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## Thoughts for Alumni



It was great seeing many of you at Homecoming. We had some great speakers that gave us some clear insight on navigating in these difficult financial times. And, of course, there were some great discussions over meals and in sitting areas. The feedback that

I received was good.

The one thing that has been brought to my attention repeatedly is the lack of participation by alumni. Now, I'm not referring to just Homecoming. I'm talking about virtually everything. In a time when our profession might be literally hanging in the balance with the impending health care overhaul, the organizations that represent us are at an all-time low in membership and PAC participation. Not one of us has the political pull to individually pull us through this quagmire, but as a unified group we stand a good chance of surviving this new legislation. Our profession is not alone. Just a few short years ago the membership of the AMA was 450,000 and now it is down to 250,000. This sounds like the "Me Generation" has hit full stride.

Our national association must remain strong in order to protect our rights in relation to federal legislation. Since our laws vary according to state laws, our state associations must remain strong in order to protect our rights to practice as we choose, and, our alma mater must remain strong and continue to turn out the highest caliber students possible. For when a state is passing legislation concerning our profession, they need to be encouraged to legislate to the highest performers rather than, as has been the case all too often in the past, legislate to the lowest common denominator.

I know that insurance denials and managed care fee cuts are at an all-time high, but with minimal effort, your national and state associations and your alma mater can better work for you. The few that have been carrying the entire load are starting to feel the burden – let's help them out.

With best wishes for good health I remain,

Frank Strehl, D.C., D.A.B.C.I., Chair  
President's Alumni Advisory Council

## The State of the University... Strength, Commitment, Excellence

In his State of the University address at Homecoming 2009, President James Winterstein recounted the accomplishments of the past fiscal year and National's continued status as a strong, committed, quality institution in spite of today's tough economic climate affecting all aspects of other institutions of higher education.

### Financial Summary

In 2008, National's total budget was \$19 million and tuition and fees were \$14 million with 71% cost of operation covered by tuition and fees. Total investments in 2008 were \$4.8 million, the Foundation was \$1.4 million and annual growth was 3.7%.

### Enrollment Recap

Among the 18 U.S. institutions with Doctor of Chiropractic Degree programs, said the president, the average increase in enrollment is 2.3% and National is up 10.74%.

"Then look what happens," pointed out President Winterstein. "In 2009, our total budget was \$19.4 million, tuition and fees were \$14.8 million, and 80% of the cost of operation was covered by tuition and fees. That's because our investments lost 23% unrestricted and 18% restricted, which if you look at the general losses going around, it's not bad, but it's still losses."

Student scholarships, all of which are contained within the endowment, are directly affected by the investment loss and necessitated the canceling of scholarships for the 2008 year.

### Accreditation Update

The Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine program received candidacy status from the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME) and the Master's programs in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine received candidacy status from the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM). The Massage Therapy Certification Program received full accreditation for five years in 2007 from the Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation (COMTA).

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Enrollment trends in the other academic programs also saw a significant increase overall between Fall 2007 and Fall 2008. Total enrollment increased from 652 to 749; Chiropractic Medicine went from 422 to 466; Naturopathic Medicine, from 19 to 48; and Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine from 14 to 30. The remainder of the enrollment is comprised of programs in Massage Therapy, Associate of Applied Science in Massage Therapy, Chiropractic Assistant, Prerequisite Program, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science in Diagnostic Imaging, Master of Science in Advanced Clinical Practice, and 14 non-degree seeking students taking specific courses.

"I was talking with a student and his mother a couple weeks ago at Campus Visit Day. I asked the mother why they chose National. She said, 'Oh that was easy. National is the only one that requires a bachelor's degree.' It's as simple as that and that's something that we hear a lot."

Liburd was one of the first students in Upward Bound when it was first established at Highland in the 1980s and spoke of how the program put the idea of college within his reach. Dr. Liburd operates Body Genesis Center for Integrative Medicine in Westchester and recently opened a location in the South Loop area of Chicago. He also serves as a team doctor and trainer for the Central District Junior Olympics Track & Field Association, researcher for the International Society of Hypertension in Blacks, and sits on the Advisory Board of the Lincoln College of Technology Allied Health Program.

\* **Dr. Eric Macanga** (2004) owns his own practice in Berea, Ohio, and credits National with preparing him to be a successful chiropractor and giving him the tools to excel as a doctor and a person. He fondly recalls Dr. Dan Richardson's animated lectures that would keep him awake and interested no matter how tired he was. His most rewarding experiences include speaking at high schools, mentoring young students and helping inspire them about the chiropractic profession. In his free time, he rides his motorcycle, races cars, sky dives, travels, and does volunteer work.

