

## Homecoming 2013: A Picture Perfect Transition

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Unforgettable! That is the best word I could think of to adequately describe this year's very special homecoming.

Beginning on Thursday with visits to the newly renovated classrooms in Janse Hall (a considerable improvement from my time as a student) to a luncheon treat, followed by an incredible cook out and barbecue, the weekend just seemed to have all the elements of being special.

Friday, Dr. Winterstein delivered his last official address as president of NUHS. It was a very emotional luncheon, and the beginning of an evening of reminiscing about the last 27 years. The program was filled with stories reflecting specific moments, personal memories, and the litany of accomplishments under the capable leadership of Dr. Winterstein.

It was obvious that there was a close and mutually respectful symbiotic relationship between Dr. Winterstein and his successor, Dr. Joseph Stiefel. Both of their families were in attendance as were representatives of many institutions nationwide. Each individual that approached the podium was filled with genuine appreciation and respect for National University and it was apparent that Dr. Winterstein was deeply moved by the many tributes.

Tracy McHugh, Ron Mensching, Nicholas Trongale, and Joseph Stiefel all managed to conspire along with

many staff and administrative personnel to truly outdo themselves and create a wonderful slide show and book reflecting the past 27 years of Dr. Winterstein's professional career. This book, entitled "The Winterstein Years 1986-2013," was then presented to Dr. Winterstein. All of this was done without Dr. Winterstein's knowledge, which was not an easy task. Needless to say, he was overwhelmed and completely surprised. Friday evening ended with dancing, socializing, and just having fun with friends and colleagues.



Vice President Tracy McHugh surprises Dr. Winterstein with a copy of "The Winterstein Years," a collection of some of his most significant papers and articles.

On Saturday, the air was filled with a very different kind of excitement in anticipation of the investiture of Dr. Joseph Stiefel, the new president and only the sixth

since the inception of the institution. The inaugural ceremony was made very meaningful by the number of college presidents as well as other dignitaries in attendance. Many of them provided short greetings and well wishes to Dr. Stiefel wishing him the best of luck in his new endeavor as well as offering full support and confidence in his abilities to lead our alma mater in the future.



President Stiefel acknowledges the applause following his inaugural address.

After the induction ceremony, Dr. Stiefel delivered his inaugural speech, which made a tremendous impact as his first address. He displayed confidence yet humility, coupled with a relaxed demeanor but a firm sense of purpose, and he spoke with integrity and a commitment to NUHS and its family.

The evening followed with a wonderful banquet, dancing, and more greetings to Dr. Stiefel from numerous guests and attendees who filled the room.

In short, the homecoming event was well planned by the committee and ended with everyone leaving National with a strong sense of ease knowing the transition is now final and reinforced in the confidence that Dr. Stiefel's ability to lead our University is evident.

At the inaugural banquet, I urged all attendees to please reach out to fellow alumni who might have lost touch with their alma mater. If everyone who reads this article calls two classmates/alumni who fit this description, it would accomplish more than all the marketing that NUHS could ever do with none of the cost associated with the effort.

So please, do our alma mater this small favor. I look forward to seeing you all at next year's homecoming!!

By the way, Dr. Stiefel contacted me within the week following his inauguration that I needed to get this article done ASAP — I'd say he hit the ground running!

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# Homecoming 2013: Inaugural Address

By Joseph Stiefel, MS, EdD, DC  
NUHS President

*Hello, I'm the new guy in the front office. I know that this publication has kept you well informed about Dr. Winterstein's retirement and my transition into the office. I know that many of you were able to make it to this year's homecoming celebration. As always, it was so nice to see the many familiar faces and take the opportunity to make new friends. Whether or not you are an old friend or a new face, the weekend was filled with occasions to both laugh and cry together.*

*For those of you who were not able to attend homecoming or the inauguration ceremony, we have included a copy of my remarks. I think this gives us as a University community the ability to continue down the same path. I am very proud of our long history and I look forward towards our bright future.*

## President Joseph P. D. Stiefel Inaugural Address

Thank you Mr. Schonauer, members of the board of trustees, President Emeritus Winterstein, the administration, distinguished delegates, my Florida colleagues watching the live stream, my colleagues here in Lombard also watching this live, and, of course, my family and friends.

