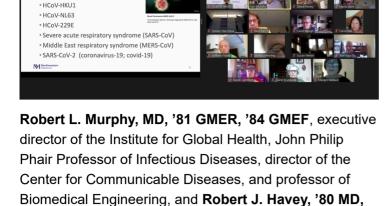
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for Our IGH Virtual Event! Thank you to the nearly 250 attendees who joined us on Wednesday, July 15 as we, in partnership with the

Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Institute for Global Health, hosted a special virtual event: COVID-19: Where We Are Now and What's Next. Human Coronavirus (HCoV): Virology and Human Pathology



'83 GMER, '84 GMEF, deputy director of the Institute for

Global Health, director and founder of the Global Health

Initiative Fund, and clinical professor of Medicine (General Internal Medicine and Geriatrics), hosted an exclusive virtual conversation about the latest information on the global effects of COVID-19. We have several virtual events coming up. To participate, keep an eye out in your inbox, this newsletter, and our MAA Facebook page for information on how to register and for other future opportunities. Space is limited, so be sure to sign up early!

MAA Digital Series: Hosted by Joseph Gugenheim, '72 MD "Interview with the NMO"

VIEW THE IGH **EVENT RECORDING**

From the **Director's Desk:**



We hope that you are enjoying your summer

and staying safe. We are featuring two virtual events in August.

Our "Celebrating Women in Medicine in the Time

of COVID-19" virtual event will be held on Thursday, August 6 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. CST. Additionally, we are hosting a virtual event with Amy Paller, MS, MD, '83 GMER, who will discuss the interface between technology and dermatology on Wednesday, August 12 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. CST. Further information on

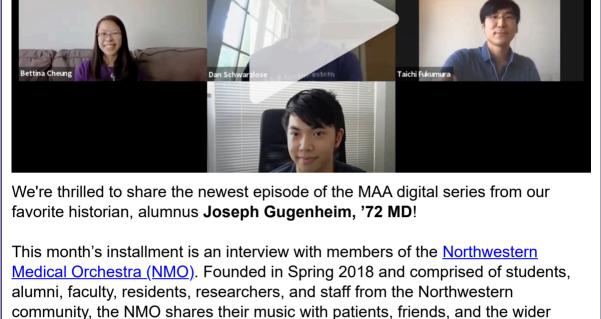
Please reach out with any questions! Thank you, Babette **Babette Henderson**

how to register for either

event is listed below.

Engagement 312-503-0855

Senior Director, Alumni



campus throughout the year. Stay tuned at the end of the interview for an excerpt from their performance of "Stormy Seas for Symphony Orchestra," by Aroop Kar, MD, '18 GMEF.

medical community through a series of in-person performances in and around

To learn more about the NMO, please visit their Facebook page. Dr. Gugenheim presents an "Interview with the NMO." Thank you, Dr. Gugenheim!

> VIEW AN "INTERVIEW WITH THE NMO"

Celebrating Women in Medicine in the

Time of COVID-19 Calling All Alumnae...

Associate Dean for Admissions, Jacob R. Assistant Professor of Urology, Northwestern Suker, MD, Professor of Medical Education, University Feinberg School of Medicine and Associate Professor of Dermatology and Medical Education, Northwestern

Please Note: This event will be held as a Zoom meeting and requires registration. Approved attendees will receive a Zoom link and password. This event will be recorded, and a link to the recording will be emailed to all invitees after the meeting.

Panelists:

The Women in Medicine (WIM) subcommittee of the Medical Alumni Association Board cordially invites you to join us for an interactive virtual panel featuring your fellow Northwestern Medicine alumnae.

Thursday, August 6, 2020 6:00-7:30 p.m. Central Time (US and Canada)

Moderator: Kavitha Gandhi '94, '98 MD, '99 GMER Women in Medicine Strategic Initiatives Co-Chair, Northwestern University Medical Alumni Association Board of Directors Clinical Instructor of Dermatology, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL WIM EVENT

Northwestern Alumni Book Club

Roopal Kundu '98, '01 MD, '02 GMER

University Feinberg School of Medicine Hazel Domingo '15 MMS, PA-C, RN

Hepatology Physician Assistant.

