

# The REVEILLE

Newsletter of the Isaac Knapp District Dental Society

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## FLUORIDE, FALL, AND FAMILY

By Dr. Doug Jansen, IKDDS President

There’s something about fall that speaks to all of us. The cool, crisp air. The crunch of leaves underfoot. The smell of cinnamon, apples, bonfires and Northern Indiana Fall festivals. For many, autumn marks a season of comfort and connection—a time to come together with loved ones, reflect, and prepare for what’s ahead.

This year, your IKDDS is embracing the theme **“We Are Family,”** and fall offers the perfect back drop to celebrate that spirit—both in and out of the operatory.

As dental professionals, our definition of family is broad. Yes, it includes those we go home to at night, but it also includes our patients, our colleagues, our mentors, our staff, and even the newer faces just entering our profession. We are united by a shared mission: **promoting oral health and improving lives.** And like any good family, we support, challenge, and grow with each other— especially during seasons of change.

One area where we can make a tangible difference this fall is in how we talk to our patients about preventive care, especially fluoride. Now, we know the science. We know the statistics.

Fluoride reduces cavities,



Dr. Doug Jansen  
IKDDS President

strengthens enamel, and can even reverse early signs of decay. But many of our patients don’t realize just how essential it is—especially during a season when **the safety of fluoride is coming under attack** and sugary treats are everywhere.

Caramel apples, pumpkin lattes, Halloween candy, Thanksgiving pies—the temptations are endless. And while we would never dream of telling our patients to skip their favorite fall indulgences, we do have a responsibility to remind them how they can enjoy these traditions while still protecting their smiles. Fluoride use—through toothpaste, rinses, in-office treatments, and fluoridated water—is a simple, effective tool we can promote every day. In fact, it’s one of the most accessible ways families can take ownership of their oral health between visits.

But fluoride education isn’t just about brushing habits—it’s also a great opportunity to build deeper trust with our patients. When we take the time to explain how fluoride works, listen to their concerns, and tailor recommendations to each family’s

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## SEASONS OF CHANGE, SEASONS OF GROWTH

By Dr. Jonathan Hale

There's something about fall that signals a shift. The long days of summer fade into cooler evenings, pumpkins appear on porches, and new routines take hold with school and sports in full swing. At my house, fall also means watching lots of football (Go Hoosiers and Colts!), putting up all the spooky Halloween decor with my kids, and, of course, sneaking a piece or two of their Halloween candy after they've gone to bed. It's a bit ironic that I just spent all day telling people not to eat too many sweets.

Fall has a way of reminding us of life's rhythms—how things change, settle, and shift with the seasons. And as much as I love the long, warm days of summer, I also appreciate the cooler mornings that make running outside more refreshing. **Change, even when it asks us to let go of what we love, often comes with gifts of its own.**

One of the most impactful lessons I've learned in the FLIK program is this: **we don't work hard so that we can become happy someday. Instead, we must find happiness first.** When we are happy, fulfilled, and balanced, we become our best selves—better parents, better friends, better colleagues, and yes, better dentists. Happiness is not the prize at the finish line. It's the fuel that keeps us going.

That lesson has stuck with me because it's easy to slip into the mindset of "once things slow down, then I'll enjoy life." Or, "once I hit this milestone, then I'll be happy." The truth is, life rarely slows down. There's always another patient to see, another meeting to attend, another task waiting for our attention. If we keep postponing joy, we risk missing it entirely. Fall is a good reminder that joy is available right now—in the small things, in the traditions, in the fleeting moments we often take for granted. Whether it's cheering on your favorite football team, carving pumpkins, or just taking a quiet walk through the crunchy leaves, these small joys recharge us more than we realize.

Over the last year, I've experienced my share of changes. What I've learned is that change, while sometimes uncomfortable, is also **an invitation to grow.** Just like the leaves that must fall before spring brings new life, we all go through seasons of letting go and starting fresh. Embracing change as part of life—not something to resist, but something to accept—has

helped me find more happiness and perspective. Instead of fearing change, I'm learning to see it as a way of becoming stronger, more resilient, and more open to what comes next.

As we move deeper into fall, the bigger holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas aren't far away. These seasons bring even more traditions, more gatherings, and more opportunities to reflect on what matters most. While I know colder days are coming, there's something comforting about the way fall leads us into a time of gratitude and togetherness. It's a natural reminder to slow down, to savor the season, and to invest in the relationships and moments that fill our lives with meaning.

My hope is that all of us take time this fall not just to push through our busy schedules, but to enjoy the season we're in. To notice the small joys. To embrace the changes. To recognize that happiness isn't waiting for us in some future achievement—it's something we can choose and nurture right now. When we fill our lives with moments that bring us happiness and connection, we don't just improve ourselves; we enrich the lives of everyone around us.

So, as the days grow shorter and the air grows colder, I encourage you to lean into this season. Put up the decorations, go to the football game, pick the pumpkins, and yes—even enjoy a piece of Halloween candy after the kids are asleep. Change is part of life, but so is joy. And when we embrace both, we give ourselves the best chance to grow.

