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**Feinberg on the West Coast!**

Medical alumni had a strong showing on the West Coast for events in San Diego and La Jolla. Alumni and friends of the medical school joined us for *A Night with Northwestern in Los Angeles—Getting Precise about Your Health* featuring presentations by Dean Eric G. Neilson, MD, and other members of the Feinberg faculty. The following evening, **Gregory Stainer, '76 MD**, and **Virginia Stainer '74** hosted a MAA get-together in their home in La Jolla where Feinberg Vice Dean Alan Krensky, MD, and Donald M. Lloyd-Jones, MD, ScM, FACC, FAHA, shared updates on the medical school and healthcare system.

Thank you to everyone who joined us at these wonderful events!

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**Calling All Recent Graduates: Update Your Information**



Recently graduated? Welcome to the Medical Alumni Association, Class of 2018! Your MAA is working hard to build a strong and engaged alumni network. Please stay in touch by [sharing your contact information updates](#) with us so that you can stay on top of alumni news and events that are happening in your area and around the country! Join [Our Northwestern](#)—our alumni directory—to stay in touch with your fellow graduates and the greater alumni network.

Finally, don't forget to [follow us on Facebook](#) so that you never miss a minute of what's happening at your alma mater!

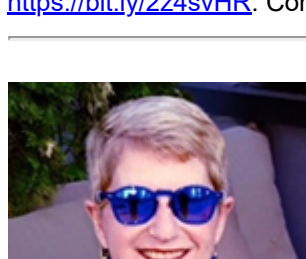
Help us **BUILD THE NETWORK**—your network. Let's stay connected!

**Congrats Are in Order!**



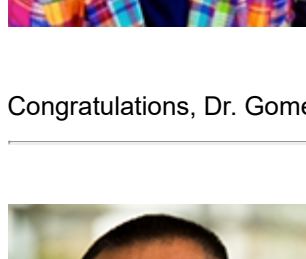
**Sudip K. Bose '95, '99 MD**, was recently profiled on the *Texas Country Reporter*, a nationally syndicated television show. The show follows Dr. Bose on his shift in the emergency room at the Odessa Medical Center Hospital in Odessa, Texas. Dr.

Bose shares his experiences both in emergency medicine and as a combat physician in Iraq. While serving in Iraq, Dr. Bose was the physician selected to provide medical care to Saddam Hussein after his capture. He holds the record as the longest-serving frontline physician since World War II. Dr. Bose is a clinical professor at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, is associate professor at the University of Illinois, and is director of paramedic training for the city of Odessa. To view the profile on Dr. Bose, visit <https://bit.ly/2z4svHR>. Congratulations, Dr. Bose!



**Rose Gomez, MD, DFAPA, '81 GMER**, was recently inducted into the American College of Psychiatry. Dr. Gomez is a distinguished fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and operates a private practice at the John Hancock Center in Chicago.

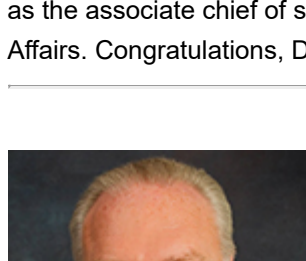
Congratulations, Dr. Gomez!



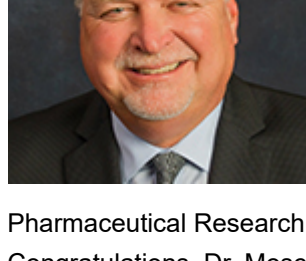
**George P. Yang '89, '94 MD, PhD**, an MAA Board member, recently joined the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine in the Division of Gastrointestinal Surgery as professor and vice chair of surgery. Dr. Yang also will serve as the associate chief of staff for surgical services in Veterans Affairs. Congratulations, Dr. Yang!



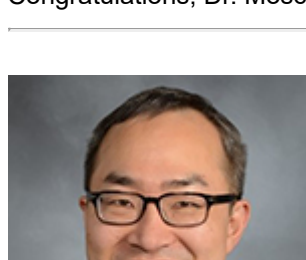
**Richard A. Moscicki '74, '76 MD**, was appointed to the board of directors of Akcea Therapeutics, Inc. Since 2017, Dr. Moscicki has served as the executive vice president for science and regulatory advocacy and the chief medical officer at Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America. Congratulations, Dr. Moscicki!



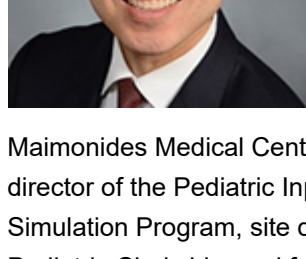
**Paul Chung '98, '02 MD**, has joined Weill Cornell as assistant professor in Clinical Pediatrics and the site medical director for their Brooklyn Heights location. Prior to joining Weill Cornell, Dr. Chung was an attending in pediatric hospital medicine at Maimonides Medical Center, as well as associate medical director of the Pediatric Inpatient Unit, director of the Pediatric Simulation Program, site director for the Medical Student Pediatric Clerkship, and faculty at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and NYU School of Medicine. Dr. Chung also previously served as a pediatrician and officer in the United States Army and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal at the rank of major. Congratulations, Dr. Chung!



**Laura (Thometz) Puglessi, PA-C, '13 MMS**, was recently awarded a Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) of specialty credentials in orthopaedic surgery from the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA). Dawn Morton-Rias, EdD, PA-C, president and CEO of NCCPA, states that "Certified PAs who earn the CAQ demonstrate a strong commitment to lifelong learning and attention to evolving medical advancements in their area of practice. Not only have they maintained certification through continuing medical education programs and assessments throughout their careers, they have pursued and been awarded this additional credential that attests to their knowledge and skills in their specialty." Ms. Puglessi is on staff at Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, Illinois. Congratulations, Ms. Puglessi!



