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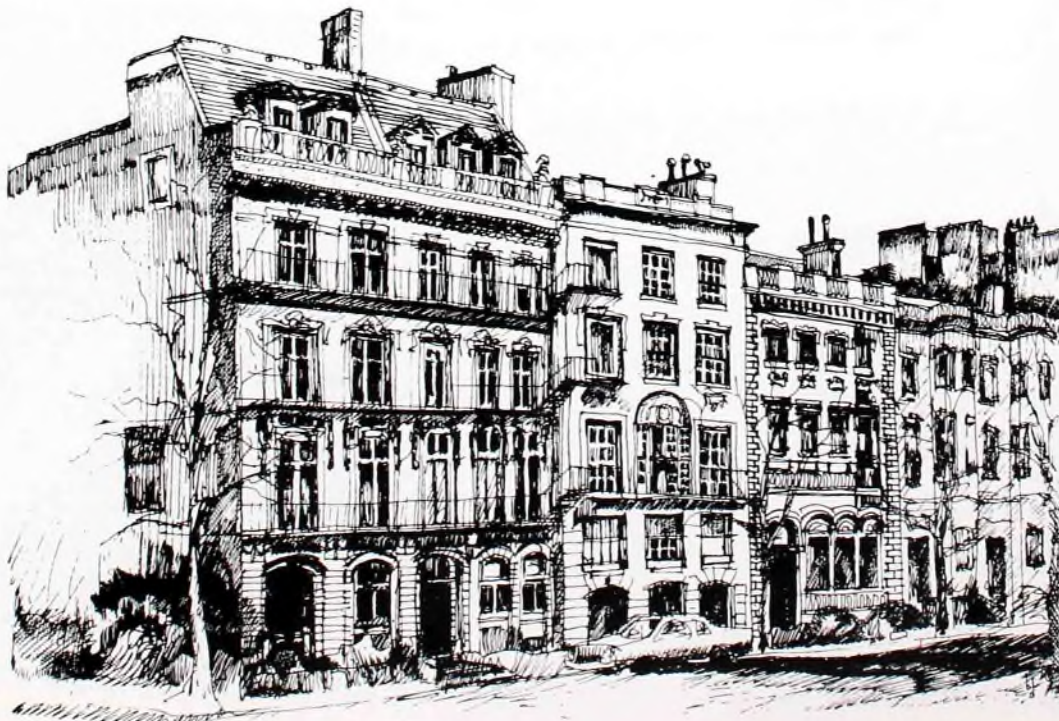
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Dear Class of 2002:

The entire College community congratulates you as you receive your Doctor of Optometry degrees. This distinction is far more than simply recognition of your years of hard work, academic abilities, and clinical competencies, it is also a mark of your dedication, compassion for others, and commitment to service, without which you would not have earned these degrees.

You have been taught by some of the finest faculty in the world and have gained an immense amount of knowledge. As important, you have learned about the health care needs of your neighbors and how best you can help them. Vision is a gift to be treasured and protected; you have the extraordinary privilege of enhancing that gift for the healthy and restoring that gift among the sick or injured.

As you enter the profession of optometry, you join generations of forebears who laid the foundations upon which you will build. You are obligated to maintain the highest levels of ethical behavior, clinical skills, and scientific understanding. Only then can you fully serve your patients. I am confident that you will serve your patients and our profession with distinction.

I welcome you as colleagues.

Sincerely,

Alan Laird Lewis, OD, PhD
President



Once upon a time, students from Boston, Massachusetts traveled to New Hampshire to begin their professional careers. They then made friends, made foes, gossiped, skipped classes, took exams, wrote papers, got remedials, went on screenings, had dinner parties, laughed, cried, got engaged, got married, had children, went on weekend trips, got tattoos, gave corneal tattoos, practiced gonioscopy, finally found the ora, never saw neutrality, partied too much, drank too much, slept too much, and studied too little.

In response to an overwhelming desire to capture all these memories, a proclamation resounded throughout the kingdom: Hear ye, hear ye! A yearbook must be created! A yearbook indeed is what we need! Soon thereafter, a lad and lass gallantly arose from the crowd to accomplish this noble yet arduous task. With the strength of a committee and a fair maiden who called herself Dierdre, these two youths set out to produce the finest such volume their community had ever known.

Many years have since passed, but the words etched on the pages of their enterprising record still greet all whose eyes peek inside: Congratulations to you all, and may you live happily ever after.

