It is the mission of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry’s (ULSD) Dental Hygiene Program to facilitate the development of competent dental hygienists with the potential for advancing in their careers and providing leadership in their profession. The sixty distinguished alumni honored at the 60th Anniversary Celebration of the ULSD Dental Hygiene Program on Friday, October 17, 2014 are true examples of unleashing this potential.

We honored them for their accomplishments and their contributions to the profession. Each award recipient took advantage of their training and skills to grow and prosper in private practice, education, business, or politics. We also honored the legacy scholarship recipients who will be the next leaders in our profession. It was an evening to show pride in our alumni, students, faculty members, and administration and their support of the program. It was a time to embrace their spirit for life-long learning and to learn from their accomplishments. It was an evening to show the true spirit of our program and its recognition as a strong academic program within the School of Dentistry. It was also a time to be thankful for our alumni’s and supporter’s gifts and talents that make our program strong and enable us to go forward and take on the many challenges ahead.

I want to thank our alumni, students, and colleagues for their effort in helping the program provide quality education for our students and for their enthusiasm of the profession. Without your help, it would be difficult to continue the great traditions that we have at ULSD and meet the needs of the community. Please join me in expressing thanks to the editors, Linda Lewis and Rachel Quick, for their hard work and effort in developing the newsletter.

Keep in touch and share your thoughts with me at (502) 852-2611 or email me at jackie.singleton@louisville.edu.
UofL Dental Hygiene Celebrates 60 Years

and the Legacy Continues...
60 ULSD Distinguished Alumni on Friday Evening, October 17, 2014

In celebration of the 60th Anniversary, the UofL School of Dentistry’s (ULSD) Dental Hygiene Program honored 60 ULSD Distinguished Alumni. The event took place on October 17, 2014 during the Legacy Reunion Weekend Dinner at the Holiday Inn, Hurstbourne Lane, Louisville, KY. Join us in congratulating the 2014 Alumni Recipients:

Please enjoy additional pictures from the reunion celebration:

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GOOD NEWS, SERVICE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

**Uof L’s DH Living Learning Community Continues to Thrive**

The Dental Hygiene program’s Living Learning Community continues to move forward in preparing students for successful transition into the program professional upper division. This academic year was the first year residing in Kurz Hall. Next year, the community will remain in the same location and continue offering support for lower division freshmen and sophomore students.

ULSD continues to works with the DH Faculty and university resources to help promote the success of participating students. LLC student participate in service opportunities and receive additional tutoring in the sciences.

**Uof L’s SADHA Strive for Service Continues**

By Julie Drury

On August 23, 2014, the Dental Hygiene Program participated in their second Walk to Cure Diabetes. To assist with purchasing supplies for the event, SADHA President Brook Huerta submitted a grant proposal to the Blackerby Committee. The SADHA organization was granted approximately $700. Over 700 children received toothbrushes, toothpaste, 3 minute sand timers, and oral health literature. On October 2, 2014, five students also partnered with Louisville District Dental Hygienists’ Association (LDDHA) for a community outreach event held at Hotel Louisville. The LDDHA members completed dental screenings and the students provided oral health education.

**East Side Church Wellness Event**

By Abby Wagner, DH Class of 2015

The health and wellness clinic enabled Kasey, Hemal, Scarlett and me to help with dental needs in the community. We were able to serve several hundred people in Jeffersonville, Indiana providing them with x-rays or referring them to doctors in the Louisville/Southern Indiana area to meet their dental needs.

We highly enjoyed this opportunity to work in the community and lend a helping hand!
GOOD NEWS, SERVICE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The ULSD Dental Hygiene Program has its very own Facebook page! We keep the page updated so alumni, current and prospective students are in “the know” about what is going on with our fabulous program! Check out the link below and “like” the page!

https://www.facebook.com/UniversityOfLouisvilleDentalHygiene-Program

*Managed by Jennifer Osborne and Rachel Quick

ULSD SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Having received the NDHA and Hinman Scholarship, words could not express how thankful I was. Both of these scholarships came as a shock to me, and I was in awe that I was actually granted the honor of being the recipient of these two prestigious awards. Not only did these two organizations believe in me, but they provided finances that have prolonged my stay in further education, and have made my dreams possible. With that being said, I could not have accomplished any of this if it weren’t for the diligent effort put forth by my Professors and the love of my family. Last, but not least, none of this would have been possible without the help of my heavenly father who has guided my feet to do what I have been called to do. To him be the glory forever, and ever, and I pray that I continue to be a humble servant and use what God has given me to have a positive impact on others.

