

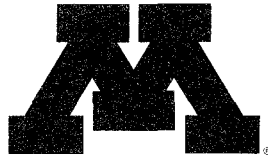
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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Graduation Ceremony

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2008
TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON
TED MANN CONCERT HALL



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Welcome to the 2008 commencement ceremony for the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. This marks the 119th year that we have celebrated graduates entering the profession of dentistry. This long-standing tradition is an opportunity to publicly recognize the achievements of our graduates and to express heartfelt gratitude for the many ways that people have contributed to making this day possible.

Today is a proud moment for all and one that we will cherish for many years to come. We hope you enjoy every minute of our program, and we wish you a memorable and fulfilling graduation day.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Patrick M. Lloyd".

Patrick M. Lloyd, DDS, MS
Dean
Professor, Division of Prosthodontics

The Ceremony

PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME

Patrick M. Lloyd, Dean

SPEAKING FOR THE GRADUATES

Amy A. McNamara
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, Class of 2008, May Graduate

R. Njeri Gordon
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, Class of 2008, August Graduate

Nicholas P. Wangler
Doctor of Dental Surgery, Class of 2008

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

To General John W. Vessey, Jr.,
U.S. Army (Ret.)

By The Honorable Dean Johnson, Regent
Arlene Carney, Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs

GRADUATION ADDRESS

General John W. Vessey, Jr., U.S. Army, (Ret.)

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

The Honorable Dean Johnson, Regent

RECOGNITION OF POST-DOCTORAL CANDIDATES IN ADVANCED DENTISTRY PROGRAMS

PRESENTATION OF THE DENTAL HYGIENE GRADUATES

PRESENTATION AND HOODING OF THE DENTAL GRADUATES

Patrick M. Lloyd, Dean
Judith A. Buchanan, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Christine M. Blue, Director, Division for Dental Hygiene
Darryl T. Hamamoto, Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs
Jeffrey F. Carlson, Clinical Specialist, Division of Periodontology
Michael K. Baisden, Assistant Clinical Specialist, Division of Endodontics

CLOSING COMMENTS

Patrick M. Lloyd, Dean

RECESSIONAL

Guests are asked to remain seated until the graduates and participating faculty have left the auditorium.

Please join us for a reception in the lobby foyer and outside terrace on the 2nd floor.

Seated on Stage

DR. PATRICK M. LLOYD	Dean
GEN. JOHN W. VESSEY	U.S. Army (Ret.)
THE HONORABLE DEAN JOHNSON	Regent
DR. ARLENE CARNEY	Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs
DR. FRANK B. CERRA	Senior Vice President and Provost Academic Health Center
DR. JAMIE SLEDD	President, Minnesota Dental Association
DR. NADENE BUNGE	President, Minnesota State Board of Dentistry
DR. ELIZABETH RYDELL	President School of Dentistry Alumni Society
MS. MARY BETH KENSEK	President Minnesota Dental Hygienists' Association
MS. BRENDA SPANOVICH	President Minnesota Dental Assistants Association
DR. JUDITH A. BUCHANAN	Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
DR. ROBERT F. HIRSCH	Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs
DR. JOEL D. RUDNEY	Associate Dean for Research
DR. NATY LOPEZ	Assistant Dean for Admissions and Diversity
DR. DARRYL HAMAMOTO	Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs
MS. CHRISTINE BLUE	Director, Division of Dental Hygiene
DR. JEFFREY F. CARLSON	Clinical Specialist Developmental & Surgical Sciences - Periodontology
DR. MICHAEL K. BAISDEN	Assistant Clinical Specialist Restorative Sciences - Endodontics
DR. LARRY F. WOLFF	Chair, Developmental and Surgical Sciences
DR. DONALD A. SIMONE	Chair, Diagnostic and Biological Sciences
DR. RALPH DELONG	Chair, Restorative Sciences

RECOGNITION OF 2008 POST-DOCTORAL CANDIDATES
IN ADVANCED DENTISTRY PROGRAMS

ENDODONTICS: CERTIFICATE AND M.S. DEGREE ANTICIPATED AUGUST 2008

Kendra K. Boda, D.D.S.	Green Bay, WI
Michelle A. Maillet, D.D.S.	Fall River, Nova Scotia
Jonathan R. Richards, D.D.S.	Las Vegas, NV
Duane A. Van Nieuwenhuyzen, D.D.S.	Pipestone, MN