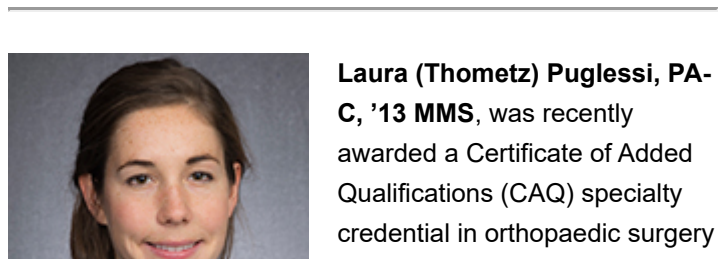
**Pierre C. Gilles '75, '77 MD**, has joined the staff of Touchette Regional Hospital in Centreville, Illinois. Dr. Gilles is a general and laparoscopic surgeon with extensive teaching experience in surgery and with family medicine residents, as well as nurse practitioners and other ancillary medical services. Congratulations, Dr. Gilles!



**John M. Santopietro, '95 MD**, recently joined Silver Hill Hospital in New Canaan, Connecticut, as their new president and medical director. He also was appointed as the first director of behavioral health for the town of New Canaan. Dr. Santopietro previously served as chief clinical officer of behavioral health and chair of the Department of Psychiatry at Carolinas Healthcare System in Charlotte, North Carolina. Congratulations, Dr. Santopietro!

*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**



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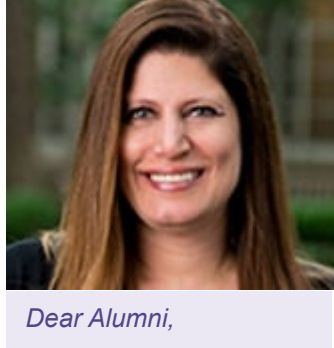
- **7/11—SAN FRANCISCO, CA** (5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.) InnerFog Wine Bar & Kitchen. Medical Alumni Association Get-Together. [RSVP for the San Francisco Get-Together.](#)

- **7/18—CHICAGO, IL** (5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.) Museum of Contemporary Art. Women Physicians Networking Event.

*For more information on this event, please reach out to us at:*

[medalumevents@northwestern.edu](mailto:medalumevents@northwestern.edu).

**From the Director's Desk:**



Dear Alumni,

*We hope that you are enjoying your summer! We have quite a busy July planned, and we hope that you can join us if we are coming to your part of the country. We are headed to San Francisco on July 11 for an alumni get-together, we have a Women Physicians Networking event in Chicago on July 18, and another alumni mixer on July 25 in Omaha. If you have any questions or would like more information about hosting an event in your area, please reach out to me. We also welcome any comments or suggestions on alumni engagement programming.*

Thank you,

*Babette Nyka*

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Director, Alumni Engagement

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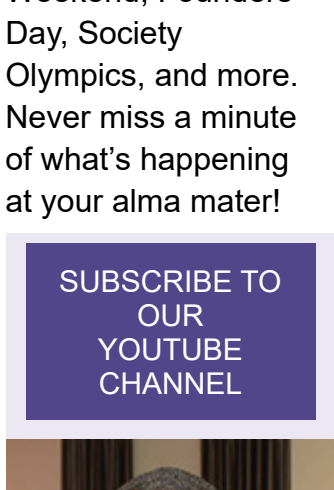
**MAA YouTube Channel**



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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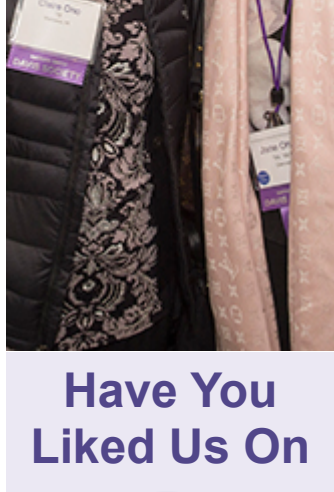
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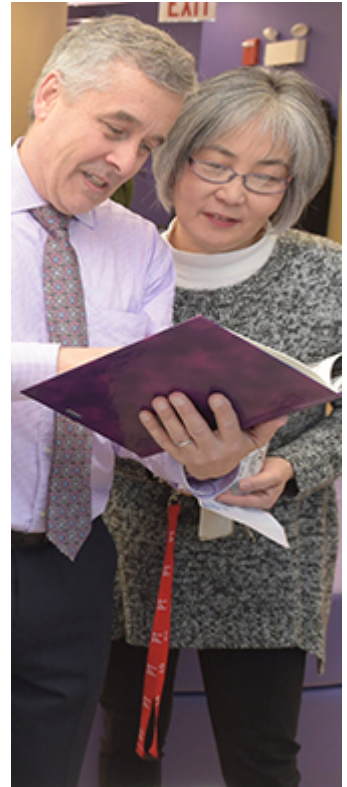
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- **7/25—OMAHA, NE** (5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.) Stirnella Bar and Kitchen. Medical Alumni Association Get-Together.  
[RSVP for the Omaha Get-Together.](#)
- **8/15—CHICAGO, IL** (5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.) Haymarket Brewery and Pub. Summer in the City: Exclusive invite event!  
*Learn how you can get on the list by emailing:*  
[kirsten-byers@northwestern.edu](mailto:kirsten-byers@northwestern.edu).
- *Stay tuned for more information about the exciting summer alumni events coming soon!*



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

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