

Welcome to the Medical Alumni Association!



We would like to congratulate our 2020 MD, PT, PA, and GME graduates! Though this year's graduation ceremonies might have looked a little different than years past, the tremendous pride that we have in our graduates was ever-present as we celebrated this momentous achievement virtually. We are in awe of your accomplishments, resilience, and dedication.

You now join an incredible network of alumni who once stood where you now stand. We look forward to watching your journeys unfold and are so proud to call you our alumni.

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Read more about Graduation 2020 on our [website](#).

MAA Names Viste Award Recipient



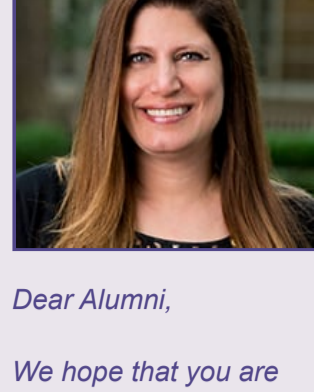
Congratulations to **Jasmine May, '19 PhD, '20 MD**, this year's winner of the **Kenneth M. Viste, Jr., '66 MD, Student Service Recognition Award**.

Held as a special virtual ceremony this year, the Viste Award is presented in grateful recognition of outstanding volunteer service to Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine by the MAA at the annual Honors Day ceremony.

Congratulations to Dr. May and all of the awardees!

For the historical listing of all Viste Award recipients, please [visit our website](#).

From the Director's Desk:



Dear Alumni,

We hope that you are doing well and staying safe during these unprecedented times. We thank all of our alumni who are frontline workers in fighting this pandemic, and we are so appreciative of the amazing work that you are doing. All of our events have canceled through the summer, and we are moving towards providing our alumni with virtual alumni engagement events to share the latest information on COVID-19 and other health and well-being issues, featuring top faculty from Northwestern. Please look for email updates, as well as further information in the newsletter.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns and make sure that you send any updates to your contact information so that we can stay connected.

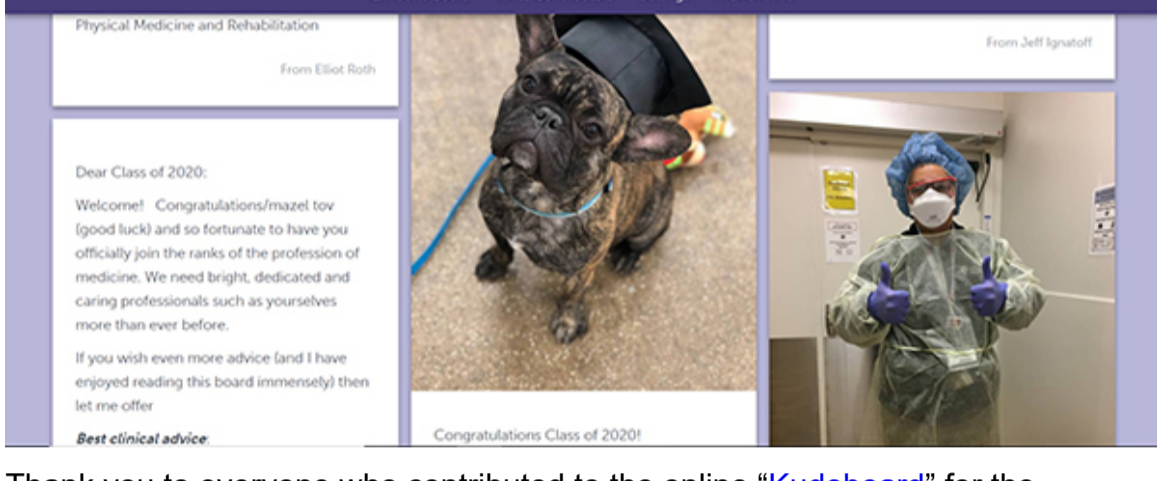
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Kudos To You!



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the online "Kudoboard" for the graduating Class of 2020. Your support, advice, encouragement, and words of wisdom show how connected we are as alumni and highlight the strength of our community. Kudos to you!

View the [Kudoboard](#) to read the inspiring messages from your fellow alumni.

