Alumni bridge eras for global rehabilitation impact

MCW experts advance concussion recovery research

Alumni honored for distinguished careers and service
Personal experience with the cost of medical education leads many alumni to strongly support scholarships at MCW. Many medical school classes have created class scholarship funds, which classmates view as a lasting legacy at MCW. As those of you who attended the Alumni Weekend banquet on May 2 heard, classmates often continue to build these funds through reunion contributions, a significant gift to future generations of physicians.

Access to a career in medicine should not be obstructed by financial limitations, but there is no question that medical school is expensive. Tuition for the 2014-15 year is more than $49,000 for incoming medical students at MCW. To put this in perspective for alumni, 10 years ago tuition was approximately $32,000 and 20 years ago, $22,000.

The average level of indebtedness for MCW medical students has risen dramatically in the past 20 years. The class of 2014 graduated with more than $173,000 in average debt. The class of 2004 left with an average of approximately $132,000 in debt. The class of 1994: $68,000 average debt.

This year, 24 percent of medical students received institutional scholarship support from MCW, but this represents only about 4 percent of the total federal, institutional and private loans and scholarships students received. About 13 percent of MCW students also received institutional aid loans that are interest-free during medical school and residency.

I thank my fellow alumni who have given generously to scholarships and urge others to support MCW students through your philanthropy. The Alumni Association has a long history of helping students. You can see this year’s alumni scholarship recipients on page 22.

For some, scholarships can mean the difference between attending medical school or not. For others, they help defray the costs of tuition, books, housing and living expenses. Through our support, we can help MCW recruit the best students and keep medical education attainable.

John R. Raymond, Sr., MD
President and CEO
Global growth for PM&R

Two alumni from different generations have formed a friendship and an alliance that is bringing the physical medicine and rehabilitation specialty to developing nations. Dr. Andrew Haig’s international leadership complements Dr. Asare Christian’s efforts to bring PM&R to his native Ghana.

Classes represented in this story: ‘83, ‘09

Improving concussion recovery

Building on decades of experience in traumatic brain injury research, MCW investigators are being tapped by the National Football League and General Electric to develop tools for the objective diagnosis of concussion and evaluation of an athlete’s recovery from concussion. A team that includes Drs. Michael McCrea, Shi-Jiang Li and Thomas Hammeke received one of only six Head Health Challenge grants issued nationwide.

Classes represented in this story: ‘79

Alumnus supports MCW-Green Bay

Philanthropy is critical for the development of MCW’s community campuses in Green Bay and Central Wisconsin. A retired orthopaedic surgeon, Dr. William F. Schneider and his wife, Sandy, have continued their lifelong dedication to medicine and medical education with a generous gift supporting MCW-Green Bay.

Classes represented in this story: ‘60, ‘90

Inspirating alumni

This year, the Alumni Association honored a medical school dean, a women’s health researcher, a medical missionary and two service leaders. Meet 2014 honorees Dr. Jerry Youkey, Dr. Sarah England, Dr. Laurel Bear, Dr. Steven Bergin and Dr. Thomas Wittmann.

Classes represented in this story: ‘74, ‘84, ‘93

Surgeon makes history

Dr. Anna Ledgerwood, a Wayne State University faculty member, is the first woman elected President of the American Surgical Association.

Classes represented in this story: ‘67
Welcome, Class of 2014, to the MCW alumni family

The Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences awarded 279 total degrees during annual commencement exercises on May 16 at the Milwaukee Theatre. Receiving degrees were 188 MD candidates, 47 PhD candidates, 25 MS candidates, 6 MA candidates and 13 Master of Public Health candidates. For the first time, PhD graduates were hooded during their luncheon prior to commencement. The hooding ceremony for medical school seniors was held the previous day, continuing a tradition that began with the MCW Class of 2012.

The 2014 commencement address was given by Mary-Claire King, PhD, American Cancer Society Professor at the University of Washington in Seattle. Her groundbreaking discovery of the gene BRCA1, which is responsible for inherited predisposition to breast and ovarian cancer, proved for the first time that breast cancer can be inherited, and revolutionized the study of other common human diseases linked to genetics. Dr. King received an honorary doctorate degree from MCW, along with William Petasnick, former Chief Executive Officer and current board member of Froedtert Health, and Tim Size, Executive Director of the Rural Wisconsin Health Cooperative and founding co-chair of the National Rural Health Foundation.

New Graduate School tradition debuts

During commencement, graduates of the Graduate School of Biomedical Science became the inaugural MCW class to take an oath of professional conduct. The oath was written by 2014 graduate Jessica Priestley and members of MCW’s Graduate Student Association.

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A photo gallery of scenes from commencement and related activities, as well as a list of teaching and student award recipients can be found at mcw.edu/commencementscenes

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Though they graduated from the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) decades apart, Andrew Haig, MD ’83, and Asare Christian, MD ’09, have a kindred interest in bringing physical medicine and rehabilitation (PM&R) care to the developing world. Their unique alumni collaboration is laying the groundwork for sustainable rehabilitation medicine in Dr. Christian’s native Ghana and offers a model for global change.

Nearly 1 billion people are living with disability, with greater prevalence in low-resource countries. Many experience significant challenges in access to education, health care and employment. A 2011 study conducted by Drs. Christian and Haig and published in the Pan African Medical Journal found that only 17 percent of patients in a major trauma center in Ghana received any form of rehabilitation therapy, despite all of them qualifying for admission to an acute rehabilitation unit by U.S. standards.

“The need for rehabilitation medicine is intuitive and paramount,” Dr. Christian said.

Dr. Haig’s recognition of this need globally had inspired him in 2005 to create the International Rehabilitation Forum (IRF). The forum functions as a platform for building rehabilitation programs where none exist. Dr. Christian is a Fellow of the IRF and is dedicated to bringing his expertise in PM&R back to Ghana, where he grew up and saw first-hand the impact of limited medical resources and inadequate infrastructure.