\* **Dr. Victor Schueller** (2004) of Cleveland, Wis., is an instructor of anatomy and physiology at Lakeshore Technical College.

### 2000s

\* **Dr. Linda Sue Breitenstein** (2004) of Elmhurst, Ill., says her fondest memory of National is the friends she made and still keeps in touch with today. Her proudest professional moment is opening her own business and staying successful all on her own. As to spare time activities, Dr. Breitenstein says, "Ha! There is no spare time when you work 6 days a week and have two boys under 3 years old."



**Dr. Alice Capitano** (2000) of Portland, Ore., is "having a BLAST with her new baby daughter, Paige Ella, born in April. She says, "Parenthood is amazing!" Dr. Capitano operates the Pursuit of Healthiness Chiropractic and

Wellness Center in Portland. She hopes to return to National in 2010 for her 5-year class reunion.



**Dr. Solomon Liburd** (2005) of Westchester, Ill., addressed graduates of the Highland Community College Upward Bound program in Freeport, Ill., at their Senior Send-Off and Scholarship Award Night in May. Upward Bound

is a federally-funded pre-college program for students in grades 9-12 who need financial assistance or are potential first-generation college students. It teaches leadership skills, provides tutoring, assists with filling out college applications and writing essays, and guides them through the financial aid process. Dr.

### Alumni News Continued

\* **Dr. Maria Orozco-Valeriano** (1999) of Mesa, Az., owns her own practice in Gilbert, Ariz., and is proud of how her education enables her to help her patients. Says Dr. Orozco, "I love what I do!" In her spare time, she enjoys horseback riding, playing with her dogs, golf, travel, yoga, and reading.

**Jason Schliesser, DC, MPH**, (1999) of Holland, Ohio, presented a seminar on August 5 to NUHS faculty and students on "Evidence Based Occupational Health Care and Chiropractic Experiences." Dr. Schliesser operates the Holland Chiropractic and Therapy Center, is on the clinical faculty of Flower Hospital, and serves as a reviewer for the *Journal of Controversial Medical Claims*, a unique publication that provides independent clinical analyses of controversial medical conditions, diagnostic methods and treatments commonly encountered in connection with personal injury, workers' compensation, disability, and other medical claims.

**Chuan-Min Wang, DC, LAc**, (1999) of Lombard, Ill., has been invited by the World Federation of Acupuncture-Moxibustion Societies (WFAS) to lecture on Tung Style Acupuncture September 18-20 at Henan University of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Zhengzhou, Henan, China. Tung Style Acupuncture was originally an oral tradition passed down only through generations of Tung family members. In 1960, Dr. Tung Jing-Chang changed the tradition and started to teach Tung Style Acupuncture openly. Dr. Wang has been a direct student of Master Tung since 1973 and now has more than 36 years of clinical experiences with the Tung technique.

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# Coming Home to Learn

By James F. Winterstein, DC  
NUHS President

Attendance at homecoming was smaller than usual this year and that was no surprise as it was held on Father's Day weekend, not to mention the current state of the economy. Unfortunately, we were unable to schedule any other weekend close to our usual time for homecoming because the hotel was booked, so we decided to move ahead — and I am glad we did.

Prior to homecoming, some doctors called and said they would not be attending because we never have "good speakers" anyway and other similar comments. Actually, I think we always have outstanding speakers, but perhaps some people are simply seeking the magic answers to making more money — not sure about that.

In any event, on this occasion we had excellent speakers. Our homecoming educational sessions were opened by Mr. Bob Prosen, who talked about what makes our business succeed — or fail. I heard many good comments about his presentation.

He was followed by Dr. Frank Sovinsky, who spoke on specific practice-related business issues and related ethical methods for success. Again, his presentation was outstanding and very well received.

Other speakers specifically drilled down on the various aspects of practice that broaden and deepen the value we have to provide our patients. Dr. Tim Gerhart did an outstanding job of presenting aspects of practice that relate specifically to broad-based patient service and the value of a cash practice.

Dr. Frank Strehl added his perspective on the cash practice for patients who are seeking primary care based in conservative procedures.

Dr. Thomas Meade, who is an orthopedic surgeon and specializes in knee problems, presented a very fine lecture on his use of Omega 3 fatty acids as an anti-inflammatory in his post-surgical patients. His clarity of information and purpose were very evident and well received.

Dr. Alex Vasquez rounded up the event with his broad-based presentations on Health Optimization and Patient Retention by successfully treating common and complex problems.

I heard numerous doctors talking about how much excellent information they picked up that they would be able to use on Monday morning! One doctor put it clearly for me. She said, "I thought I knew what to expect, but I was wrong. This was an outstanding educational experience and I look forward to next year!"

