



## Alumni Weekend Registration in Full Swing

Early Bird Discounts Through February 28

This winter, we are staying warm by thinking about spring! We're gearing up for another fun-filled [Alumni Weekend](#) (April 26–27)!

We are hard at work planning class dinners, an all-alumni party, mentoring lunches, networking opportunities, city tours, and more. If you have any questions about your reunion or [Alumni Weekend](#), please feel free to [contact us](#).

Join your fellow alumni and [register today!](#)

Also, don't forget to like and follow us on [Facebook](#) in order to see the fun Throwback Thursday ([#tbt](#)) photos that we'll be posting leading up to Alumni Weekend. Head over to our [Facebook page](#) and get ready to enjoy some blasts from the past with us!

**REGISTER FOR ALUMNI WEEKEND 2019**



## Another Great DC Event!

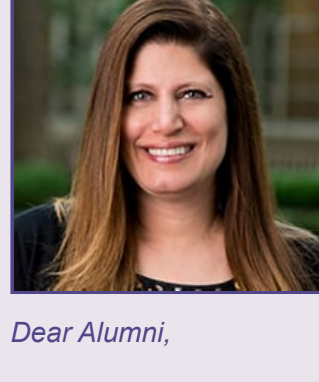
We had such a fun time in Washington, DC! Alumni from all over the country joined us for a MAA Get-Together on January 23. We're grateful that so many of our PT alumni, in town for the American Physical Therapy Association conference, were able to join us.

A special thank you to **Margaret Danilovich, '07 DPT, PhD**, and the Northwestern University Physical Therapy Alumni Association for your assistance with this event!



MD Class of 1991 Alumni at the Holiday Bowl on December 31, 2018: (pictured left to right) **Cathy Montgomery Yashar, '91 MD, Holly Casele, '91 MD, and Farah Hashemi Fakouri '89, '91 MD, '92 GMER**.

## From the Director's Desk:



Dear Alumni,

We hope that you are enjoying the start of the New Year, and if you are in one of the colder parts of the country, that you are staying warm!

We have some great events coming up in February and March. In Bonita Springs, Florida, we will be hosting a brunch at the Bonita Bay Club on February 6, featuring **Margaret Danilovich, '07 DPT, PhD**, who will be speaking about *Physical Activity and Optimal Aging*. On March 2, we will be hosting our annual Cubs Spring Training game in Mesa, Arizona. If you are interested in either of these events and will be in those areas, please see the "Upcoming Events" portion of this newsletter for more information.

Don't forget—registration is open for Alumni Weekend and early bird pricing is in effect until February 28. So, register early to get the best pricing on an informative and fun weekend!

Thank you,  
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**Babette Henderson**  
Director, Alumni Engagement  
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Proudly pictured above in his Northwestern gear:

**John C. Harbert, '63 MD, '64 GMER**

## New Address, Phone, or Email?

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## Diversity and Inclusion Newsletter

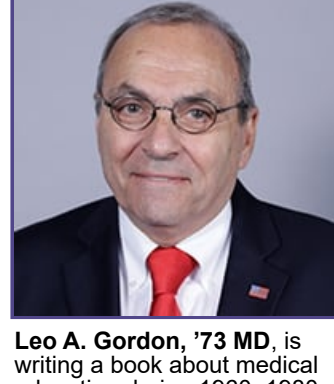


Residents gather prior to attending a Diversity and Inclusion mentor mixer on December 5, 2018.

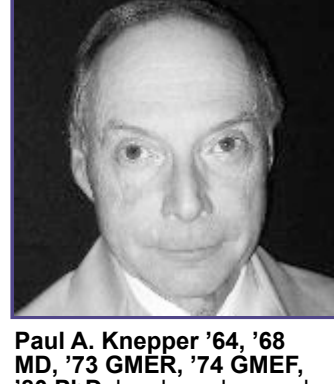
We invite you to check out the latest newsletter from the medical school's Office of Diversity and Inclusion. Hear from our vice dean of Diversity and Inclusion, and meet some of the students, alumni, and faculty that are embracing our differences and helping to solidify Northwestern's role as a leading academic medical center.

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## Congrats Are in Order!