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# January Dine & Learn: From Bioactive to Additive: Things Keep on Changing

Featuring **Dr. Jeffrey Platt**

Thursday, January 15, 2026

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE CAMPUS

6:00 – 9:00 pm

Dinner and beverages will be served

RSVP at [IKDDS.ORG/EVENTS](http://IKDDS.ORG/EVENTS)

### About Dr. Jeffrey Platt:

Dr. Jeffrey Platt is a former Isaac Knapp member. After 16 years of general practice, twelve in Fort Wayne, Dr. Platt joined the IUSD faculty in 2000 where he is the Ralph W. Phillips Professor in Dental Materials and chair of the Department of Biomedical and Applied Sciences at IUSD. HE is also the chair of the FDI World Dental Federation Science Committee.

### Description:

This course will provide a short review of selected issues surrounding materials today, from fluoride and ion releasing to additive manufacturing and maybe a little history along the way.

### Lecture Objectives:

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- Know the types of bioactive restorative materials and their relationship to the debate
- Additive manufactured materials, will they perform?

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## SUMMER UPDATE FROM IKDEF



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*By Dr. Jason Glassley, IKDEF President*

Fall is always an exciting time for the Isaac Knapp Foundation. We had another wonderful golf outing on September 12th at Chestnut Hills. I would like to thank all of you who played in the event and our many wonderful sponsors who helped us raise over \$7,000 at this year's event!

The proceeds will help us continue our mission of providing scholarships to dental auxiliary students and dental students as well as supporting the many non-profit health care clinics in our area providing vital care to those in need.

In the next week, the foundation board will start reviewing applications from students in the dental assisting, hygiene, lab tech, and dental school programs to award scholarships for the upcoming year. This is always an exciting and rewarding task the board takes part in each November. Evaluating applications from so many impressive and deserving young professionals is such an honor and privilege that the board takes very seriously.

The foundation is also very excited about our upcoming 3rd annual pickleball event and fundraiser.

This is quickly becoming one of the most exciting and fun events of the year with many of our members coming out to both compete and learn this very fun and social sport.

Please mark your calendar for Friday January 30 at Wildwood racquet club. We will have instruction from 2 pros to help teach those just learning the game followed by some friendly competition and for those more experienced players we will have a tournament and will crown a team champion. Food and drinks will be provided, and this is sure to be a great time you won't want to miss! Please be on the lookout for more information and to sign up later this year.

Sincerely,

**Jason Glassley, IKDEF President**

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**GOLF**  
TOURNAMENT

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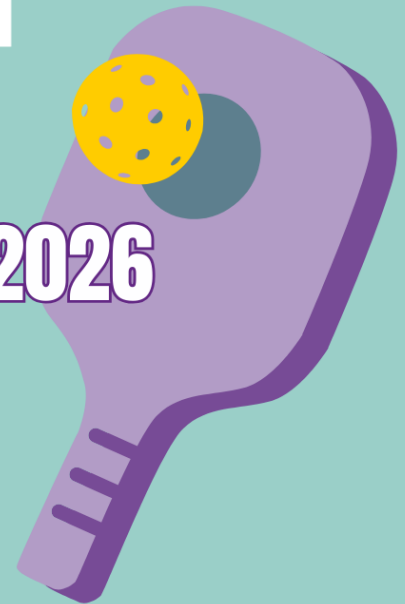
Jamee Lock (*IKDDS Executive Director*)

*The Foundation receives income from member dentists, an annual golf outing, pickleball tournament, fundraising, memorials, estate giving, and corporate sponsors.*



# Pickleball Tournament

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**Friday, January 30, 2026**  
5:30 - 9:00 pm

## 3 Divisions to Choose from:

- Beginner**  
(For new players)
- Intermediate**  
(For recreational players)
- Advanced**  
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# YOUNG DENTIST COMMITTEE PROVIDES INTERESTING EVENTS FOR NEW DENTISTS

Our Young Dentist Committee has been working hard this past year to offer a variety of opportunities for dentists who have practiced ten years or fewer to have opportunities to learn and connect with each other.

2025 saw the launch a new CE event: **YD-Series**. This is an opportunity for one of our IKDDS Specialists to open their doors and host a 1 hour long CE on the topic of their choice. In April, **Drs. Phil Ruckman and Emma Meyer** hosted and presented on “Immediate implant with temporary restoration in esthetic zone”.

**Drs. Lucas Reed and Terrence O’Neill** hosted August YD Series and spoke on “Full arch implant placement with immediate temporization/ All on 4 Technique”

If you are an IKDDS Member Specialist and would like to apply for the 2026 dates, please complete this [interest form](#) by **February 20, 2026**. If you applied in 2025, we ask that you apply again for consideration.