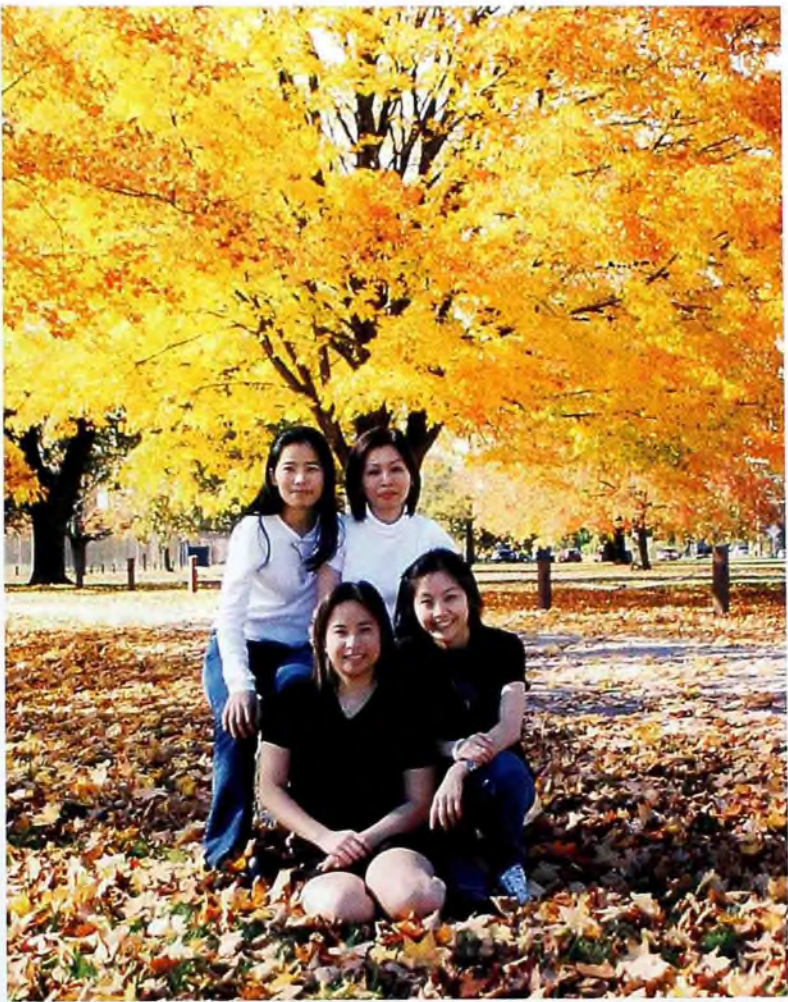
Frank and Heather





Nothing is ours except time.
— Seneca







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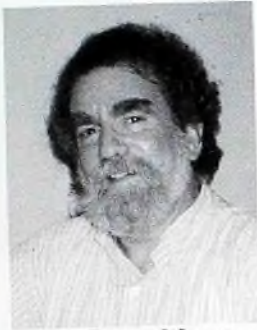
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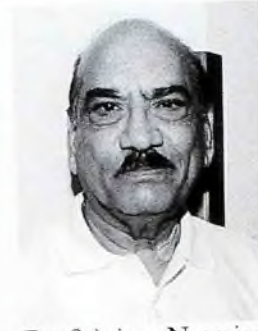
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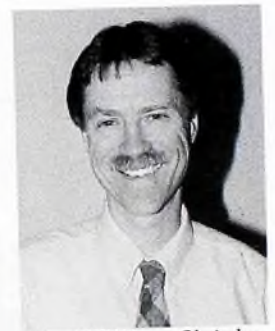
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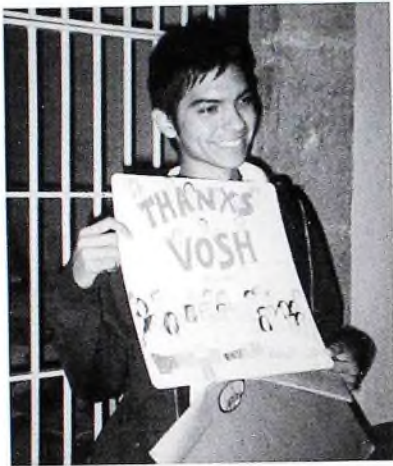
Faculty





We know what we are, but know not what we may be.
— William Shakespeare





VOSH

Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity (VOSH) is becoming a longstanding tradition at The New England College of Optometry. It is a student-run organization that provides those who are less fortunate with basic eye care.

Twenty-eight students and four doctors made the 2001 VOSH trip to Chetumal, Mexico, approximately 250 miles south of Cancun. In 5 days, approximately 1,500 patients, ranging in age from 5 to 101 years old, were seen. Common problems included uncorrected refractive error, amblyopia, cataracts, diabetic and hypertensive retinopathy, dry eye, pterygia, glaucoma, and retinal detachments.

The Mexican people greatly appreciated the services provided by the students and doctors, and all members of VOSH felt a deep sense of fulfillment after the trip.







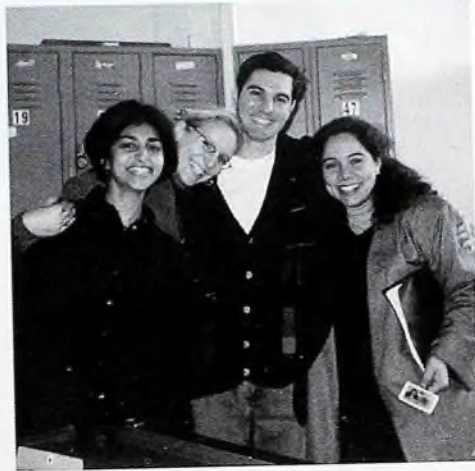
Half the world does not know how the other half lives.
— Rabelais





*That it will never come again
Is what makes life so sweet.*
— Emily Dickinson







1998–1999

Mark McGwire hits 70 home runs to break Roger Maris' 37-year-old single-season record • George W. Bush is reelected governor of Texas in a landslide • John Glenn completes his second trip through space • Osama bin Laden is indicted in connection with bombings at U.S. embassies in Africa • Central America is devastated by Hurricane Mitch • Bill Clinton becomes the second U.S. president to be impeached; he is later acquitted of charges of perjury and obstruction of justice • Michael Jordan retires from the NBA • The Denver Broncos repeat as Super Bowl champs • King Hussein of Jordan dies • The Dow Jones industrial average tops 10,000 for the first time • NATO bombs Yugoslavia after Kosovo talks fail • *Shakespeare in Love* wins the Oscar for Best Picture • Two teenagers fatally shoot 12 students and a teacher at Columbine High School before killing themselves • Ehud Barak defeats Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu in a national election

JFK Jr., his wife, and his sister-in-law die in a plane crash off Martha's Vineyard • The European Union ends its 3-year ban on British beef exports • The U.S. defeats China for the Women's World Cup in soccer • The Russian space station *Mir* is vacated by its last crew • East Timor votes for independence from Indonesian rule • The New York Yankees win their 25th World Series • Demonstrators disrupt World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle • Boris Yeltsin resigns as Russian president • The world braces for Y2K disasters as January 1, 2000 arrives, but only minor glitches occur • Young Cuban refugee, Elián González, becomes the center of an international custody dispute • "Peanuts" creator Charles Schulz dies • Carlos Santana wins a record-tying eight Grammys in one night • Same-sex couples get legal rights in Vermont • Cardinal John O'Connor of New York City dies

1999–2000

2000–2001

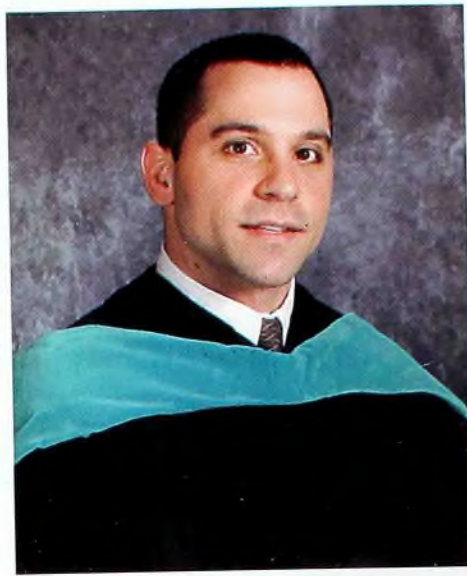
The presidents of North and South Korea meet in their first-ever summit • Scientists announce that they have determined the structure of the human genome • Vicente Fox is elected president of Mexico • A Concorde jetliner crashes moments after takeoff in Paris • Tire blowouts force a massive recall by Firestone • An estimated 51 million viewers watch the first season finale of *Survivor* • Indiana University fires basketball coach Bobby Knight • The 2000 Summer Olympics open in Sydney • An apparent terrorist attack kills 17 sailors on the U.S.S. *Cole* • Five weeks after a dramatic national election, George W. Bush and Dick Cheney are awarded Florida's 25 electoral votes to become president and vice president of the U.S. • First Lady Hillary Clinton wins the most expensive Senate race in U.S. history • Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman announce their divorce • Ariel Sharon ousts Ehud Barak as Israeli prime minister • Dale Earnhardt dies in a crash at the Daytona 500 • Julia Roberts wins an Oscar for *Erin Brockovich* • President Bush visits with the Dalai Lama at the White House