Northwestern Medical Group

invites you to join the Northwestern University Alumni Book Club.

range of genres, including fiction, memoir,

lifelong learning, and more.

In this online community, alumni and friends can connect with each other and read books from a

There is no cost to participate—you just need a

The Northwestern Alumni Association (NAA)

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copy of the book. The book club will meet through a private online forum where members can discuss the current selection.

"Ibram X. Kendi's concept of antiracism reenergizes and reshapes the conversation about racial justice in America—but even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. In 'How to Be an Antiracist,' Kendi asks us to think about what an antiracist society might look like, and how we can play an active role in building it." To learn more about the book club and to register, visit the NAA Book Club website. **Congrats Are in Order!** her fellow reunion classmates with us: "Greetings to my NUMS '85 classmates, 35 years down the road. My

STAMPED FROM THE BEGINNING

Participate in the discussion of the NAA's next book selection, "How to Be an Antiracist" by Ibram X. Kendi.

Katherine V. Nichols, '85 MD, recently retired and shared this update for

After graduating with this wonderful class, I moved on to a Pediatrics residency at Yale New Haven

and have been in the big town/small city of Lynchburg since. By 2006, the challenges of working 36-hour days in the intensive care nursery as a single, widowed parent became too much, so with my kids moving into middle school and high school, I decided to make the transition to general pediatrics which allowed for a more flexible schedule. I retired from an 8-person pediatrics practice.

Other than some volunteer work and as much socially distanced hiking as my dog and I can get in, my retirement has been spent in COVID-19 lockdown. Not what I expected, but then, 2020 has not been what any of us expected.

Congratulations, Dr. Nichols!

news: I have retired as of the end of 2019 (remember, I am 6-10 years older than most of you). Turns out it was just in time, meaning that I am Hospital followed by a fellowship in Neonatal Perinatal Medicine at Yale. From 1991-1996, I paid back my Air Force scholarship, working as a neonatologist at the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia. While there, I was also on the clinical faculty at Eastern Virginia Medical School and Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. Upon leaving the military, I chose to stay in Virginia, my home state,

watching COVID-19 unfold from the sidelines while keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.

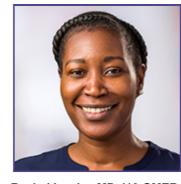
My kids are now adults. Ben is an audio engineer in Los Angeles. Jeff is completing a PhD in biomedical engineering at Virginia Tech. No grandkids, one granddog.

bring. Retirement is a good thing!"

The four years we spent together at NUMS (as it was known) were excellent, leading to a fulfilling career and life. I wish you all the very best as you move forward with whatever challenges life and medicine



Khalilah Gates, MD, '10 GMEF, has been named assistant dean of medical education at Feinberg. Dr. Gates, assistant professor of Medicine in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care and of Medical Education, will lead the faculty and student council on racism, justice, and equity, evaluate curriculum for bias, educate faculty on best practices for discussing bias in education, and represent Feinberg on AAMC national committees for diversity and inclusion. Dr. Gates also will provide mentorship to students from underrepresented groups and offer confidential counsel.



Rachel Issaka, MD, '13 GMER, '14 GMER, recently published a featured article on racism and medicine in the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*. Read the full article, "Good for Us All," on the <u>JAMA website</u>. Dr. Issaka is a gastroenterologist and assistant professor at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and the University of Washington. Congratulations, Dr. Issaka!



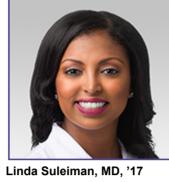
Brian J. Miller, '11 MD, MBA, MPH, is joining the Johns
Hopkins University School of
Medicine as an assistant
professor of Medicine. Dr. Miller
will practice hospital medicine at
the Johns Hopkins Hospital and
continue his work in health
policy. He was recently
appointed as a member of the
CMS Medicare Evidence
Development and Coverage
Advisory Committee.
Congratulations, Dr. Miller!



