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Alumni Weekend: **LAST CALL!**

Registration Ends Friday, April 11, at 11:59 p.m. CDT



What are you waiting for?! Time is running out to sign up for **Alumni Weekend 2024 (April 18–20)**. Join us back on campus next month for our all-alumni celebration, Half Century Club and reunion class dinners, CME forums, campus tours, mentoring opportunities, Women in Medicine Tea, and much, much more.

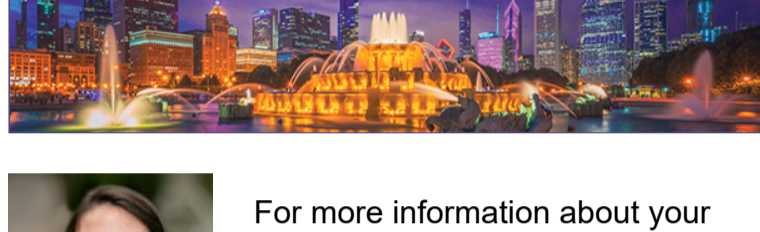
Don't miss your chance to take advantage of our registration promotion! **Register now to receive your special Northwestern Medicine gift.** Registration gifts can be picked up at the Alumni Relations table in the Robert H. Lurie Medical Research Center during Alumni Weekend. Please note, registration gifts cannot be mailed. You must attend Alumni Weekend to receive the gift.

Join **nearly 300 alumni and guests** who have already [registered!](#)

Advance registration is required. There is no on-site registration for Alumni Weekend. You must register prior to Thursday, April 11, to be included in any events.

We're springing forward. Come celebrate with us!

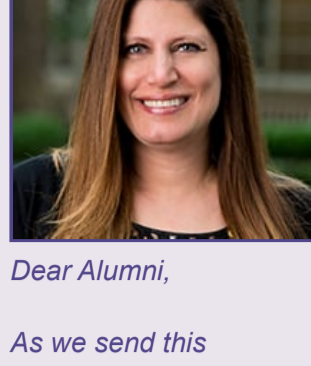
REGISTER FOR ALUMNI WEEKEND



For more information about your reunion, contact:

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From the Director's Desk:



Dear Alumni,

As we send this newsletter, we are only **21 days** from Alumni Weekend! We look forward to welcoming you back to campus. Activities include CME forums, tours of the campus, Chicago highlights tours, *Celebrate in Chicago*—our alumni party, and of course Reunion Class Dinners! For our Half Century Club (HCC) members (those past their 50th class reunion), we have a wide range of activities for you to enjoy, including an HCC dinner on Saturday evening.

Please note that you must register in advance for Alumni Weekend. **Registration will close on Thursday, April 11.** We hope that you will join us April 18–20.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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Celebrating Women's History Month

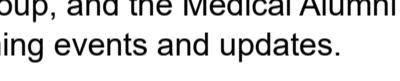
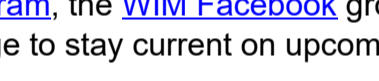
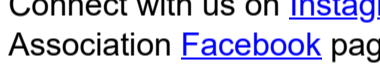


As co-chairs of the Women in Medicine committee of the Northwestern Medical Alumni Association Board, we celebrate the achievements of all of you, the women who came before you, and those who follow in our footsteps during Women's History Month. We couldn't be prouder to be a part of your community.

We want to highlight an upcoming event we think you may be interested in.

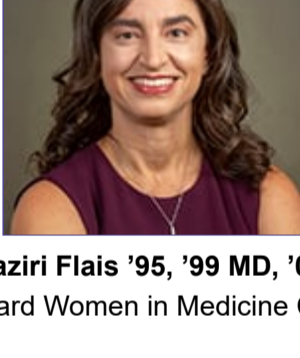
On **Friday, April 19, from 1:45–3:30 p.m.**, our committee is hosting the Women in Medicine Tea at the historic Drake Hotel during Alumni Weekend 2024. We invite you to enjoy high tea at The Drake Hotel with finger sandwiches, fruit breads, scones, and French pastries. This event welcomes Northwestern Medicine's women in medicine (MDs, nurses, scientists, physical therapists, and physician assistants) to participate in an interactive discussion.

This is a ticketed event that sells out every year, so be sure to sign up today to secure a seat. **All attendees must register in advance.**

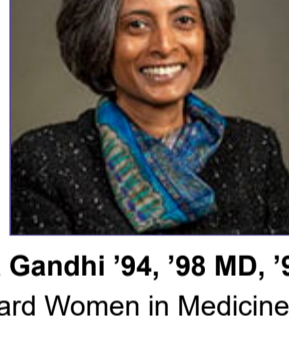


Connect with us on [Instagram](#), the [WIM Facebook](#) group, and the Medical Alumni Association [Facebook](#) page to stay current on upcoming events and updates.

Be well, and we look forward to connecting with you all!



