

Grateful for you!

We're grateful for you!

As we enter the holiday season, we want to take a moment to thank all our incredible alumni for your commitment and support. Your service and generosity are inspiring, allowing us to further our goals and support the next generation of medical professionals. Whether you attended an event, mentored a student, made a gift, or volunteered your time, we thank you and appreciate all that you do throughout the year.

Happy Thanksgiving from your Medical Alumni Association!

Alumni Weekend 2023

Alumni Weekend 2023: A Celebration in Chicago!



Thank you to the **over 500 alumni, guests, faculty, students, and staff** who joined us for Alumni Weekend 2023!

Congratulations to all our milestone reunion classes. It was an honor to celebrate our [Half Century Club](#) members and to induct the Class of 1973, our 50-year reunion class, into the Half Century Club. We were also thrilled to recognize alumni in the classes of 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, and 2018.

This jam-packed weekend was marked by a number of highlights. Our [Office of Diversity and Inclusion](#) kicked off Alumni Weekend with an outstanding 20-Year Celebration Reception. Our wonderful faculty-led forums and campus tours were enjoyed by so many of our returning alumni. Current students and alumni had the opportunity to connect at our annual Mentoring Lunch and [Women in Medicine](#) Tea. Alumni dined, laughed, and enjoyed one another's company on Friday night at Celebrate in Chicago, our all-alumni party. Our [Commitment to Scholarship Luncheon](#) and [The Founders Society](#) Reception honored our incredible alumni donors and scholarship supporters. The weekend culminated in our Half Century Club and Reunion class dinners on Saturday night where alumni and friends made memories that will last a lifetime.

We hope that you enjoyed the opportunity to reconnect with classmates and reminisce about your time spent on our beautiful Chicago campus. Read more about Alumni Weekend in the [Feinberg News Center](#). If you couldn't make it back to Chicago, or if you simply want to relive the memories from that weekend, view our [Alumni Weekend Photo Album](#).

For attendees seeking information about obtaining CME credit, viewing forum presentations, the Reunion Honor Roll, and more, please view our [Alumni Weekend Recap and Reminders email](#).

If you have any questions about Alumni Weekend or want to get more involved with your reunion, contact Katie Ferris at katie.ferris@northwestern.edu.

Please plan to join us next year for Alumni Weekend 2024!

[VIEW THE ALUMNI WEEKEND PHOTO ALBUM](#)

From the Director's Desk:



Dear Alumni,

Thank you so much to everyone who was able to come to Chicago this past October and enjoy our Alumni Weekend festivities. We had over 400 alumni and guests in attendance. I extend a special thank you to our faculty who provided updates on their groundbreaking research, as well as all those who participated in Celebrate in Chicago, Conversations with the Dean, the Scholarship Luncheon, The Founders Society Reception, and of course the highlight of the weekend, our milestone class and Half Century Club dinners. Remember, Alumni Weekend is not just for reunion classes!

As always, please reach out with any comments or questions.

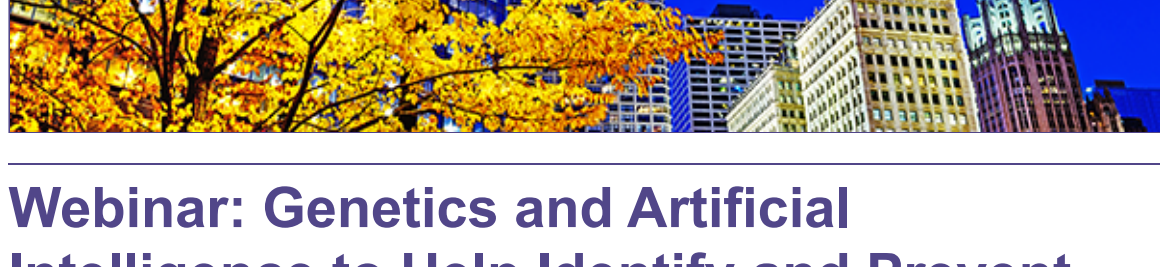
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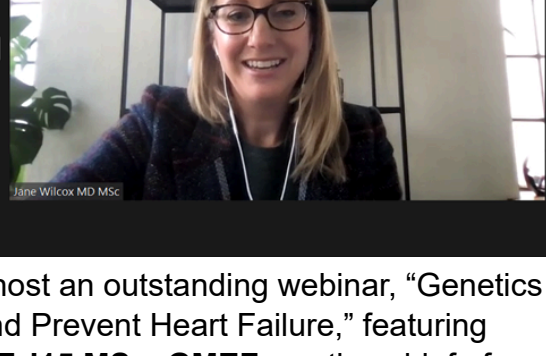
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Webinar: Genetics and Artificial Intelligence to Help Identify and Prevent Heart Failure