In addition to the outstanding education received, we had great exhibitors and numerous opportunities for simple fellowship and friendship renewals. On Friday evening following the banquet, we were entertained by the Jesse White Tumblers who presented a stunning exhibition of their tumbling abilities. We were surprised and blessed to have Illinois Secretary of State, the Honorable Jesse White, show up with his tumbling group and even participate in the entertainment.

It was my pleasure to present awards to a number of people during the various events:

- **Dr. Gregory Holstrom** (1970), the President's Medallion Award, recognizing NUHS or affiliated graduates who have made extensive contributions to the profession for at least 30 years;
- **Senator Dennis Jones**, (1963), R-FL 13th District, the Eagle Award as Outstanding Alumnus of the Year;
- **Dr. Clare Ollayos** (1987) and **Dr. Scott Fladland** (1986), each received the President's Award for Distinguished Service in recognition of their longstanding legislative advocacy on issues of health care access and equality and health education grant funding;
- Presidential Citations for outstanding service to the university were presented to faculty members **Dr. William Hogan**, 36 years, **Dr. Larry Hill**, 33 years, **Dr. Vrajlal Vyas**, 32 years, **Dr. Charles Tasharski**, 31 years, **Dr. James Christiansen**, 30 years, **Mr. Russ Iwami**, 30 years, staff member **Mr. Tony Kempf**, 25 years, and **Ron Mensching**, Vice President for Business Services, 25 years of service;
- **Dr. Vincent DeBono** and **Dr. Daniel Driscoll** were recognized for having their bricks in the NUHS Amphitheater moved up to the \$10,000 level;
- **Dr. Robert Humphreys** and **Ron Mensching** were recognized for their 5-year membership in the President's Cabinet Internationale (PCI); and
- **Mrs. Marie Olbrysh**, Assistant Director of Publications in the Office of Communications, was presented with the Quality Service Award recognizing her service and dedication to NUHS.

At the bottom line, once again, we had a fine event and I look forward to the next one, hoping that you will, too!

## In Memoriam

**Dr. Richard C. Ackerman** (1976) of Laguna Niguel, Calif. died in July and was buried in Albuquerque, N.M., according to fellow classmate, Warren Jahn. Dr. Jahn says he and Rick were the first ortho residents in the country at NUHS in 1977. Dr. Ackerman retired in 2005, he added, in order to become a Christian minister.

**Dr. James H. Critchfield** (1977) of Cape Coral, Fla., formerly of Culpeper, Va., died July 12.

**Cyril William Hackett, DC, DABCO, FACO** (L1 1950), 90, of Lansing, Mich., died peacefully on June 8, 2007, following a brief illness. He served with distinction with the Army Air Corps of Engineers, attaining the rank of Captain during WWII after which he attended Lincoln Chiropractic College. After graduation, he and his wife moved to Lansing, where Dr. Hackett practiced for over 40 years. He served on the board of directors and was chairman of the Michigan State Chiropractic Association and was honored by MSCA with several awards recognizing his distinguished service. At the time of his death, Dr. Hackett was survived by Helen, his wife of 65 years, three children, six grandchildren, and a stepgrandson.

**Dr. Marvin Klaes** (1951) of Madison, Ind., died Oct. 13, 2006.

**Dr. John Mazion** (1962) of Gilbert, Ariz., died January 5, 2009.

**Dr. Irving Scheel** (1956) of Walled Lake, Mich., passed away April 29. He practiced in Walled Lake for 50 years before retiring. He was a charter member of the Wixom Walled Lake Lions Club with 51 years of perfect attendance. He was very active in his church and served the city on boards of the library among others.

**Dr. Henry W. Schrickel** (1959) of New Philadelphia, Ohio, died July 4 due to a lengthy illness from a hard fought battle with heart failure. Dr. Schrickel was named All-Ohio in his senior year of high school in football and basketball, but turned down scholarships to attend National, working nights for the Burlington Railroad while in college. He operated three offices in Newcomerstown, Dennison and Zanesville for 35 years and was team physician at Newcomerstown High School for 20 years until forced to retire for health reasons. Dr. Schrickel's wife, Peggy, said he was very proud to be the first chiropractor in the Schrickel family, later to be followed by his brother Jack (1962), his son, Phillip (1986), and two granddaughters, Brooke and Emily Schrickel Shurtz (a National student), Dr. Jack's sons Thaddeus (1991) and Aaron, Dr. Aaron's wife, Dorey, and in the near future, Dr. Thaddeus' daughter, Taylor.

**John Schwieter, DC, FICC** (1949) of Rapid City, S.D., died May 6. A third generation chiropractor, he attended National after serving with the Navy in WWII. He established his practice in Sioux Falls, then Rapid City, where he was later joined for several years by his sons, Dr. David and Dr. James, and his son-in-law, Dr. Patrick Clinch. Dr. John retired after 59 years of active practice in 2006. He was also an active member of the South Dakota Chiropractic Association for 59 years and served as president. The SDCA presented him with the first Dr. John W. Schwieter Spirit of Service Award honoring South Dakota chiropractors that have served their patients for more than 50 years.