He developed a passion for public health, which led him to pursue a career in medicine. He was drawn to PM&R after a musculoskeletal rotation in his third year of school at MCW. The professionalism of the PM&R department and its multidisciplinary approach to care made an indelible impression on him.

“During a residency interview at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dr. Karen Kowalske, Professor and Chair of PM&R, recommended I look up Dr. Haig’s work,” he said. “I contacted Dr. Haig, and we were able to devise the first research project to study rehabilitation care of trauma patients in a tertiary hospital in Ghana.”

This led to Dr. Haig’s mentorship and an active collaboration to establish a high-performance rehabilitation facility in Kumasi, Ghana. The MCW alumni are now working together to find funding and recruit volunteer physicians, facilitating eventual efforts by Dr. Christian and peers to train the first group of legitimate rehabilitation medicine physicians in West Africa, Dr. Haig said.

After MCW, Dr. Christian’s ambitions led him to a PM&R residency at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, where he was an Armstrong Institute Resident Scholar at the school’s Institute of Patient Safety and Quality. He completed his residency in 2013 and was accepted into the Harvard School of Public Health. As a Mongan Commonwealth Fund Fellow at Harvard Medical School, Dr. Christian earned his master of public health degree on May 29.

“My principal goal for pursuing PM&R is to make this fundamental health service available to Ghana and Sub-Saharan Africa, where the need is greatest.”

- Asare Christian, MD

Andrew Haig, MD ’83, and Asare Christian, MD ’09, together are changing the rehabilitation medicine landscape in Africa.

Dr. Christian is now taking a faculty position at Penn Medicine, Department of PM&R, in Philadelphia, while doing clinical work at Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital in Leigh High Valley, Penn. In addition, he will assume a leadership role with the Ghana Medical Rehabilitation Group, a program established by Dr. Haig at the University of Michigan, where Dr. Haig is Professor of PM&R. In this capacity, Dr. Christian will be responsible for organizing and setting up the rehabilitation center in Kumasi.

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Learn why Dr. Christian’s crusade to create a medical rehabilitation program in Ghana is a personal one, at mcw.edu/Ghanastory
Concussion may have been the most pervasive topic of health news in the sporting world during the last few years, but an integrated team of researchers based at the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) have been significantly advancing the scientific understanding of concussion for more than two decades.

Their expertise was further confirmed when they were one of only 16 entities selected this year to receive $300,000 grants in the Head Health Challenge, created and funded by General Electric (GE) and the National Football League (NFL). Michael McCrea, PhD, Professor of Neurology and Neurosurgery and Director of Brain Injury research at MCW, leads a collaborative team that will use its unique knowledge and advanced imaging technologies to study recovery from concussion.

Dr. McCrea and his colleagues conducted original research that clarified the time course of clinical recovery from concussion, meaning the length of time passing before symptoms of the concussion are no longer present. Their seminal paper in *JAMA, The Journal of the American Medical Association*, in 2003 contributed to new standards for acute concussion management in competitive sports.

The next frontier for researchers is to determine when recovery occurs in the brain at the physiological level. In their project funded by GE and the NFL, the research team will study the acute physiological effects of concussion, using non-invasive imaging methods that allow them to see changes in the brain. Their work will also examine recovery over the long term and the effects of repetitive injury. Key collaborators on the project include Shi-Jiang Li, PhD, Professor of Biophysics and Director of the MCW Center for Imaging Research, and Thomas Hammeke, PhD, Fel ’79, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine.

“The aim of the study is to advance the discovery of more objective ways of diagnosing concussion, as well as determining when an athlete’s brain has fully recovered and the athlete is fit to return to play after concussion,” Dr. McCrea said.

The project will build on knowledge gained in an ongoing, $2.2 million study funded by the Department of Defense in which Dr. McCrea is partnering with 13 local high school and collegiate athletic programs to determine which of several oft-used concussion screening tools is most valid and reliable. Student-athletes participating in that study will contribute to the GE-NFL project as well.

The NFL and GE founded the Head Health Challenge to improve the safety of athletes, members of the military and society overall, by supporting research into the diagnosis and treatment of concussion. More than three million people suffer a concussion every year.

“These studies hold the promise of advancing brain science in important ways,” said NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell. “The health and safety of our players is our top priority, and this challenge extends that commitment to the general population as well.”

The Head Health Challenge is part of a Head Health Initiative, a four-year, $60 million collaboration between GE and the NFL to speed diagnosis and improve treatment for mild traumatic brain injury. The initiative includes a four-year, $40 million research and development program from the NFL and GE to evaluate and develop next generation imaging technologies to improve diagnosis that would allow for targeted treatment therapy for patients with mild traumatic brain injury.

“By advancing the work of these winners, we will better understand brain injuries suffered by athletes and members of the military and improve our knowledge of the brain overall, which could help improve our understanding of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s,” said Sue Siegel, CEO of GE Ventures.
Alumni support vital for MCW-Green Bay

Philanthropy sends a powerful message of endorsement across the state as the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) draws nearer to the opening of its community campuses, first in Green Bay and then Central Wisconsin. Support from alumni like lead donor William F. Schneider, MD '60, GME '67, is playing a critical role in the planning and implementation of MCW’s community medical education program.

Dr. Schneider, a retired orthopaedic surgeon, and his wife, Sandy, have contributed $500,000 to MCW-Green Bay. Dr. Schneider practiced medicine in Green Bay his entire career. Sandy graduated from Marquette University with a BS degree in medical technology. They raised six children in Green Bay, and their love of the community combined with their passion for medical education inspired their advocacy for the Green Bay campus.