On November 1, the MAA was pleased to host an outstanding webinar, "Genetics and Artificial Intelligence to Help Identify and Prevent Heart Failure," featuring **Jane E. Wilcox, MD, '10 GMER, '14 GMEF, '15 MSc, GMEF**, section chief of Heart Failure Treatment and Recovery at Northwestern Medicine Bluhm Cardiovascular Institute; associate director of the T1 Center for Cardiovascular Therapeutics; and associate professor of Medicine in the Division of Cardiology.

In her presentation, Dr. Wilcox discussed the different types of heart failure and the various ways that artificial intelligence can aid in earlier detection of heart failure.

Thank you to the more than 200 people who registered for this event! We appreciate your questions and your interest in this important area of heart health. If you were unable to attend or would just like to revisit the conversation, we invite you to visit our [Virtual Event Recording Archives](#) to view the presentation.

[VIEW THE VIRTUAL EVENT RECORDING ARCHIVES](#)

Celebrating Our Veterans



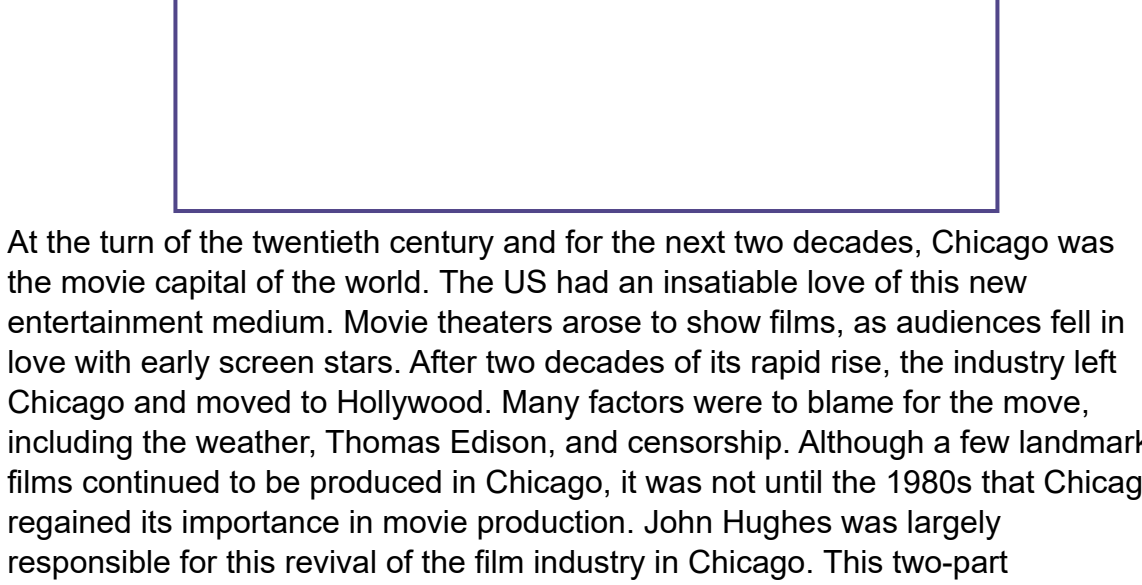
In honor of Veteran's Day on November 11, we celebrate all of our alumni who have served in the Armed Forces. Thank you for your service and dedication!

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

"Hollywood on the Lake: A Tribute to John Hughes—Part I"

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**.

Movie enthusiasts rejoice! If you were unable to attend Dr. Gugenheim's popular Alumni Weekend presentation that was held on campus in the Hughes Auditorium, then pop some popcorn and settle in for this month's episode—the first of a two-part series.