I want to first give thanks for the tremendous amount of support that so many of you have extended to me for so many years. A special debt of gratitude goes to Dr. Winterstein and the board of trustees for the huge amount of time and effort that went into ensuring the successful transition of the university before, during and after Dr. Winterstein's 27-year tenure as president.



Looking on as President Joseph Stiefel delivers his inaugural address are (l-r) President Emeritus Dr. James Winterstein, Vice President for Academic Services Dr. Nicholas Trongale, University of Western States President Dr. Joseph Brimhall, Dean of Students Dr. Daniel Driscoll, Dr. Holly Furlong, Dr. Stiefel's wife, and Vice President for Business Services Ron Mensching.

Today is a celebration — a commencement. Ceremonies with such circumstance and pomp are meant to celebrate this occasion, and also to celebrate those who have served with distinction before us. Academic ceremonies like the one we are having here today are meant to function as much as a window to the future as they are a mirror of reflection on our rich institutional history. Thank you all for participating in this great day for National.

Over the past several years, as we have gone through the succession process, I have been asked two questions with almost weekly regularity: When are you moving? And, are you ready? These two questions were asked by my colleagues and the many groups that I have had the opportunity to meet alongside Dr. Winterstein during the transition. All groups save one.

A few months back, I attended a special meeting of the Council on Chiropractic Education for the presidents of their accredited institutions. None of the presidents asked if I was ready. I suspect they already knew my answer, the answer I had resolved long ago — my answer to “When will I be ready?” — “Not until two minutes ago!”

Having come to an understanding of what is entailed for this position, I have wanted nothing more than to take all of the time possible to prepare for this successful transition. The time for preparation is over. Now we move onward and upward.

Nicholas Kristof, a columnist for *The New York Times*, said at a recent graduation speech he gave at Syracuse University: “Talent is universal; opportunity is not.”

I am a firm believer that education provides opportunity. It is what this institution has been providing for 107 years. Opportunity is what we do. So I want to talk about all the types of opportunity we provide.

For students, the opportunities are numerous. However, the responsibility for that opportunity lies with them. Historically, the purpose for the university system was to provide a safe haven in which students could explore various disciplines without the worry of outside persecution and distraction: a place where the “sage on stage” would fill the students’ minds with data and information. At first, students were not even allowed to own textbooks. They could only take notes. In the present day, all of that information is a “Google-second” away.

At National, we have the opportunity to expect a lot from our students. We expect that they come here thirsty for that knowledge, but more importantly, willing to ask their professors for more so that they are better prepared for their chosen field of health care delivery upon graduation.

Certainly we as a university must still provide a strong foundation of knowledge; a guiding hand through the huge amount of current and up-to-date information that is our expertise. But our opportunity extends far beyond that. We ensure opportunities for the “yet-to-be” students of tomorrow by successfully educating the graduates of today.

While I was a dean at our Florida campus, I would often be at a meeting with our partners from several different campuses at SPC, and someone would say to me: “Your interns are great. They changed my life.”

Colleagues, it is you who have provided that opportunity, because that person goes on to tell another and another. Success breeds success.

We can make videos, produce new viewbooks, travel to the state capitol or Washington, DC. However, the greatest opportunity we have as an institution, and as health care providers, is to demonstrate what we can do and could do through the physicians and health care providers who we graduate across this stage.

We must continue this opportunity. We have bright students at this university. We must continue to ask them to challenge themselves. We must provide the example for what they chose to become.

I am certain we all agree that the graduates of this academy must possess a comprehensive knowledge of the human condition, the willingness to overcome a “sick-care” mindset, and embrace a patient-centered practice ethic. But equally important are character and professionalism. While our incoming students have been well prepared before matriculation, an understanding of what it means to enter into a profession is a new endeavor to most of our students. We are all responsible for advancing the character and understanding of professionalism in these students.

