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Filling Out Our History: Dental School Trivia

This year we are celebrating our 125th anniversary at our School of Dental Medicine. During the past 125 years, how many alumni hail from Pitt Dental Medicine?

- A. 6,685
- B. 10,260
- C. 10,922
- D. 15,000

See the answer at the bottom of this email!

Pitt Day of Giving Donors: Thank You!



Thanks to you, our 2021 Pitt Day of Giving was the most successful in the history of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine!

- This year, we had 274 unique donors—a Pitt Dental Medicine record not to mention 8th place overall in 2021!
- That's a 72.33 percent increase in unique donors from our 2020 Pitt Day of Giving and 6th place overall.

Thousands of dollars were raised to help with the cost of scholarship, diversity initiatives, programs, research, clinical practice, and much more!

Thank you!

Pitt Dental Medicine Alumni Golf Outing: Save the Date

Join us on Monday, July 12, 2021 at Shannopin Country Club for our Alumni Golf Outing to celebrate our 125th anniversary! Proceeds will support scholarships for our

School of Dental Medicine. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. A cash bar cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m., and dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

Dinner only ticket - \$50

Includes dinner for one. Please note seating availability may be limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Individual ticket - \$200

Includes golf, cart, lunch, and dinner for one.

Golf Foursome - \$700

Includes golf, cart, lunch, and dinner for four.

Hole Sponsor - \$1,000

Includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner for four, and name recognition on tee sign at hole.

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For more information, please contact Becca Anthony at rebecca.anthony@pitt.edu or 412-482-4309.

While we hope we can celebrate in person, the health, safety, and well-being of our community members are top priority. As the University of Pittsburgh continues to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and plans for several reopening stages, we will continue to post updates to keep you informed of the status of this event. All guests will be expected to follow current pandemic mitigation protocols as articulated by the venue and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Living Our Legacy: Panel Discussions to Celebrate 125 Years

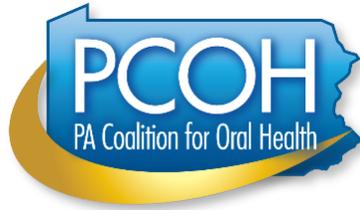


You won't want to miss out on our next panel discussion—Exploring Our Legacy of Remarkable Research—on Tuesday, May 4. Moderator Dr. Robert Weyant (DEN '82) will welcome panelists Drs. Mary Marazita, Charles Sfeir, Paul Moore (DEN '73), and Mark Mooney (A&S '86) to highlight Pitt Dental Medicine's legacy in pioneering research and innovation.

[Register Now](#)

The Living Our Legacy series has been well attended and a great opportunity for our Dental Medicine Family to (virtually) celebrate the 125th anniversary together. Special thanks to all of our panelists and moderators for their time and commitment to making the Living Our Legacy series such a success!

A Message From Pennsylvania Coalition for Oral Health



Pennsylvania Coalition for Oral Health knows that dental providers can sometimes be reluctant to treat those with disabilities. Did you know that the majority of patients with intellectual and developmental disabilities can be treated in a general practice? Please watch this [quick video](#), and then head on over to the [PCOH webinar portal](#) to learn more.

Pitt Dental Medicine Community News



- [The third issue of Apical Scoop](#), the Advanced Standing Program Newsletter shared information about the program, introduced the class of 2022, and featured **Dr. Satya Upadhyayla (DEN '20)**.
- The Dental Alumni Association hosted a hospitality area for dental students taking their CDCA Board Exams in late February. Another hospitality area is planned for the hygiene students taking their CDCA Boards on April 30.
- [Congratulations to Dr. Christine Wankiiri-Hale \(DEN '02\)](#) and **Dr. Zsuzsa Horvath (A&S '01, '09)** for being recipients of the 2020 Provost's Award for Diversity in the Curriculum. Their module, "When the Appointment is No Longer about Dentistry," prepares students to handle and respond to inappropriate patient comments and behaviors in a culturally sensitive manner.
- In support of World Down Syndrome Day, the Pitt Dental Medicine **American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry (AADMD)** chapter brought back **Rock Your Socks Day!** Socks were purchased from John's Crazy Socks, a company known for employing many individuals with disabilities and donates five percent of every sale to the Special Olympics.
- Students, faculty, and staff members were greeted with cookies the morning of Tuesday, March 2 from the Office of the Dean to celebrate our 125th anniversary and a

successful Pitt Day of Giving!

We want to make sure you stay as connected to the School of Dental Medicine, no matter where you are in the world, with our Alumni Newsletter. If you are celebrating a notable life event or milestone in your career, we would love to celebrate with you! Please let us know by emailing dentalalumni@dental.pitt.edu.

Upcoming Events Calendar

July 12, 2021: Alumni Golf Outing at Shannopin Country Club

March 26, 2022: Dean's Scholarship Ball at the Heinz History Center

This fall, in addition to celebrating our 125th anniversary, we plan to hold reunions for classes ending in 0, 1, 5, and 6. More information will be communicated as it is available.

Filling Out Our History Answer: B. With a founder's day dating back to 1896, it comes as no surprise that many of our graduate records have not been digitally catalogued. The oldest record we have electronically belongs to a single graduate of the class of 1902. We currently have digital records for **10,260** alumni with degrees from Pitt Dental Medicine and **6,685** keeping that legacy alive today!

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