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**Season's Video Greetings!**

We hope that you enjoy this [holiday greeting video](#) from local alumni, faculty, and students. Over the past few months, volunteers from across many specialties, generations, and walks of life came together to remind us of the things that unite us this time of year. Wishing you and yours a very happy holiday season!

**Good Times in Atlanta!**



The Medical Alumni Association hosted some wonderful gatherings last month in Georgia and Alabama. We partnered with the NU Atlanta Alumni Club and held a pre-game reception for nearly 50 Northwestern alumni before the Northwestern vs. Georgia Tech game. It was a hard-fought game with the Wildcats losing by just one point. The following night, we hosted Birmingham-area alumni for a gathering. We had lots of fun meeting up with old friends and making new ones. We look forward to seeing you all again soon!

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**Host a Northwestern Student at Work!**

**Northwestern Externship Program (NEXT)**

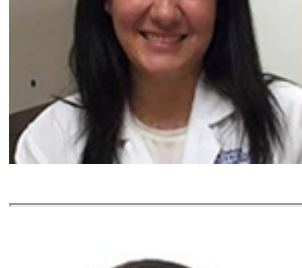


You are invited to become one of the hundreds of industry-leading alumni around the world who host a Northwestern student for a one-day job shadowing experience. The [Northwestern Externship Program \(NEXT\)](#) matches current Northwestern students with alumni across a variety of industries. Last year, dozens of Feinberg alumni hosted students and offered insight into their field.

If you are interest in participating, you must register your externship before January 5. The NEXT program shares the same platform as the *Northwestern Network Mentoring Program (NNMP)* and *Help Our Students Travel (HOST)*, so if you have already participated in one of those programs, you can [sign in using your existing account information](#). If you do not already have an account, you can [register here](#).

Questions? Email [caitlin.wyler@northwestern.edu](mailto:caitlin.wyler@northwestern.edu).

**Congrats Are in Order!**



**Hala Yamout, MD, '13 GMEF**, is the recipient of the 2017 St. Louis Veteran Affairs (VA) Medical Staff Recognition Award. Dr. Yamout is a staff physician in the Department of Nephrology at the St. Louis VA. Congratulations, Dr. Yamout!



**Melissa A. Simon, MD, MPH, '06 GMEF**, who is the George H. Gardner, MD, Professor of Clinical Gynecology and vice chair for Clinical Research in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Feinberg, has been chosen to receive the 2017

Marion Spencer Fay Award, presented annually by the Drexel University College of Medicine Institute for Women's Health and Leadership, in recognition of her contributions to women's health, health equity, and national health policy. Congratulations, Dr. Simon!



**Richard G. Dudley Jr., MD, '75 GMER**, was recognized as a pinnacle professional member in the field of forensic psychiatry by Continental Who's Who. Dr. Dudley is currently in private practice, focusing on psychiatric therapy for adult men, as well as

forensic psychiatry. He has been affiliated with the CUNY Medical School at City College and the NYU School of Law. Congratulations, Dr. Dudley!



**Sandra L. Wong, '97 MD**, was named the William N. and Bessie Allyn Professor of Surgery at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. Chair of Surgery at the Geisel School of Medicine and Dartmouth-Hitchcock since 2015, Dr. Wong also serves as senior vice

president of the surgical service line at Dartmouth-Hitchcock, and as professor at the Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice. Congratulations, Dr. Wong!



**David Green, MD, '74 PhD**, professor emeritus of Medicine in the Division of Hematology and Oncology at Feinberg, was recently selected to receive the "Walk in Our Shoes" Award from the Bleeding Disorders Alliance of Illinois. Congratulations, Dr.

Green!



**Susan L. Cohn, '76, MD, '87 GMER**, dean for Clinical Research, professor of Pediatrics, and section chief of Hematology/Oncology in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Chicago Medical, was named to the Board of

Directors for St. Baldrick's Foundation, a "volunteer-powered charity committed to funding the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long, healthy lives." Congratulations, Dr. Cohn!



**Sheila K. Gujrathi '92, '96 MD**, was appointed to the Board of Directors and named as a strategic advisor for TP Therapeutics, Inc., a privately held, clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focusing on addressing oncology

drug resistance. Congratulations, Dr. Gujrathi!