“We spent our lives dedicated to improving medical care, taking care of patients and teaching medical sciences,” said Dr. Schneider, who also taught orthopaedics in the School of Nursing at Bellin College. “How could you not give full support to such a special endeavor, which has such far-reaching ramifications? We have to.”

Academically, MCW-Green Bay will focus on core areas of prevention and wellness; early clinical experiences; and collaborative, team-based learning with working healthcare professionals. The program will prepare students more efficiently and with less cost by enabling them to complete their medical education in 130-140 weeks, compared with more than 150 weeks in a traditional curriculum.

“By combining the strengths of MCW’s accredited and highly regarded curriculum with the expertise of science faculty and community physicians, including alumni, to serve as teachers, MCW-Green Bay will provide a rigorous program of medical education in an area of the state in need of greater access to health care providers,” said Matthew Hunsaker, MD, Dean of MCW-Green Bay and Professor of Family and Community Medicine.

MCW-Green Bay is part of MCW’s response to an impending shortfall of physicians predicted by the Wisconsin Hospital Association. Its report concluded the state needs to fill 100 physician vacancies each year or risk a shortage of 2,000 qualified doctors by 2030. By lowering the cost of education and creating an environment in which physicians who graduated and received training from Wisconsin institutions remain in state to practice, MCW aims to contribute to a physician workforce that has a deep understanding of local health care needs, resulting in better patient outcomes.

Dr. and Mrs. Schneider are impressed by the many ways the program is a win-win situation for the people of Wisconsin.

“It’s such a bold adventure, streamlining medical education. It benefits the medical school so greatly,” Dr. Schneider said. “I think it benefits UW-Green Bay, Bellin College, St. Norbert College and Northeast Wisconsin Technical College because it enhances science programs here and draws more students to science programs and para-medical programs as well as drawing strong science faculty. It’s a win-win for medical students to be immersed in medical practice life in Northeast Wisconsin because they’re going to have affiliation with doctors here and be living with patients here. It’s also a win to save dollars with the three-year program. It’s a win-win for physicians in the area because they’ll be more involved with teaching; the best way to keep current in medical practice is to teach – I’ve always felt that way. And it’s a win-win for patients in our area because it totally enhances patient care.”

As planned, the first class of students would begin in July 2015 at MCW-Green Bay and July 2016 at MCW-Central Wisconsin.

“The Schneiders’ generous support of this initiative speaks volumes of its merit,” said Joseph E. Kerschner, MD ’90, Fel ’98, Dean of the Medical School and Executive Vice President. “With their commitment to education and their devotion to the community, they would accept nothing short of an outstanding medical school, and that is what we will deliver in Northeast Wisconsin.”

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Inspiring Alumni

Jerry R. Youkey, MD ’74, Medical School Alumnus of the Year
Sarah England, PhD ’93, Graduate School Alumna of the Year
Laurel M. Bear, MD ’84, GME ’87, Humanitarian Award
Steven C. Bergin, MD ’74, GME ’78, Distinguished Service Award
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Each year, the Medical College of Wisconsin/ Marquette Medical Alumni Association selects several alumni for its highest honors in acknowledgement of their contributions to medicine, science and the community. Meet the 2014 class.
Jerry R. Youkey, MD ’74

His inspiration

“Ancient medicine generally involved provision of comfort care and trying to ‘do no harm.’ Modern medicine provided my generation ability to actually ‘do good’ through illness cure. On the horizon is a coordinated system delivering patient-centered health care encompassing risk assessment, prevention, wellness and chronic disease management, along with ever more successful acute interventions. Now that is exciting!”

His profession

Currently: Dean of the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville; Executive Vice President of Medical and Academic Services at Greenville Health System; Dean and Professor of Surgery at University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville.

Path to present: From MCW (MD in 1974) to William Beaumont Army Medical Center (general surgery residency, 1974-79) to Walter Reed Army Medical Center (peripheral vascular surgery fellowship, 1981-82) to Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (surgery faculty, 1982-88) to Geisinger Medical Center (Vascular Fellowship Director and Chief of Surgery, 1987-98). Joined Greenville Health System and University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville surgery faculty in 1998, became Interim Dean in 2010 and Dean in 2011.

His unique contributions

■ As Dean, welcomed charter class of medical students to University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville in 2012
■ Overseeing operational initiatives and strategic direction of all graduate and professional studies at Greenville Hospital System
■ Authored nearly 90 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters
Sarah England, PhD ’93

Her inspiration

“In research, I find inspiration in the process of dissecting a problem and working toward a solution by acquiring new knowledge through discovery. I also enjoy the incredible blend of intellectual pursuit, collaboration, and education that are part of research. Finally, I hope that our discoveries will lead to a better understanding of why preterm birth occurs and how it can be prevented.”

Her profession

Currently: Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis

Path to present: From MCW (PhD in physiology, 1993) to Vanderbilt School of Medicine (Postdoctoral Fellow in Molecular Physiology and Biophysics, 1993-97) to The University of Iowa (physiology and biophysics faculty, 1997-2011). Joined Washington University School of Medicine faculty in St. Louis in 2011.

Her unique contributions

- Investigating the role of potassium channels in regulating both vascular and uterine smooth muscle excitability, relevant to the treatment of uterine dysfunction such as pre-term labor
- Drafted national legislation signed into law in 2008 as the Newborn Screening Saves Life Act
- Authored more than 75 peer-reviewed papers and abstracts
Laurel M. Bear, MD ’84, GME ’87

Her inspiration

“My humanitarian work has taught me a few important universal truths. Perhaps the most significant is the importance of family and the simple joys that it can elicit. People everywhere want to be healthy and provide for their family. Also, the strength that can be obtained by the support of community and personal faith. I have been inspired by the lengths people will go to get health care and provide for their families.”