In July, YDC hosted the annual **Welcome TinCaps** event hosted by WesBanco Bank and CARR. This annual event is a great way for new dentists to meet those in the same season of life and to enjoy each other’s company and connect!

In February at the **YDC Winter CE**, we are looking forward learning more about Full Arch Implants with Dr. Adam Frounfelter at Electric Works. 2 CEs will be

offered. Keep an eye out for the registration for that event to open soon! The date has been moved to **Thursday, February 26th!**

Last summer, the Isaac Knapp Dental Education Foundation hosted a Cornhole Tournament at The Shops @ The Sanctuary in Columbia City. This family fun event has been adopted by the YDC and we will start to make this an annual tradition for all members and their families to come together. Save the date for **Sunday, June 14th** from 3-5 pm for the **IKDDS Family Fun Day!**



Join the private **YDC - IKDDS** Facebook group for discussion groups & updates!



## YDC Winter CE: Full Arch Implants

Featuring **Dr. Adam Frounfelter**



Presented by:



**2 CE Credits**

**Thursday, February 26, 2026**  
ELECTRIC WORKS

6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Dinner and beverages will be served

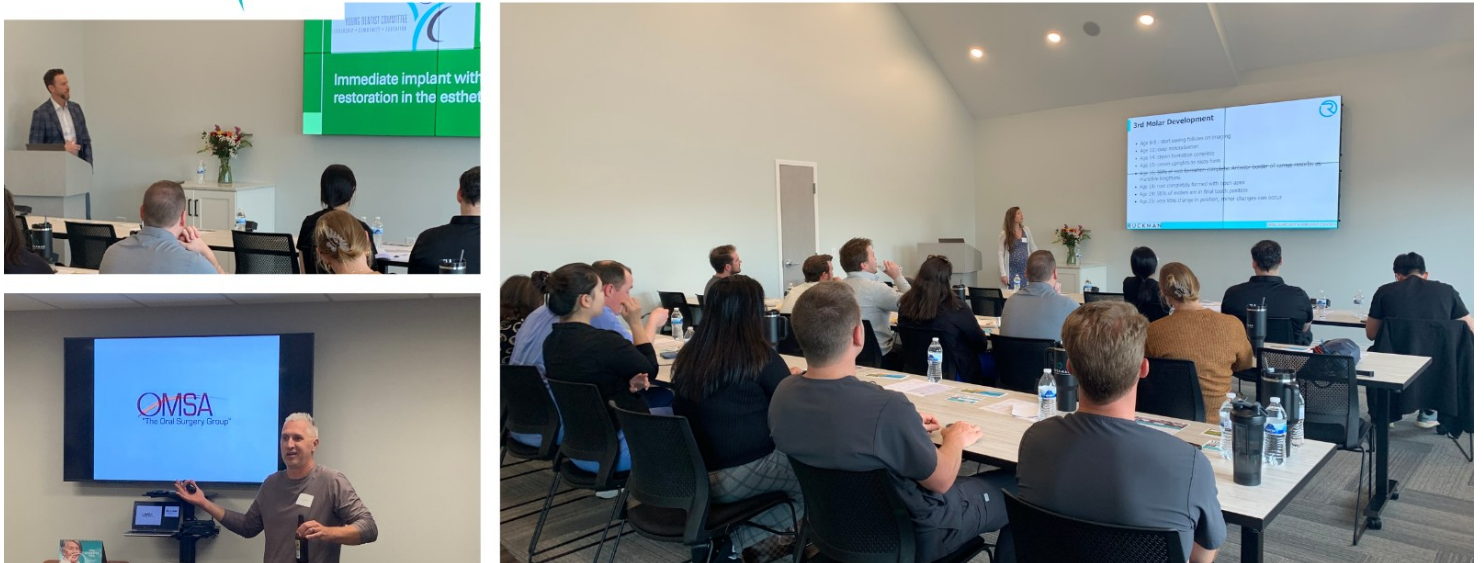
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**\*Young Dentists are qualified as ANY dentist/dental specialist who has practiced 10 years or fewer regardless of membership status.** YDC events are a great opportunity for new dentists to get connected with their peers and to grow in this unique season of their career.



# YOUNG DENTIST COMMITTEE EVENTS!





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# FLIK FAQs

*FLIK is for your*

# FUTURE

**FLIK is a leadership development program made for dentists by dentists. Each year, IKDDS accepts a cohort of 8 - 12 dentists. This cohort commits to 6 training modules and 1 volunteer day.**

## IS FLIK FOR NEW DENTISTS ONLY?

This program is great for any dentist who has a desire to build relationships and expand their skills to become a better leader of their life, their dental team, and their community.

**NO**

## IS FLIK FOR PRACTICE OWNERS ONLY?

This program is great for both practice owners and associate dentists. FLIK provides tools and resources for anyone looking to increase their leadership skills and walk through exercises to help plan their future.

**NO**

**YES**

## WILL I HEAR FROM A VARIETY OF TOPIC EXPERTS?

We bring in a variety of local and national presenters to present on items related to communication skill building, practice management and financial plans, and other presenters to help guide you through.