Shelly Vaziri Flais '95, '99 MD, '02 GMER
MAA Board Women in Medicine Co-Chair



Kavitha Gandhi '94, '98 MD, '99 GMER
MAA Board Women in Medicine Co-Chair

REGISTER FOR WIM TEA DURING ALUMNI WEEKEND

Your MAA: Coast to Coast



Your Medical Alumni Association hosted a jam-packed schedule of events for alumni and friends of the medical school this year. From Arizona to Naples to Chicago and New York, we were thrilled to have the opportunity to connect with so many of you at our recent events in February and March. Read on to learn more about these exciting coast-to-coast and virtual get-togethers.

Interested in hosting an alumni gathering in your area? Contact us at medalum@northwestern.edu.

Bay Area: Reunion Get-Together



Your MAA had a blast in the Bay Area hosting a gathering for our MD Class of 1999 and local alumni on February 15. Class of '99 alums joined us in celebration of their upcoming 25th reunion to reminisce, reconnect, and make plans for April's Alumni Weekend. Thank you to everyone who joined us!

Naples: Brunch & Northwestern Medicine



The Medical Alumni Association was pleased to once again welcome alumni and friends to our Naples brunch held in partnership with the NU Club of Greater Naples at the Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón on February 21.

Thank you to Douglas E. Vaughan, MD; Francesca E. Duncan, PhD; and Rod S. Passman, MD, MSCE; for their excellent presentation "Is Aging Inevitable or Preventable?"

To learn more about:

- Doug Vaughan, MD, visit the [Potocsnak Longevity Institute](#) website and explore the institute through a segment on NBC's [The Today Show](#) that aired in February.
- Francesca Duncan, PhD, visit the [Duncan Lab](#) website. Learn more about the [Center for Reproductive Science](#) with this [informative video](#).
- Rod Passman, MD, and his study investigating the use of wearables like the Apple Watch to prevent stroke in patients with atrial fibrillation, visit the [Feinberg News Center](#).

The next evening, on February 22, Northwestern Medicine (NM) hosted a reception and conversation with NM leaders about exciting updates from around the health system.

Thank you to all who joined us for these terrific events. To stay informed of annual events in the Naples area, please reach out to us at medalum@northwestern.edu.

VIEW OUR NAPLES BRUNCH ALBUM

VIEW PHOTOS FROM THE NM EVENT

Arizona: Music & Medicine | Cubs Spring Training



On March 1–3, the MAA welcomed alumni from across the country for a very special weekend in Arizona. We kicked off the slate of events over dinner with alumni and friends in Phoenix.

The next day, the party continued at the Musical Instrument Museum in Phoenix with “A Night with Northwestern: Music and Medicine.” Held in partnership with Bienen School of Music, panelists **Sarah J. Bartolome '02 MMus, PhD**, associate professor, Bienen School of Music; Borna Bonakdarpour, MD, associate professor of Neurology (Behavioral Neurology), Feinberg; and Bharath Chandrasekaran, PhD, department chair, Communication Sciences and Disorders, School of Communication explored the effect that music has on your health throughout your life. Dean Jonathan Bailey Holland of Bienen School of Music moderated the event.



The following day, we were thrilled to watch the Chicago Cubs take on the Cleveland Guardians for our annual spring training game at Sloan Park in Mesa, Arizona. The Cubbies led us to a 5-3 victory over the Guardians. A great day for the home team!

We appreciate everyone who made the trip out to the museum and ballpark. Mark your calendars and be sure to join us next year!

[VIEW OUR MUSIC IN MEDICINE ALBUM](#)

[VIEW OUR SPRING TRAINING GAME PHOTOS](#)

Chicago: WIM Conference



On March 8, women across the Northwestern Medicine community gathered both in-person and virtually for the 6th annual Northwestern Women in Medicine conference. This year’s theme, “Empowering Success,” explored how women in medicine face unique challenges and obstacles throughout their professional careers.

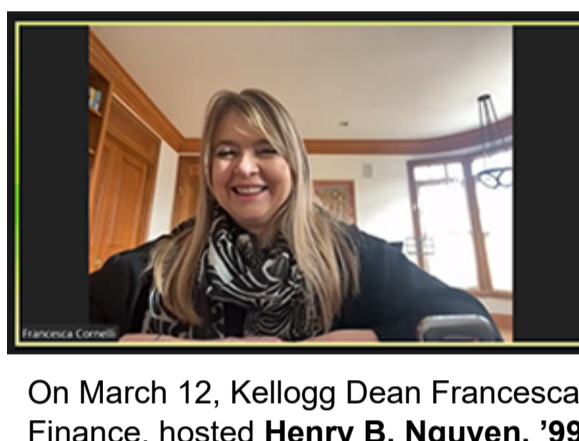
These challenges may affect leadership development and opportunities for women in medicine resulting in a gender gap in the governance of academic medical centers. Panelists facilitated conversations that reviewed data, identified barriers and facilitators, and discussed tools to support and promote the development of leaders who identify as women and sexual/gender minorities. The conference sought to highlight the role of allies in creating a diverse, inclusive, and equitable work environment. Learn more in the [Feinberg News Center](#).