Her profession

Currently: Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (Special Needs) at the Medical College of Wisconsin

Path to present: From MCW (MD in 1984; pediatrics residency, 1984-87) to St. Joseph’s Hospital, Milwaukee (1987-2001, first as the Medical Coordinator-Pediatric Services, then Coordinator for the Perinatal Follow-Through program while staffing the NICU Developmental Follow-Up Clinic. Joined MCW pediatrics faculty in 2001.

Her unique contributions

- Nine years of medical missions to Honduras and Nicaragua with husband Brian Bear, MD ’84, GME ’89, to care for disadvantaged populations
- Clinical Professor at Marquette University providing mentorship of MU students through Global Brigades humanitarian trips
- Created a pioneering developmental follow-up program at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin’s Herma Heart Center

HUMANITARIAN AWARD
Steven C. Bergin, MD ’74, GME ’78

His inspiration
“My professional career has been satisfying and successful due to the exceptional scientific instruction and clinical mentoring I received at the Medical College of Wisconsin. It is this personal experience that motivates me to advocate for and support the MCW mission.”

His profession
Obstetrician/gynecologist with Aspirus OB/GYN Associates, Stevens Point, Wis.

His service to MCW
Alumni Association Board (including President), MCW-Central Wisconsin Community Advisory Board, institutional committees, reunion committees, volunteer clinical faculty, Zeit Fellow, Legacy Society

Thomas G. Wittmann, MD ’84, GME ’87

His inspiration
“My wife and I, first generation physicians in our families, feel very strongly about supporting MCW. We are grateful for the opportunities given to us and are committed to providing the same exceptional training to deserving students today.”

His profession
Family medicine physician with ProHealth Care Medical Associates Moreland Family, Waukesha, Wis.

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We are family

Alumni Weekend is the Medical College of Wisconsin’s version of a family reunion, welcoming graduates from near and far to gather in celebration and remembrance. This year, alumni from the classes of 1954, 1959, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999 and 2004 convened May 2-3 in Milwaukee. Cocktail hours, a recognition banquet, CME program, class dinners, tours and sight-seeing were among the featured events. Alumni News salutes this year’s annual alumni award recipients and congratulates MCW’s 2014 reunion classes.

Past Chairman of the Board welcomed as Honorary Alumnus

A pillar in the community, Edward J. Zore has been a pillar at the Medical College of Wisconsin for more than 12 years. For his service, the Alumni Association named him a 2014 Honorary Alumnus.

Zore retired as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Northwestern Mutual in 2010, a company he joined in 1969. At the Milwaukee-based Northwestern Mutual, he held a number of progressive leadership roles, including President and CEO. He continues to serve on its Board of Trustees.

From 2010-12, Zore was Chairman of the MCW Board of Trustees, on which he has served without interruption since 2002. He was an integral part of the search committees that resulted in the hire of MCW’s current President and CEO, John R. Raymond, Sr., MD, and current Dean of the Medical School and Executive Vice President, Joseph E. Kerschner, MD ’90, Fel ’98.

Zore’s involvement has been vast and includes the Greater Milwaukee Committee, Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin, Froedtert Hospital, United Way of Greater Milwaukee, Wisconsin Policy Research Institute, Manpower, Inc., Renaissance Re Holdings Ltd., Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, United Performing Arts Fund, YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, The American Council of Life Insurers and the Financial Services Roundtable.

Zore earned his BS and MS degrees in economics from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
Snapshots

1) Mary Ann M. Stoffel, Thomas Stoffel, MD '69 and Walter Keyes, MD '69
2) Steven Bergin, MD '74 and David Schoetz, MD '74
3) Scott Lindblom, MD '89 and Diane Gronski, MD '89
4) Godwin Ogbukiri, MD '69 and Charles Buck, MD '69
5) Jennifer Martin-McKay, MD '04, Larissa Malmstadt, MD '04, Camellia Racu-Keefer, MD '04, Brian Keefer, MD '04
6) N. Jack Vo, MD '99 and Nicholas Stephani, MD '99
7) Cynthia Bergmann, MD '79 and William Shaffer, MD '79
Class Reunions

1954
(L-R): Robert Pavlic, Bernhard Schumacher, Joseph Zore, Gregory Inda, Clarence Blahnik, G. Daniel Miller, Hugh Rafferty, George Flood

1959
(Seated, L-R):
Frank Pilney,
George Korkos,
Thomas Chisholm,
John Altstadt,
Richard Asma
(Standing, L-R):
Michael Garrity,
George Bonertz,
Thomas Volk,
John Uttrie,
Timothy Flaherty
1969
(Seated, L-R): Thomas Donovan, Godfrey Pinder, Marshall Cusic, Elise Torczynski, Julia Tybor Moore, Robert Gomez
(Standing, L-R): Charles Buck, Perry Walters, Godwin Ogbuokiri, Arthur Sytkowski, Thomas Stoffel, William Darling, Thomas Kilkenny, Donald Imbur, Lawrence Greenberg, Martin Kern, Walter Keyes, D. Maclean Wilson, James Game

1974
(Seated, L-R): Willard Michalski, Lynn Di Ulio, Dennis Sullivan, Paul Hankwitz, Donato Stinghen, Martin Starkman, Steven Bergin, Gregory Gnadt, Jerry Youkey, Peter Gordon

1979
(Seated, L-R): William Shaffer, Cynthia Bergmann, Craig Goldstein, Monica Brammer, Joseph Burgarino
(Standing, L-R): Gary Hauke, Danny Sessler, Kenneth Russo, Harry Brammer, Gabriel Szekely
1984
(Seated, L-R): Laurel Bear, Lois Connolly, Kathryn Lauer, Karen Eady, Mark Tomski, Cristina Grieben, Evelyn Burdick, Mark Wenzel, Glenn Nemec, Anna Kalman, Mary Otterson