The search intensifies for missing Washington intern Chandra Levy • Carroll O'Connor, best known for playing television's Archie Bunker, dies • The Federal Reserve again lowers short-term interest rates to help a cooling economy • Madonna entertains European and American audiences with her sold-out Drowned World Tour • Lance Armstrong cruises to his third consecutive Tour de France victory • Singer Aaliyah dies in a plane crash in the Bahamas • Terrorists crash hijacked airliners into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; war on terrorism soon follows • Barry Bonds hits 73 home runs to break Mark McGwire's single-season record • Athletes from around the world compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City • The New England College of Optometry graduates its 108th class

2001–2002



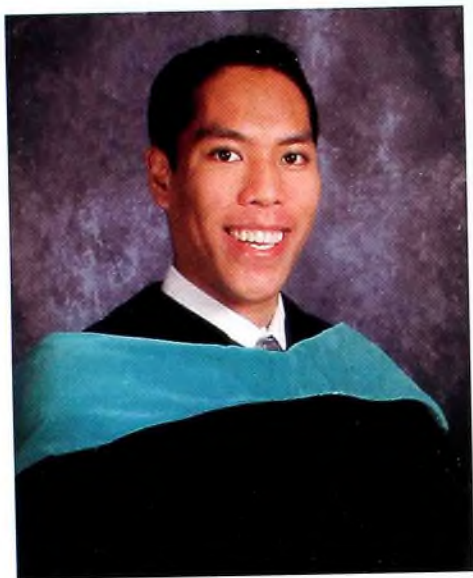
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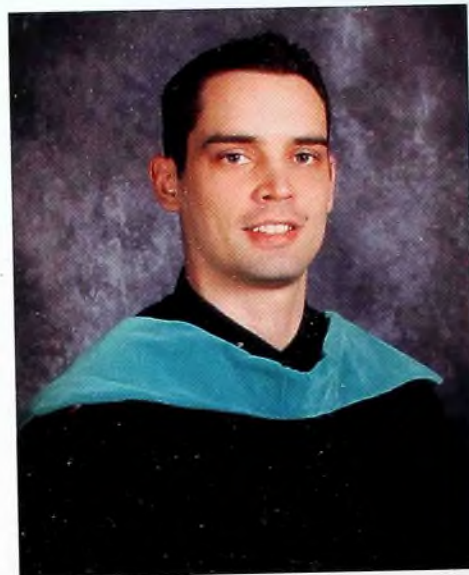
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Edlira Alushi, OD



Michael Tantoco Argao, OD



Daniel Arnoldi, OD



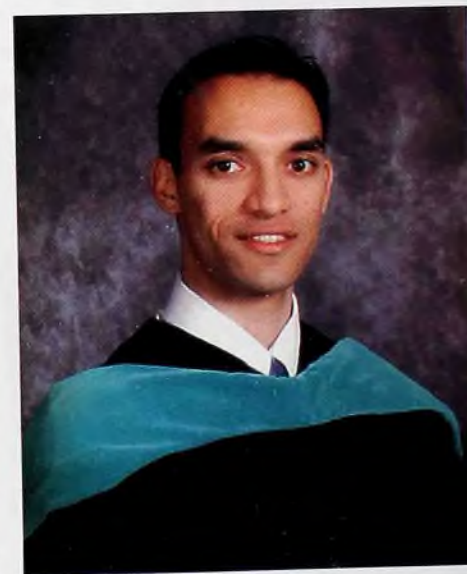
Andrea S. Bassi, OD



Maricela Bonilla, OD



Amy Leigh Boyer, OD



Colin S. Braganza, OD



Mile Brujic, OD



Megan Beth Bruther, OD



Anh Xuan Bui, OD



Rama Ravoor Carson, OD



Teresa B. Carstensen, OD



Laura Ann Carvalho, OD



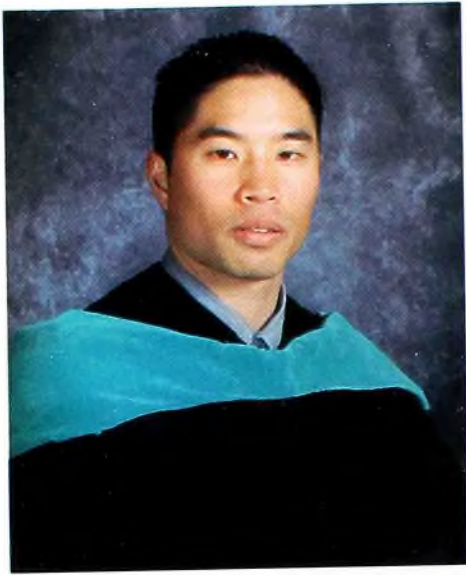
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Oliver T. Chen, OD



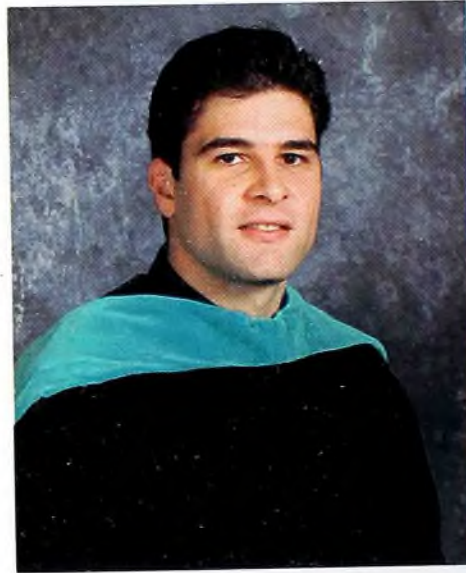
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Ashish Chhitwal, OD



Savvas Christou, OD



Anne Marie Chu, OD



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James Eric Dello Russo, OD



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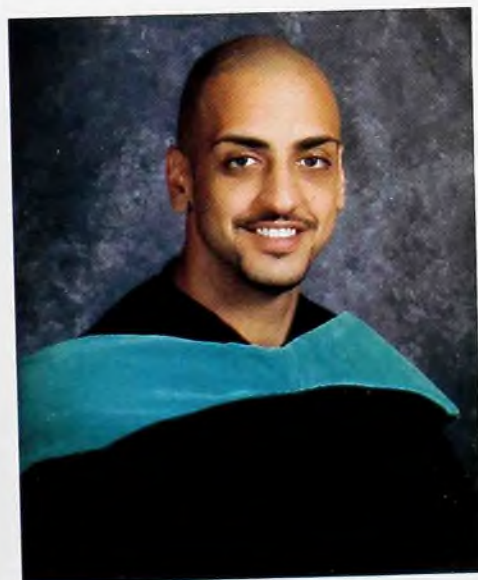
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Tammer El Habiby, OD