I've always said that at National we do not give grades — students earn them. Consumerism has no place in higher education. Again, we provide opportunity. A wise educator once told me, “There is a difference between customer service and student service. The difference is that customer is always right.”

I liken higher education to going to the movies. You should figure out what kind of movie you want to see, whether it's science fiction or a true story. You should read the reviews, and then buy your ticket. And just like watching a movie, the more you are engaged, the more you'll get out of it. Buying the ticket does not insure that you'll enjoy every moment of the movie. It doesn't even insure that you'll stay awake. But when it's over, you may feel like a hero or perhaps simply more human than when you went in.

A week or so ago when I left our Florida campus for the last time as its dean, I looked back down the sidewalk that I had traveled so many times into work, and at the buildings on campus. In 2008, I did the same thing here at this campus when I left for Florida. But I didn't really see the buildings, more so I thought of the people inside of them: those that I'd worked with, some who are still here, some who have come and gone. We have beautiful facilities at our disposal at both locations, to be sure. But what makes colleges and universities interesting places are the people.

As a side note, Stephen Joel Tractenburg, president emeritus of George Washington University, wrote that “Every campus must have a crazy professor.” I'll let the faculty among us decide quietly to themselves if they satisfy that requirement.

Nonetheless, it is the people at this university, and in our wider university community, that I hold dear. People are the driving force and the key element of success — and, thereby, opportunity. I have watched so many pour so much into what they do here, and that's why we continue to have opportunity. Our faculty, many of whom have taught generations of physicians, still work passionately during class time to do what they do.

When traveling to various conventions and meetings, I often have the opportunity to sit with alumni. I ask them all the same question: “What do you remember most about National?” Almost everyone answers this question the same way. They recount how difficult the program was and how thankful they were for this, even though they may have not fully appreciated it at the

time. Secondly, they remember a teacher. The names change from alumnus to alumnus, but they have some great stories.

That is why I take this opportunity to remind you that you do make a difference! With every lecture, you are investing in the treatment of patients you most likely will never meet. That's opportunity!

We must remember the resources that we have within each other. The dossiers that your colleagues have would amaze you. We must continue to respect the years of service from those who can remind us of where we came from, and just as importantly, make



NUHS Board of Trustees President Thomas Schonauer administers the presidential oath of office to Dr. Joseph P.D. Stiefel, sixth president of National University.

way for, support and believe in the enthusiasm of the new faces in the halls of this university. Because we all come from an “opportunity,” and our success lies in



President Emeritus Dr. James Winterstein presents Dr. Stiefel with the presidential medallion.

the achievements of those we are fortunate to have helped along the way.

This is especially important when directed towards our students. Each of us has the responsibility of doing all we can to ensure a successful graduate. Let me be clear: the responsibility lies with both the faculty and staff. Everyone's job description should read, “Supports student success and achievement as a member of the university.” You are each that important.

While you as members of the staff may not be lecturing, or demonstrating in a lab, your influence is far greater than you think. As an example, students

may leave a mid-term examination and not be so thrilled about Question 37. But they'll forget about that soon enough. However, if you make a scheduling error, or miscalculate their financial aid package, it's “pitchforks and torches” for the next week!

Kindness and attention to detail go a long way, and we have that in spades here at National, and I appreciate that very much. It is important to remember that the responsibility for student success isn't across the pond, across the hall, upstairs, downstairs, or the other side of the camera. It's university-wide.

That is the opportunity we have today, but what about tomorrow's opportunity? How will we do tomorrow? What direction will we go? The answer is simple: We will go forward, we will continue to provide opportunity, and we will continue to search for the answers to why what we do works so well.

In fact, that is why this institution was founded so long ago. We knew that chiropractic medicine worked, and we wanted a better understanding of how it worked. We have come a long way. We have diversified. Naturopathic medicine, acupuncture and oriental medicine, massage therapy and advanced clinical training have provided yet more opportunities to explore the “Why?” as well as more opportunities to provide conservative health care, and more ways to redefine the health care landscape. We will continue to look for improved ways of delivering evidence-based, primary care driven medical education. Part of that answer lies in researching the patient-centered outcomes of our interventions.