1989
(Seated, L-R): Jane Pearson, Lonzetta Neal, Diane Gronski, Laura Radke, Marie Nakata, Mary Gingrass, Nisha Malik, Judene Thome, Laurie Grunske, Teresa Rudolph
(Standing, L-R): Bradley Ahlgren, Larry Duenk, Eric Duwell, Curt Allison, Ednan Mushtaq, Jeffrey Smale, Daniel Linehan, Mark Schaefer, Michael Curtis, Christopher Stark, Robert Neimon, Bret Borowski, Scott Lindblom, Richard Hanna, Mark Wilcox, Steven Trinkl, Craig Zeman, Andrew Kim

1994
(Seated, L-R): Misa Lee, Gale Etherton, Rita Bair, Steven Counter
(Standing, L-R): John Chow, Kirk Simon, David Halle, Matthew Bair, Jeffrey Mayer, Joseph Cheng
Class gifts demonstrate deep commitment to MCW

The reunion classes of 2014, including the 50-year class at Commencement, contributed nearly $900,000 to MCW. In addition, 17 individual alumni in the classes celebrating reunions have made planned giving commitments totaling approximately $5.7 million.

Gifts from alumni are critical for scholarship support for students and other priorities at MCW.

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50 years a family

Alumni from the class of 1964 celebrated their 50th reunion as inductees into the Medical College of Wisconsin's Golden Circle, as MCW's newest graduates received their diplomas on May 16.

The distinguished alumni participated in the 2014 commencement ceremonies at the Milwaukee Theatre, and were honored for their lifetime dedication to medicine.

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Larry Donohue, MD, ’64, shared an article he wrote about his experience with a potentially fatal illness 17 years ago that made him a more empathic physician. The article was published in the King County Medical Society Bulletin in Seattle, Wash. Read the article at mcw.edu/kingcountystory

Fifty years ago, classmates John Walsh, Louis Weiland, John Nachazel, Edward Wilkinson and A. Stephen Woo shared the same table in anatomy class at MCW. All five of them went on to become pathologists.
Alumni elect new leadership to their association board

Timothy A. Crummy, MD ’97, takes the helm as President of the Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association. A radiologist with Madison Radiologists since 2005, Dr. Crummy also currently serves as the interim Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer at St. Mary’s Hospital in Madison. He is a member of the American College of Radiology, Society of Interventional Radiology, American Medical Association, State Medical Society of Wisconsin, Dane County Medical Society and Radiological Society of North America.

During his student years, Dr. Crummy was President of the Student Assembly. Prior to graduation, he was honored by the Walter Zeit Fellowship with the Walter Zeit Fellows Leadership Award, which recognizes a senior student who consistently displays superior qualities of leadership, loyalty, selfless service, initiative, and compassion. Since graduation, he has been very involved with alumni activities.

On April 11, 2014, Anna M. Ledgerwood, MD ’67, became the first female President of the American Surgical Association (ASA). Now in its 134th year, the ASA is the oldest surgical organization in the United States.

Professor of Surgery at Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit, Mich., Dr. Ledgerwood is a Wayne State University Physician Group surgeon and serves as Trauma Director for Detroit Receiving Hospital. Her clinical interests include gastrointestinal, oncologic, trauma and emergency surgery, and critical care.

She has previously served as President of the Detroit and Michigan Surgical Associations, the Midwest Surgical Association, the Michigan Chapter of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, as well as Vice President of the ACS and ASA.

Dr. Ledgerwood continues to be actively involved in training Wayne State residents and medical students and is particularly interested in promoting women in surgery.

She will deliver her presidential address at the next ASA annual meeting in San Diego in April 2015.

Alumna is first woman elected president of surgical association

GETTING OUT ALIVE

By Theresa Maatman, MD ’11
Alumni support students – The Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association awarded scholarships to eight medical students this spring, helping to offset the cost of their tuition. Pictured (L-R) are MCW President and CEO John R. Raymond, Sr., MD; M2 Justin La; M3 Jessica Lee; M1 Michael Peyton; M2 Julia Keyes; M1 Brian Pellatt; M2 Roseanne Raphael; M2 Christopher Newland; M1 Joshua Kolz; M3 David Horn; and outgoing Alumni Association President Paul E. Hankwitz, MD ’74, GME ’78.

Graduating seniors match to residency programs throughout U.S.

Graduating medical students at the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW), and their peers nationwide, found out March 21 where they will be serving their post-graduate residency training.

Of the 183 fourth-year medical students at MCW, 178 students obtained first-year residency positions on Match Day 2014. The remaining five obtained positions through the military match.

Fifty-four of MCW’s graduating fourth-year students (29.5 percent) will remain in Wisconsin to serve post-graduate residency training.

Primary care fields attracted 43 percent of MCW graduates this year. Those fields include internal medicine (12 percent of the class), pediatrics (14 percent), family medicine (13 percent), and medicine/pediatrics (4 percent).

The three top choices of specialty were pediatrics (14 percent), family medicine (13 percent), and a third place tie between internal medicine and emergency medicine at 12 percent each. The remaining 50 percent of graduating physicians selected specialties including anesthesiology, obstetrics/gynecology, orthopaedic surgery, ophthalmology, radiation oncology, pathology, neurology, child neurology, general surgery, plastic surgery, thoracic surgery, urology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, psychiatry, dermatology, otolaryngology, radiology, internal medicine/pediatrics, and psychiatry/neurology.

Keli Coleman, MD ’14, celebrates with her mentor, Dr. Earnestine Willis, after learning she will do a pediatrics residency at MCW Affiliated Hospitals. Earnestine Willis, MD, MPH, is Kellner Professor of Pediatrics at MCW and Director of the Center for the Advancement of Underserved Children.