At the turn of the twentieth century and for the next two decades, Chicago was the movie capital of the world. The US had an insatiable love of this new entertainment medium. Movie theaters arose to show films, as audiences fell in love with early screen stars. After two decades of its rapid rise, the industry left Chicago and moved to Hollywood. Many factors were to blame for the move, including the weather, Thomas Edison, and censorship. Although a few landmark films continued to be produced in Chicago, it was not until the 1980s that Chicago regained its importance in movie production. John Hughes was largely responsible for this revival of the film industry in Chicago. This two-part presentation will trace the history of the movie industry in Chicago from the late nineteenth century, through the Hughes era, to the present day.

Dr. Gugenheim presents "[Hollywood on the Lake: A Tribute to John Hughes—Part I](#)."

Thank you, Dr. Gugenheim!

VIEW "HOLLYWOOD ON THE LAKE: A TRIBUTE TO JOHN HUGHES—PART I"

CELEBRATING 40 EPISODES THIS MONTH!

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

Alumni Student Connections

Last month, two of our amazing alumni took time out of their busy schedules to host mentoring opportunities for our students.



Thank you to **Arjun K. Venkatesh '02, '08 MD**, who in the middle of his 15th reunion made time to mentor our medical students. Dr. Venkatesh hosted a group of students for a special "Breakfast with a Doc." The Dinners with a Doc program has been a highlight for so many of our medical students over the years. These intimate affairs typically pair 4-6 students with an alumni physician and allow students to learn more about daily work and lives outside of medicine, as well as how to make the most of their medical school, residency, and fellowship training. MD students gain invaluable insight from seasoned alumni physicians, who, in turn, learn from students about the current state of their medical alma matter.

Thank you to Dr. Venkatesh for creating this wonderful opportunity for our students!

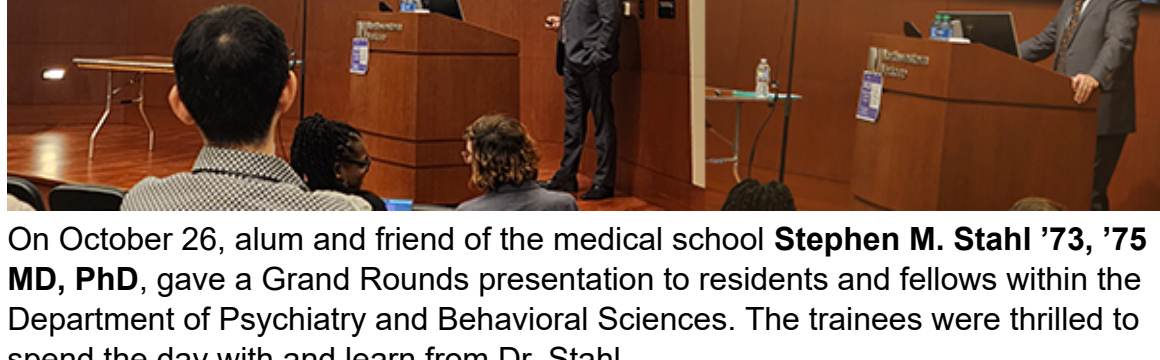


Thank you to **Captain Brian Lewis, '86 MD**, who kicked off our 2023/2024 Alumni Physicians of Feinberg season with an outstanding mentoring session for our students. The Alumni Physicians of Feinberg is an innovative program that unites alumni and faculty with students who want to learn about the lives of physicians—how they made their specialty choice, what they do day-to-day, how they balance work, family, and life, lessons they have learned, and what they would do differently throughout their careers.

Dr. Lewis recently retired from the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps in October 2023 and will continue his work for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as a civilian. Congratulations to Captain Lewis on your retirement, and thank you for sharing your time and talents with our students!

To learn more about how to get involved with our student mentoring opportunities, please contact Allison Glibowski at allison.glibowski@northwestern.edu.