The Women in Medicine committee of your Northwestern Medical Alumni Association Board was pleased to co-host the event, and welcome alumni and friends at the evening’s cocktail reception.

Thank you to all the women in medicine who attended this annual event!

[VIEW OUR WOMEN IN MEDICINE CONFERENCE PHOTOS](#)

Webinar: Henry B. Nguyen, '99 MD, '01 MBA

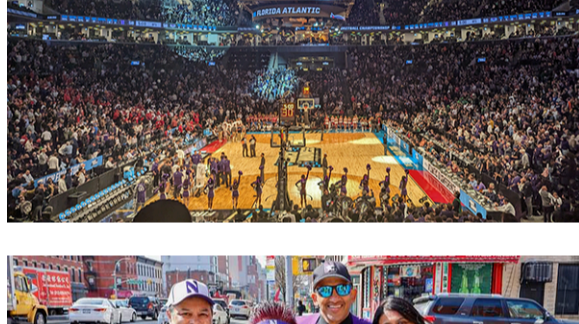


On March 12, Kellogg Dean Francesca Cornelli, the Donald P. Jacobs Chair in Finance, hosted **Henry B. Nguyen, '99 MD, '01 MBA**, executive chair of Timo and chair of Phoenix Holdings. Together, they discussed Dr. Nguyen’s vast professional experience spanning business, healthcare, and more—as well as his time at Kellogg and Feinberg. If you missed our event or would like to revisit the conversation, we invite you to visit the [Kellogg Alumni Virtual Programs](#) website. Congratulations to Dr. Nguyen on his upcoming 25th reunion!

Brooklyn: NCAA March Madness



On March 22, the Northwestern Wildcats made their third March Madness appearance, taking on Florida Atlantic University, and you can bet that your Medical Alumni Association (MAA) was in Brooklyn, New York, to help cheer on the 'Cats!



Before the N Zone Pep Rally and NCAA game, the MAA hosted alumni, friends, family, and supporters for a meet-and-greet breakfast near the Barclays Center. Everyone’s Purple Pride was on display as the Wildcats celebrated a 77-65 victory over the Florida Atlantic Owls.



Sadly, the 'Cats were defeated in the second round of the tournament by the Connecticut Huskies, but what a ride this season was.

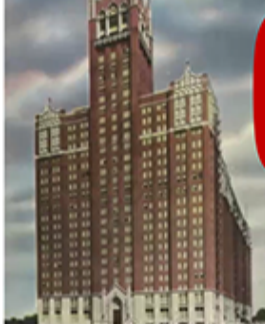
Thanks to all the M'Cats who came out to support and celebrate!

[VIEW OUR NCAA MARCH MADNESS PHOTOS](#)

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

“The Furniture Mart and the Woman’s World’s Fair”

The Furniture Mart and the Woman’s World’s Fair



Joseph J. Gugenheim, '72 MD

We’re thrilled to bring you the newest installment of our MAA Digital Series, from our fantastic host and historian, alum **Joseph Gugenheim, '72 MD**.

In observance of Women’s History Month, Dr. Gugenheim’s March episode allows you to take a step back in time to the Roaring Twenties to explore the origins of the Furniture Mart and the Woman’s World’s Fair. Lake Shore Place, the noteworthy brown building with the blue tower across the street from Abbott Hall, may be recognizable to alumni—especially those who called Abbott Hall home while in medical school. This location holds an important place in both Chicago and women’s history as it was the site of the Woman’s World’s Fairs of 1925 and 1926—fairs created, organized, and run entirely by women.

Dr. Gugenheim presents “[The Furniture Mart and the Woman’s World’s Fair](#).”

Thank you, Dr. Gugenheim!

[VIEW “THE FURNITURE MART AND THE WOMAN’S WORLD’S FAIR”](#)

COMING SOON!

Join Dr. Gugenheim in May for a sequel to our MAA Digital Series fan favorite, “Who’s Who in the Northwestern Neighborhood.” This spring marks four years since we launched the MAA Digital Series with our resident host and historian, Dr. Joseph Gugenheim. Our inaugural episode, “[Who’s Who in the Northwestern Neighborhood](#),” quickly became an alumni must-see. Some were even fortunate enough to see this presentation live at Alumni Weekend 2022! In this exciting follow-up, alumni will learn more about the individuals behind some of the most iconic names of the Chicago medical campus—Foster McGaw and Alexander McClurg, as well as the Searle and the Lavin families. Mark your calendars for May as we celebrate four years of this beloved series!