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"The DC program in Florida is already accredited by Higher Learning Commission of North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. We submitted our self-study, they came out and visited, and they gave us full accreditation — no concern whatever," reported the president. "We have now submitted to the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) for that program. It is not a new program. It is a continuation of what we are already doing so it is essentially a request for substantive change. We expect to hear soon. A lot of accreditation stuff is going on."

### Academic Review

President Winterstein announced that the Lincoln College of Postprofessional, Graduate and Continuing Education would graduate its first candidates for the new Master of Science Degree in Advanced Clinical Practice at this August's commencement. "That's a very interesting program if any of you want to extend your education. This is advanced. These people have studied pharmacology, medical therapeutics, advanced treatment, and diagnosis of various kinds. I talked to this group a couple of weeks ago and they are very enthusiastic."

The president also outlined new curricular refinements to the chiropractic program that have been Dr. Vincent DeBono's primary effort over the last 1-1/2 years. The concept aims to bring the clinical component much closer to the beginning of student's basic science studies. The program has been divided into three phases: Basic Science (four terms), Clinical Science (four terms), Clinical Practicum (two terms), with exams taken after the Clinical Science and Clinical Practicum phases to insure competence before moving from one phase to another.

Student Clinic hours also increased to 20 hrs/week. Dr. DeBono and Dr. Mark Hartsuyker, head of the Student Clinic, have changed that approach, said Dr. Winterstein, resulting in an increase from 1,500-2,000 visits per year to about 6,000, "as always, centered on competence in successful broad scope primary care practice."

### Facility Report

Dr. Winterstein listed a number of facilities projects completed recently including the complete refurbishment of the Lincoln, Tieszen and Turek residence halls into all apartment housing. Turek and Tieszen are now connected by a two-story walkway. An elevator in the former lobby of Turek provides easy access to both floors of the buildings.



Additional completed projects include:

- replacement of all lighting on campus, thanks to a grant, saving 30% on electricity costs;
- replacement of the 18-year-old phone system with a new digital phone and messaging system;

- completion of a naturopathic medicine therapy laboratory in the main clinic;
- replacement of the air conditioner on the second story of Janse Hall;
- installation of a sidewalk along Stewart Street; and
- replacement of the roof on the president's home.

### Alumni Association Projects

Thanks to the NUHS Alumni Association dues in the current fiscal cycle, the movable partitions in the gymnasium were replaced. The partitions weighing about 800 pounds each run on a track on the floor and had become unsafe as the building shifted over the years. New doors have been installed that now hang from the ceiling.



The Alumni Association has also voted to designate dues from 2009-2010 fiscal cycle toward the Florida chiropractic medicine operation, and dues for 2010-2011 cycle toward rehabbing the Janse Hall hallway, which is a major project because its asbestos tile has to be taken into consideration.

### SPC/NUHS Florida Opening

The university is looking forward to welcoming the first 12 students of the St. Petersburg College/NUHS Doctor of Chiropractic satellite degree program in Florida this fall. "This is the first time a DC degree program will be offered in a publicly funded college. That's a real step in the right direction," said President Winterstein, noting it will be the same small, high quality program in the tradition of NUHS.

Dr. Joseph Stiefel, Dean of the Florida program, and Dr. David Parish, Dean of Clinics, opened the NUHS Whole Health Center clinic at the Caruth Health Center on May 11 on the St. Petersburg campus with Dr. Chad Maola, clinician. "It is already functioning and offering chiropractic services to faculty staff and students at St. Pete College at no cost. This is our contribution to the partnership," the president said. "This is a free service to SPC and is a place for one or two of our interns to fulfill internships."

### Future Plans

NUHS is in the final stages of completing a grant writing process for a combined research and assessment center on the main Lombard campus just north of the clinic building and facing south. Showing the architectural drawing of the proposed building, the president said the building would run about \$7 million and will certainly provide for the university's research and assessment needs for

some time. "A project like this takes a lot of time just putting the proposal together. Whether we get it [the grant] or not remains to be seen. We will just have to see what happens," he said.



## Kudos

National University of Health Sciences sincerely appreciates the following alumni who have referred students in our Summer 2009 class. You are truly our #1 best source of new students. Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Dr. Patricia Coe	1997	Illinois
Dr. Richard Disanti	1978	Pennsylvania
Dr. Robert Klein	1978	Hawaii
Dr. Gregory Schulte	1999	Illinois
Dr. Jameson Uy	1983	Philippines

Plus, we also thank the **8 ANONYMOUS** NUHS alumni who referred students to National for the Summer Tri. We wish we could thank you individually by name but unfortunately we cannot. So Thank You all our anonymous doctors out there!