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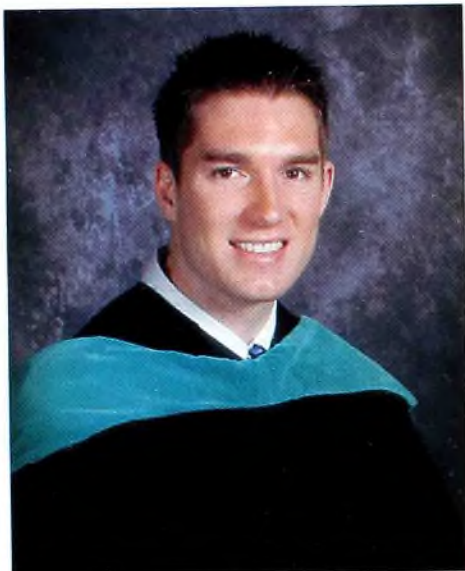
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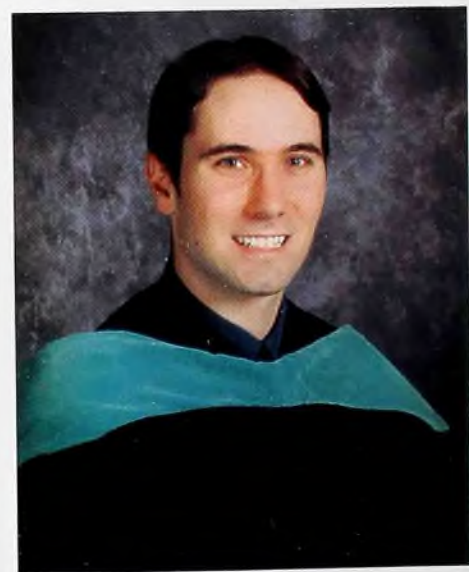
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Bok M. Han, OD



Melissa Hergan, OD



Robert W. Hill III, OD



Christine A. Hing, OD



Steven Holmstrom, OD



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Narah K. Kim, OD



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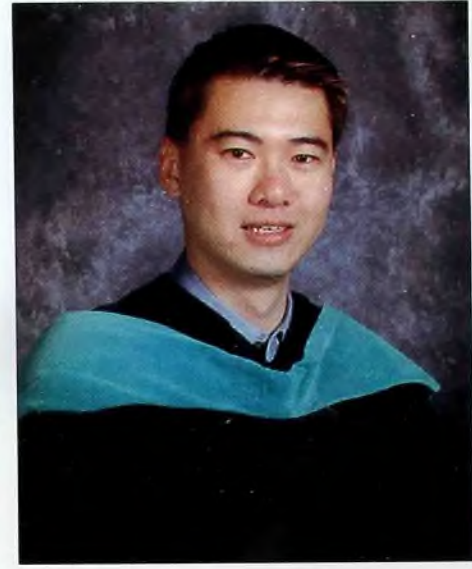
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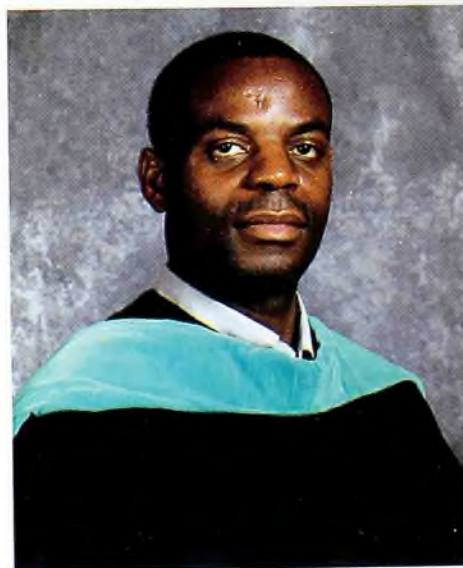
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Juliane Lee, OD



Chad Lehtonen, OD



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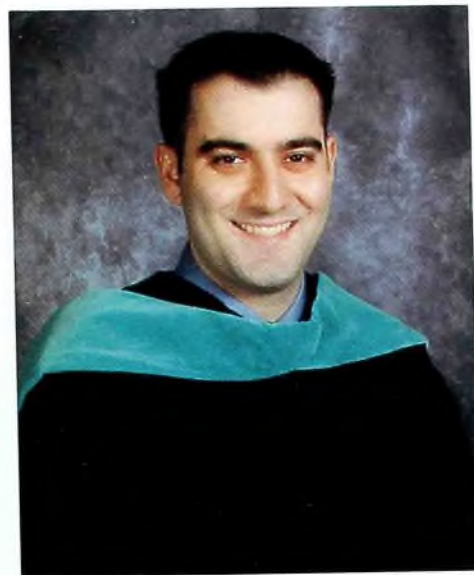
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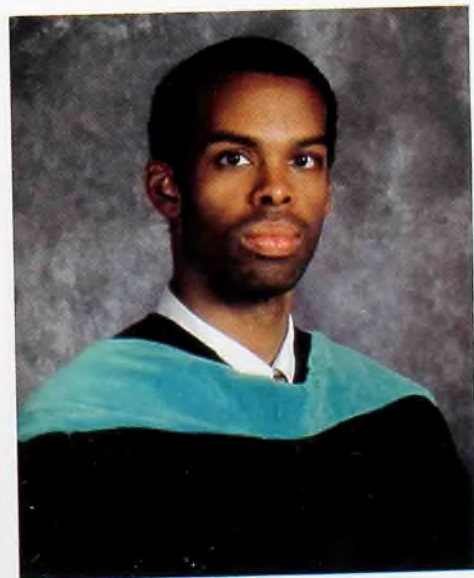
Aileen Maria, OD



Deanne Mayo, OD



Molly Bridgette McGinty, OD



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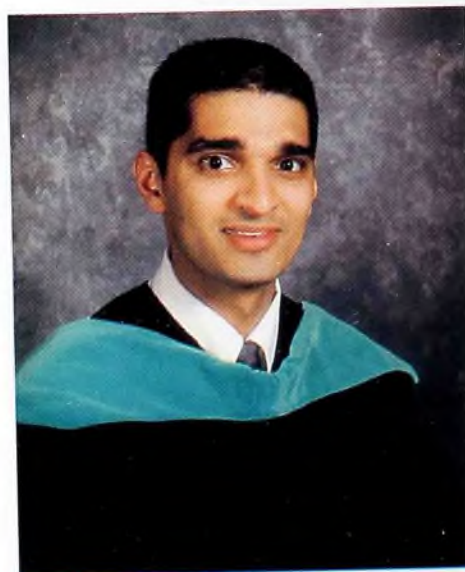
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Jennifer Nussey, OD