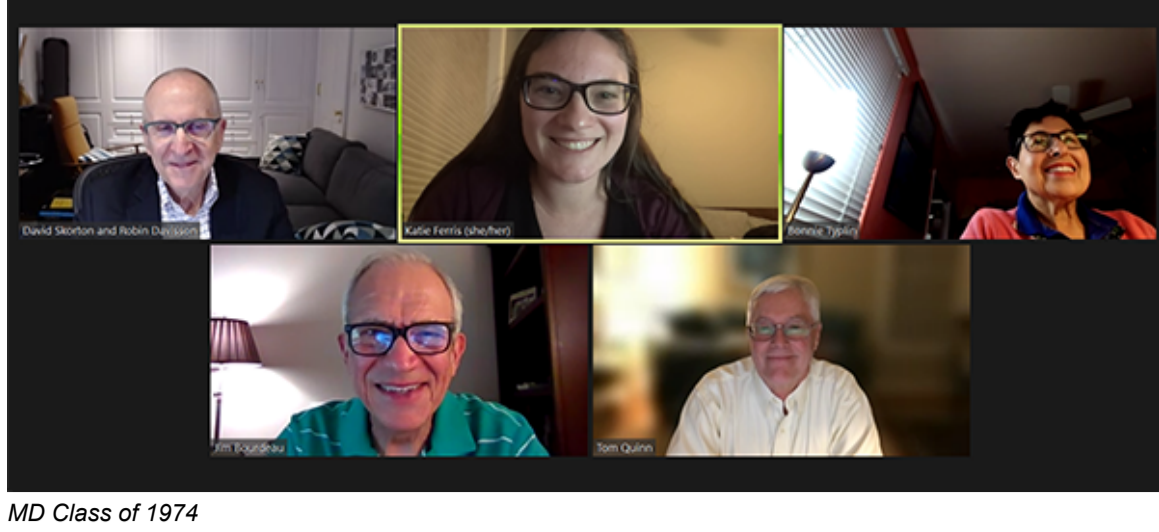
Catch up on all previous episodes of our MAA Digital Series on our [MAA website](#) and [YouTube channel](#).

MAA Newsletter Spring Schedule Change



Please note, there will be no Medical Alumni Association Newsletter in April this year. Instead, we’ll be producing a special issue in May featuring an Alumni Weekend 2024 recap, so keep an eye on your inbox for more exciting events and alumni news!

Reunion Classes Celebrate on Zoom in Advance of Alumni Weekend



MD Class of 1974

In advance of their upcoming milestone reunions, several of our classes recently hosted a virtual get-together on Zoom to celebrate before Alumni Weekend. Alumni from across the country joined us to make plans for April, reconnect, and reminisce. This also offered a fantastic opportunity for alumni who couldn't make the spring celebration to still share in the reunion fun. Thank you to the MD Classes of 1969, 1974 (pictured above), and 1999 (pictured below). We can't wait to see you in person next month!



MD Class of 1999



If you're interested in hosting a Zoom call with your reunion class, please contact:

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March: Alumni Spotlights



March 6 is Dentist's Day

In celebration of Dentist's Day, we are thrilled to honor our Northwestern University Dental School (NUDS) graduates. With 107 years in existence, the Dental School produced some of the top dentists in the country. A great source of pride for the MAA, our NUDS alumni have made and continue to make transformative contributions to the field.

Thank you for all that you do!



March 30 is Doctor's Day

We are grateful for this annual opportunity to celebrate our MD and GME alumni. Alumni of our medical school, residency, and fellowship programs are dedicated leaders in their field. Your work and commitment have inspired so many others, many of whom are now following in your footsteps. Your impact continues to elevate the legacy of your alma mater.

Thank you for all that you do!