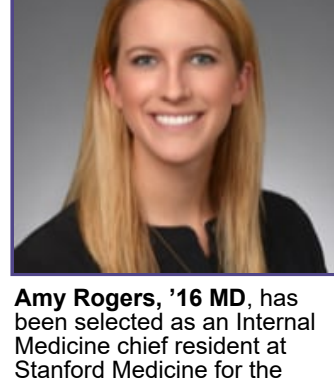
**Leo A. Gordon, '73 MD**, is writing a book about medical education during 1960–1980, described as a lighthearted memoir of a very specific time in the history of medical education in the United States. One of the chapters describes Dr. Gordon's introduction to clinical medicine as a third-year medical student in the neurology service. This particular chapter has been recorded as a podcast. If any member of that class would like to relive their introduction to clinical medicine, please contact Dr. Gordon at [LeoGordonMD@gmail.com](mailto:LeoGordonMD@gmail.com) for a copy of the podcast. Congratulations, Dr. Gordon!



**Paul A. Knepper '64, '68 MD, '73 GMER, '74 GMEF, '80 PhD**, has been honored by the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) as a Gold Fellow for his exemplary contributions and dedication to ARVO. As a member of the ARVO Fellows Class of 2019, Dr. Knepper will continue to "serve as a role model and mentor for individuals pursuing careers in vision and ophthalmology research, and also further advance basic and clinical knowledge of vision research and science." Congratulations, Dr. Knepper!



**David A. McClusky, '00 MD**, has been named chairman of the board for the Idaho Department of Corrections. Dr. McClusky previously served as the director of Surgical Skills Training and Simulation at Emory University and surgical representative to the Emory Center for Experiential Learning Advisory Group. Congratulations, Dr. McClusky!



**Amy Rogers, '16 MD**, has been selected as an Internal Medicine chief resident at Stanford Medicine for the 2019–2020 academic year. While at Feinberg, Dr. Rogers chaired the Student Committee on Global Health and served as class president during her M4 year. Dr. Rogers intends to pursue a career in Rheumatology/Immunology. Congratulations, Dr. Rogers!



**Robert M. Saltzmann '01, '05 MD**, was elected co-president of Charlotte Eye Ear Nose & Throat Associates, PA, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Dr. Saltzmann previously served as chair of the Ophthalmology Department and a member of the Board of Directors within the practice. He also was a founding member and served on the steering committee of the North Carolina Glaucoma Society. He remains active on the operations committee for the Charlotte Surgery Center, the finance committee of Carolinas Physician Alliance, and as a board member and membership vice-president for the NU Club of Charlotte. Congratulations, Dr. Saltzmann!



**Melissa A. Simon, MD, '06 GMEF**, a Feinberg faculty member, was honored with the National Science Foundation's Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring. The prestigious award recognizes the outstanding efforts of mentors in encouraging the next generation of scientists and developing a STEM workforce that reflects the diversity of America. Congratulations, Dr. Simon!



**Lynn A. Steffes '81 PT, DPT**, was named the recipient of the 2018 Robert G. Dicus Award. This prestigious award—the highest honor of its kind—"acknowledges a single member of the Private Practice Section whose contributions to the Section as a whole, at both the Section level and the American Physical Therapy Association level have been of exceptional value." Dr. Steffes is president/consultant at Steffes & Associates Consulting Group, LLC. Congratulations, Dr. Steffes!

*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).

## Join Us for These Upcoming Events!





## Brunch in Bonita Springs | Bonita Springs, Florida

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 | 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

### Staying Strong: Physical Activity Recommendations to Promote Optimal Aging

Join Alan Krensky, MD, and **Margaret Danilovich, '07 DPT, PhD**, for brunch and learn more about the physical activity recommendations that promote healthy aging. Dr. Danilovich will share information on the latest research being conducted at Northwestern, as well as other strategies to help maintain one's physical health as we age.

[RSVP FOR BRUNCH](#)

## Cubs Spring Training Game | Mesa, Arizona

Saturday, March 2, 2019 | 1:05 p.m.

### Chicago Cubs vs. Milwaukee Brewers

The Medical Alumni Association is once again proud to host alumni and friends for a spring training game at Sloan Park in Arizona. Limited tickets are available, so get yours today!

[PURCHASE TICKETS](#)

## Alumni Weekend 2019 | Chicago, Illinois

Friday, April 26—Saturday, April 27, 2019

### Celebrate in Chicago

Alumni Weekend is the cornerstone event for the Medical Alumni Association. 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!

[REGISTER TODAY!](#)

