## **Archives**

## Steven P. Geiermann, DDS

Appointment

Steven M. Levy, DDS, MPH is the newly appointed Wright-Bush-Shreeves Endowed Professor of Research at the University of Iowa (UI) College of Dentistry. Dr. Levy has served on the faculty at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in the Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry since 1984, after completing his training at Princeton University (BA in Statistics), the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (DDS and MPH in Health Administration/Dental Public Health), and the North Carolina Department of Human Resources (Residency in Dental Public Health). He is also Professor in the Department of Epidemiology in the College of Public Health. Dr. Levy serves as the Graduate Program Director of the Master of Science degree program in Dental Public Health (DPH), as well as the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Bureau of Health Professions' Dental Public Health Specialty Training Grant, and co-director on the UI Pediatric Dentistry/ DPH training grant from HRSA's Maternal and Child Health Bureau -Iowa's Maternal and Child Health Center for Leadership in Pediatric Dentistry Education. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health.

Dr. Levy's research has focused on longitudinal oral epidemiological studies of both the elderly and children, with major recent emphasis on dental fluorosis, dental caries, fluoride and diet, as well as molecular aspects and genetic markers related to bone growth among young children in the "Iowa Fluoride Study." Dr. Levy serves on the editorial board of Special Care in Dentistry and Journal of Dentistry for Children and was formerly on the editorial board of the Journal of Public Health Dentistry. He has frequently been a special reviewer



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for NIDCR clinical and epidemiological research applications. Dr. Levy previously served on the AAPHD Executive Council, and currently serves as a Dental Public Health consultant to the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation and on the Commission's Dental Public Health Review Committee.



Carla J. Eyre, group senior vice president for LaSalle Bank and chair of the Circle of Friends fundraising volunteers; YWCA 2004 racial justice honoree, Dr. Linda Kaste; and JoAnn Sannasardo Lilek, chief financial officer of DSC Logistics and 2004 luncheon chair. Chris Ocken, Ocken Photography 2004.

## Award

Linda M. Kaste, DDS, PhD is the recipient of the 2004 YWCA Racial Justice Award, which was established in 1991 to recognize a woman's demonstrated commitment to work toward the elimination of racism. This presentation was part of the YWCA Leader Luncheon Honorees, who represent the top women leaders, entrepreneurs, mentors and role models in the Chicago metropolitan area.

As Associate Professor and Director of Predoctoral Dental Public Health for the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry, Dr. Kaste continues to work towards meeting the needs of underserved populations. Her leadership was instrumental in UIC being awarded a \$1.5 million Pipeline, Profession & Practice: Community-Based Dental Education grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. This grant is intended to help prepare a competent oral healthcare workforce committed to treating the special needs, minority and lower income populations with limited access to dental care. It also promotes diversity in the dental workforce by increasing minority recruitment and enrollment.

Dr. Kaste is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. She currently serves on the AAPHD Executive Council and is the chair of the Education and Science standing committee. Dr. Kaste has promoted oral health among Native American populations as a consultant for the Indian Health Service in Arizona and has served as a volunteer dentist in the Dominican Republic and Mexico.

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