**YES**

## DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF IKDDS TO REGISTER?

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# 2026-2027

## Program Dates

Mark you calendar!

Program days are 8:30 am - 4:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)  
Snacks, Beverages, and Lunch is provided each day

### PRE-COURSE HOMEWORK

Review Welcome Packet and Read Book  
Look for email link to complete Lifescore Assessment

### September 25, 2026 | Personal & Professional Vision | 7 CE Credits

Participants will identify the Tenants of Effective Leadership, define a vision statement, and learn the core principles for an effective case presentation for clinical roundtable discussions.

### FLIK Social | TBD | 4:00 pm

All previous graduates & current FLIK participants are invited for a Social.

### October 23, 2026 | Communication & Leading a Team | 7 CE Credits

Participants will identify the the concepts of self-sabotage and review techniques to improve mindset. Communication Styles and how to build a strategy when communicating with your dental team and how to build team culture and drive success team meetings. Program day will conclude with Clinical Roundtable Discussions. Guest presenter: Clinton Faupel

### November 20, 2026 | Communication & Leading Patients | 7 CE Credits

Participants will learn current legal considerations surrounding HIPAA laws and the ethical frameworks for successful patient communications. Participants will discuss situational communication. Program day will conclude with Clinical Roundtable Discussions. HIPAA & Ethics requirements for licensure will be fulfilled in this course. Guest Presenter: Joe Cohen & Will Ramsey

### January 22, 2027 | Leading to Financial Success | 7 CE Credits

Participants will learn how to identify considerations for connecting professional vision by managing profit in the dental office and what tools are available to help. Program day will conclude with Clinical Roundtable Discussions.  
Guest Presenters: Dr. Matt Kolkman & Andy Young

### FLIK Social | TBD | 5:00 pm

All previous graduates & current FLIK participants and their guest are invited for a Social.

### February 26, 2027 | Key Practice Systems & Tools | 7 CE Credits

Participants will learn considerations for managing profit in a dental office and how to maximize efficiency with systems and scheduling. Program day will conclude with Clinical Roundtable Discussions. Guest Presenters: Matt Howard

### March 19, 2027 | Your Vision on Display | 7 CE Credits

Participants will learn about putting their vision on view, fear and the effective use of social media and marketing. Participants will learn AI Tools to incorporate into their dental office. Program day will conclude with Clinical Roundtable Discussions.  
Guest Presenter: Justin Sheehan

### April 22, 2027 | FLIK Graduation at Spring Fling

### April 23, 2027 | FLIK Volunteer Day

### FLIK Social | TBD | 3:00 pm

All previous graduates & current FLIK participants are invited for a Social



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# IKDDS Annual Meeting

## HOW TO CREATE A MEMORABLE PATIENT EXPERIENCE IN YOUR PRACTICE

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## Spring Fling

Awards Dinner

April 23, 2026

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## YDC Welcome Tincaps Game

New Dentists Only!

Thursday, August 20, 2026

PARKVIEW FIELD | J CHAPMAN'S SUITE

Gates open at 6:00 pm.

Game starts at 7:05 pm



## IS YOUR CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT ENFORCEABLE?

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As part of their job responsibilities, many employees have access to their employer's confidential and/or proprietary information. To protect this information, employers often require employees to enter into confidentiality agreements. While non-compete provisions and other similar restrictions are often heavily scrutinized by courts to determine their enforceability, simple confidentiality provisions are generally considered enforceable. Still, there are a few things to keep in mind to ensure that such confidentiality agreements or provisions are enforceable.

At a minimum, regardless of what state law applies, confidentiality agreements should include a **whistle-blower immunity notice** as provided by the Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 (DTSA). The DTSA is a federal law that protects an employer or other owner's trade secrets. The DTSA requires that, in any confidentiality agreement, employers provide notice to employees regarding special situations in which the employee cannot be held liable for disclosing trade secrets, such as in whistleblower situations or in cases where the employee discloses the trade secrets under seal in an official legal proceeding.

In Indiana, there are not many other specific requirements for a confidentiality agreement. At a minimum, an employer should always ensure that its confidentiality agreement is reasonable. Generally, confidentiality agreements in Indiana are permitted to continue indefinitely but the agreement should make clear that the information covered by the agreement is only information that is, in fact, proprietary, non-public, and protected as confidential. If an agreement is so broad as to effectively prevent an employee from finding new employment, **the agreement may be considered unenforceable** or run afoul of restrictions on conventional non-compete agreements. In addition, if an agreement contains a confidentiality provision

alongside an overbroad or unenforceable non-competition provision, there is a risk that a court may decline to enforce the entire agreement, thereby rendering the confidentiality provision unenforceable along with the non-competition agreement. In a comprehensive agreement, an employer should take care to include severability or other savings provisions to prevent such an outcome.