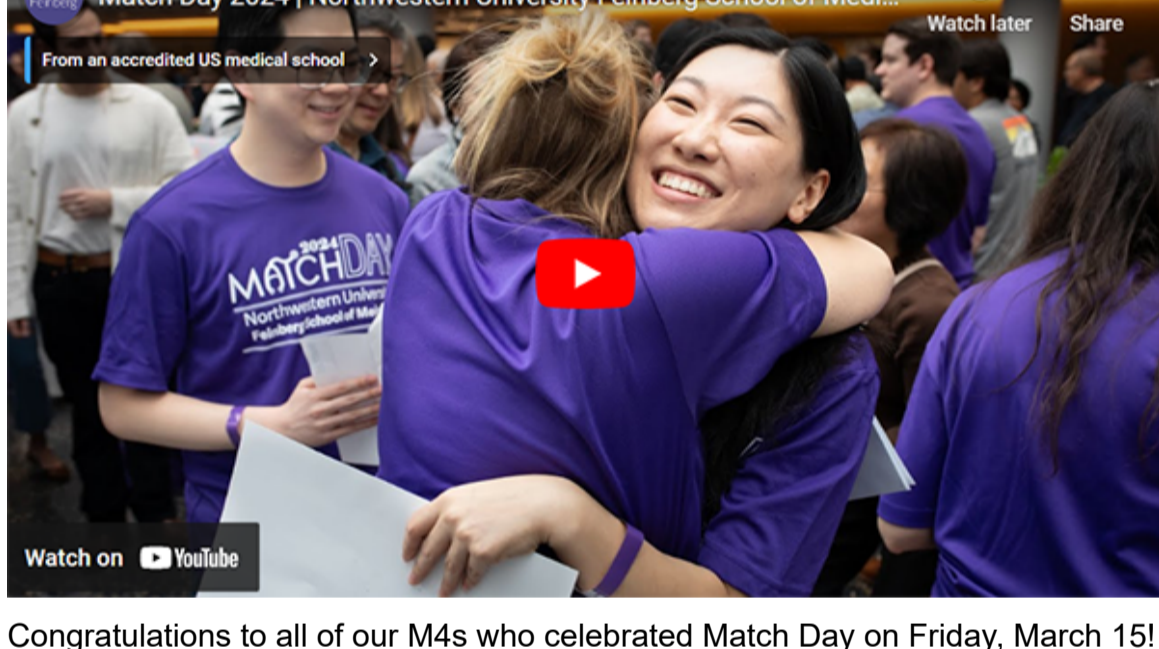
Celebrating Our NUDSters!



On February 23, our Northwestern University Dental School alumni gathered for their annual Midwinter Reception. The event was held at Maggiano's Little Italy and welcomed dental school alums from all graduating classes. This event is always very popular, and we love the opportunity to celebrate our NUDSters!

Thank you to all who attended and to **Robert M. Pick, '80 DDS, '82 CERT, MS, '84 MS, FACD, FICD**, for this terrific photo.

The Excitement of Match Day 2024



Congratulations to all of our M4s who celebrated Match Day on Friday, March 15!

The students collectively opened their envelopes to learn where their medical careers would take them next. We invite you to visit [YouTube](#) to relive the celebration with our students and their families at this momentous event.

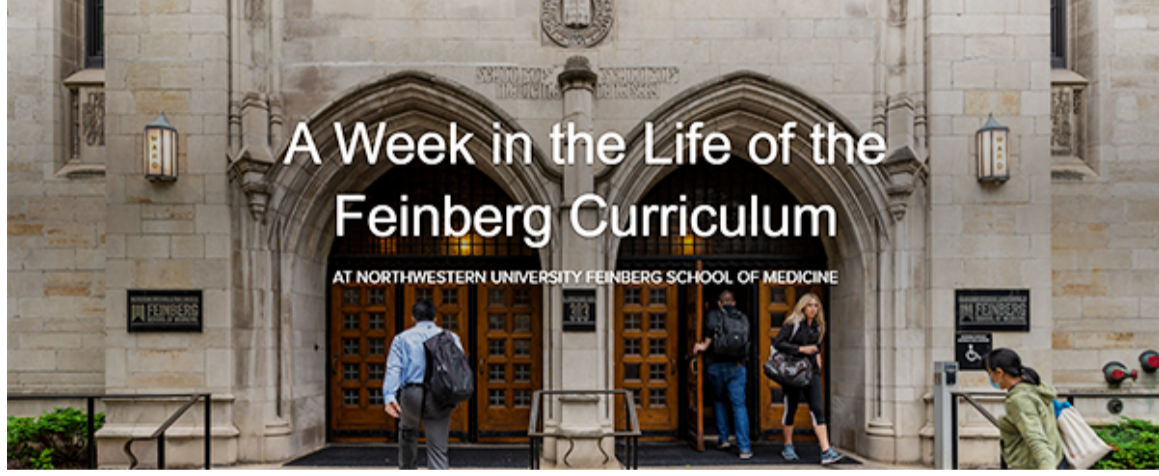
Kudos to all of our future alumni! ❤️

Learn more about Match Day 2024 in the [Feinberg News Center](#) and explore the full list of [match results](#) on our website.

VISIT YOUTUBE FOR THE 2024 MATCH VIDEO

LEARN WHERE ALL OF THE M4S MATCHED

A Week in the Life



Wonder what life is like for a med student today? Discover the MD program at Feinberg with an inside look at a typical week of learning for our students.

Follow M1s through M4s to learn more about what they're experiencing during each phase of medical school via our interactive [timeline and videos](#).