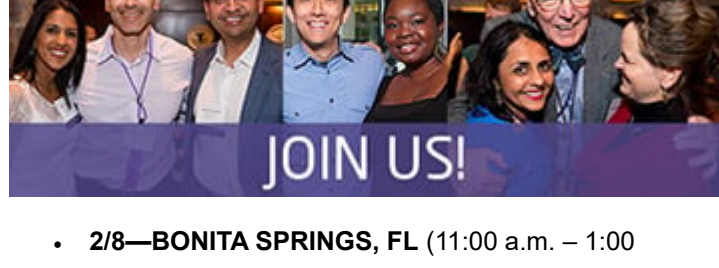


**Richard L. Makowiec, MD, '99 GMER**, joined Indianapolis-based Franciscan Physician Network Orthopaedic Specialists. Previously associated with Northwestern Medicine Surgery Center – Orthopaedics in Warrenville, Illinois, Dr. Makowiec is a diplomate with

the National Board of Medical Examiners and American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, and a fellow with the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. He previously served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, was a member of the medical staff of the Chicago Cubs Major League Baseball, and held various academic appointments with both Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and Chicago Medical School. Congratulations, Dr. Makowiec!

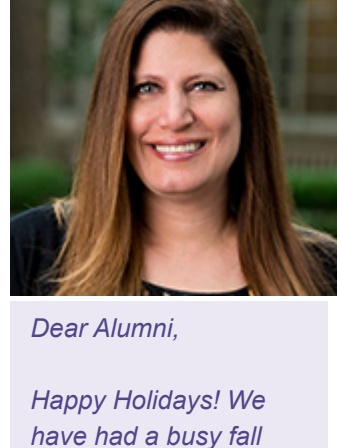
*Do you have news to share with us or know of an alumnus/a we should recognize in the newsletter? Post it on our [Facebook](#) page or email us at [medalum@northwestern.edu](mailto:medalum@northwestern.edu).*

**Upcoming Events**



- **2/8—BONITA SPRINGS, FL** (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.) Bonita Bay Club. Medical Alumni Brunch.

**From the Director's Desk:**



Dear Alumni,

*Happy Holidays! We have had a busy fall with events in Atlanta, Georgia, Birmingham, Alabama, and both Asheville and Charlotte, North Carolina. Our engagement plans for the first part of 2018 include events in Washington, DC, Naples, Florida, and Phoenix, Arizona.*

*If you winter in the Phoenix or Naples areas, please reach out to us to make sure that we have your seasonal address so that we can send you information on the events we are planning in those areas. Please see further details about both events in the "Upcoming Events" portion of this newsletter.*

*We hope that you have a wonderful holiday season.*

Thank you,

*Babette Nyka*

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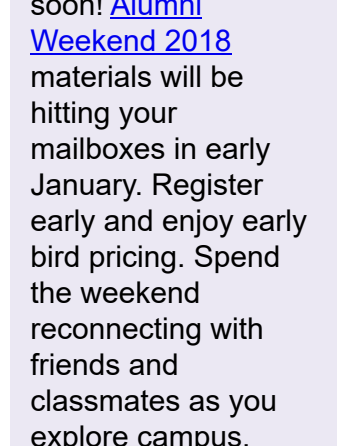
**Be on the Lookout:**

**Alumni Weekend 2018**

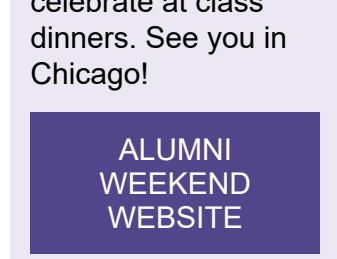


Check your mailboxes soon! [Alumni Weekend 2018](#) materials will be hitting your mailboxes in early January. Register early and enjoy early bird pricing. Spend the weekend reconnecting with friends and classmates as you explore campus, participate in lectures and tours, and celebrate at class dinners. See you in Chicago!

[ALUMNI WEEKEND WEBSITE](#)

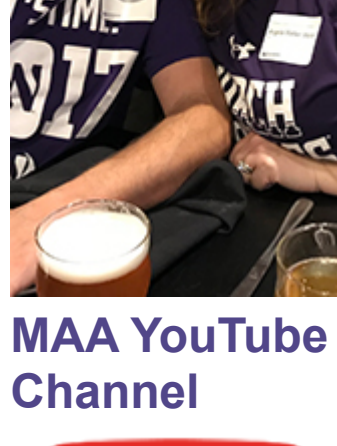


**MAA YouTube Channel**

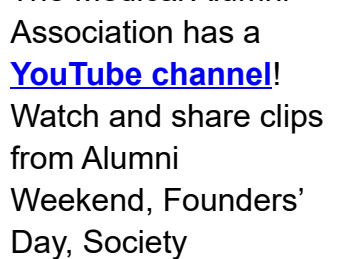


The Medical Alumni Association has a [YouTube channel!](#) Watch and share clips from Alumni Weekend, Founders' Day, Society Olympics, and more. Never miss a minute of what's happening at your alma mater!

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### [RSVP for the Bonita Springs Brunch.](#)

- **3/10—MESA, AZ** (Save the Date) Sloan Park.  
Spring Training Game: Cubs vs. White Sox.  
*More info about this event coming in January.*
- *Stay tuned for more info on 2018 alumni events!*



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**Questions? We're here for you!**

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