National has become an example of how to integrate medical education from different disciplines. We will look for more opportunities to do so. Many of those opportunities lie outside of the walls of this institution. Integration and partnerships within education are the future. Gone are the days when you sent your child to school with a big box of 64 crayons. It is far more efficient to equip them with a box of eight and borrow burnt sienna and spring green from a classmate. Not only is it more cost effective, but also you have fostered an opportunity to interact, share and collaborate.

We will seek out those who are willing to come up with not just a simple answer, but also those who are willing to participate in the clever solution. National will be successful because we will not focus on the problem, we will identify the problem and focus instead on the solution. We will focus on new opportunities for our graduates by redefining the definitions of our professions. Incidentally, this cannot be done by gravitating to the lowest common denominator.

Stephan J. Murphy wrote in a popular song, “I can change, if it helps you fall in love.” That is not the way to move ahead. That is a way to placate others for a moment in time. Instead of wasting energies in pointless tugs of war, we should look for other ropes to take us to new and higher places. We are working for evolution. Certainly there will be times of difficulty or missteps, but we shall measure our worth by how we react and rectify those situations and remain steadfast in our convictions.

The office of president is a service position, full of long hours and tough decisions. It is a position driven by policy and judgment, tempered by beneficence and compassion. The greater good of the university is paramount, without forgetting the people, families and communities that it affects. I look forward to tomorrow. I look forward to the opportunity.

Onward and upward — *Esse Quam Videri*. Thank you.

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# Homecoming 2013

— Education, Inauguration and Celebration

## Homecoming Kickoff Cookout



## Homecoming 2013 Awards & Speakers



Dr. Richard Fay, President's Medallion



Dr. Joseph Stiefel, Alumnus of the Year



Dr. Charles Kuehner, 25 Year of Service



Dr. Audie Klinger, Board of Trustees Appreciation Certificate



Speakers from left - right: Dr. James Winterstein, Dr. Chris Arick, Ms. Marianne Jennings, Dr. Janet Lintala, Dr. Dan Richardson, Dr. Thomas Roselle, Dr. David Seaman, Dr. Daniel Strauss, and Dr. Cliff Tao

## President Winterstein's Farewell Reception



## Inaugural Reception



## President Winterstein's Farewell Banquet



## Inaugural Banquet



## President Stiefel's Inauguration



## Inaugural Ball



# In Memoriam



Dr. John Coyle

**Dr. John Coyle**, 89, of Cheektowaga, New York, lost a long battle with Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) on April 8. He served as a nose gunner in the U.S. Army Air Force in the South Pacific during WWII. After his duty, he capitalized on the GI Bill and attended Lincoln Chiropractic College, graduating in 1949. Dr.

Coyle started his practice in Buffalo, NY, and relocated to Cheektowaga in 1957, where he maintained a successful practice until retiring from treating patients on his 80th birthday. His son, Dr. Charles Coyle (NCC 1988), and daughter, Dr. Barbara Coyle, eventually joined his practice. Dr. Coyle cared for his patients and treated them like family. A kind and gentle man, he touched many lives and was frequently called "Dr. Dad" by his patients. He was preceded in death by his wife of 45 years, Patricia, and is survived by four children, three granddaughters, and two great-granddaughters.

**Dr. Earl Wilson Daniel**, 94, of Roxboro, North Carolina, died peacefully May 8 after several months of declining health. He graduated from Lincoln Chiropractic College in 1939 and opened his practice in Roxboro in September 1940 prior to enlisting in the U.S. Army. As a WWII veteran, he served as a staff sergeant in charge of physical therapy at hospitals in Georgia and Florida from 1942 to 1945, did postgraduate work at Logan Chiropractic College, and practiced briefly in Ohio before returning permanently to Roxboro. Dr. Daniel was proud to be North Carolina's longest licensed chiropractor, maintaining his license for 73 years before retiring in 1992. He was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Agnes, and is survived by two daughters, three grandsons, and several great-grandchildren.