Though most states evaluate confidentiality agreements for their reasonableness, some states have common law or statutory requirements with which any confidentiality agreement must comply. Employers should be careful to craft their agreements so that they comply with any local requirements and would be valid in whatever jurisdiction(s) they might seek to enforce the agreement.

If an employer seeks to have an employee sign a new confidentiality agreement or sign a confidentiality agreement after the employee has already begun working for the employer, it may be necessary for the employer to provide some additional consideration or payment of some kind in return for the employee's execution of the agreement. Some states, such as Indiana, generally consider continued at-will employment to be sufficient consideration for a new confidentiality agreement, but some other states, such as Kentucky, do not generally consider continued employment to be sufficient consideration to support a new agreement or obligation.

If a court finds that a confidentiality agreement is not enforceable, an employer may still be able to protect against the misappropriation or disclosure of its trade secrets using state trade secret law or the federal DTSA. Still, such statutory protection is limited only to intellectual property that meets the strict definition of a trade secret.

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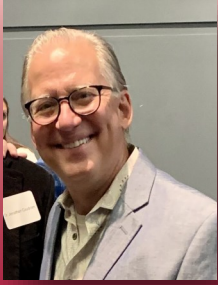


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*Dr. James Jansen*

## RETIRED DENTIST, DR. JAMES JANSEN, RETURNS TO NORTHEAST INDIANA

Earlier this year, IKDDS Retired Member, Dr. James Jansen, returned to Kendallville, IN after several years out of state. Dr. Jansen is excited to be back to the Hoosier state and began using his skill set to be an Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor at IU Fort Wayne and continues as a dental licensure examiner. Welcome home, Dr. Jansen!

## DR. STEVE REGAN SCORES RARE ALBATROSS

In September, IKDDS Member and Treasurer for IKDEF, Dr. Steve Regan scored the rare feat while on a trip to Ireland. He was playing a par five fifteenth hole at the Island Golf Club in Ireland when the rare two occurred.

His playing partners who witnessed the feat were Dr. Ryan Holmes, Dr. Rob Chenoweth, and Cliff Ellis, all of Fort Wayne.

Congrats, Dr. Regan! The odds of achieving an albatross is estimated at nearly 6 million to 1 for amateur golfers. Here he is pictured at an IKDEF Golf Outing.



## DR. JOHN REGAN RECIPIENT OF DISTINGUISHED EAGLE SCOUT AWARD



IKDDS member **Dr. John Regan** was honored as a Distinguished Eagle Scout in Huntington. The Distinguished Eagle Scout Award is the highest accolade bestowed by the National Eagle Scout Association. Dr. Regan earned his Eagle Scout rank on January 14, 1953, as a member of Post 6 in Cambridge City. Congratulations, Dr. Regan! [Click here to read more!](#)



## DR. LAURA PARRISH BRINGS HOME SILVER AT DANCING WITH THE STARS FORT WAYNE!

The IKDDS Family came out in full force to cheer on IKDDS Member, **Dr. Laura Parrish** at this year's **Dancing with the Stars Fort Wayne**. This event supports [The Carriage House](#) and our dental community always shows up to represent! Dr. Parrish's elegance and fun vibe was a fan favorite for the evening! We are proud of her!



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lifestyle, we reinforce our role not just as providers, but as partners. That’s the family connection in action.

Speaking of connection—fall also marks the beginning of our continuing education season. These events are always a highlight of the year. They give us a chance to gather with our dental family, catch up with colleagues, learn from respected experts, and share stories that remind us why we chose this profession in the first place.

If it’s been a while since you attended an Isaac Knapp event in person, this fall is a great time to jump back in. Our first CE program is **November 20th with the return of Tooth Talks**. This year we have eight speakers, each with topics you surely won’t want to miss making for a great night.

After the beginning of the year, we will have Dr. Jeff Platt presenting to our membership on **January 15th**, and be sure to save the date for **March 20th** when Dr Richard Maddow wows us and our staff with up to date practice management education at the All Day Meeting.

This year’s CE programming has something for everyone— Let Isaac Knapp recharge your battery.

Come see familiar faces and welcome new ones. You never know when a small idea from a course or a quick tip from a colleague might reshape your entire practice—or reinvigorate your passion for dentistry. Because we can’t forget, taking care of our professional family includes making sure we’re healthy, balanced, and supported too.

So, as you sip your warm cider or take in a Friday night football game, take a moment to appreciate all the ways this season connects us—to tradition, to health, and to each other. Let’s encourage our patients to enjoy fall while making smart choices. Let’s support each other in our professional growth. And let’s continue to nurture the family we’ve built within this incredible Isaac Knapp dental community.

Here’s to the season of color, connection, and commitment. Because whether we’re helping a child protect their smile with fluoride, showing up for a CE course, or simply checking in with a colleague, we’re doing what families do best—being there for each other.

After all, **We Are Family.**

IS YOUR CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT ENFORCEABLE? – Peery, continued from page 12...