Kristin E. Orabone, OD



Raman Parkash, OD



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Rostislav Ryvkin, OD



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John C. Sellechio, OD



Manish Shah, OD



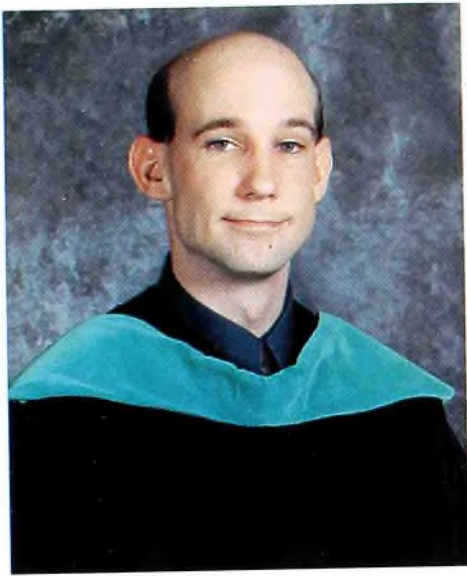
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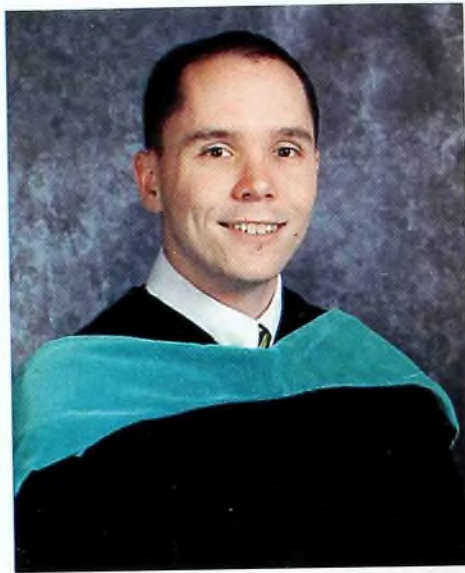
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Inhyang Song, OD



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Amanda J. Tarr, OD



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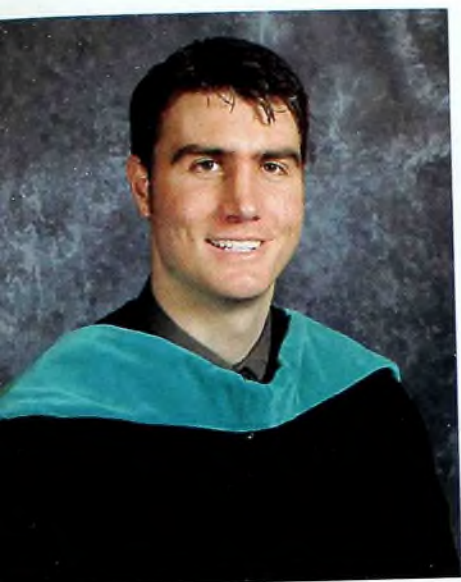
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Jaime L. Van Fossan, OD



Chad A. Vaughn, OD



Grant Vorster, OD



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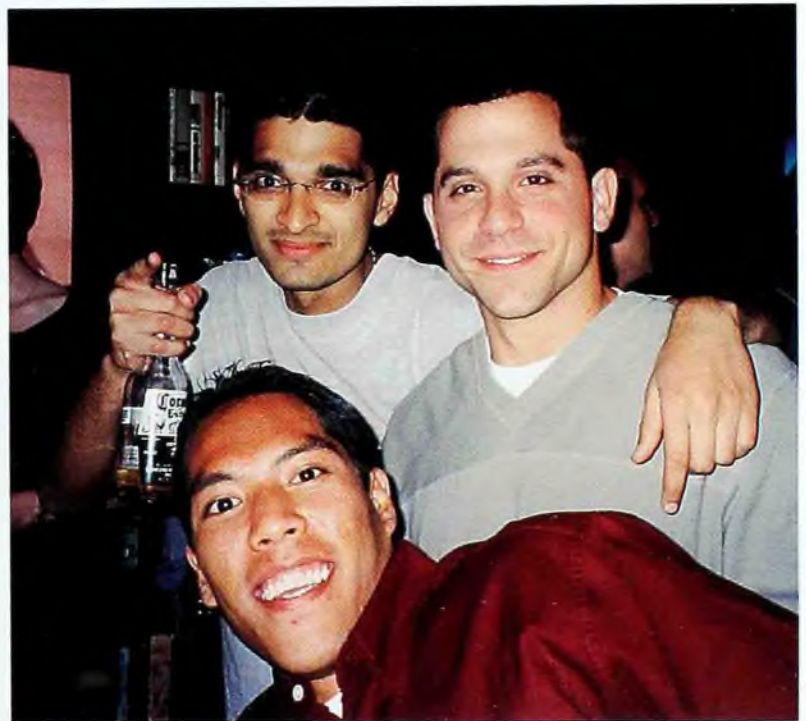
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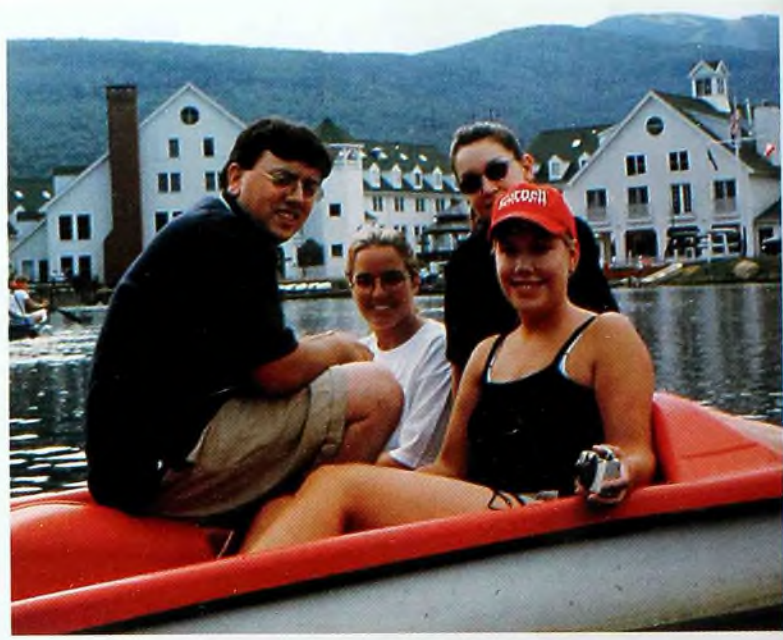