~April Key, DH Class of 2014

DENTAL HYGIENE LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

“All this scholarship means so much to me. It not only helps me financially but it provides me with self gratitude. The Dental Hygiene Legacy noticed my potential and hard work. The University of Louisville School of Dentistry has showed me how being apart of the dental field can help our communities. Once I become a Dental Hygienist, I want to use my knowledge to help. It is projects, scholarships, and help from communities that has supported my education. Its a great feeling to be acknowledged by the Dental Hygiene Legacy.”

~Scarlett Higdon, DH Class of 2015

““It is a great honor to have been chosen as the recipient of the Legacy Scholarship. I would like to personally thank the individuals who have contributed to my education here at the University of Louisville. I am more than excited to invest in our community as a health care professional by following the exemplary models that have been displayed by all! I am very grateful for the opportunities that have been provided and look forward to those still to come!”

~Allison Neds, DH Class of 2016
Good News

Congratulations to our own RACHEL M. Quick!

By Linda Lewis, RDH, MEd

Rachel Quick was selected to participate in the 2015 Provost’s Staff Leadership Academy. It is a program designed to target mid-career professionals in supervisory or managerial roles, who aspire to assume more responsible leadership positions within the University.

Participants will engage with professional presenters and fellow travelers in eight monthly workshops led by faculty from COB and CHED in areas such as project management, team building, leadership, and strategic planning. Participants also work as a member of a project team on a capstone project over the course of the year and meet regularly with a mentor from another college, school, or division. Capstone projects for the inaugural 2014 cohort have yielded “shovel ready” recommendations for policy or program enhancements that have been conveyed to the Great Places to Work steering committee and Human Resources Advisory Committee for implementation. The 2015 class will launch Jan 20, conclude October 13, 2015. Send your best, we’ll help make them better. You go girl!!
By Sadie Stone, DH Class of 2015

This past November, the time finally came for the trip of a lifetime. I was counting down the days until I was able to embark to Africa with my Dad. Ouarzazate, Morocco was the final destination after a long time of traveling. The national language is Arabic, although most people know French as well and some English.

This city directly influences our American entertainment world. Gladiator, Kingdom of Heaven and many more movies have been filmed in the deserts of Ouarzazate. We had the privilege of being on the set of a NBC TV Series airing on Easter in April 2015 called A.D. The Series. The local Moroccans were extras in the filming and even built the set which is a replica of the old city of Jerusalem.

While I was there, I asked the producer’s assistant Mishy about the dental care in that area. She informed me that the locals don’t seem to have access to regular dental care but understood that they would travel quite a distance to get dental care in an emergency. The crew on the film set dealt directly with this issue when one of the actors chipped his tooth and he had to travel hours away to get it fixed for the continuation of the filming. This cost them a few days of filming.

It was sad to see that many of the local people smiling back at me were missing many, many teeth that they never should have had to loose. As my dad and I were flying over the Atlas Mountains of Morocco returning home, it was hard not to be extremely grateful for this opportunity to get to witness a culture that is quite different than the United States.

Hemal’s Wedding: An Indian Cultural Experience

This event is right before the engagement, and it is called “matali”. During this ceremony, the bride and her family bring gifts and sweets for the groom family. The silver vessel is filled with sweets and dry fruit, which was distributed in groom’s family after wedding.

During wedding, it is a custom to invite all the ancestors of the family, and the easiest way is through water. The vessels on top of the head is filled with water, through which the ancestors are invited to attend the wedding.

The bride and groom, in their traditional wedding outfits, are asking for blessings from God, parents, in-laws, and other respected elderly persons.
To commemorate the 60th year anniversary, the UofL Dental Hygiene Program attempted to break a world record by having the most people flossing simultaneously in the same space. While we didn’t quite make the record, we were successful in uniting faculty, staff, students, alums, friends and family who came out to support our 11th Woodward/Burch 1 Mile Floss Walk/5K Run. Contributions for the Floss Walk have a direct impact on the continuing of our Dental Hygiene Program. Any amount of giving, every year, is greatly appreciated. Donations will go for DH Classroom Equipment, Student Scholarships, Student, Faculty & Program Development!