EXPLORE A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE FEINBERG CURRICULUM

NEW: Master of Science in Health Professions Education Degree



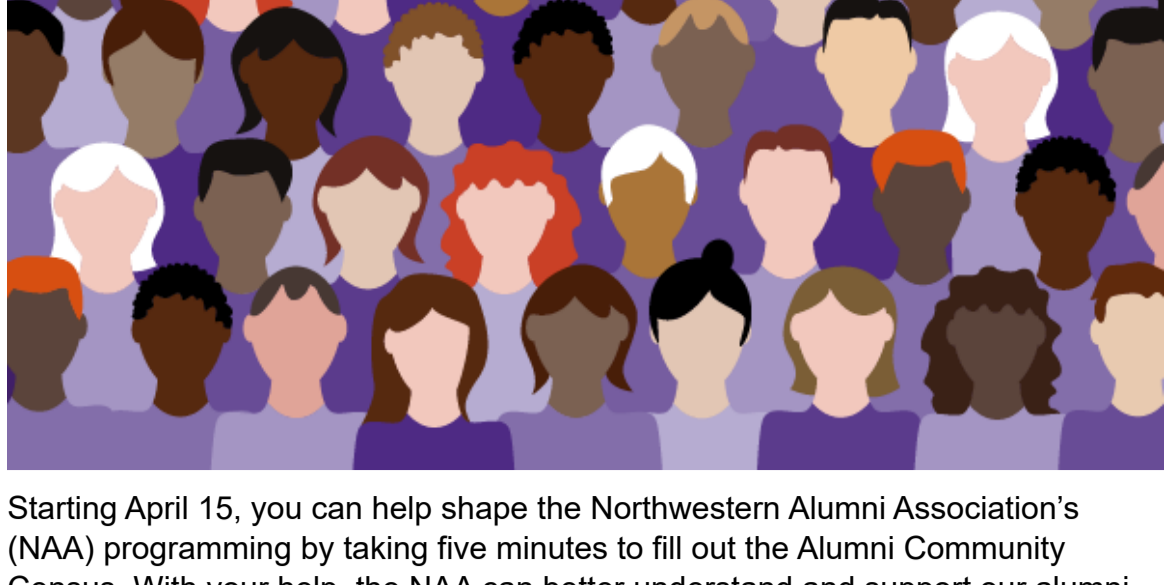
The [Master of Science in Health Professions Education \(MS-HPE\)](#) is a two-year, part-time executive program through Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. Our master's program is tailored for educators, clinicians, and healthcare professionals who aspire to make a significant impact on the way healthcare is taught and practiced. The MS-HPE provides a challenging environment for learning and discovery with an emphasis on diversity and inclusion and technology. The in-person residencies, which cover topics such as mastery learning and implementation science, offer students the opportunity to broaden their knowledge areas and develop new skills.

All students complete [intensive formal training](#) in curriculum development, assessment, and diversity, equity, and inclusivity. MS-HPE students will also [complete a capstone project](#) with mentoring by program faculty.

This year's application deadline is April 1.

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MS-HPE PROGRAM

The Alumni Community Census is Coming Your Way



Starting April 15, you can help shape the Northwestern Alumni Association's (NAA) programming by taking five minutes to fill out the Alumni Community Census. With your help, the NAA can better understand and support our alumni communities. We appreciate your participating in this important initiative. Alumni living in the US will have a chance to win a gift card when they complete the census. Questions? Visit the census [FAQ](#).

Med Alums Circumnavigating the Globe!



Pictured left to right (top row): **Darryl L. Wallace, '69 MD; Dennis M. Welch, '71 MD, '72 GMER; Thomas R. Tetzlaff, '72 MD; and Irwin Benuck, '79 MD, '82 GMER ('08 P).**
 Pictured left to right (bottom row): **Sally Wallace; Paulette Welch; Gloria Tetzlaff; and Dorene Benuck.**

Medical alums found themselves having a NUMS alumni gathering aboard the Viking Neptune as they circumnavigated the globe together during a four-month-long excursion. The couples quickly became friends and swapped stories of their med school days. Thank you to Dr. Benuck for taking the time to share these incredible photos with us as the group traveled from Singapore to Malaysia, and then to Thailand!

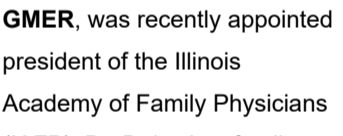


Future Wildcats

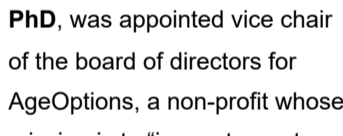


Thank you to **Melvin V. Gerbie, '60 MD**, for sharing this adorable photo with us of his family's future Wildcats. Purple Pride runs strong in the Gerbie family. We can't wait to see these little ones on campus! Go 'Cats!

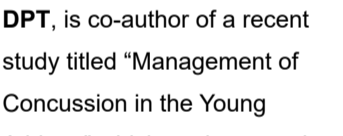
Congrats Are in Order!



Emma R. Daisy, '11 MD, '14 GMER, was recently appointed president of the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP). Dr. Daisy is a family physician at Tapestry360 Health (formerly Heartland Health Center). She joined IAFP as a first-year resident and has served in several capacities for the organization. Her focus is on health equity and primary care access for patients of all ages. Congratulations, Dr. Daisy!