Enrique Yepes-Hoyos, OD

Youth, even in its sorrows, has a brilliance of its own.
— Victor Hugo



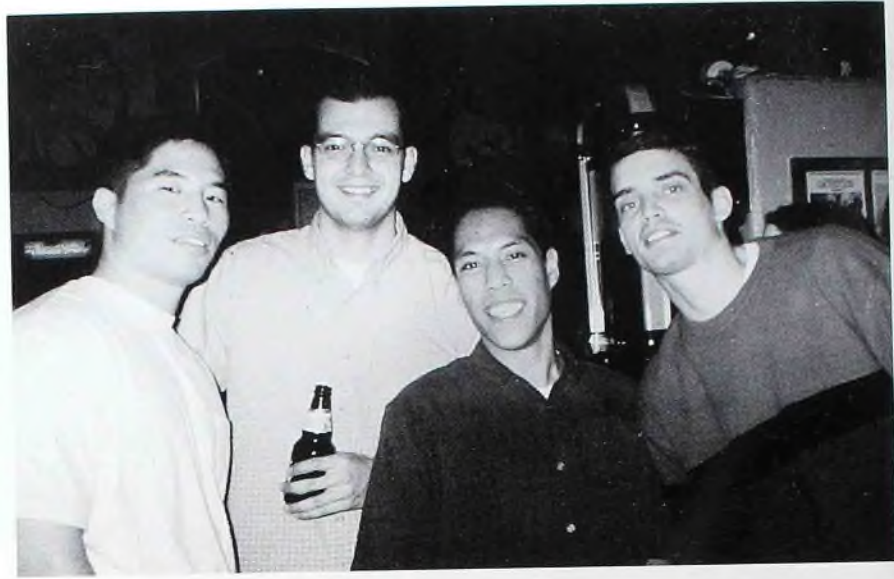
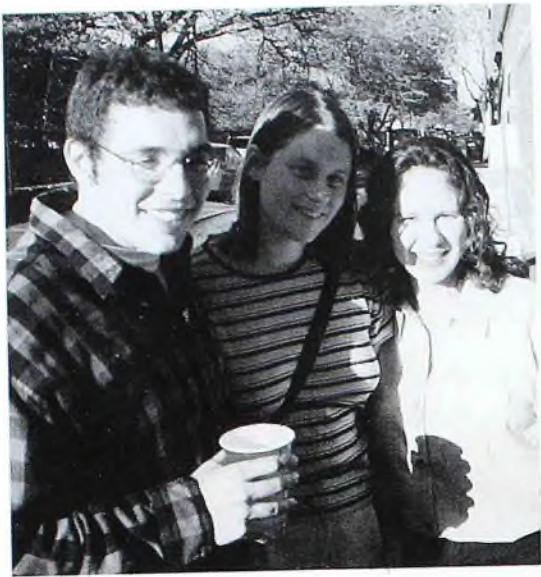




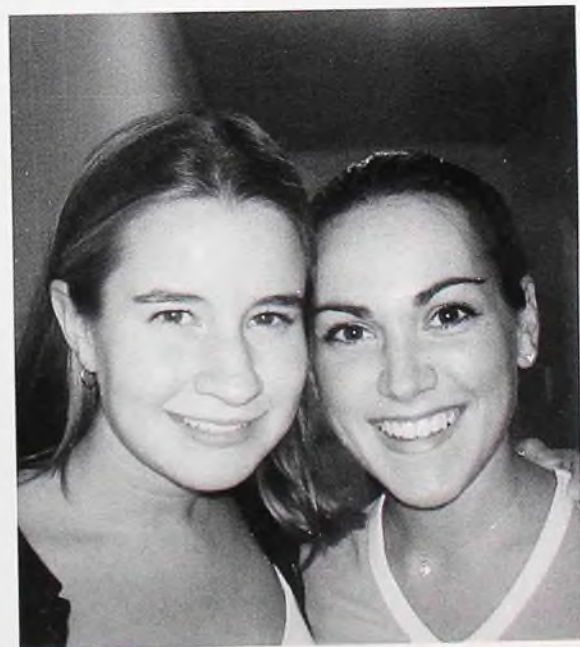
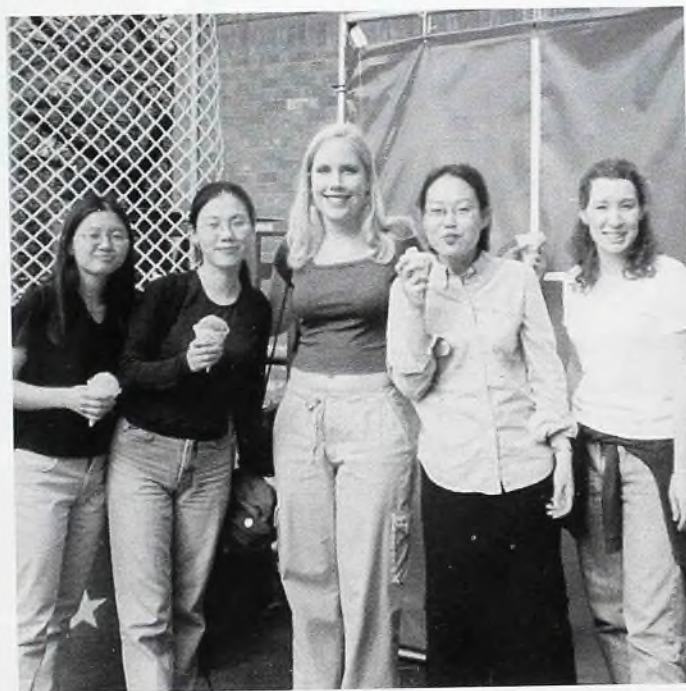


The Ames Room really does work!





*A true friend is the most precious of all possessions
and the one we take the least thought about acquiring.
— La Rochefoucauld*