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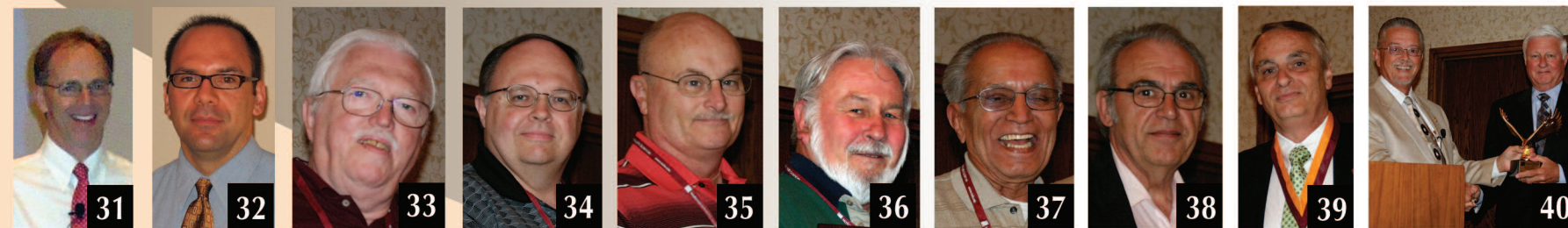


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## Homecoming Highlights 2009

1. NUHS Administrative Secretaries Lauren Doogan and Lynn Nelson and Alumni/Development Coordinator Shawna McDonough welcome alumni to Homecoming 2009 at the reception desk.
2. Mr. Bob Prosen kicked off Homecoming 2009 with a spirited talk on "Leading in Difficult Economic Times."
3. Dr. Frank Sovinsky delivered a two-part presentation on "Patient-Centered Management" on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning.
4. Alumni partake of refreshments and information during the Exhibitor's Reception on Thursday evening.
5. Thursday evening's President's Cabinet Internationale (PCI) Reception gave Dr. Craig Jordan and Dr. James Winterstein time to catch up on the latest news.
6. Dr. Robert Humphreys was recognized for his 5-year membership in the President's Cabinet Internationale (PCI).
7. Ron Mensching, Vice President for Business Services was recognized at the PCI Reception for his 5-year membership in the club, and honored at the Friday Banquet with a Presidential Citation for 25 years of service to National University.
8. The PCI Reception was sponsored by China-Gel, also a Homecoming exhibitor.
9. Alumni and presenter gather for a chat at the PCI Reception.
10. Mike Whitmer of NCMIC and Vice President of Administrative Services Tracy McHugh share a beverage at the PCI Reception.
11. Catching up on the good old days are Dr. Burt Rubin, Ms. Betty Roberts, Ms. Marge Neely and Dr. Roger Smith.
12. Dr. Winterstein presents Dr. David Parish, Dean of Clinics, with a plaque of appreciation as a Homecoming presenter on Kinesio Taping.
13. Dr. Parish conducted a daylong session on Kinesio Taping for this enthusiastic group of students, faculty and alumni.
14. NUHS Massage Therapy interns provided on-site chair massages for attendees.
15. NUHS DC interns also made their services available to attendees during their breaks.
16. Dr. Frank Strehl addressed alumni on the Homecoming theme, "Thrive in '09," during two sessions, on Friday.
17. President Winterstein delivered the State of the University address at Friday's luncheon.
18. NCMIC, one of the Homecoming exhibitors, sponsored the President's State of the University Luncheon.
19. Dr. Tim Gerhart gave two presentations on "Thriving in a New Era: Providing the Care Our Patients Really Want and Are Willing to Pay For."
20. Mel Collins, Alumni Outreach Coordinator, welcomes alumni at the NUHS Admissions booth.
21. Friday evening's cocktail reception offered another opportunity for alumni, administrators and faculty to meet and greet.
22. Dr. Louis Sportelli, Ms. Cynthia Sportelli, Dr. Winterstein, and Dr. John DeMatte take time to pose for a photo.
23. Dr. Patricia Coe, Massage Therapy supervisor, and Dr. Jonathan Soltys, Dean of Lincoln College of Postprofessional, Graduate and Continuing Education, share some small talk.
24. Dr. Joseph Stiefel, dean of the College of Professional Studies – Florida campus, and his secretary, Pam Jones, made the trip up north for Homecoming.
25. Talking shop are Dean of Institutional Analysis and Assessment Dr. Shellee Handley, Assistant Dean of Chiropractic Medicine Dr. Theodore Johnson and Mrs. Johnson, and Department of Clinical Sciences Chair Dr. Robert Shiel and Mrs. Shiel.
26. Dr. Yihyun Kwon, Assistant Dean of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, and his wife enjoy the reception.
27. Dr. Winterstein poses with alumni Dr. Clare Ollayos and Dr. Scott Fladland after the husband and wife were each presented with the President's Award for Distinguished Service.
28. Mrs. Marie Olbrysh, Assistant Director of Publications in the NUHS Office of Communications, received the President's Quality Service Award.
29. Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, who accompanied a division of his famous Jesse White Tumblers, gave a short talk at the Homecoming Banquet about the philosophy behind the tumbling group and also his appreciation for his long history of chiropractic care.
30. Jesse White participates in the banquet entertainment with one of his tumblers.