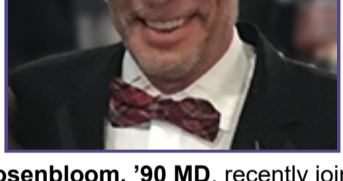
Gayle E. Kricke '07, MSW, '17 PhD, was appointed vice chair of the board of directors for AgeOptions, a non-profit whose mission is to "innovate, partner, and advocate to improve systems and services in order to strengthen communities so people thrive as they age." Dr. Kricke is director of Operations, System Primary Care at Northwestern Medicine and has worked in healthcare quality, patient safety, geriatric social work, and healthcare policy. Dr. Kricke also is assistant professor of Medicine (General Internal Medicine) at Feinberg. Congratulations, Dr. Kricke!



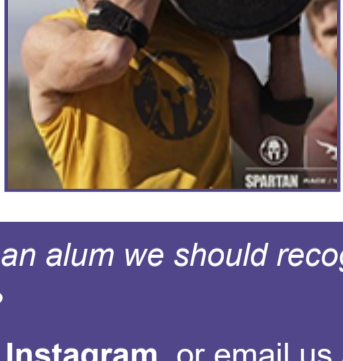
Meghan A. Lamothe, '17 PT, DPT, is co-author of a recent study titled "Management of Concussion in the Young Athlete," which seeks to analyze the differences in concussion symptoms, treatment, recovery, and psychological implications in children, as well as the role of the physical therapist in the management of pediatric concussion. The study can be found on the [Sage Journals](#) website. Congratulations, Dr. Lamothe!



Emily J. Morris, '09 PT, DPT, was selected as a recipient of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Equity and Inclusion Coin, which recognizes diversity, equity, and inclusion champions who are successfully increasing access and opportunities for all people, while building better outcomes for historically and currently disadvantaged populations. Dr. Morris was recognized for her recent work, fostering equitable community engagement by challenging long-established policy development practices in favor of more innovative and transformational community engagement techniques. Dr. Morris has served in leadership roles on several state government-led special projects and, most recently, led the design and implementation of Michigan's Medicaid policy introducing coverage for community health worker services. With a board specialty in Geriatrics, Dr. Morris is active with the Michigan Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association and volunteers across the state at universities and events, teaching and conducting senior athlete health screens. Congratulations, Dr. Morris!



Mark Rosenbloom, '90 MD, recently joined the advisory board of Alzheimer's Treatment Centers of America. Dr. Rosenbloom is a practitioner and pioneer in the field of longevity medicine. He is founder and chief medical officer of LIFEFORCE Medical Institute which focuses on longevity and optimal performance medicine. He also is founder of PEPID LLC (a premier point of care medical/drug and decision support software), the Unicorn Children's Foundation, and the Boca School of Autism. Dr. Rosenbloom recently completed a Spartan Race after his 70th birthday. Spartan races take place in the desert and are 5 kilometers long, marked by twenty major obstacles that competitors must overcome (pictured below). Congratulations, Dr. Rosenbloom!



Do you have news to share with us or know of an alum we should recognize in the newsletter?
 Post it on our [Facebook](#) page, tag us on [Instagram](#), or email us at medalum@northwestern.edu.

Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars!



Medical Alumni Association: Plan It Purple Calendar

Did you know that the MAA has its very own Plan It Purple calendar?

With the [Plan It Purple](#) calendar, you'll never miss a Medical Alumni Association event!

VISIT THE MAA'S PLAN IT PURPLE PAGE

You can register for events, download a save-the-date reminder to your calendar, and learn more about all the other University-wide events and offerings.

Bookmark the [MAA calendar](#) or visit the [MAA home page](#) to keep tabs on all of our upcoming events.

Alumni Weekend 2024 | Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, April 18–Saturday, April 20, 2024

We're Springing Forward—Come 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. We are thrilled to welcome back our 2024 reunion classes, as well as all members of our Half Century Club. Not your reunion year? Not a problem! There's so much to see and do. Plan to spend a spring weekend with us. See you in Chicago!

Advance registration is required. There is no on-site registration for Alumni Weekend. You must register prior to Thursday, April 11, to be included in any events.

REGISTER TODAY

Northwestern Medical Orchestra Chamber Concert

Thursday, April 18, 2024 | 7:00 p.m. CDT

The [Northwestern Medical Orchestra \(NMO\)](#) invites you to a special chamber music concert. We welcome you to enjoy this ensemble performance featuring Northwestern medical students, residents, faculty, and staff. This free event kicks off Alumni Weekend 2024 and includes on campus parking, so don't miss out!

There will be a light dessert reception following the concert, providing you with an opportunity to meet the students and musicians involved in the NMO.

You must register to attend, so do so today! The online registration form includes all available Alumni Weekend activities. Join us for just the concert or sign up for any of our other on campus events—the choice is yours!