PERIODONTICS: CERTIFICATE MAY 30, 2008, M.S. DEGREE ANTICIPATED AUGUST 2008

Amy J. Dettbarn, D.D.S.	Brainerd, MN
Brian S. Fuller, D.D. S.	Billings, MT

PERIODONTICS: CERTIFICATE MAY 30, 2008

Thomas E. Hoover, D.D.S.	Denver, CO
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PROSTHODONTICS: CERTIFICATE MAY 30, M.S. DEGREE ANTICIPATED JUNE 2008

Sujey Rodriguez-Lozano, D.D.S.	Bogota, Colombia
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TMD & OROFACIAL PAIN: CERTIFICATE MAY 2008, M.S. DEGREE ANTICIPATED AUGUST 2008

Estephan J. Moana Filho, D.D.S.	Vitoria, Brazil
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TMD & OROFACIAL PAIN: CERTIFICATE MAY 2008, M.S. DEGREE ANTICIPATED JANUARY 2009

Radwa M. Sobieh, D.D.S.	Alexandria, Egypt
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2008 CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
IN DENTAL HYGIENE – MAY

Bethany C. Beyer	Chaska, MN
Amanda J. Cozennoy	Forest Lake, MN
Rebecca L. Homan	Hutchinson, MN
Janelle L. Huss	Brainerd, MN
Kim P. Huynh, B.S.	Brooklyn Park, MN
Tiffany J. Kes	Faribault, MN
Molly E. Klinger	Rollingstone, MN
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Katrina H. Nguyen	St. Paul, MN
Peter H. Nguyencong	Brooklyn Park, MN
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Susanna C. Schell	Faribault, MN
Erin M. Sikkink	Harmony, MN
Jenna E. Stanley	Appleton, WI
Cynthia D. Webb	Northfield, MN
Jennifer J. Wicklund	Hector, MN
JaNahn R. Williams	Cambridge, MN

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Crystal B. Cunningham, B.S.	Lakeland Shores, MN
Emily U. Durand, B.A.	St. Paul, MN
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Miranda J. Hammersness, A.A.	Anoka, MN
Sujeetha Kanapathipillai	Sri Lanka
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Afton P. McNitt	Spooner, WI
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Katlyn M. Schommer	Maple Grove, MN
Huong T. Tran	Minneapolis, MN
Song Vang	St. Paul, MN
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DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM

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Malecha S. Amin, B.S.	Indianapolis, IN
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Nicholas R. Bakkum, B.S.	Hutchinson, MN
Jack D. Baldwin, B.S.	Fargo, ND
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Megan L. Beuckens, B.A.	Sioux Falls, SD
Kelly L. Bumgarner B.S.	Nelson, MN
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Anthony R. Frank, B.S.	Bismarck, ND
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Meghan E. Hansen, B.A.	Eagan, MN
Zachary D. Hazelton, B.A.	Bemidji, MN
Dustin A. Hollevoet, B.S.	Devils Lake, ND
Abigail E. Hood, B.A.	East Grand Forks, MN
Bobee J. Hyland, B.A.	Austin, MN
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Benjamin S. Johnson, B.S.	Delavan, WI
James F. Johnson, B.A.	Fargo, ND
Jeremy R. Johnson, B.S.	Brookings, SD
Timothy W. Johnson	South St. Paul, MN
Sarah J. Jorgenson, B.S.	Fridley, MN
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Jason R. Kelbel, B.S.	Onalaska, WI
Anne E. Kent, B.A.	Lakeville, MN
Julee A. Kingsley, B.S.	Elgin, MN
Jerod T. Klava, B.A.	Fargo, ND
Jonathan A. Kuipers, B.A.	Rochester, MN
Michael S. Kunkel	Sioux Falls, SD
Ena Lee, B.S.	St. Paul, MN
Christopher R. Lehn, B.A.	St. Joseph, MN
Alexandra N. Leis, B.A.	Elbow Lake, MN
Xiaosong (Steven) Liu, B.S., M.D.	Tianjin, China
Gloria E. Lopez Franco, D.D.S., M.S.	Rionegro, Colombia
Nathan R. Lund, B.A.	Duluth, MN
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Michele M. Prom, B.S.	Fessenden, ND
Heidi M. Ramler, B.A.	Sartell, MN
Robert A. Remmick, B.S.	Devils Lake, ND
Benjamin L. Ricks, B.S.	Minot, ND
Nicholas M. Saari, B.A.	Forest Lake, ND
William R. Samson, B.S.	Three Forks, MT
Charles J. Schmidt, B.S.	Rochester, MN
Rachel M. Schwingler, B.A.	Rochester, MN
Jonetta H. Scotland, B.S.	Bemidji, MN
Brian J. Serres, B.S.	Cannon Falls, MN
Mohit Sharda, B.D.S.	Solan, India
Stephen P. Sheffield, B.S.	Oakdale, MN
Matthew M. Sievers, B.S.	Duluth, MN
Justin D. Sjulson, B.S.	Grand Forks, ND
Hyun-Kyung Son, B.A.	Daegu, South Korea
Shawn M. Spoden, B.A., M.S.	Hutchinson, MN
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M. Jared Stanley, B.S.	Shorewood, MN
Lawrence E. Steininger, B.S.	Bismarck, ND
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Leah M. Tervonen, B.S.	Chisholm, MN
Holly A. Thompson	Duluth, MN
Tessie L. Thompson, B.A.	West St. Paul, MN
Tracy L. Toft, B.S.	Stewartville, MN
Heidi K. Torgerson, B.S.	Hokah, MN
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Jessica A. Tri, B.S.	Sioux Falls, SD
Paul M. Trobec, B.A.	St. Stephen, MN
Eric G. Unkenholz, B.S., M.S.	Pierre, SD
Nicholas P. Wangler, B.A.	Bismarck, ND
Robert R. Watson, B.A.	Helena, MT
Tracy M. Wendland, B.S.	Arden Hills, MN
Stephanie L. Wetzell, B.S.	Billings, MT
Kyle J. Wilkes, B.A.	Wisconsin Rapids, WI
Anna M. Woods	Evansville, MN
Yvonne W. Yang, B.S.	Appleton, WI

Graduation Speaker

GENERAL JOHN W. VESSEY, JR., U.S. ARMY (RET.)
B.A., M.S.

John W. Vessey, Jr. was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1922. He joined the Minnesota National Guard in 1939 and was called to service in World War II. General Vessey received a field commission as an officer at Anzio in 1944. During his military career, he served in many different posts, from Korea to Vietnam. He received his B.A. degree in 1963 from the University of Maryland and his M.S. degree from George Washington University in 1965.

Toward the end of his career, he reached the rank of four-star general and was appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff under President Ronald Reagan. After forty-six years of military service, General Vessey retired in 1985. The retired General returned to Vietnam as the Presidential Emissary to Hanoi for POW/MIA matters.

General Vessey is a distinguished former soldier, diplomat and advisor to presidents. During his career in the Army, he distinguished himself as the “soldier’s soldier” and the “GI’s General”. General Vessey never forgot any of his soldiers, having been an enlisted man himself (a self-described “mud soldier”) and having served at every level of the Army. General Vessey’s career was highly decorated as he distinguished himself in all theaters of peace and war. President George H.W. Bush awarded General Vessey the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1992. Inspired by this life of selfless service to country, the General John Vessey, Jr., Leadership Academy has the great pleasure to bear his name and to honor his example of service to the United States. The Academy seeks to continue his work by serving young men and women in St. Paul, using his example as a beacon by which to guide cadets to lives of community leadership.

Student Speakers

AMY A. MCNAMARA

Ms. McNamara is from the western part of our state, Dawson, Minnesota. She came to the School of Dentistry in 2005 already having earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at the College of St. Benedict in 1994. Having numerous years of experience in several professions, she became interested in dental hygiene after working for a year in a dental practice as a patient care coordinator. While in the program, her natural leadership skills became clearly evident to her fellow classmates who elected her their class president for two years. She is planning on staying in Minneapolis, hoping to practice in a public health setting.