Grand Rounds with Dr. Stahl

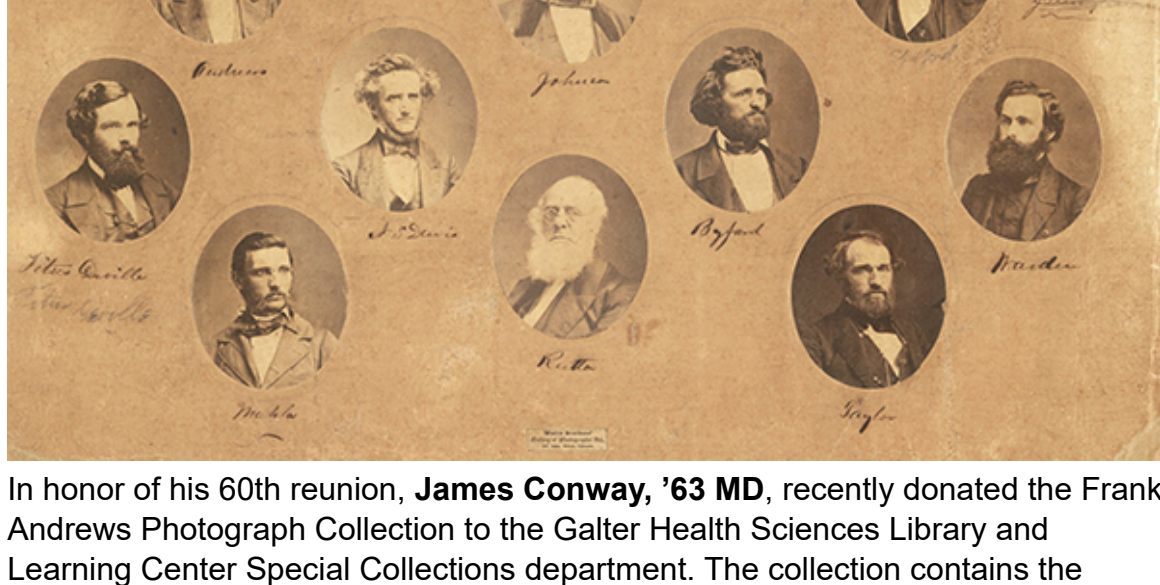


On October 26, alum and friend of the medical school **Stephen M. Stahl '73, '75 MD, PhD**, gave a Grand Rounds presentation to residents and fellows within the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. The trainees were thrilled to spend the day with and learn from Dr. Stahl.

Thank you for a wonderful Grand Rounds and for sharing your time and expertise, Dr. Stahl!



Feinberg's Founders and First Professors



In honor of his 60th reunion, **James Conway, '63 MD**, recently donated the Frank Andrews Photograph Collection to the Galter Health Sciences Library and Learning Center Special Collections department. The collection contains the earliest known photographs of the first faculty of the medical school.

"The Andrews family was integral to the establishment and early success of the medical school. Patriarch Edmund Andrews was a member of the small group of faculty that fractured from Rush Medical College in order to form a medical school with academically rigorous requirements. This group's endeavor resulted in the founding of the Medical Department of Lind University in 1859, the earliest incarnation of Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. Edmund was a talented and pioneering surgeon, and he served as professor of Surgery at the school for forty-six years. His sons Frank and E. Wyllys Andrews were both graduates of the school—called Chicago Medical College at that time—and served on the faculty, as well: Frank in Gynecology and Wyllys in Surgery. The bulk of the new collection consists of photographs and postcards from the family of Frank Andrews. It complements our existing Andrews family collections, including medical tools from Edmund Andrews and case books and medical instruments from E. Wyllys Andrews."

To learn more about the collection, visit Galter Library's [website](#). Thank you to Dr. Conway for this incredible gift, and congratulations on celebrating your 60th reunion!