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Find out if any graduating MCW medical students will be serving their post-graduate residency training near you, at mcw.edu/residencylocations
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1950s

Richard Kitz, MD ’54, received the All-University Award for Professional Achievement from Marquette University in Milwaukee. Now retired, Dr. Kitz was Faculty Dean for Clinical Affairs at Harvard Medical School. He still holds the title of Henry Isaiah Dorr Professor of Research and Teaching in Anesthesia and Anesthesiatics, Emeritus at Harvard. Previously, Dr. Kitz was Co-Director of the Harvard–MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology, Chair of the Anesthesiology Department at Massachusetts General Hospital and Associate Professor for Columbia University’s College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Kitz established the Dr. Richard Kitz Endowed Scholarship Fund and Dr. Richard Kitz Athletic Scholarship Fund at Marquette.

1960s

George M. Bohigian, MD, GME ’66, delivered the Snyder Lecture at the annual meeting of the Cogan Ophthalmic History Society in Monterey, Calif. His presentation was titled, “Our Ophthalmic History and the Art of Medicine: Superstitions, Symbols and Magic”. Dr. Bohigian is a Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo.

William A. Neal, MD, GME ’67, is retiring after 40 years on the faculty in pediatric cardiology at West Virginia University. Dr. Neal served as a navy flight surgeon aboard the U.S.S. Constellation following an internship at Milwaukee County General Hospital in 1967.

1970s

Jeffrey M. Kraut, MD ’70, retired from emergency medicine in 2013 and pediatrics in 2011 in Fort Bragg, Calif.

Richard E. Peterson, PhD ’72, received the 2014 Society of Toxicology (SOT) Distinguished Toxicological Scholar Award at SOT’s 53rd annual meeting and expo in Phoenix, Ariz. The award honors Dr. Peterson for his body of research around 2, 3, 7, 8-tetrachloridibeno-p-dioxin (TCDD or dioxin). Since 1977 he has published more than 275 articles investigating the development and reproductive toxicity of dioxin. Dr. Peterson is the Charles M. Johnson Chair and a Professor in the Pharmaceutical Sciences Division at the University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy.

Alan A. Wartenberg, MD ’72, GME ’80, is the Past President of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM). Mostly retired from clinical practice, Dr. Wartenberg continues to serve as a consulting physician for the Providence Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He contributed a chapter on alcohol intoxication and withdrawal to the ASAM textbook Principles of Addiction Medicine, and a chapter on pain management in patients with addiction for Beth Israel-Deaconess Medical Center’s Principles and Practice of Pain Medicine.

1980s

Mary Horowitz, MD ’80, GME ’89, MS ’91, received the 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation. The award recognizes her involvement and support of the blood and marrow transplant community, and her past, present and current stewardship of the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research® (CIBMTR®) and the Clinical Trials Network. Dr. Horowitz is the Robert A. Uihlein, Jr. Chair in Hematologic Research, Professor of Medicine and Chief of Hematology and Oncology at the Medical College of Wisconsin and the Chief Scientific Director of CIBMTR. She studies the effectiveness of transplantation as a treatment for life-threatening diseases such as leukemia, non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma and other cancers.

Jack Leeland Greider, MD’ 74, retired after more than 30 years in private practice as a hand surgeon in Jacksonville, Fla.

Harvey Marchbein, MD ’75, joined the full-time staff of North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, N.Y. as director of labor and delivery. Dr. Marchbein previously spent 35 years in private practice in obstetrics and gynecology.

1st Annual Mike Richter Memorial Golf Outing debuts

The daughters of the late Michael J. Richter, MD ’91, have organized the 1st Annual Mike Richter Memorial Golf Outing to be held Sunday, Aug. 10, at Fire Ridge Golf Club near Milwaukee. The proceeds from this event and other donations will be used to establish the Michael J. Richter, MD Endowed Scholarship Fund at the Medical College of Wisconsin in memory of their father. For further information, please contact Chris Roche in the MCW Office of Development at (414) 955-4705 or croche@mcw.edu
Betty Pace, MD ’81, GME ’84, is the first recipient of the Francis J. Tedesco Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Hematology Oncology at George Health Science University (GHSU). Dr. Pace was recently appointed Interim Chief of the Hematology/Oncology Division. Before joining the faculty at GHSU in 2010 she worked in the Department of Molecular and Cell Biology at the University Texas at Dallas. She also served as the Chief Medical Officer for the National Sickle Cell Disease Association of America and the Director of the Dallas Sickle Cell Disease Research Center. Dr. Pace is the editor of the textbook, Renaissance of Sickle Cell Disease Research in the Genome Era. She provides leadership for a National Institutes of Health-funded basic research laboratory focused on studies related to globin gene regulation and the design of drugs to induce fetal hemoglobin to treat sickle cell disease.

Beth Erickson Wittmann, MD ’84, GME ’88, received the Ulrich Henschke Memorial Award at the annual meeting of the American Brachytherapy Society in San Diego, Calif. and presented the keynote address. Dr. Wittmann is a Professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Her clinical interests include gynecologic cancers, brachytherapy, pancreatic, liver, colorectal and anal cancers and cancers of the orbits.

Katherine Lauer, MD ’84, GME ’87, received the Helen Way Klinger College of Arts and Sciences Professional Achievement Award from Marquette University in Milwaukee. Dr. Lauer is Professor, Director of Quality and Vice Chair of Clinical Affairs for the Department of Anesthesiology at the Medical College of Wisconsin. She is co-investigator in a study that uses functional MRI to explore the mechanisms of consciousness.

Shawn Shianna, MD, GME ’89, was designated a certified physician executive (CPE) by the Certifying Commission in Medical Management (CCMM). Dr. Shianna is Chief Medical Information Officer with the healthcare system FHN in Freeport, Ill. She was honored with the CPE designation for educational achievements, demonstrated stature as a physician leader and experience in the field of medical management. The CCMM is the national certifying body for physicians specializing in medical management. It is chartered by the American College of Physician Executives.