R. NJERI GORDON

In 1995, Ms Gordon came to the United States from her native land of Kenya, seeking to further her education. Interested in health sciences, she earned her Associates degree in dental assisting from Century College in 2001 and was later hired as a dental assistant in the School of Dentistry's Endodontic clinic. This experience served to pique her interest in another area of dentistry, dental hygiene. During her participation in the program, Ms. Gordon not only served as president of her class but also founded the school's Global Perspectives in Dentistry group, which she presided over as president. After graduation, she plans to practice in the Twin Cities and hopes to teach in a dental hygiene or dental assisting program.

NICHOLAS P. WANGLER

Nicholas Wangler grew up in Bismarck, North Dakota, and completed his Bachelor of Arts degree in political science at the University of North Dakota in 2004. During his four years in the DDS program, his fellow students continuously sought his leadership, electing him as their class president all four years. A hallmark of his terms was an emphasis on following ethical and fair protocols for students and patients. In addition, in the fall 2007 he was elected president of the School of Dentistry's Student Council where he undertook the revision of their constitution and bylaws based on his extensive research of similar documents across the University. He will be completing a one-year general practice residency at Hennepin County Medical Center after graduation and then will practice in North Dakota.

2008 SENIOR RECOGNITION AWARD RECIPIENTS

STUDENT & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

ALPHA OMEGA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Casey B. Carlson

ELEANOR BUSHEE AAWD

SENIOR WOMAN DENTAL AWARD

Julee A. Kingsley

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF DENTISTS

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Eric G. Unkenholz

RECOGNITION OF THE FIRST GRADUATING

CLASS OF THE PROGRAM FOR ADVANCED

STANDING STUDENTS (PASS)

