a Jesuit formation pilgrimage. For the past three years, Dr. Lovell had been battling sarcoma, a rare form of cancer.

Dr. Lovell was the 24th president in Marquette's 143-year history and the first lay person to lead the university. The theme of his September 19, 2014, inauguration – "Ignited in Faith. Alive in Inquiry. Forward in Service." – reflected

the true hallmarks of how Dr. Lovell engaged with others, explored new ideas, determined priorities and collaborated across the university and wider community to create growth and improvements that would benefit as many lives as possible.

Dr. Lovell's decade of leadership at Marquette was marked by a deep commitment to innovation, entrepreneurship, and community renewal and development – consistent with the university's Catholic, Jesuit mission that animated him. Aligned with those values, Dr. Lovell had great fondness for the School of Dentistry, and he was a champion for the research, innovation, student activities and community-focused mission at the dental school.

Dr. Lovell truly loved Marquette, and Marquette loved him back.

1947

Burton E. Goodman, MEQUON, WI

1952

David A. Boville, SUSSEX, WI
Donald G. Nordholm, BROOKFIELD, WI

1955

Donald K. Rees, QUINCY, IL
Richard E. Schwab, BURNET, TX
Charles B. Schmidt, HOUSTON, TX

1957

Gloria Adamsons-Schranz, SARASOTA, FL
James T. Cunningham, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA
Richard J. Sanwick, ALTOONA, WI
Jack G. Stacker, WAUSAU, WI
Thomas J. Stone, COLD SPRING, MN

1958

John E. Carey, LA VALLE, WI
Eugene T. Krembs, MERRILL, WI
Brice N. Wilson, SAINT GEORGE, UT

1959

Giles F. Allison, NEWPORT BEACH, CA
Thomas E. Casey, CALEDONIA, WI
James E. Grose, OCONTO, WI
John M. Mack, BROOKFIELD, WI
Frederick R. Merg, DEERFIELD, WI

1960

Major Wallace J. O'Connell, TACOMA, WA
Leo F. Wegerbauer, GREENDALE, WI

1961

William J. Becker, TUCSON, AZ
Francis J. Gillette, HOUSTON, TX
Herbert L. Hommerding, GLEASON, WI
Carl J. Smith, BLUFFTON, SC
Gerald C. Tempesta, CUMBERLAND, WI

1962

William A. Asselin, NORWAY, MI
Ross E. Jesswein, GRANTS PASS, OR
Robert E. Sabatini, WARREN, OH

1963

Kenneth K. Kempf, LA CROSSE, WI
Thomas W. Olsen, APPLETON, WI
Siegfried J. Schaberg, GOLDSBORO, NC

1964

Roger H. Van Scotter, LAGUNA BEACH, CA

1965

James J. Blado, TOMAH, WI

1966

William H. Flanagan, APPLETON, WI

1967

Thomas E. Butler, HAZELHURST, WI
Patrick M. Fischer, GREEN BAY, WI
Lawrence J. Pakyz, SAUK CITY, WI
Ernest D. Tolli, LIBERTYVILLE, IL

1968

Gwyneth Y. Ching, HONOLULU, HI
Gerald R. Lynch, CHICAGO, IL
James W. Schwengel, CEDARBURG, WI
Ronald C. Szarlan, LUDLOW, MA

1969

Michael W. Hayes, OSHKOSH, WI
Michael F. Peeples, LOS ANGELES, CA

1972

Jeffrey C. Becherer, BROOKFIELD, WI
Donald D. Pfahler, MADISON, WI

1973

Thomas B. Pelkowski, CEDARBURG, WI
Robert J. Schrank, STURGEON BAY, WI
Timothy R. Sullivan, WEST BEND, WI

1974

Paul D. Dibley, SHAWNANO, WI
William H. Hastreiter, NEENAH, WI

1975

Neil A. Anders, AMBERG, WI
Timothy J. Ross, FRANKLIN, WI
Thomas M. Schroepfer, MARINETTE, WI

1978

Stephen R. Speidel, FOND DU LAC, WI

1979

Paul D. Smith, HARTLAND, WI

1980

Thomas F. Bruns, DELAFIELD, WI
Richard J. Hagner, NEW BERLIN, WI
Joseph R. Tyson, HALES CORNERS, WI

1982

Dale G. Strietzel, DURANGO, CO

1983

James A. Aurelio, GAINESVILLE, FL
John W. Greiert, SHAWANO, WI

1984

Nichols L. Nelson, BIG BEND, OR

1991

Sharon L. Brooks, MILWAUKEE, WI

1999

Jesse R. DeBaker, TEMPE, AZ

If you wish to make a gift to honor the memory of a loved one or colleague, please contact Carol Wacker, director of development, by emailing carol.wacker@marquette.edu or calling 608-289-0348.



Dr. Jeffrey Becherer, D '72, followed in his father, Dr. Carl Becherer's, footsteps attending Marquette University School of Dentistry, and took over his Milwaukee dental practice, Becherer Dental. Dr. Jeff Becherer taught part-time at the school in the late 1970s through early 1980s where he shared his passion for dentistry with students.



Dr. Richard Hagner, D '80, joined the Army Dental Corps as a dentist. During his 22 years of service, Dr. Hagner earned numerous honors and awards and retired as Colonel.

After retiring from the Army, he returned to the Marquette to teach. He spent 16 years mentoring future generations in his roles as Comprehensive Patient Management Group Leader, and then as Clinical Director and Chair for the Department of Clinical Services until he retired in 2018.



Dr. Nichols Nelson, D '84, practiced dentistry in his hometown of Big Bend, Wis., for nearly 40 years. Dr. Nelson returned to Marquette as an Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor and won a part-time teaching award.

He spent 17 years teaching (where he adored his students in Clinic B) and loved mentoring and passing knowledge to young dental professionals.



Dr. James Schwengel, D '68, served as a Captain in the United States Army Dental Corps. Dr. Schwengel then practiced dentistry from 1970 to 1998 in his lifelong home of Cedarburg, Wis.

For 28 years, Jim also taught at Marquette, where he became an Adjunct Clinical Professor and served on committees too numerous to mention. He won a part-time teaching award and touched the lives of countless dental students.

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INTRODUCING: 1894 DONOR RECOGNITION SOCIETY

1894 SOCIETY

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Established in 1894, the School of Dentistry remains the sparkling jewel in Marquette University's crown.

The dental school is emblematic of the spirit of service that has educated and trained more than 10,000 dental professionals. Philanthropy remains pivotal to the school's ability to evolve and thrive.

Today, we introduce the new **1894 Donor Recognition Society**. Through its name, we honor the school's proud 130-year history. It reminds us how drastically dental education has evolved through the decades.

Donors who donate \$1,894 or more in an academic year (starting July 1, 2024) will be welcomed to the 1894 Society.

The 1894 Society members will receive invitations to special events and activities – and a commemorative keepsake.