VIEW THE FRANK ANDREWS PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION

An Extraordinary Legacy



On November 20, members of our Alumni Relations staff accompanied **William J. "Jack" Frable, '59 MD, '60 GMER, '64 GMER ('97 P) ('24 GP)**, to the Mary Ann Frable Works on Paper Gallery at the [Virginia Museum of Fine Arts](#) (VFMA) in Richmond. The incredible gallery is host to rotating exhibitions that include prints, drawings, posters, collages, photographs, books, and manuscripts. The gallery is named for our dear friend, **Mary Ann Smith Frable, '59 MD, '64 GMER ('97 P) ('24 GP)**, a proud and distinguished medical school alum, whose visionary leadership was instrumental in supporting and promoting merit-based medical

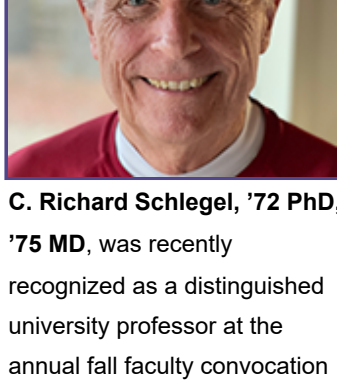
2024. This award recognizes her exceptional contributions, and this achievement is a testament to Dr. Kahn's remarkable dedication to teaching neurologic content at Northwestern's DPT program and her outstanding leadership role as a director of the Northwestern University Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences Neuro Residency program. Dr. Kahn also is the recipient of the John X. Thomas, Jr. Best Teachers of Feinberg Award in recognition of her work in curriculum development and innovation in teaching, which was awarded during the FAME Med Ed Day Award Ceremony on September 27, 2023. Congratulations, Dr. Kahn!

[website](#). Congratulations, Dr. Kim!

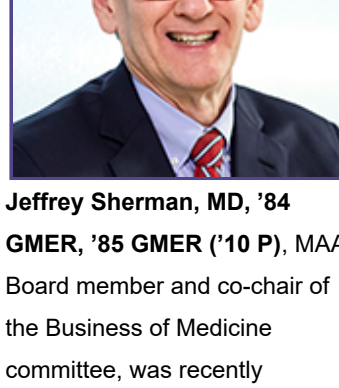
Dr. Lantz is the first physical therapist (DPT) to ever win this award. He currently holds a joint appointment as associate professor of Clinical Physical Therapy and associate professor of Clinical Family Medicine at the University of Southern California (USC) and is founder and director of the USC Spine Physical Therapy fellowship program. Congratulations, Dr. Lantz!



Captain Brian Lewis, '86 MD, former chief medical officer of the US Public Health Service (USPHS), celebrates twenty years of service in the USPHS Commissioned Corps and as the nation's pacemaker and defibrillator medical reviewer at the US Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) while keeping up clinical practice in consultation and surgery in Cardiac Arrhythmia medicine at the Washington DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center. His retirement from the Corps in October 2023 and transition to continued USFDA work as a civilian provides a moment of reflection with his wife, Katherine (Kakki) Reynolds Lewis and children: Samantha, Jamie, and Ava. Capt. Lewis recalls beloved fellow officers and decades of deployment response including for hurricanes, COVID, and to care for unaccompanied children at the US border. Serving a four-year term as chief medical officer of the Corps was a career highlight, supporting the 500+ Corps physicians under Surgeon General Jerome Adams. He reflected: "My grandmother, once 4 years old and new to this country, was greeted and cared for by Corps physicians at Ellis Island. What a thrill to be a part of the same tradition and uniform and to 'grow up' with accessible service leaders, colleagues, and friends." Capt. Lewis recently shared career reflections with Feinberg medical students on October 16 as part of the Alumni Physicians of Feinberg program. Congratulations, Capt. Lewis!



C. Richard Schlegel, '72 PhD, '75 MD, was recently recognized as a distinguished university professor at the annual fall faculty convocation for Georgetown University. Dr. Schlegel is professor and the Oscar B. Hunter Chair in the Department of Pathology at the Georgetown School of Medicine. Congratulations, Dr. Schlegel!



Jeffrey Sherman, MD, '84 GMER, '85 GMER ('10 P), MAA Board member and co-chair of the Business of Medicine committee, was recently appointed to the board of directors for Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. Dr. Sherman is executive vice president and chief medical officer at Horizon Therapeutics Public Limited Company. Congratulations, Dr. Sherman!