Ebun S. Isawumi

Gloria E. Lopez Franco

Naina A. Mahale

Iman A. Mokhles

Obiajulu I. Onuora

Mohit Sharda

ASDA AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Julee A. Kingsley

METRO DENTAL FELLOW STUDENT

MENTOR AWARDS

DH May: Sarah A. Sakara

DH August: R. Njeri Gordon

DDS: Megan L. Beukens

DOCTORS SWENSON AND MURN

"QUALITY CARE IN A CARING MANNER" AWARD

Megan L. Beuckens

Jonathan R. Fabian

Meghan E. Hansen

Angela N. Pieper

MDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES AWARD

Julee A. Kingsley

OMICRON KAPPA UPSILON

MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Jordan D. Anderson

Casey B. Carlson

Tracy J. Grossman

Dustin A. Hollevoet

Michael S. Kunkel

Gloria E. Lopez Franco

Russell T. Peterson

Kyra A. Toulouse

Paul M. Trobec

Eric G. Unkenholz

MELLOR R. HOLLAND STUDENT

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nicholas P. Wangler

KATHLEEN J. NEWELL AWARD

DH May: Nicole M. Kluempke

DH August: Emily U. Durand

BIOMATERIALS

ACADEMY OF DENTAL MATERIALS AWARD

Jordan D. Anderson

DENTAL HYGIENE

IONE M JACKSON AWARD

August: Brooke B. Bishop

R. Njeri Gordon

NAOMI RHODE DENTAL HYGIENIST-PATIENT

RELATIONSHIP AWARD

May: Cynthia D. Webb

August: Crystal B. Cunningham

SIGMA PHI ALPHA AWARD

May: Nicole J. Kluempke

Katrina H. Nguyen

Jenna E. Stanley

August: Crystal B. Cunningham

Emily U. Durand

Jocelyn M. Wegren

STUDENT TOTAL ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

(S.T.A.R.) AWARD

May: Katrina H. Nguyen

August: Emily U. Durand

ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC HEALTH &

COMMUNITY DENTISTRY AWARD

May: Jennifer J. Wicklund

August: Alisha M. Kruggel

PARK DENTAL SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD

May: Jenna E. Stanley

August: R. Njeri Gordon

SHIRLEY BURGAN LICHTWARDT AWARD

May: Nicole J. Kluempke

August: Afton P. McNitt

LOUISE C. BALL AWARD

May: Jenna E. Stanley

August: Alisha M. Kruggel

GORDON & MARIE HACKBORN AWARD

May: Jennifer J. Wicklund

August: R. Njeri Gordon

DONNA AKER-DEHN/

KATHLEEN NEWELL AWARD

May: Katrina H. Nguyen

August: Alisha M. Kruggel

DENTAL RESEARCH

& ORAL BIOLOGY

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF

ORAL BIOLOGISTS AWARD

Yvonne W. Yang

QUINTESSENCE AWARD FOR RESEARCH

Jeremy R. Johnson

PIERRE FAUCHARD SENIOR STUDENT AWARD

Claire O. Mielke Rogness

ENDODONTICS

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ENDODONTISTS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nathan R. Lund

JAMES JENSEN AWARD FOR

EXCELLENCE IN ENDODONTICS

Meghan E. Hansen

IRWIN A. EPSTEIN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

IN CLINICAL ENDODONTICS

Jordan D. Anderson

FACULTY & STAFF

DDS FACULTY OF THE YEAR AWARD

Dr. Michael K. Baisden

Dr. Jeffrey F. Carlson

DH FACULTY OF THE YEAR AWARD -

MAY CLASS OF 2008

Ms. Lisa W. Ahman

Ms. Michelle Sensat

DH FACULTY OF THE YEAR AWARD -

AUGUST CLASS OF 2008

Ms. Jill L. Stoltenberg

OPERATIVE DENTISTRY

ACADEMY OF GENERAL DENTISTRY AWARD

Stephen P. Sheffield

MN ACADEMY OF GENERAL DENTISTRY AWARD

Paul M. Trobec

ACADEMY OF OPERATIVE DENTISTRY AWARD

Michael E. Giebenhain

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF

ESTHETIC DENTISTRY AWARD

Lisa M. Abeln

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF DENTAL PRACTICE

ADMINISTRATION AWARD

William R. Samson

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF

GOLD FOIL OPERATORS AWARD

Kelly L. Bumgarner

QUINTESSENCE AWARD FOR CLINICAL

ACHIEVEMENT IN RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY

Peter L. Nguyen

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL

PATHOLOGY

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ORAL &

MAXILLOFACIAL PATHOLOGY AWARD

Jeremy R. Johnson

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ORAL &

MAXILLOFACIAL SURGEONS DENTAL

STUDENT AWARD

Michael S. Kunkel

HENRY B CLARK, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD

Megan L. Beuckens

HORACE WELLS SENIOR AWARD

Julee A. Kingsley

ORAL MEDICINE/DIAGNOSIS/

RADIOLOGY

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ORAL &

MAXILLOFACIAL RADIOLOGY AWARD

Casey B. Carlson

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ORAL
MEDICINE AWARD
Russell T. Peterson

ORTHODONTICS

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
ORTHODONTISTS AWARD
Matthew M. Sievers

MN ASSOCIATION OF ORTHODONTISTS AWARD
Dustin A. Hollevoet

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF
PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY AWARD
Tori T. Conrad

MINNESOTA ACADEMY OF PEDIATRIC
DENTISTRY AWARD (PERFORMANCE)
Claire O. Mielke Rogness

MINNESOTA ACADEMY OF PEDIATRIC
DENTISTRY AWARD (COMMUNITY SERVICE)
Nicole R. Amundson

PERIODONTICS

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF
PERIODONTOLOGY AWARD
Eric M. Beckman

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF
PERIODONTISTS AWARD
Jerod T. Klava

QUINTESSENCE AWARD FOR CLINICAL
ACHIEVEMENT IN PERIODONTICS
Tracy L. Toft

PROSTHODONTICS: FIXED REMOVABLE

AAOMS DENTAL IMPLANT STUDENT AWARD
Megan L. Beuckens

ALLAN D. PETERSON MEMORIAL AWARD FOR
CLINICAL EXCELLENCE IN REMOVABLE
PROSTHODONTICS
Lisa M. Abeln

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PROSTHODONTICS
UNDERGRADUATE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Benjamin L. Ricks