If you are interested in supporting our Dental Hygiene Program and would like to donate, feel free to do so using the address below. **Send Floss Walk donations to:**

Ms. Jennifer Baker to send Floss Walk/Run Information, UofL School of Dentistry, Dept of Oral Health & Rehabilitation
501 S. Preston St., Room #0103, Louisville, KY 40202 - Phone 852-1318

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**FLOSS WALK HISTORY:**

At one point our program was almost closed. With the support of many individuals, our program is still standing strong. As we celebrate our 60th Anniversary, it’s important to understand historical moments in our program. Here’s a little piece of history shared by one of our very own:

“...During an early meeting of the Legacy in 2002, we were trying to come up with an idea for a fundraiser. I had walked the Mayor’s Midnight Run marathon in Alaska the summer before. I said ‘There are 2 things I do everyday, but I have never done them together... Walk and Floss.’ That led to the birth of the Legacy Floss Walk.”

~ Mary Ann Burch, Legacy Co-Chair

**PLEASE CLICK TO VIEW OUR FLOSSWALK VIDEO**
By Dr. Gay Baughman, DMD

The HSC Book in Common Experience was held on August 27th at the Kornhauser Auditorium. This event brings all of Dental Hygiene (DH3&4) and D1’s together to share in a common experience of reading the book “This I Believe”.

The purpose was to encourage the difficult task of developing empathy to beliefs different from our own, promote mutual understanding, constructive communication and fresh approaches to old problems from others’ points of view. This experience offers a nurturing and challenging intellectual climate with a respect for the spectrum of human diversity. The event included small group discussion with sharing in the large group. There was a pre-reflection and a follow-up critical thinking reflective paper. Students were in random groups with facilitators from all parts of our school including faculty, administrators and support staff. President Ramsey read his own “This I Believe” statement.

Many of the students submitted their personal statements to the University Of Louisville Portal Of This I Believe. One student shared, “I found the Book In Common event to be a unique event in which I learned more about my colleagues, those in the dental hygiene program, and faculty members. Taking time to get to know an individual and their beliefs is something we should strive for on a daily basis. Another wrote, “It is important that you stop running through life and to look back to question and to confirm your beliefs.” Plans are underway for next year’s event.
The DH faculty have selected Hemal Patel as the 2015 ULSD Dental Hygiene Hinman Scholar. Every year, a dental hygiene and dental student are awarded this honor, receiving a partial expense paid trip for the ceremonial event. Occurring annually in Atlanta, GA, scholar recipients receive a scholarship and are honored during a luncheon held at the Hinman Meeting. Hemal received complimentary tickets for herself and a guest to attend the luncheon. Hemal is a member of the DH Class of 2015. It turns out that this is just one of many honors for Hemal, who was also recently married. Join us in celebrating these many happy moments with her.

The Class of 2014 graduated 28 newest members into the DH Profession. The accomplishments of this group was tremendous. They entered with a program GPA of 3.58 and worked hard to achieve their Bachelorette of Science in Dental Hygiene. Ten of the members were awarded graduating honors. We are certain that The DH Class of 2014 will continue to shine, promoting the profession and adding to the development and leadership of the field.

This Fall, the ULSD welcomed its newest members to the school: The Dental Hygiene Class of 2016. This bright group of students joins us with previous experience from 22 additional colleges. With an accumulative program GPA of a 3.51, these students are working hard to continue the program’s tradition of excellence. The students represent varied states including KY, IN, IL, and VA. They too are working hard to continue the UofL DH Legacy.
THE DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

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TBA-WALK/5K RUN— At your own pace around Campus. 5K Run route will be similar to walk route to Belknap Campus and not in streets, 3 times around 1 Mile Course. Comfortable attire recommended. Will have maps.

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To receive more info on Walk/Run Events, call Jennifer Baker at 852-1318. Checkout our websites:
2014 Dental Hygiene Newsletter: http://louisville.edu/dentistry.degrees.dentalhygiene; Click on Student Engagement
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