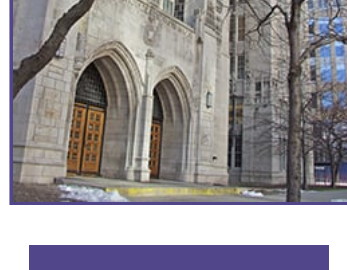


Matthew P. Smith, '14 DPT, recently published two articles for which he served as co-author—"What Factors Do Physical Therapists Consider When Determining Patient Prognosis: A Mixed Methods Study" and "What Are the Publication Rates for Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy Conference Abstracts?" Dr. Smith is a board-certified clinical specialist in orthopaedic physical therapy, a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists, and on faculty at Feinberg. Congratulations, Dr. Smith!

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!

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.

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An Night With Northwestern at the Theater: Hamilton | Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, November 30, 2023 | 7:30 p.m. CST

The Northwestern Alumni Association and School of Communication invite you to *Hamilton*, followed by a faculty-led talkback.

Hamilton is the story of America then, told by America now. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, R&B, and Broadway, *Hamilton* has taken the story of American founding father Alexander Hamilton and created a revolutionary moment in theatre—a musical that has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education. With book, music, and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda, direction by Thomas Kail, choreography by Andy Blankenbuehler, and musical supervision and orchestrations by Alex Lacamoire, *Hamilton* is based on Ron Chernow's acclaimed biography. It has won Tony, Grammy, and Olivier awards, the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and an unprecedented special citation from the Kennedy Center Honors.

Talkback

Join them for a talkback after the show with School of Communication Associate Professor KO and Dean E. Patrick Johnson.

James M. Nederlander Theatre

Space is limited. Please email alumnieducation@northwestern.edu with questions.

REGISTER TODAY

A Night With Northwestern | Houston, Texas

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 | 5:15 p.m. CST

The Northwestern Alumni Association in collaboration with Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine invite you to an upcoming presentation: "Frontiers of the Brain."

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

5:15 p.m. Check-in, Reception

6:15 p.m. Presentation, Q&A

7:30 p.m. Event Concludes

The brain is the most complex organ, but our knowledge has expanded exponentially in the last decade due to various technologies. The brain may be the next major frontier in medicine. Come learn from Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine faculty about recent advances in neuroscience and what lies ahead for research on brain health.

Post Oak Hotel | 1600 West Loop South | Houston, Texas

Valet parking at the hotel for \$22

Business Casual

Reception includes beer, wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres.

Space is limited, register by November 30. You may request a disability accommodation via the registration form. Please email alumnieducation@northwestern.edu or call 847-791-7200 with any questions.

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Friday, December 15 7 PM
Thorne Auditorium & Livestream
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Northwestern Medical Orchestra: Fall Concert | Hybrid

Friday, December 15, 2023 | 7:00 p.m. CST

The Northwestern Medical Orchestra is pleased to invite you to its Fall 2023 Concert.

Join them for an evening of exciting music including "Jupiter" from *The Planets*, music from *Star Wars*, and more! They are also pleased to perform a piece composed by the dean of Northwestern's Bienen School of Music: *Dream Elegy* by Jonathan Bailey Holland. Come by to enjoy the music and meet the musicians!

NMO musicians include alumni, physicians, medical students, staff, and other members of the Northwestern community.

Location: Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Thorne Auditorium (375 East Chicago Avenue) and Zoom

Free admission for all. Advance registration for in-person or virtual attendance is required.

For questions or more information about the NMO, please contact nmorchestra@u.northwestern.edu.

REGISTER TODAY

Northwestern Connects Event | Tucson, Arizona

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 | 5:30 p.m. CST

The Northwestern Tucson Club, in collaboration with Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, invites you to an upcoming presentation: “Is Aging Inevitable or Preventable?”

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

5:30 p.m. Check-in, Reception

6:45 p.m. Presentation, Q&A

8:00 p.m. Event Concludes

Featuring:

Douglas E. Vaughan, MD

Director, Potocsnak Longevity Institute

Irving S. Cutter Professor of Medicine Emeritus

Professor of Medicine (Cardiology)

Why do some people age faster than others? Tests can now pinpoint how long an individual will live. Do you want to know? Once you know, what's next? Come learn how industry focus has shifted from prolonging lifespan to extending “healthspan” and what that might mean for your future healthcare.

The Graduate | 930 East 2nd Street | Tucson, Arizona 85719

Reception includes beer, wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres.

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