VIEW THE KUDOBOARD

New MAA Digital Series: Hosted by Joseph Gugenheim, '72 MD

"The History of Chicago Pizza"

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Joseph Gugenheim, '72 MD



For the past several years, alumnus **Joseph Gugenheim, '72 MD**, has led highly sought-after city walking tours during Alumni Weekend. In lieu of his in-person tours this year, he recorded a short Zoom presentation for the [April 2020](#) edition of the MAA newsletter, titled "Who's Who in the Northwestern Neighborhood."

On the heels of that fascinating and popular presentation, we're thrilled to share that Dr. Gugenheim will be hosting a new digital series for the Medical Alumni Association newsletter.

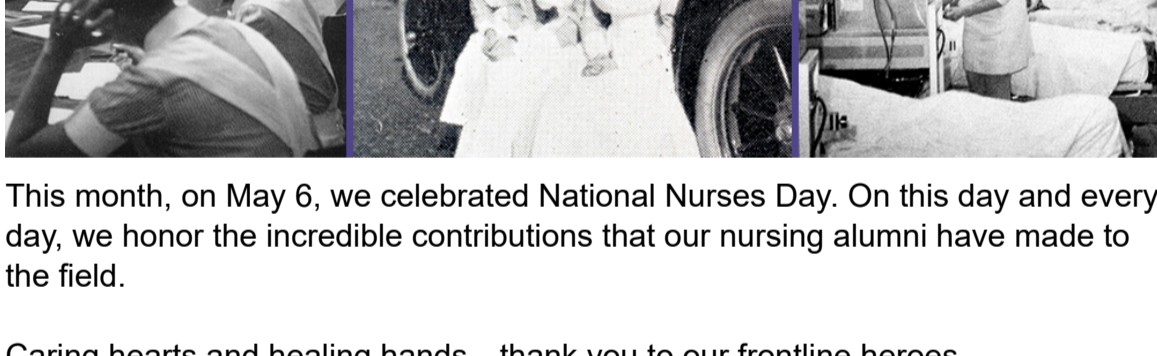
You won't want to miss this month's installment—a fantastic presentation on the interesting and delicious story of the famed Chicago pizza—brought to you by our favorite historian.

Dr. Gugenheim presents "[The History of Chicago Pizza](#)."

Thank you, Dr. Gugenheim!

VIEW "THE HISTORY OF CHICAGO PIZZA"

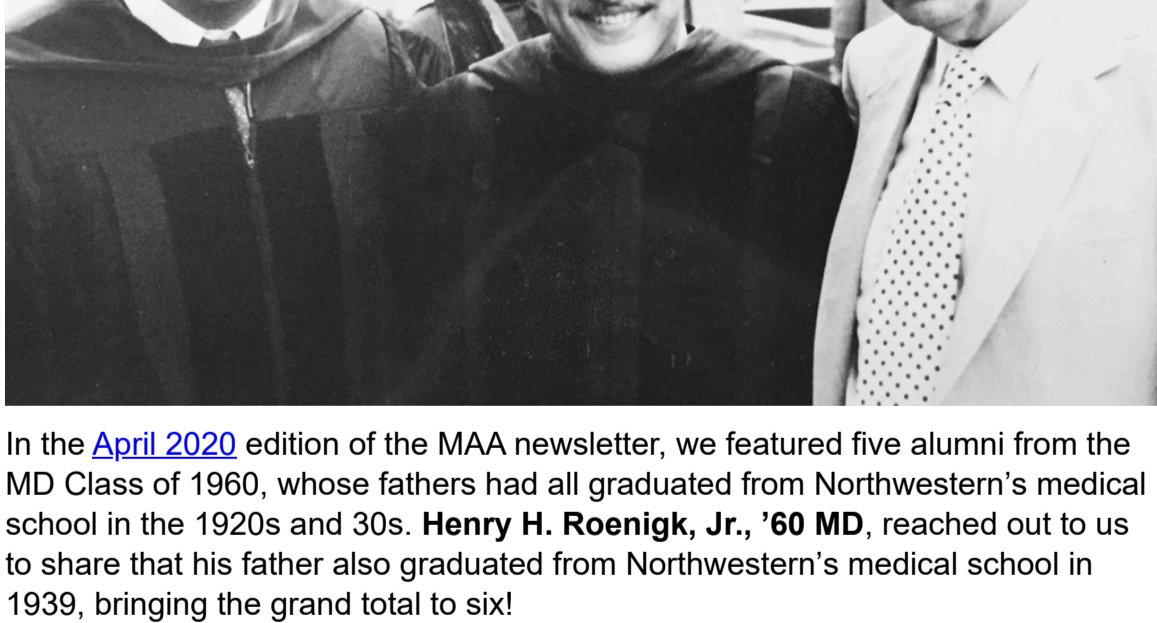
National Nurses Day (May 6)



This month, on May 6, we celebrated National Nurses Day. On this day and every day, we honor the incredible contributions that our nursing alumni have made to the field.