31. Dr. Thomas Meade gave a presentation on "Omega-3 Fatty Acids — Primer for the Complete Practitioner," on Saturday morning.
32. Dr. Alex Vasquez closed out the Homecoming seminars with two talks — "A Foundational Health Protocol for Health Optimization and Patient Retention" and "Growing A Successful Practice by Successfully Treating Common and Complex Problems."
33. Saturday's Alumni Association / Class Reunion Luncheon included the presentation of special awards. Dr. James Christiansen, Professor of Basic Sciences, received a Presidential Citation for 30 years of service to NUHS.

34. Dr. Larry Hill, associate professor of Clinical Sciences, received a Presidential Citation for 33 years of service.

35. Dr. William Hogan, professor of Clinical Sciences, received a Presidential Citation for 36 years of service.

36. Dr. Charles Tasharski, professor of Clinical Sciences, received a Presidential Citation for 31 years of service.

37. Dr. Vrajlal Vyas, professor of Basic Sciences, received a Presidential Citation for 32 years of service.

38. Mr. Tony Kempf, a Facilities technician, received a Presidential Citation for 25 years of service.

39. Dr. Gregory Hollstrom was awarded with the Presidential Medallion at the Alumni Luncheon.

40. Dr. Winterstein presents the Alumni of the Year Award to Senator Dennis Jones of Florida.

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# Alumni News

(The alumni news designated with a \* were collected from responses to the 2009 Homecoming Reunion Directory questionnaire.)

## 1940s



**Dr. Courville E. Morrow** (1941) is still practicing chiropractic in Berkeley, Mich., at age 92! Here he poses on his son-in-law's motorcycle on his 90th birthday.

\* **Dr. Leonard W. Schroeder** (1949) of Roselle, Ill., spends his retirement enjoying travel, church work, photography, and watching football on TV.

\* **Dr. William O. Womer** (1949) of Lincolnwood, Ill., says if he had a chance to repeat life, "I would do it again — become a DC." Dr. Womer maintained a practice in Chicago for 40 years. He served as the chairman of the ACA's Commission on Public Information for 10 years and was president of the Chicago Chiropractic Society for 5 years.

## 1950s

\* **Dr. Allen W. Bronson** (1959) of Dakota Dunes, S.D., enjoyed a broad-scope practice of chiropractic and acupuncture for 40 years before retiring in 2000. In his spare time, he enjoys fishing, family, travel, reading, hobbies, and volunteer work and retirement activities during the winter months in Naples, Fla.

\* **Dr. Frank Friel** (1959) of Rockford, Ill., is fiercely proud of the high degree of success many of his fellow classmates have attained. He is also proud of the office building he built in 1971 and occupied until he retired, seeing thousands of patients in those 45 years. Dr. Friel now spends his time going to the health club daily, traveling, and caring for his 86-year-old sister.

\* **Dr. Ray H. Houchin** (1959) of Park City, Ky., says his 50 years of practice and helping patients get well has been the joy of his life. His time is now spent in beef cattle and sheep farming.

\* **Dr. Alex G. McCallion** (1954) of Ridgefield, Conn., was presented with the Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal in September 2008. Dr. McCallion cites his most rewarding professional experience as having the good fortune to enjoy 55 years of practice.



\* **Dr. Hal M. Miller** (1959) of Goshen, Ind., member of the 2009 50-year reunion class, recalls being able to work his way through school and graduate with no debt in three years by going to school year round. Outside of the profession, Dr. Miller has been a radio voice for the Christ at the Door Ministry for 40 years.

\* **Dr. Marcel Rudisuhli** (1959) of Geneva, Switzerland, had fond memories of anatomy dissection with Dr. Joseph Janse and his six years working with Dr. Fred W. H. Illi in Geneva. He would love to hear news of classmate Sam Mason.

## 1960s

\* **Dr. Diane Marie (Grams) Luymes Winter** (1964) of Wessington Springs, S.D., was a member of Alpha

Theta Psi sorority and was Delta Tau Alpha Queen during her National days. She was named South Dakota Chiropractor of the Year in 1992. She spends her spare time gardening, camping, and doing local volunteer work.