It is therefore often more narrow than the protection afforded by a confidentiality agreement, which can protect confidential information that would not necessarily be considered a trade secret. It is therefore important for an employer to review its confidentiality agreements regularly to ensure all employees with access to such information are covered and that the coverage is reasonable and complies with current applicable state law.



8 OUT OF 10 DENTISTS IN NORTHEAST INDIANA ARE MEMBERS OF ISAAC KNAPP



Visit our Facebook page for more event pictures!

DR. STEVE HOAGBURG RECIPIENT OF IU ALUMNI AWARD



IKDDS member **Dr. Steve Hoagburg** was recognized at the IKDDS Fall Social with the Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association Certificate of Appreciation Award!

## IKDDS FINISHES 2025 STRONG

When we last left off in the summer issue of The Reveille, IKDDS was active and preparing for our events season. 2025 was a busy and fun-filled year. In addition to the events mentioned in the YDC section, IKDDS hosted their annual **Legislative Forum**, **Fall Social**, and the **November Dine & Learn**. We will share more about the November Dine & Learn in the next issue. Pictures are posted on our facebook page.

In October, we started with our ever-popular **Fall Social at Country Heritage Winery**. Many dentists from our district gathered for a fun evening of celebration and networking. Over 100 people attended and we were able to recognize and present IKDDS Member, **Dr. Steve Hoagburg** with the Indiana University School of Dentistry Alumni Association Certificate of Appreciation Award. We are so proud of all the work he does for the profession of dentistry!

A few weeks later, the following state legislators attended our Legislative Forum: **Senators Liz Brown,**

**Dr. Tyler Johnson, and Andy Zay. Representatives Phil GiaQuinta, Dave Heine, Chris Judy, and Matt Lehman** joined us at Purdue Fort Wayne's campus to discuss topics impacting dentistry. Special thank you to these leaders for joining us. **IU Fort Wayne's Vice Chancellor and Dean Deborah Garrison** was present and offered a tour of IU Fort Wayne's dental programs on campus. Our IKDDS Government Affairs committee led discussion on the following topics: Update to the "3-strike" Rule, Nitrous Oxide Certification & Training, Resolution to recognize Donated Dental Program surpassing \$20 million total in donated dental care in Indiana, Limited Hygiene License for Foreign Trained Dentists, and the topic of Fluoride in our drinking water. Reach out to our government affairs committee if you any questions.

**2026 is going to be another great year for Isaac Knapp!** Thank you for being a member! There are many opportunities to connect with other members and we are here for you!

## 2025 NEW MEMBERS

Dr. Alexander Ahmadi

Dr. Maurice Cardona Altuve

Dr. Zelalem Amare

Dr. Jorge (Nio) Baltzell

Dr. Kari Bauermeister

Dr. Benjamin Boswell

Dr. Connor Bresnahan

Dr. Robert Brown

Dr. Harasees Chahal

Dr. Kelsey Greener

Dr. Nomin Groves

Dr. Rachel Holstad

Dr. Luay Jabr

Dr. Christine Lam

Dr. Ganapathy Prasad Manjunath

Dr. Nick Miller

Dr. Branton Samson

Dr. Gurpreet Singh

Dr. Josiah Smith

Dr. Leah Stetzel

Dr. Savanna Stoltz Reed

Dr. Torrey Talifer

Dr. Ryann Velez

Dr. Havey Zhang

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pull together,  
every day is a  
giant leap  
forward.



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**LEGISLATIVE FORUM  
OCTOBER 16, 2025**



# DENTAL DAY

*At the Capitol*

JANUARY

**29**

2026

**9:30 AM - 2:00 PM**

CONTACT IKDDS GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS CHAIR,  
DR. RAJAN GUPTA OR IDA DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT  
AFFAIRS, SHANE SPRINGER FOR QUESTIONS:

**LOCATION: COLUMBIA CLUB  
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EVENT IS FREE. REGISTER ONLINE:



Do you have good news to share for the next issue of The Reville?  
Email pictures and news to [ikdds@ikdds.org](mailto:ikdds@ikdds.org)

CELEBRATE WITH THESE IKDDS MEMBERS!

*Congratulations!*



Dr. Tyler Kimmel was recognized with the CareSource Hoosier Heartbeat Award! This honor celebrates his leadership in advancing dental initiatives that meet patients where they are, making oral health more accessible and improving outcomes across our community.



Dr. Emma Meyer and her husband, Scott, added precious Owen to their family at the end of July. Owen was welcomed home by his older siblings.

IKDDS

It's YOUR Society!

SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS WITH US!

[ikdds@ikdds.org](mailto:ikdds@ikdds.org)

Do you have a unique experience that would make a good article? Have you recently gotten married or had a baby? We want to celebrate with you! Email Jamee your good news!

**WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!**

# IKDDS MEMBERS GIVE BACK!



**Dr. Mark Stoner** recently traveled to Honduras to provide dental care to those in need.

Several IKDDS member dental offices provided dental care for Veterans on Veterans Day. Pictured here are **Dupont Family Dentistry** and **Grabill Family Dentistry** serving our veterans.