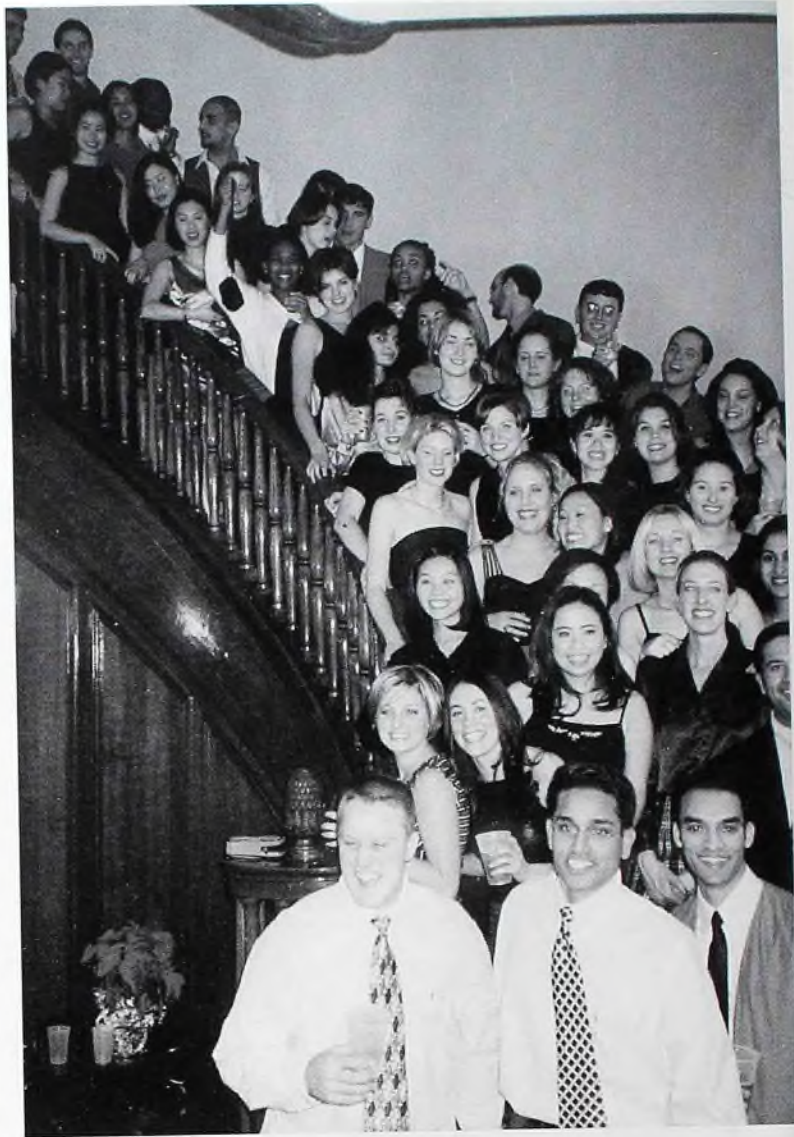


Halloween October 29 1998 Clerys





*Holiday Party
December 11
1998
The College*





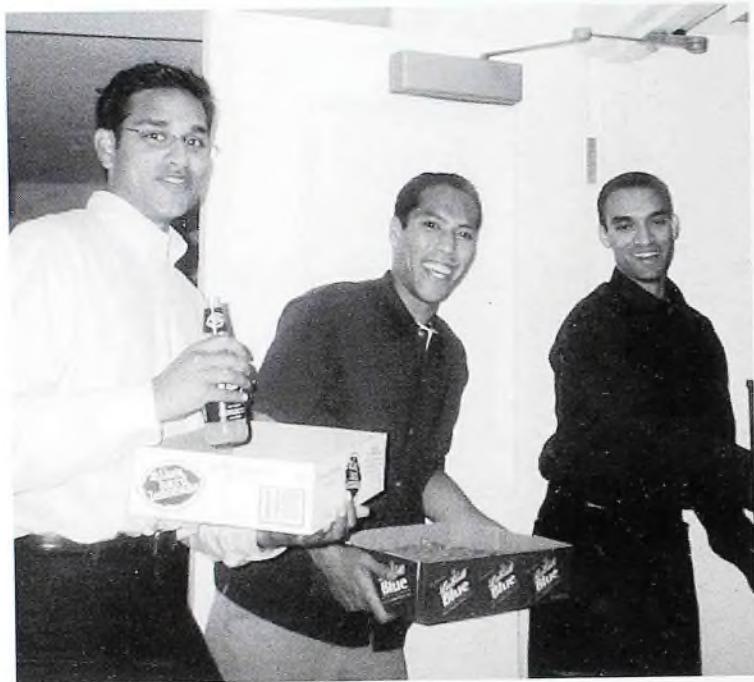
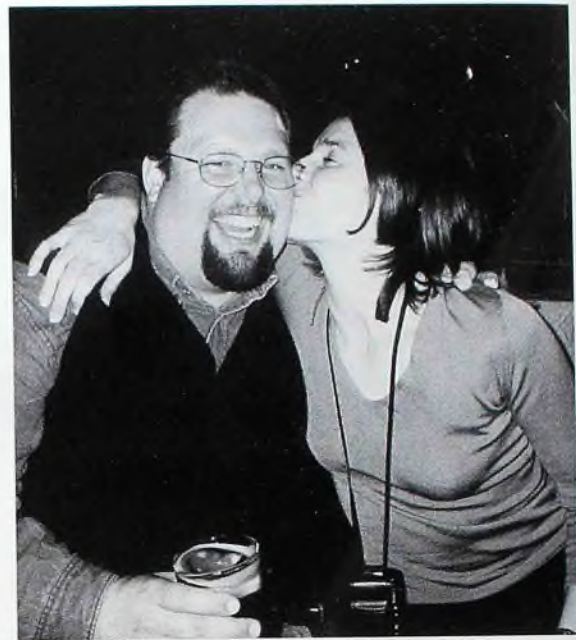
The Eye Ball

March 27, 1999
Museum of Science





*Drink and dance and laugh and lie,
Love, the reeling midnight through
For tomorrow we shall die!
(But, alas, we never do.)
— Dorothy Parker*