**Dr. John Louis Davis**, 89, of Asheboro, North Carolina, passed away April 26 in the company of his loving family. After his return from service in the Army Air Corps during WWII, he followed in his father's footsteps and graduated from Lincoln Chiropractic College in 1949. Dr. Davis opened a practice in Asheboro, becoming its second chiropractor, and was devoted to his patients until retiring in 2006. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, and is survived by four daughters, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Dr. David L. Falk**, 67, of Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, passed away on June 2 after battling a variety of health issues. A 1970 Lincoln Chiropractic College graduate, he opened a practice in Jackson, Michigan, and shortly thereafter moved to Grass Lake where he lived and practiced until 1992, then moving to Sault Sainte Marie. Dr. Falk, a second-generation firefighter, served as a volunteer firefighter for 19 years in Grass Lake and was an avid collector of firefighting memorabilia including two prized retired fire engines. He was also passionate about bowling and was the vice-president of the Sault Sainte Marie Bowling Association, and sponsored the Eastern U.P. Chiropractic Clinic bowling team, which earned two championships. He was preceded in death by his wife Connie, and is survived by a daughter and son.

**Mary Louise Fisher**, 86, wife of the late **Jacob Fisher, PhD**, died June 2 at Bay Woods of Annapolis (Maryland). Dr. Fisher, National's first "academic administrator" from 1975 to 1992 and its first chancellor, predeceased his wife in January 2012 at the age of 86. He was named an associate member

of National's Hall of Honor in 1999. The Fishers are survived by four daughters, a grandson, and three great-grandchildren.

**Dr. William F. Gill**, 91 of Valparaiso, Indiana, passed away June 23. He attended Lincoln Chiropractic College until his studies were interrupted by his enrollment in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II where he served as a pharmacist's mate. After the war, he continued his chiropractic studies and graduated in 1947. He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley, and is survived by three children, four granddaughters, and five great-grandchildren.

**Dr. George E. Goetschel**, 89, of Barrington, Illinois, died peacefully June 1. He received his BS degree from the University of Illinois Medical Center, and his DC degree from the National College of Chiropractic in 1949. A professor in NCC's department of diagnosis and pathology, he retired in 1996 after 41 years of service to the college and was named professor emeritus in 1999. Dr. Goetschel was active with the Illinois, American, and International chiropractic associations, and a member of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners and other holistic health organizations. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dr. Phyllis (NCC 1955), and is survived by two children, George, and Dr. Pamela Fernandes (NCC 1988) and three grandchildren.

**Dr. Richard R. Hasemeier**, 88, of Otterbein-Lebanon, Ohio, died May 18 at his residence. He graduated from Lincoln Chiropractic College in 1946, and practiced for 47 years. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, a son, Dr. Rick R. (NCC1984), a daughter, Kim, and a granddaughter.

**Dr. Eugene V. 'Doc' Hoffmann Jr.**, 72, of Richmond, Illinois, died April 17, in Burlington, Wisconsin. He graduated from NCC in 1962 and was assistant director at the teaching clinic. He joined the chiropractic business of his father, Dr. Eugene Sr. (NCC 1938), in Cicero, and then opened his own office in Hebron. Later, he built his office in Richmond and retired in 2010. He was a member of the Illinois and National chiropractic associations. Dr. Hoffman is survived by a sister and many cousins.



Dr. Maria Hofmaier

**Dr. Maria G. Hofmaier**, 49, of Lombard, Illinois, died on July 29. A practicing chiropractic physician for more than 25 years, she graduated from NCC in 1987 and was the clinical director of Hofmaier Chiropractic Wellness Zone in Villa Park. At age 28, after suffering a serious low back injury involving a herniated lumbar disc with stenosis that left her partially disabled, Dr. Hofmaier developed an integration of chiropractic care, rehabilitation, core stability, and nutrition that allowed her to make a full recovery. Since then, her practice emphasized integrated care and the ability to restore and optimize patients health and allow them to live at their best. She found it a pleasure to see how her patients lives could be transformed by regaining their health. She is survived by her parents, Dennis and Janice Hofmaier, two sisters, a brother, a nephew, and three nieces.