## Family Fun Day!

**Join us for a family-friendly event with activities including:**

- Cornhole Tournament
- Bounce House
- Face Painting
- Food Truck and more!!!!



Due to the timing of the Annual Meeting and the requirements to submit to the IDA House of Delegates, we will elect IKDDS representatives to the IDA House of Delegates at the **January Dine & Learn** event on January 15, 2026. The Trustee position serves a 3 year term and is not on the ballot this year:

### IKDDS Delegation to IDA House of Delegates **2026** Ballot:

IKDDS Bylaws discerns that the Delegation for candidates to serve as Alternate Delegate their first year of service and then transition to the Delegate position the second year of service. This ballot reflects those who will be elected as an Alternate Delegate for their first year and they will automatically transition to Delegate in 2027.

### Delegation Candidates - Serve 2026 (Alternate Delegate) & 2027 (Delegate):

- |                                |                             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Dr. Alexander Ahmadi</b>    | <b>Dr. Ben Clinkenbeard</b> |
| <b>Dr. Caroline Derrow</b>     | <b>Dr. Steven Ellinwood</b> |
| <b>Dr. Ryan Hart</b>           | <b>Dr. Jake Yager</b>       |
| <b>Dr. Jill Stetzel Torkeo</b> |                             |

**Sunday, June 14, 2026**  
**3:00 - 7:00 pm**  
**The Shops @ The Sanctuary, Columbia City**



## ISAAC KNAPP...YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW

By Jamee Lock IKDDS Executive Director

As we finish another year at Isaac Knapp, it is great to reflect on the amazing things WE have accomplished! **Thank you for choosing to be a member!**

2025 proved to be a successful event year. We had fantastic attendance to all of our events including the **most successful March Annual meeting** we've had since the dreaded COVID pandemic. Thank you to everyone who commits to attending our

events. Our Professional Development & Planning Committee works hard to bring a variety of topics and fun social events to better serve our members.

We successfully graduated our 2nd cohort of FLIK and launched our 3rd. As you review your New Year's Resolutions and assess that it is time to invest time into yourself and take opportunities to grow, I want to encourage you to **consider applying for FLIK** in March 2026. Check out **pages 9 and 10** of this issue to learn more about the program. You will be taking time to develop skills to help you become a better leader for your family, your dental team, and your community.

This year, we started to look at family-friendly events and did a trial run of **Floss & Toss Cornhole Tournament**. The day proved that our theme of "We Are Family" really does extend to our dental community. Seeing families have fun together and connect was an example that we need more opportunities for these types of events. In June 2026, we are rebranding the Floss & Toss event to a **Family Fun Day**. Our Young Dentist Committee (YDC) will lead in the planning of this day. Stay tuned for more information!

As you review upcoming events, please check out our list of sponsors this year. We have both single event sponsors and also a group of **annual sponsors who are committing to supporting all events for Isaac Knapp**. As you encounter these companies, please take a moment to thank them for supporting dentistry in northeast Indiana. They believe in your success and want to help by bringing enriching opportunities to our member dentists.

2026 is also a precursor to celebration and a rich history that you all have the opportunity to be a part of. In the mid part of 2026, we will officially install **Dr. Jill Stetzel Torkeo as our 100th President!** I can't think of anything more fitting than to have a 3rd generation Isaac Knapper receive this honor.

It's a little tricky to explain, but due to transition from Fort Wayne Dental Society and the timing of our presidential terms, we will be welcoming our 100th President BEFORE our official **100th Anniversary in 2028**. Northeast Indiana has a rich history of a trailblazing dental community. While 2028 is our official 100th anniversary year, our roots travel back to 1891

when the Isaac Knapp Dental Coterie was formed. **This small group of dentists formed simply to be united and to have opportunities to connect and grow together with their passion for dentistry.** That sentiment still exists today and is a big reason for our success as a nationally recognized Dental Society.

**Dr. Doug Jansen**, IKDDS President, will be leading a taskforce to explore ideas to celebrate our 100th celebration. If you have any pieces of history or ideas to celebrate, please connect with him. We are starting to plan for these amazing milestones!

Even though we will have what seems to be a gap year from inducting our 100th President and our 100th anniversary, we are excited that 2027 will provide us with another reason to celebrate. **2027 will be the 40th anniversary of our Isaac Knapp Dental Education Foundation!**

It is amazing to see the impact of your generosity translated into scholarships for dental students, support of dental education programs, and support for local dental clinics to equip them to better serve our community. If you have ever donated even \$1 to our foundation, **YOU are a part of the over \$700,000** that has been disbursed to these programs in northeast Indiana. Our foundation is on pace to be able to disburse a minimum of approximately \$50,000 annually. If you want to learn more about what the foundation is doing, I encourage you to reach out to IKDEF President, **Dr. Jason Glassley**.