## 1970s

\* **Dr. Gene Bedocs** (1974) of Elyria, Ohio, reports that he still enjoys getting up every day and looking forward to seeing patients at the office. In his spare time, he spends time with his family, traveling, running, and being in the outdoors.

\* **Dr. Peter Biondi** (1979) of Streamwood, Ill., is retired from practice. His hobbies include target shooting and nature walks. His memories of National include playing rugby, post-rugby parties and going out with his "Chicago Seven" clinic buddies.

\* **Dr. Michael A. Cullers** (1974) of Klamath Falls, Ore., is proud of his 29 years as a Scoutmaster.

\* **Dr. Jeffrey Eisman** (1979) of West Bloomfield, Mich., says his fondest memories of National are the friendships that have passed the test of time. Dr. Eisman lists his greatest professional accomplishments as his membership and chairmanship in the Chiropractic Golden Circle and his appointment to the Michigan Chiropractic Board of Examiners. Personally, his most rewarding experiences are watching his boys turn into men, and enjoying his hobbies of glassblowing and lampworking.

\* **Dr. Todd Gander** (1979) of Eureka, Ill., lists his most rewarding experiences as getting married, dealing with life circumstances and becoming a Christian because of it, and watching how chiropractic can change lives. In his spare time he enjoys his grandson, playing softball and golf, and playing bass guitar for his church praise band. Dr. Gander's fondest memories of National are matriculating, friends, Chicago General Health Service, and Dr. Henson.

\* **Dr. Donald P. Mammano** (1974) of Ottawa, Ill., is proud of taking care of his patients and healing them when other professions have failed. In his free time he enjoys golf.

\* **Dr. Henry E. Rice** (1979) of Charlotte, N.C., says his journey in chiropractic began at NCC where he has fond memories of his class of 45 students, and receiving the Joseph Janse Award at graduation. He is most proud of his research contribution to a 1992 low back pain study with Tim Carey, MD, at UNC Chapel Hill that was published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. His hobbies include golf, tennis, cycling, and exercise.

**Dr. Allen D. Unruh** (1970) of Sioux Falls, S.D., is currently the national chairman of the grassroots "Stop Government Controlled Health Care/Stop Socialized Medicine" campaign, which conducted a Health Care Rally on July 2 at the Sioux Falls Fair Grounds. He also spearheaded the "Free Choice Initiative" while he was president of the South Dakota Chiropractic Association to combat discriminatory practice in managed care.



\* **Dr. Anthony P. Williams** (1974) of Queensland, Australia, has many fond memories of his time at National from being invited to the married students' Christmas party by Dr. Janse during his and his wife's first Christmas away from their home in South Africa to having their son seen at the clinic by Dr. Winterstein, the clinician on duty, after he fell and knocked a tooth loose. Dr. Williams is thankful for being given the good health to continue practicing for 35 years. His professional activities include serving on the executive board of the Chiropractor's Association of Queensland for the last 20 consecutive years and holding the position of president for three separate terms. He also enjoys Rotary and has served as district governor.

\* **Dr. Steven G. Yeomans** (1979) of Green Lake, Wis., spends his spare time golfing, skiing, and playing saxophone with the Ripon College Jazz Band (24 years!) and various other small groups. Professionally, he enjoys patient care and is proud of the text he authored in 2000, *The Clinical Application of Outcomes Assessment*.

## 1980s

**The Carr Brothers, (John (1980), Wayne (1987) and Joseph (1989)),** of Carr Chiropractic Clinic in Huron, S.D., recently donated several pieces of equipment to the Rehab Room in the NUHS Whole Health Center — Lombard. The items included physio balls, rocker boards, wobble boards, balance discs, medicine balls, foam rollers, an exercise rail system with resistance bands, a set of dumbbells, and a slider board. The University sincerely thanks the Doctors Carr for their generous donation.

**Dr. Mark Kruse** (1989) of Metairie, La., was appointed to the Louisiana Board of Chiropractic Examiners by Governor Bobby Jindal and has received previous appointments from two other governors. He has served four terms as president, three terms as vice president, and one term as chairman of the Complaints Committee. He has been elected vice president for the upcoming term.

\* **Dr. Dale Lachman** (1989) of Libertyville, Ill., owns Lincolnshire Chiropractic and Doc For A Day, a chiropractic doctor fill-in service. In his spare time, he enjoys "travel, music, travel, scuba diving, travel, skiing, and travel."