Caring hearts and healing hands—thank you to our frontline heroes.

Celebrating Our Reunion Alumni... Medical School History: MD Class of 1960

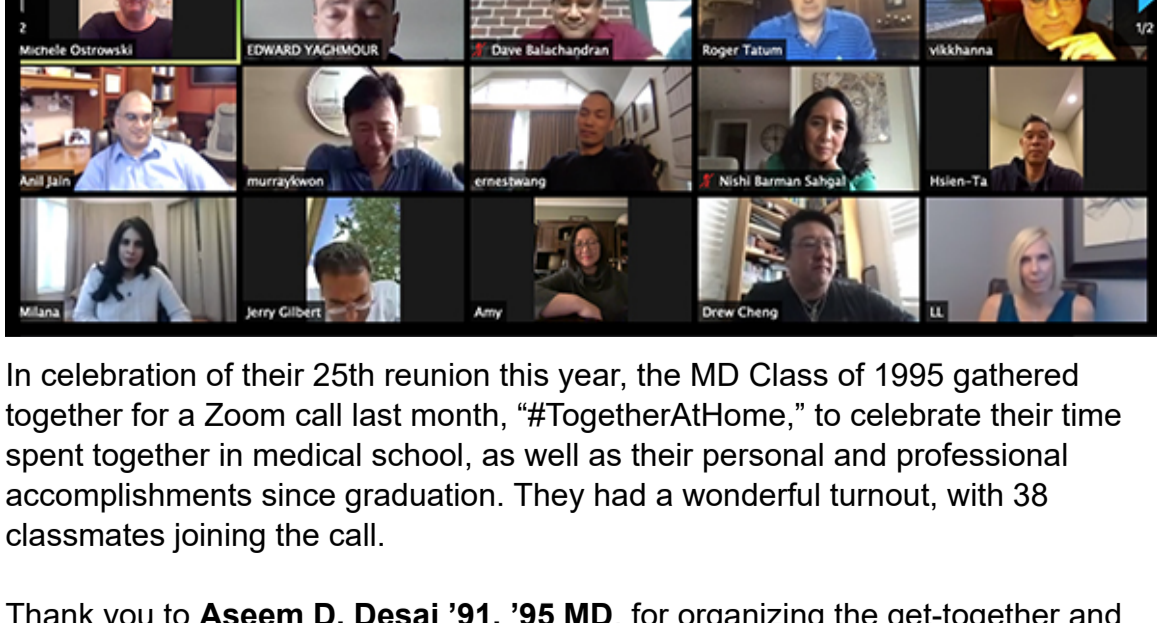


In the [April 2020](#) edition of the MAA newsletter, we featured five alumni from the MD Class of 1960, whose fathers had all graduated from Northwestern's medical school in the 1920s and 30s. **Henry H. Roenigk, Jr., '60 MD**, reached out to us to share that his father also graduated from Northwestern's medical school in 1939, bringing the grand total to six!

Dr. Roenigk's son also graduated from the medical school, and he shared this wonderful photo of the three generations together at the 1981 MD graduation of **Randall K. Roenigk '77, '81 MD**.

Thank you, Dr. Roenigk!

The Class of 1995 Celebrates 25 Years



In celebration of their 25th reunion this year, the MD Class of 1995 gathered together for a Zoom call last month, "#TogetherAtHome," to celebrate their time spent together in medical school, as well as their personal and professional accomplishments since graduation. They had a wonderful turnout, with 38 classmates joining the call.

Thank you to **Aseem D. Desai '91, '95 MD**, for organizing the get-together and sharing this wonderful screenshot with us!

Did you know that Northwestern's Global Marketing and Communications team has created a variety of [University-branded Zoom templates](#) for download? Show your Northwestern pride on your next Zoom meeting!

A Look Back: In Vivo Through the Years



Take a walk with us down memory lane as we remember In Vivo through the years. View our [archival photos](#) of various classes' In Vivo performances.