The NMO was formed in the spring of 2018 by first-year medical students to provide an instrumental musical experience for members of the Northwestern medical community in downtown Chicago. The group now has 100+ members and holds several concerts every year.

Please note: The concert will end at 8:30 p.m. Please plan to stay and chat with the musicians during our post-event reception.

Space is limited. We expect this event to fill up, so sign up today!

REGISTER TODAY

[A Night with Northwestern at the Chicago Symphony Orchestra | Chicago, Illinois](#)

Saturday, April 27, 2024 | 5:30 p.m. CDT

The Northwestern Alumni Association invites you to a reception and performance of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (CSO) and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with conductor **Giancarlo Guerrero '92**. Selections from Prokofiev's *Romeo and Juliet* will alternate between the original orchestral version performed by the CSO and imaginative jazz arrangements presented by Lincoln Center musicians. Then, the ensembles join forces for Wynton Marsalis's critically acclaimed *Swing Symphony*.

Saturday, April 27 | 5:30 p.m. Reception | 7:30 p.m. Performance

Symphony Center | 220 South Michigan Avenue | Chicago, Illinois

Please note: Tickets to the event are sold out at this time. There are still reception only tickets available.

There is limited availability, so please reserve your spot today. You may request a disability accommodation via the registration form.

Questions? Email alumnieducation@northwestern.edu.

REGISTER TODAY

[Feinberg Cardiology Panel | Chicago, Illinois](#)

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 | 5:30–7:00 p.m. CDT

Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine Division of Cardiology invites you to attend this dynamic panel discussion with scholars and researchers, Northwestern's top early-career physician-scientists who are dramatically changing the landscape of cardiovascular science. Expect a provocative and inspiring exchange of new ideas: data science, aging, augmented intelligence, gene therapy, and metabolism. Learn more about how their research informs patient care and engage with our panelists in a conversation about these breakthroughs.

Robert H. Lurie Medical Research Center

Hughes Auditorium | 303 East Superior Street | Chicago, Illinois 60611

Moderated by Clyde W. Yancy, MD, MSc

Featuring:

Stanley Aladi, MD

Nour Beydoun, MD

Kelley Chen, MD

Jennifer Maning, DO

Graham Peigh, MD, '21 MS

For questions about this event, please contact Ayanna Guillen at ayanna.guillen@northwestern.edu.

Complimentary parking will be available.

REGISTER TODAY

[Have Coffee and Conversations | Virtual Event](#)

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 | 10:00–11:00 a.m. CDT

The Half Century Club Committee of the Northwestern University Medical Alumni Association invites you to a virtual event:

[Have Coffee and Conversations](#)

Our "Have Coffee and Conversations" series is a unique opportunity for you to reconnect with fellow alumni, share your experiences, and enjoy meaningful conversations in a relaxed setting. This month's topic will feature a question that is on all of our minds, "Exercise is Medicine: Are You Taking the Right Dose?"

This virtual discussion will feature [Margaret Danilovich '07 PT, DPT, PhD, '22 MBA](#), adjunct assistant professor of Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences. Exercise is good for you...but what exactly should you do to age well? We all know we should exercise, but what's the exact "prescription" to age well—our research is helping define that.

RSVP today to receive your special edition NM exercise bands via mail!

The [Half Century Club \(HCC\)](#) recognizes our alumni who graduated 50+ years ago and celebrates your dedication to the betterment of human health.

REGISTER TODAY

[2024 Minds Matter Gala | Chicago, Illinois](#)

Friday, May 10, 2024 | 6:00 p.m. CDT

The Minds Matter Gala, held this year at the Hilton Chicago, is an annual fundraiser for the [Lou and Jean Malnati Brain Tumor Institute \(MBTI\)](#) of the [Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University](#) at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. Net proceeds support brain tumor research and patient care.

Advance registration is required.

REGISTER TODAY

[31st Annual Cancer Survivors' Celebration Walk & 5K](#)

Sunday, June 2, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. CDT

Held on National Cancer Survivors Day, our 31st Annual Cancer Survivors' Celebration Walk & 5K features a non-competitive walk or chip-timed 5K run along Chicago's lakefront, T-shirts, refreshments, music and entertainment, activities for the family, and a chance to share a message on the Dedication Wall. It is a day for cancer survivors, wearing purple shirts, to connect and celebrate milestones with the friends, family members, and medical professionals who supported them along the way.

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Wednesday, November 13–Friday, November 15, 2024

Join this complimentary symposium for our most engaged alumni volunteer leaders to learn from expert faculty, network with fellow alumni, and enhance your volunteer role with the University. Events begin Wednesday evening before Homecoming and Reunion Weekend.

The NAA will share the full schedule, event registration, and hotel accommodations this summer. Visit the [Leadership Symposium page](#) for additional resources. Information will be updated frequently.

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