\* **Dr. Steven Lehmann** (1989) of Fostoria, Ohio, has many memories of National including meeting a fellow student at freshman orientation, who is still one of his best friends today. Two of his best experiences during his career occurred when two neurosurgeons complimented him on his correct diagnosis of a disc herniation and a dens transverse ligament tear. Dr. Lehmann recently became a district director for the Ohio State Chiropractic Association and was recently voted to the board of his local credit union. In his free time, he enjoys collecting and fixing old cars, playing guitar, traveling, relaxing at his cottage in Indiana, and working on his karate black belt.

\* **Dr. Dan McGregor** (1989) owns his own practice in Houghton Lake, Mich. His fondest National memories are the friends he met and sitting by the pond feeding the geese. His hobbies include kite boarding, skiing, boating, and golf.

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## Alumni News Continued

**Dr. Clare Ollayos** (1987) of Elgin, Ill., an Elgin Community College (ECC) District 509 trustee since 1995, was presented with the organization's 2009 Ray Hartstein Trustee Achievement Award for exemplary service in June during the Illinois Community College Trustees Association's (ICCTA) Annual Convention. Dr. Ollayos was recognized for consistently seeking to encourage and improve the educational opportunities for students by lobbying for increases in financial aid and supporting the development of new curricula. As recipient of the award, she is now the state of Illinois' candidate for the national trustee award to be presented at the Association of Community College Trustees Leadership Congress in October. Dr. Ollayos' other community work includes serving on the Elgin Public Museum Board, being a member of Altrusa International, and volunteering for the YWCA.

\* **Dr. Jerrold J. Simon** (1984) of Canal Winchester, Ohio, sends words of encouragement to colleagues practicing in these tough economic times of limited and dwindling insurance reimbursement and ever-higher deductibles. "Remember that economic downturns are cyclical and better times are ahead." Dr. Simon manages to find some relief from those tough issues by engaging in his favorite spare time activity — refurbishing his 1968 Dodge Charger R/T 426 Hemi classic muscle car.

\* **Dr. Bonnie L. Walker (Peters)** (1989) of Boone, N.C., is looking to reconnect with former classmates. Anyone on Facebook? She owns a solo practice and is currently writing an integrative medicine textbook. Dr. Peters also started an acupuncture school and

teaches postgrad CCE certification courses for DCs and LAcS. Her hobbies include music, gardening, dance, and hiking the Blue Ridge Mountains.

\* **Dr. Mark D. Woloshin** (1984) of Noblesville, Ind., says his fondest memory of National is Dr. Bachop's visual explanation of the female anatomy. He cites being able to help others as his most rewarding professional experience, and his children as his most rewarding personal experience.

## 1990s

**Dr. Kathleen Nazar Corbett** (1998) and **Dr. Jim Corbett** (1999) of Burlington, Ontario, Canada, are thrilled to announce the arrival of their second daughter, Stella James, on May 23.

**Dr. Kay A. Fogeltanz**, (1998) of Essential Chiropractic in Green Bay, Wis., has received recognition from the Back Pain Recognition Program (BPRP) of the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) for providing superior care to her patients suffering from low back pain. Dr. Fogeltanz submitted data demonstrating performance that meets the program's key measures, including appropriate imaging for acute back pain and recommendation for exercise, among others.

\* **Dr. Jackie Daniels Lausen** (1999) is the owner of Lausen Chiropractic in Springfield, Ill. Her free time is spent playing with her two girls (Lauren 7-1/2 and Ava, 14 months), volunteering at school, scrapbooking, reading, and visiting with friends.

\* **Dr. Darlene E. Lammers** (1999) invites colleagues traveling in Ohio to stop in and visit at her at Lammers Chiropractic Care in her hometown of Glandorf. Highlights of her career include treating local firefighters, policemen, and the U.S. Coast guard during a local flood in 2007, and being featured in the December 16, 2008, issue of "Dynamic Chiropractic" for her participation in the Ohio State Chiropractic Cares event. Her favorite memories of National include SACA's Chiro Games, Mel Collins, and performing her first adjustment on a student.

\* **Dr. Ross McKay** (1994) of Downers Grove, Ill., says his most rewarding experience since graduation was opening his own office in Westmont. In his free time, he enjoys coaching hockey and spending time with his wife and two children.



**Dr. Patrick Prikkel** (1997) of Dayton, Ohio, reports his practice recently received the Miami Valley Better Business Bureau's Eclipse Integrity Award, the highest honor in Dayton business, and the first time a doctor of chiropractic in the region has received the award. Dr. David Parish, NUHS Dean of Clinics assisted Dr. Prikkel in the application process by writing a testimonial for him. "I thought that this would make some great press for National, how you teach us, and what we can do as grads. I also think that it could serve as an inspiration for other DCs to compete in similar contests and drive their businesses ethically forward. I would love to share more on this with anyone interested," he says.

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