**1990s**

**Thomas Shieh, MD ’92,** was awarded the 2014 Small Business Association (SBA) Business Person of the Year for Guam. A navy medical officer and a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Dr. Shieh has owned and operated a private obstetrics and gynecology practice on the island of Guam for more than 15 years. Dr. Shieh, along with other SBA winners from every U.S. state and territory, will travel to Washington, D.C. for a special ceremony with President Obama at the White House.

**Harry J. Morris, DO, MPH ’94,** was installed as President of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Family Physicians Society (POFPS). Dr. Morris is Professor and Chairman of the Family Medicine Department at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, (PCOM) and a staff member at Roxborough Memorial Hospital in Philadelphia and Mercy Suburban Hospital in Norristown. He has been a member of the POFPS Board of Trustees for 12 years and serves as a delegate to the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians. Dr. Morris is a past recipient of the POFPS Frederick J. Solomon DO Award of Merit and the PCOM Osteopathic Primary Care Physician of the Year Award.

**Laura E Marusinec, MD ’95,** is an urgent care pediatrician at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. Her specialty is pediatric dermatology. She is studying medical writing and is a member of the American Medical Writers Association.

**Marc Moon, MD, GME ’95,** is the new Chief of the Section of Cardiac Surgery at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. Dr. Moon specializes in endocarditis, heart valve repair and replacement, coronary artery bypass surgery and surgery to repair aortic aneurysm. He directs the Cardiothoracic Surgery Residency Program at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and is Secretary of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery. Dr. Moon is co-principal investigator of a National Institutes of Health grant to investigate surgical treatments for cardiac arrhythmias.

**John A. Schneider, MD ’95,** received the College of Health Sciences Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award from Marquette University in Milwaukee. Dr. Schneider is a surgeon at the Sports Medicine and Orthopedic Center in Greenfield, Wis., where he specializes in treating hand, wrist, elbow and shoulder injuries. He is also a co-founder of the award-winning Midwest Orthopedic Specialty Hospital in Franklin, Wis.

**2000s**

**Jennifer Connelly, MD ’03, GME ’08,** received the College of Engineering Young Alumna of the Year Award from Marquette University in Milwaukee. Dr. Connelly is an Assistant Professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin, specializing in neurology and neuro-oncology. Her expertise includes the diagnosis and treatment of tumors and cancers of the brain and spine. She also evaluates and treats neurologic complications of cancer and its treatment. Her research interests include molecular pathology and the development of advanced MRI imaging techniques for diagnosing and treating tumors.

**Braden Hexom, MD ’05,** is the Associate Medical Director of the Libertas Center for Human Rights in Queens, N.Y. and an Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine and Medical Education at the Icahn School of Medicine. Dr. Hexom also was appointed Clerkship Director and Director of Undergraduate Medical Education for the Department of Emergency Medicine for the Mount Sinai Health System.

**R. Starr Knight, MD ’07,** is Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine at the University of California-San Francisco and serves as Emergency Ultrasound Director at San Francisco General Hospital. Dr. Knight completed an emergency ultrasound fellowship at the University of California-San Francisco in 2012.
Mary (Buckler) Cairns, MD ’08, received the Arnold P. Gold Humanism and Excellence in Teaching Award from the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). The award, administered by AAMC’s Organization of Student Representatives, honors a medical school faculty physician who exemplifies the qualities of a caring and compassionate mentor in the teaching and advising of medical students, and the ethics, empathy and service necessary for the practice of patient-centered medicine.

Yvonne Chiu, MD, GME ’10, received a three year Pediatric Dermatology Career Development Award by the Dermatology Foundation. The award will be applied toward her project, “Clinical and Genetic Investigations of Pediatric Morphea”. Also known as localized scleroderma, morphea is a rare fibrosing disorder that causes significant morbidity through atrophy and scarring of the skin and underlying structures. Dr. Chiu is Assistant Professor of Dermatology and Pediatrics at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Jonathan Wiese, MD ’10, is a captain in the U.S. Army and an emergency medicine doctor at Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Charles (Carl) Junkerman, MD ’47, of Helena, Mont., died March 26, 2014. He was 89 years old. A member of the Medical College of Wisconsin faculty for 44 years, Dr. Junkerman served as Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs at Froedtert Hospital and Assistant Director of the Center for the Study of Bioethics. He also practiced internal medicine for 22 years at Harwood Medical Associates, a clinic he formed with colleagues. Well regarded for his teaching, mentorship and ethical standards, MCW created the Carl L. Junkerman, MD Award of Merit, which recognizes the resident whose work reflects the highest standards of ethics, patient management and respect for the dignity of the individual. In 1993 Dr. Junkerman received the Humanitarian Award from the Milwaukee Academy of Medicine for his service to the community. He served in Yokosuka, Japan in 1952 and 1953 as a commissioned lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. Dr. Junkerman enjoyed traveling, birdwatching, playing cards and listening to classical music. He was preceded in death by his wife, Anne. Survivors include his five children and eight grandchildren.

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William A. Finger, MD ’56, of Milwaukee, died May 9, 2014. He was 86 years old. Dr. Finger was a member of the Medical College of Wisconsin Department of Radiology faculty for 48 years until his retirement in 2011. He served as Chief of Emergency Room Radiology and was an expert in GI radiology and general radiology.

Survivors include his wife, Mary, five children and two grandchildren.

Vito Nicola Vitulli, MD ’57, GME ’62, of Oconomowoc, Wis., died February 12, 2014. He was 86 years old. Dr. Vitulli served in Panama in the U.S. Army. A radiologist, he was Chief of Staff at Trinity Memorial Hospital and also on staff at St. Francis and St. Luke’s Hospitals. Dr. Vitulli delivered more than 8,000 babies. He enjoyed spending time with family at his lake cottage, singing, cooking and performing card tricks. Dr. Vitulli was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia. Survivors include six children and 10 grandchildren.