**Dr. Jeffrey Dean Kelley**, 65, of Clymer, Pennsylvania, passed away April 12. He was awarded his bachelors degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1969 and his doctor of chiropractic degree from the NCC in 1982. Dr. Kelley established his chiropractic practice in Clymer in 1988, providing care to his many patients over the next 25 years. 'Doc', an accomplished guitarist, played both individually and

in various bands in many venues and was very proud of winning the Western Pennsylvania Blues competition in 2010. He is survived by a daughter, a son, his wife, and three grandchildren,

**Dr. Harry Lithas**, 84, of Elmhurst, Illinois, died July 8. Dr. Lithas graduated from NCC in 1952. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Helen, a son and daughter, and three grandchildren.

**Dr. William B. Marshall, Jr.**, 96, of Dallas, Texas, died March 24. He served for four years in the Army Medical Corps during WW II. After the war, he graduated from NCC in 1952 and practiced first in Savannah, Georgia, and then in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, until his retirement in 1993. In retirement, he worked as a health and wellness consultant. Dr. Marshall is survived by a daughter, Dr. Muriel Marshall and her husband Dr. Mike Bah, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by Helen, his wife of 59 years.

**Dr. Henry J. Reidinger**, 87, of Oconto Falls, Wisconsin, died June 7 at home surrounded by his loving family. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII where his duty was to "catch airplanes by cable" as they landed on the ship. After leaving the military, he attended NCC and graduated in 1950. In 1951, he was recalled into the Navy to serve in the Korean War. 'Doc' opened his first chiropractic office in Oconto Falls in 1952 and he took great pride and dedication in caring for his patients. Dr. Reidinger also spent many years dedicated to numerous community organizations. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Jackie, seven children, 19 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren.

**Dr. Leonard W. Schroeder**, 91, of Roselle, Illinois, died May 19. A 1949 NCC graduate, he had a long and distinguished career as a chiropractic physician practicing in Oak Park. Dr. Schroeder also taught for a time at NCC, and was a pioneer in the field of sports medicine. He was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine, and is survived by nieces, nephews and cousins.

**Dr. Oliver George Titrud**, 86, passed away March 22 in Clarissa, Minnesota. He held numerous degrees and taught many courses in the field of science, botany and nutrition at various colleges including National College of Chiropractic. He was the author of *Titrud's Method of Dissection of the Body Wall and Extremities* among others. He was preceded in death by his wife of more than 50 years, Dorothy, and is survived by seven children, 16 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

**Dr. Peter M. Showan**, 89, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, died on May 9. He attended Penn State University before enlisting in the Army Air Corps during World War II and serving as a fighter pilot. Following active service, he joined the Medical Service Corps National Guard Service; after active duty, he completed undergraduate studies at the University of Florida and Temple University. He graduated from NCC in 1952, where he was elected to the Honorary Scholastic Society. He practiced as a chiropractor in Chambersburg for 38 years, retiring in 1988. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nedra, and is survived by three daughters and seven grandchildren.

**Dr. Terry W. Webb**, 52, of Lima, Ohio, passed away on June 8 at his residence. He received his bachelor of science in secondary education in 1982 from the University of Cincinnati and his master's in education in 1996 from Northern Kentucky University.

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Dr. Terry Webb

Throughout his professional career, Terry held a variety of jobs, among them were international sales coordinator for Dover Corporation, organizational consultant for the Management Design Institute, and one he dearly loved, science teacher at Notre Dame Academy in Park Hills, Kentucky, for 14 years. Terry returned to the classroom and received his doctor of chiropractic degree and acupuncture certificate from NUHS in 2009, and was named the Joseph Janse Outstanding Graduate. Upon graduating, Dr. Webb became Health Partners of Western Ohio's first chiropractor. In addition, he had his own office in St. Marys, where he practiced acupuncture. His smile and laughter were his trademark. Dr. Webb is survived by his wife, Lynne A. Cigolotti, a son and daughter, his mother, and three brothers. He was preceded in death by his father, a sister and a brother.