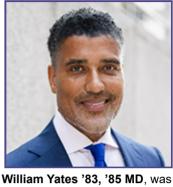
Congratulations, Dr. Gates!

has been named assistant dean of medical education at Feinberg. Dr. Okwuosa, assistant professor of Medicine in the Division of Cardiology, will partner with Feinberg's Office of Diversity and Inclusion and Daniel Hale Williams Society in outreach to applicants, interviews, and recruitments, serve as a mentor for medical students in research and community service, and assist in the development of a prematriculation program. Dr. Okwuosa also will provide mentorship to students from underrepresented groups and offer confidential counsel.

Congratulations, Dr. Okwuosa!



GMER, has been named assistant dean of medical education at Feinberg. Dr. Suleiman, assistant professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Medical Education, and director of diversity and inclusion at the McGaw Medical Center, will manage policies and procedures related to diversity, inclusion, and equity, work with individual programs on best practices for recruitment, serve as a liaison to national organizations and Historically Black Colleges and Universities on behalf of McGaw, serve as a faculty advisor to McGaw's Underrepresented Residents and Fellows Organization, and develop and provide implicit bias training for all house staff as part of the Residents as Teachers and Leaders program. Additionally, Dr. Suleiman will serve on national task forces and groups related to graduate medical education diversity and inclusion and as an advocate for students and trainees from underrepresented groups.



recently featured in the Chicago Tribune for his family business's efforts to help keep workers and patrons safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Yates Enterprises distributes products to help people fight the pandemic, including an innovative walkthrough body temperaturetaking device, face masks, and more. Dr. Yates is a graduate of the Honors Program in Medical Education and practiced as a trauma surgeon after graduating from NUMS. Congratulations, Dr. Yates!

Post it on our <u>Facebook</u> page or email us at <u>medalum@northwestern.edu</u>.

Congratulations, Dr. Suleiman!

Do you have news to share with us or know of an alumnus/a we should recognize in the newsletter?

Join Us Online!



Stay in tune with faculty who are in the midst of COVID-19 research and response through

candid interviews on the <u>Breakthroughs</u> podcast. Listen to their insights, explore recent episodes, claim continuing medical education credit, and subscribe to the show so that you can stay up-to-date with the latest discoveries.

Virtual Event | Celebrating Women in Medicine in

iTunes, SoundCloud, Spotify, Google Play Music, and Stitcher.

Feinberg School of Medicine podcasts are available on:

LISTEN & SUBSCRIBE TODAY

the Time of COVID-19

Thursday, August 6, 2020 | 6:00–7:30 p.m. CST Join your Medical Alumni Association for a virtual event, hosted by the Women in Medicine subcommittee of the Medical Alumni Association Board. Hear from fellow alumnae as they

subcommittee of the Medical Alumni Association Board. Hear from fellow alumnae as the share their experiences and insight as women working in the field of medicine. Advance registration required.

REGISTER TODAY

Webinar | Surprising Support Techniques for Your Teen's Pandemic Angst Friday, August 7, 2020 | 11 a.m. CST

surprising way to support your teens as they navigate a level of teenage angst that simply did not exist when we were going through it all." Advance registration required.

not exist when we were going through it all." Advance registration required.

REGISTER TODAY

The NAA invites you to join alumna Coco Cabrel '87, '89 MD, for a "Heart-to-heart look at a

Webinar | The Interface of Technology and Dermatology

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 | 4:00–5:00 p.m. CST

Join your Medical Alumni Association for another virtual event, featuring **Amy Paller, MS, MD, '83 GMER**, Walter J. Hamlin Chair and Professor of Dermatology, professor of Pediatrics, and principal investigator of the NIH-funded Skin Biology and Diseases Resource-

based Center. Advance registration required.

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