In addition to adding contributions to our foundation when you pay your membership, you can also **donate online** or mail in a check. Annually, IKDEF hosts a **Pickleball Tournament** in January and a Golf Outing in September for opportunities to raise funds. Even if you are unable to participate, you can always sponsor a court or hole at these events to show your support!

While you step into 2026 optimistically, it is great to start off with a season of gratitude to set the foundation for another great year. Your membership to Isaac Knapp helps to create a positive dental presence in northeast Indiana. You have the opportunity to shape what dentistry looks like locally. No matter what season of life you are in, we will stand behind you to help you be the best you can be both professionally and personally.

# COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINICS

## CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE

<https://cchcin.org/>  
260-627-2242  
13410 Main Street  
Grabill, IN

Fort Wayne Location:  
2000 N Wells Street  
Fort Wayne, IN



## COMMUNITY DENTAL CLINIC

*Provides specialized dental care consistent with Amish and Mennonite (Plain) values. The Community Dental Clinic provides clinical dental services to all individuals, regardless of religion, race or age.*

<https://www.thecommunitydentalclinic.org/>  
260-768-7918  
7750 W 200 S  
Topeka, IN 46571



## FAITH COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC

*Serves uninsured adults who live in Steuben County and meet financial guidelines*

<https://faithhealthclinic.org/>  
260-665-3146  
909 S Darling Street  
Angola, IN 46703

Open the 1st, 3rd and  
4th Wednesday of the  
month. Appointments  
begin at 5:00 PM and  
end at 7:00 PM.



## IU FORT WAYNE DAVID A BLEEKE DENTAL CLINIC

*The IU Fort Wayne David A. Bleeke, DDS Dental Clinic offers a convenient location where the public can receive quality and preventive dental care.*

<https://fortwayne.iu.edu/clinic/>  
260-257-6826  
Neff Hall Room 109  
2101 E. Coliseum Blvd.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46805



Call or visit website for  
clinic hours

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<https://www.matthew25online.org/>  
260-426-3250

413 E Jefferson Blvd  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Weekdays: 8:15 am - 4 pm  
Exception Thursdays: 8:15 am - 12 pm



## NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CLINIC

*An FQHC - Assist patients through many insurance options and provides affordable care with a sliding payment scale*

<https://www.mynhfw.org/>  
260-458-2641

1717 S Calhoun St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

3350 E. Paulding Rd.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46816



Call or visit website for  
clinic hours.

\*NEW LOCATION\*  
3501 Warsaw St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46806

## ST. MARTIN'S HEALTHCARE

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<https://www.smhcin.org/>  
260-357-0077

135 S Randolph St  
Garrett, IN 46738

Call or visit website for  
clinic hours



## UNFAILING LOVE CLINIC

*Serves uninsured, low-income adults*

[unfailingloveclinic.org](http://unfailingloveclinic.org)

260-724-2911

Monday 8:30 a - 1p

1040 S. 11th St.

Wednesday 8:30 a - 1 p

Decatur, IN 46733

Thursday 8:30 a - 1 p



## WHERE TO REFER PATIENTS NEEDING LOW-COST OR MEDICAID PROVIDERS?

Use this list to help direct patients looking for low-cost dental care. Many of these clinics are supported by our northeast Indiana Community.

If a patient is looking for a Medicaid provider and you are not one, please encourage them to visit:

<https://ikdds.org/find-a-dentist/>

and click on the **Find A Medicaid Provider** link

This link will direct them to the Indiana state Medicaid website, which includes links to assist them in finding an IHCP Provider.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED WITH VOLUNTEERING OR SUPPORTING THESE DENTAL CLINICS?

If you are interested with volunteering with or donating to any of these clinics, please reach out to them directly.

Our **Isaac Knapp Dental Education Foundation** also supports many of these clinics. When you donate to the foundation, you are also supporting these organizations. IKDEF disburses approximately \$15,000 annually via grants to dental clinics annually. Visit [ikdds.org/ikdef](https://ikdds.org/ikdef) for a list of recipients.

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## DENTAL SERVICES:

Exams, X-Rays, Hygiene, Fillings, Extractions

## ENTERTAINMENT:

Music, Face Painting, Mascots, Sport Team Representatives, and other fun activities.

### WHEN:

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

### WHERE:

ParkView Field

### TIME:

8:00AM - 3:00PM ET

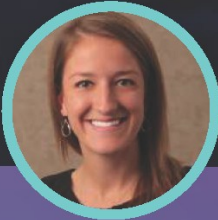


If you are interested in volunteering, please visit [TeamSmile and The Fort Wayne Tin Caps](#) or email, [bobby@teamsmile.org](mailto:bobby@teamsmile.org)



# Why I Dental...

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Amanda Miller, DDS  
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A DLN/DDS coordinator reviews and screens the applicant

#### Match

Coordinator matches qualified patient with a volunteer dentist

#### Treat

Volunteer dentist sees patient in their own office

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