## Alumni News

### 1970s

**Anthony Hamm, DC, FACO**, (1979) of Goldsboro, North Carolina, vice president of the American Chiropractic Association, has been re-elected co-chair of the American Medical Association's (AMA) RVS Update Committee (RUC) Health Care Professionals Advisory Committee Review Board (HCPAC). The RUC HCPAC develops recommendations on relative values for new and revised CPT codes reported principally by non-MD/DO professionals. Dr. Hamm, the first chiropractic physician to serve

as HCPAC co-chair, will begin his second two-year term in October.

**Dr. Tom Klaserner** (1978) of Gnadenhutzen, Ohio, earns KUDOS from NUHS for referring a student to our Summer 2013 class. Thank You, Dr. Klaserner!

**Dr. Allan Unruh** (1970) of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, was named Chiropractor of the Year by the South Dakota Chiropractor's Association (SDCA). He is a past president of SDCA, started "Free Choice Initiative" to address discrimination of all third party payers in South Dakota, was one of the original five in the Wilk anti-trust lawsuit against the AMA, and has authored six books. He and his wife, Leslee, have five children, two of whom are chiropractors, and 15 grandchildren.

### 1980s

**Dr. Jay Gallaher and Dr. Erin (Eick) Gallaher** (2008) of Delaware, Ohio, announce the birth of a daughter, Olivia Jayne Gallaher, on April 5.

**Dr. Thomas O'Bryan** (1981) of Encinitas, California, continues to share his expertise in celiac disease and non-celiac gluten sensitivity in various formats. In the second edition of *Advancing Medicine with Food and Nutrients*, by Ingrid Kohlstadt MD, MPH, he co-authored a chapter on celiac disease and non-celiac gluten sensitivity with Rodney Forman, MD, MBBS, and Cynthia Kupper, RD. He also co-authored a paper with a team of ENT medical specialists in the *American Journal of Otolaryngology* entitled "Ménière disease and gluten sensitivity: Recovery after a gluten-free diet." At a recent Complementary and Alternative Medicine Conference hosted by the British Association of Nutritional Professionals, Dr. O'Bryan presented a keynote address on "Food Reactive Disorders and Auto-immunity", and a two-hour public presentation

on "The Conundrum of Gluten Sensitivity: Treatment of an Elusive Immune Reaction."

### 1990s

**Mordy Levy, DC, ND** (1997, 2011), MD, was the subject of a cover story in the April/May issue of *Integrative Health Practitioners*, a professional magazine for integrative MDs, DOs and NDs. The article highlights his diverse academic and clinical training, which has resulted in his Center for Advanced Integrative Medicine in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Dr. Levy's clinic includes conventional family physicians, specialists and other paramedical professionals who specialize in integrative family medicine with a particular interest in chronic conditions. Dr. Levy also believes in mentoring the future generation of integrative professionals by mentoring interns from Canadian medical, chiropractic and naturopathic colleges. Dr. Levy and his wife, Dina, are the proud parents of a son, Gabriel, born in October 2012.

### 2010s

**Dr. Kalli Prater** (2012) of Lombard, Illinois, is now practicing at Tranquility Natural Medicine in downtown St. Charles, Illinois. She focuses on integrating traditional chiropractic care with internal medicine. Dr. Prater offers lab services and gynecology along with traditional chiropractic, acupuncture and nutritional counseling.

### Chiropractors Sought for Mission Work

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has recently accepted chiropractic treatment for all active full-time missionaries in 347 worldwide missions, and is seeking chiropractors to treat the missionaries throughout the world. Those interested can find out more details at [ldschiro.com](http://ldschiro.com) or by contacting Ken Pierce, DC, at [drken2003@excite.com](mailto:drken2003@excite.com).