Have your own memories to share? Email them to us at medalum@northwestern.edu.

View the [In Vivo Photo Album](#).

Galter Library Wants to Hear From You



"We are living through an extraordinary moment in world history. The COVID-19 pandemic and the measures to mitigate it have affected most aspects of our lives, from the mundane to the exceptional. Galter Library is gathering materials to archive the experiences of the Feinberg School of Medicine community during this unusual time, and we invite you to contribute to this collection."

Help Galter Library Special Collections document this time in history by contributing content such as:

- Written accounts: personal narratives, observations, journal entries, etc.
- Creative writing: short stories, poetry, etc.
- Photographs
- Audio files
- Video files
- Physical objects: signs, artwork, diaries, etc.
- Other relevant content or works

Your submission(s) will become part of the COVID-19 Archive at Galter Library.

For more information or to enter a submission, visit their [website](#).

Congrats Are in Order!



Sherene Sami Fakhran '99, '03 MD, MPH, '06 GMER, '09 GMEF, was recently featured on President Barack Obama's [Instagram](#) page, highlighting her work on the frontlines in the Intensive Care Unit at Cook County Hospital in Chicago. Dr. Fakhran specializes in pulmonary and critical care. Thank you for your dedication, Dr. Fakhran!



Matthew Eric Harinstein, MD, '09 GMER, was recently promoted to senior vice president, associate chief medical officer, chief operating officer, and chief of staff to the executive vice president for University of Pittsburgh Medical Center International. Dr. Harinstein's expanded role includes chairing the International Quality Committee, as well as developing and implementing their International Heart and Vascular Institute network. Congratulations, Dr. Harinstein!



James A. Hill '71, '74 MD, '79 GMER, is the recipient of the 2020 American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Diversity Award. The Diversity Award "recognizes members of the Academy who have distinguished themselves through their outstanding commitment to making orthopaedics more representative of, and accessible to, diverse patient populations." Dr. Hill is a member of the MAA Board and Feinberg faculty. Read more about the award [here](#). Congratulations, Dr. Hill!



Howard L. Levine, '70 MD, '75 GMER, has joined the medical advisory board of Tivic Health Systems Inc. Dr. Levine, an otolaryngologist, is the medical director of [Navage](#), and previously served as head of the Nasal and Sinus Disorders Section of the Cleveland Clinic. He is also a past president of the American Rhinologic Society and has been recognized as one of Best Doctors In America for the past 30 years. Congratulations, Dr. Levine!



Thomas J. Mudge '41, '45 MD, celebrated his 100th birthday on May 24 and was featured in his [hometown newspaper](#). Dr. Mudge served in the Medical Corps during World War II (attending medical school while participating in military drills on the weekends) and the U.S. Naval Reserves in the Korean War. He later served as chief of San Francisco's medical reserve unit and on the medical unit for the 1960 Winter Olympics. Dr. Mudge was chief of surgery at St. Mary's Hospital and chief of staff at St. Luke's Hospital in Marquette, Michigan in the 1960s and 70s and volunteered with the International Medical Corps. Happy Birthday, Dr. Mudge!



Elizabeth Ryznar, MD, '19 GMER, was a special guest on a recent COVID-19 and Mental Health Live Twitter chat at #MDedgeChats. Dr. Ryznar is a psychiatry clinician-educator research fellow and assistant professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. Dr. Ryznar also recently published [Landmark Papers in Psychiatry](#) with fellow Feinberg alumna and Psychiatry co-resident, **Aderonke B. Pederson, MD, '19 GMER**. Congratulations, Drs. Ryznar and Pederson!



Sarah Elizabeth Uttal '14, '18 MD, was appointed as a chief Internal Medicine resident at University of Michigan Medicine for her PGY-3 year. Congratulations, Dr. Uttal!



David W. Zaas, '98 MD, was appointed chief executive officer of the Medical University of South Carolina. He previously served as president of Duke Raleigh Hospital. Congratulations, Dr. Zaas!



Phyllis C. Zee, MD, PhD, '87 GMER, '89 GMEF, was selected as one of three recipients of the 2020 Sleep Research Society awards, which recognize excellence in sleep and circadian research. Dr. Zee is the chief of Sleep Medicine in the Department of Neurology and the Benjamin and Virginia T. Boshes Professor of Neurology at Feinberg. Congratulations, Dr. Zee!

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

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