CLAYTON A. SWANSON MEMORIAL AWARD
FOR PROSTHODONTICS
Russell T. Peterson

EXCELLENCE IN PROSTHODONTICS AWARD –
“HANAU™ THE BEST OF THE BEST”
Mark T. Phillips

J. RAYMOND GILL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING
ACHIEVEMENT IN CLINICAL PROSTHODONTICS
Marie A. Moeckel
Michele M. Prom
Kyra A. Toulouse

WALTER S WARPEHA AWARD
Matthew M. Sievers

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF
ORAL IMPLANTOLOGISTS –
PREDOCTORAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Sean R. Fleming

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF IMPLANT DENTISTRY
(AAID) 2008 DENTAL STUDENT AWARD
Sarah J. Jorgenson

ACADEMY OF OSSEointegration,
OUTSTANDING DENTAL STUDENT
IN IMPLANT DENTISTRY AWARD
Megan L. Beuckens

OTHER AWARDS & RECOGNITION

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY ACADEMIC
EXCELLENCE AWARD
Jordan D. Anderson

Casey B. Carlson,
Tracy J. Grossman
Dustin A. Hollevoet
Michael S. Kunkel
Russell T. Peterson
Marie A. Moeckel
Kyra A. Toulouse
Paul M. Trobec
Eric G. Unkenholz

MICHAEL J. TILL SCHOLARSHIP
Jordan D. Anderson

LOIS J. KARL SCHOLARSHIP
Tracy J. Grossman

DELTA SIGMA DELTA SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARD
Russell T. Peterson

JACK MESROPIAN MEMORIAL GRANT
Kyra A. Toulouse

ST. PAUL DISTRICT DENTAL
SOCIETY MONSON GRANT
Benjamin J. Christopherson
Mark T. Phillips
Nicholas M. Saari

U.S. ARMY SOLIDER'S MEDAL
Nathan R. Lund

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN
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Mohit Sharda
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Xiaosong Liu
Claire O. Mielke Rogness
Tracy L. Toft

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REPRESENTATIVE
Claire O. Mielke Rogness

DH ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE
Song Vang

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HATS OFF TO U OF MN GRADUATES

The University of Minnesota Alumni Association (UMAA) congratulates all 2008 graduates on your graduation and encourages you to stay connected to the University. Compliments of UMAA, each graduate will receive a free, one-year UMAA membership. If you haven't had the opportunity to pick up your membership card and benefits booklet, they will be mailed to you to help you get started on a lifelong connection to your alma mater.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic ensemble for graduation consists of a gown, separate hood and either a mortarboard cap or tam with tassel. The color of each piece and length and design of the hood is related to the respective academic degrees awarded or to be awarded. The official academic color designation for dentistry is lilac and the official colors of the University of Minnesota are maroon and gold.

The graduating dental hygiene students are wearing black Bachelor's degree gowns, waist length black hoods edged in lilac velvet trim with a satin inner lining of maroon and gold. Their mortarboard caps are black with a lilac tassel. Candidates wearing gold tassels have been elected to Sigma Phi Alpha, the National Dental Hygiene Honor Society.

The graduating doctor of dental surgery students are wearing the black Doctorate degree gown, full length black hoods edged in a wide band of lilac velvet trim with a satin inner lining of maroon and gold. On their heads they are wearing black mortarboard caps with lilac tassels. Candidates wearing gold tassels have been elected to Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the National Dental Honor Society.

The faculty and honored guests participating in the graduation ceremony are wearing gowns and hoods indicating their highest degree and caps with tassels.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The School of Dentistry graduates express their appreciation to their families and friends for their support throughout their dental education. With sincere gratitude, the Dental Hygiene and Dental Classes of 2008 recognize the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry Alumni Society for their financial support of their graduation apparel and commitment to making their graduation a very memorable occasion.

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University of Minnesota Pep Band

The Minnesota Rouser

Minnesota, Hats off to thee!

To thy colors, true we shall ever be,

Firm and strong, united are we.

Rah! Rah! Rah! for Ski-U-Mah,

Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah for the U of M.

[Repeat]

M - I - N - N - E - S - O - T - A!

Minnesota!

Minnesota!

Yeaaaaaaah Gophers!

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