T. Paul Kawaguchi, MD ’55, of Seattle, Wash., died January 21, 2014. He was 88 years old. Dr. Toshiyuki served in the U.S. Navy for 30 years, retiring as a captain. He then entered private practice at Cyto Labs where he worked for 10 years until his retirement. Dr. Toshiyuki was passionate about the arts. He is survived by his wife, Miyoko, three children and two grandchildren.

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William John Atkinson, MD ’58, of Lawton, Okla., died December 3, 2013 of complications stemming from a head injury sustained in a fall at his home. He was 83 years old. Dr. Atkinson served as a corpsman in the U.S. Navy and was wounded while on patrol in Korea. He received a Purple Heart, Letter of Commendation, Korean Service Medal and United Nations Service Medal. Dr. Atkinson was the Director of Medical Services and surgeon at Lawton Indian Hospital before entering private practice, where he worked until his retirement in 2005. He also was on the staff of Southwestern Medical Center and Comanche County Memorial Hospital, and served as medical consultant for CSL Plasma Bank. Dr. Atkinson enjoyed camping, working in his yard and workshop and playing with his standard poodles. He was a member of the American Medical Association, Oklahoma Medical Association, Comanche County Medical Society and the Knights of Columbus. Survivors include his wife, Shirley, seven children, 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Patrick R. Robbie, MD, ’58, of Valencia, Calif., died December 1, 2013 after a lengthy illness. He was 80 years old. Dr. Robbie served as a naval flight surgeon before beginning his 40 year career as a pediatrician and neonatologist. Dr. Robbie was instrumental in developing the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Kaiser Sunset Los Angeles Medical Center. After retiring he volunteered at a local clinic for the uninsured. Dr. Robbie enjoyed fishing, traveling and cooking. He is survived by his wife, Cece, four children and two grandchildren.

Silas G. Farmer, PhD ’62, of Milwaukee, died March 5, 2014. He was 88 years old. Dr. Farmer was Professor Emeritus Pathology at the Medical College of Wisconsin and Adjunct Professor Emeritus Microbiology at Marquette University. He was a member of numerous organizations including the American Society of Microbiology, New York Academy of Sciences, American Board of Medical Microbiology, American Association of Woodturners, Wisconsin Woodturners and Boy Scouts of America. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marion. Survivors include three children, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

John Joseph “Jack” Brush, MD ’70, GME ’71, of Richmond, Va., died October 23, 2013 from a recurrence of lymphoma. He was 68 years old. Dr. Brush served three years with the U.S. Navy in Norfolk, Va. and achieved the rank of commander. He completed his residency in neurology at the Medical College of Virginia and stayed on staff at MCV Hospitals until he joined Neurological Associates in Richmond, where he practiced until his retirement in 2013. Dr. Brush was a lifelong member of the Virginia Neurological Society, the Richmond Academy of Medicine and the Medical Society of Virginia, and an avid golfer. He is survived by his wife, Judy, three children and two grandchildren.

Antoine Augustin, MD ’72, of Deschapelles, Haiti, died March 20, 2014. A physician, surgeon and researcher, Dr. Augustin worked briefly at Hospital Albert Schweitzer in Deschapelles before launching numerous community health programs to bring healthcare to underserved rural areas in Haiti, decrease the prevalence of HIV/AIDS and eradicate hunger. Many of his organizations still thrive today. Dr. Augustin served as a consultant for the United States, the World Bank and UNAIDS, the joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS. He also worked to revitalize the tourism industry in Haiti following the 2010 earthquake. A musician, Dr. Augustin enjoyed playing keyboard for the Latin band that he created. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Gail K. Mynard, MD ’72, of Piedmont, Calif., died in May 2014. She was 67 years old. Dr. Mynard practiced emergency medicine in Sacramento.

Rajashri Manoli, MD, Fel ’73, of Bayside, Wis., died unexpectedly March 1, 2014. She was 74 years old. Dr. Manoli was a radiologist at Aurora Sinai Medical Center and practiced nuclear medicine, family medicine and internal medicine. She is survived by her husband, Sadanand, and two children.

Bhaskara Ramachandran Nair, MD, GME ’73, of Brookfield, Wis., died unexpectedly March 3, 2014. He was 73 years old. A pediatrician, Dr. Nair practiced medicine for 40 years. He was preceded in death by one child. Survivors include his wife, Geetha, two children and three grandchildren.

Michael John McInnis, MD ’76, of Rock Springs, Wyo., died February 4, 2013 after a year-long battle with cancer. He was 63 years old. Dr. McInnis was a family practice physician at Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County. He also worked as the Medical Director of Sage View Care Center and was the first medical director of Hospice of Sweetwater County. Dr. McInnis enjoyed geology, astronomy and the outdoors and was an avid fan of the Green Bay Packers. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Karen. Survivors include his wife, Brenda, two daughters, two stepchildren and three step-grandchildren.

Leo “Sonny” Lofland, MD, GME ’80, of Ogema, Wis., died June 7, 2013. He was 73 years old. Dr. Lofland served in the U.S. Army including a stint in the 101st Airborne Division, and in the Abbotsford, Wis. Army National Guard. He was a physician at the Prentice Medical Clinic until his retirement. Dr. Lofland enjoyed hunting, fishing, reading, canoeing and camping. He is survived by his wife, Celine, two children and two grandchildren.

Hanane Koteiche, PhD ’97, of Nashville, Tenn., died February 11, 2014 following a brief illness. She was 45 years old. Originally from Beirut, Lebanon, Dr. Koteiche was a Research Assistant Professor at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Survivors include her husband, Hassane Mchaourab, PhD ’95, and two young children.
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