

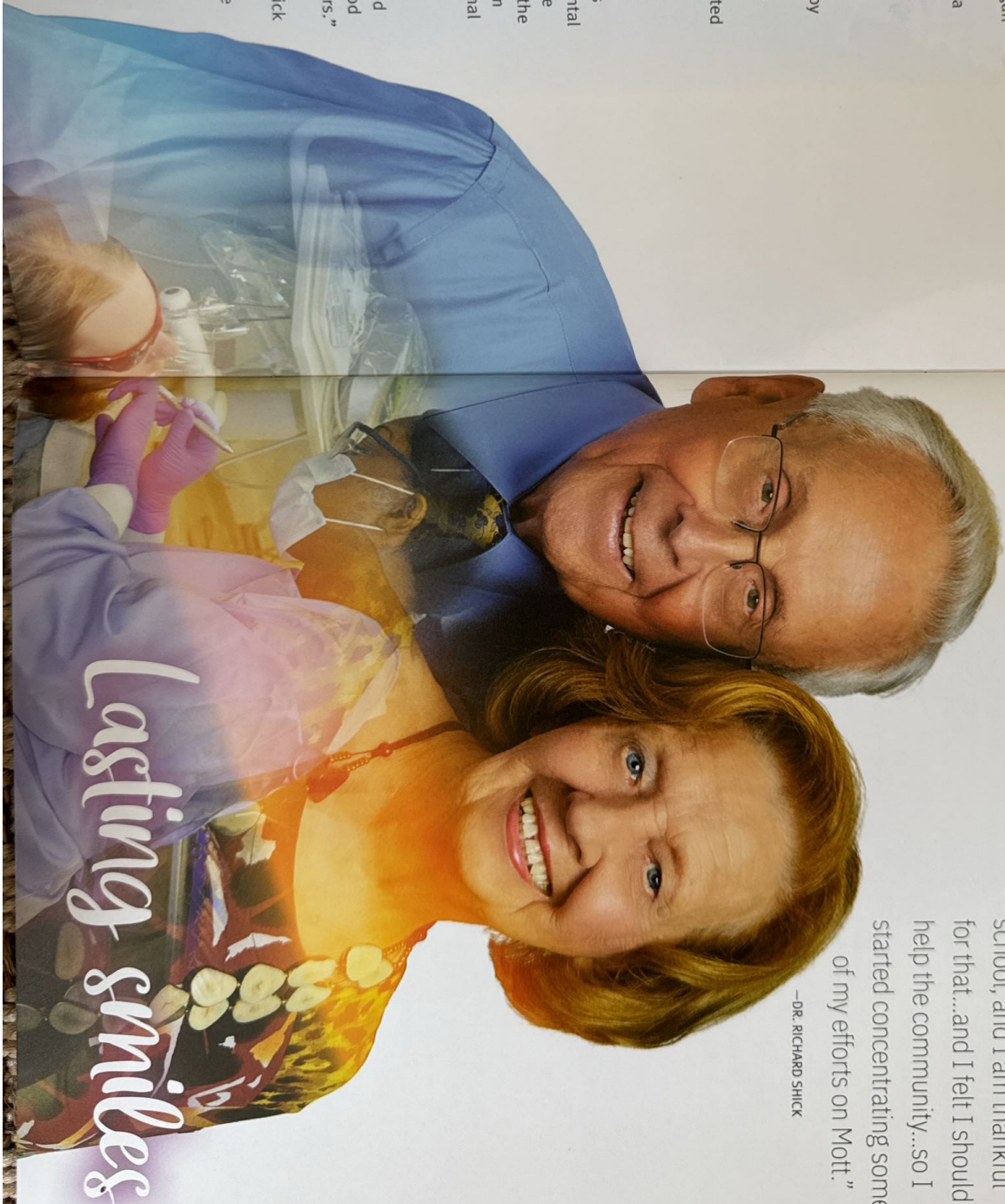
**D**r. Richard Shick was one of the first graduates from Flint Junior College in 1949. He went on to attend the University of Michigan to finish his undergraduate degree and obtain both a dental degree and a periodontal degree from U of M. Dr. Shick established a practice in Flint as the first trained periodontist in the area.

Dr. Shick's worldwide accomplishments and awards are extensive, but he made both Mott Community College and the Foundation for Mott Community College high priorities, dedicating an enormous portion of his life to both. He decided to concentrate his philanthropy on MCC because he feels if he had not attended MCC, formerly Flint Junior College, his life would have turned out differently. "Mott gave me a good start; it prepared me well for dental school, and I am thankful for that. ...And I felt I should help the community... so I started concentrating some of my efforts on MCC."

Dr. Shick held numerous impactful FMCC leadership roles and gave generously to the FMCC. Dr. Shick served on the committee that established the dental assisting program at MCC. He then served as chairman of the committee, spearheading the creation of MCC's dental hygiene program. Dr. Shick felt strongly that having a dental hygiene program at MCC was important not only for Genesee County but for the entire Southeastern Michigan region. MCC's dental hygiene program had such great results, Dr. Shick hired many graduates of the national award-winning program to work in his periodontal office.

Dr. Shick was such an integral part of establishing and sustaining MCC's dental hygiene clinic, the clinic was named after Dr. Shick and his wife, Rose Marie. Dr. Shick explained, "The main thing is that God has blessed us massively, and in turn, we should do things for others." His contributions to MCC's dental clinic have made a far-reaching impact on both the school and its students. He hopes people will pick up where he left off so the clinic will continue to grow and flourish. When you look at the monumental progress achieved at MCC by one person in its first centennial, think what can be accomplished by many in its second!

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