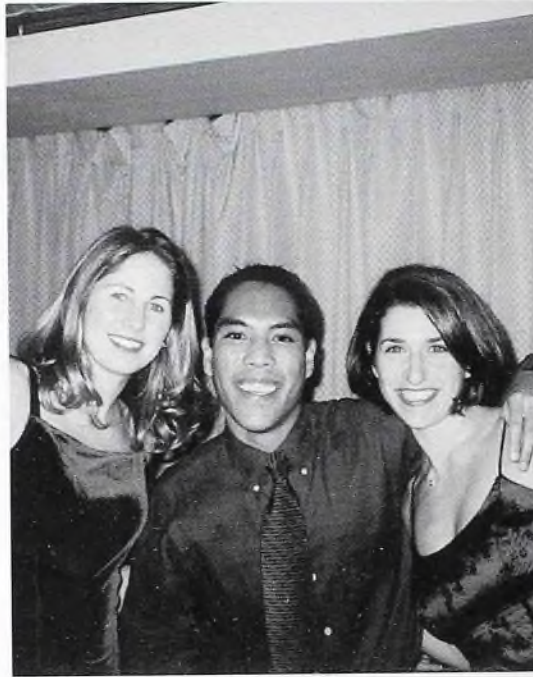


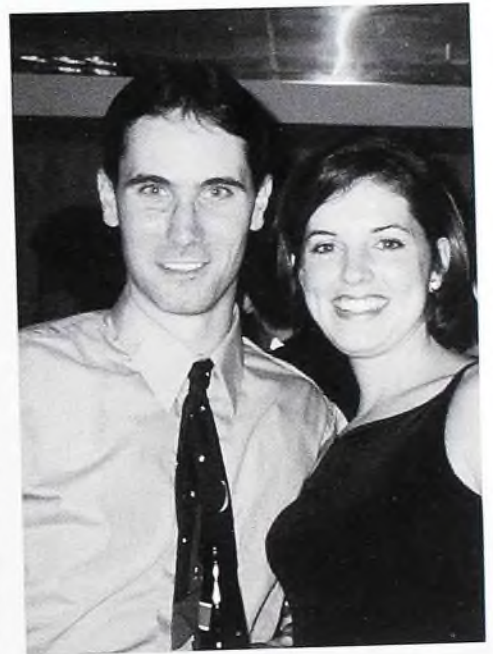
Halloween October 29 1999 Luxor





*Holiday Party
December 10
1999
Holiday Inn*





The Eye Ball

March 24, 2000
Fairmont
Copley Plaza









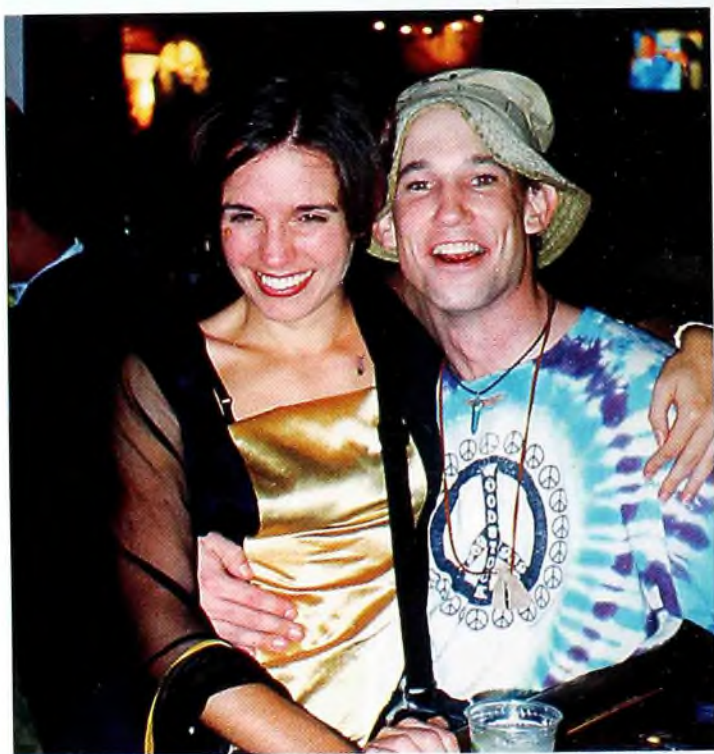
*On with the dance! Let joy be unconfined;
No sleep till morn, when Youth and Pleasure meet
To chase the glowing Hours with flying feet.
— Lord Byron*





*A friend is a person with whom I may be sincere.
Before him, I may think aloud.
— Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Halloween October 27 2000 Copperfield's







*I like the dreams of the future better
than the history of the past.
— Thomas Jefferson*



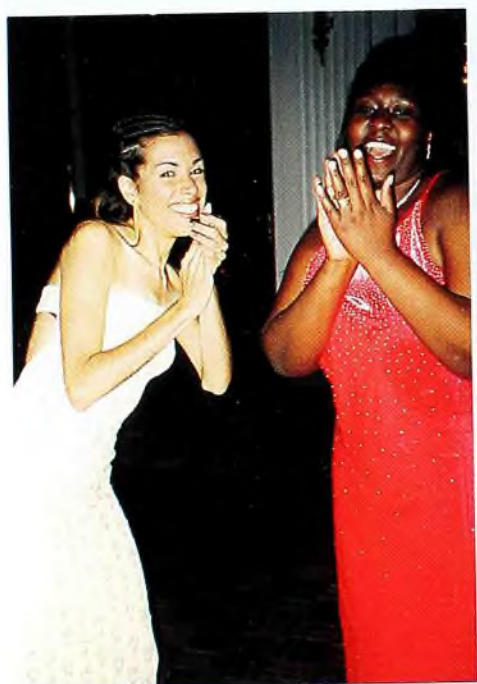
*Holiday Party
December 16
2000
Holiday Inn*



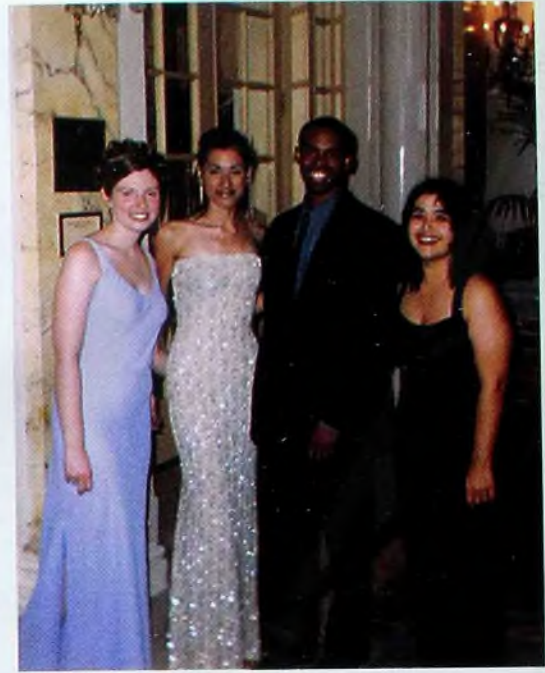


The Eye Ball

March 23, 2001
Fairmont
Copley Plaza













Was NEWENCO
your first choice?

Yes 69% No 31%



Which class did
you skip most
often?

Zorn ♦ McCormack ♦

Frankel ♦ Clinical

Medicine ♦ Geriatrics ♦

None ♦ Low Vision ♦ All

of third year ♦ Practice

Management ♦ Raj

Which class did
you never skip?

Ocular Disease ♦ Neuro-
anatomy ♦ Grand

Rounds ♦ OTM ♦

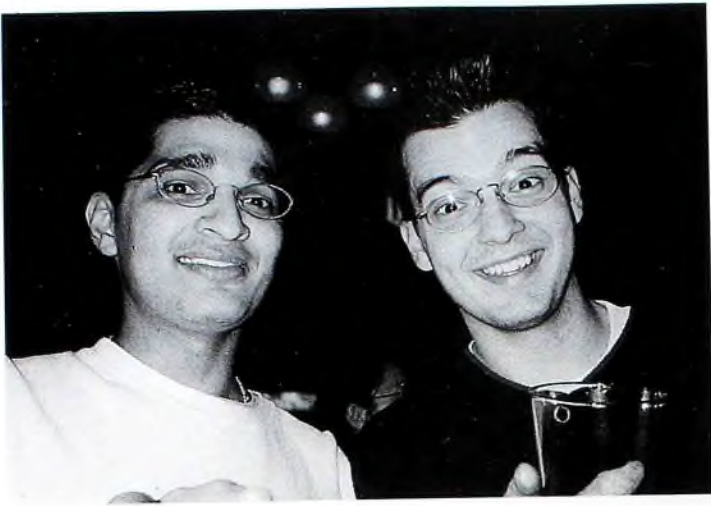
TMOD ♦ Adult

Psychology ♦ Human

Anatomy ♦ Strabismus

and Amblyopia





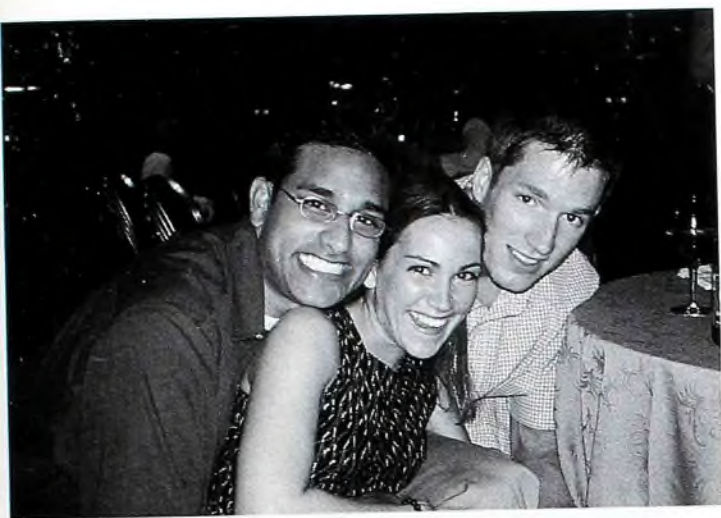
What has been your worst experience with a patient?

Police raid during a home eye exam ♦ A patient mistook me for an MD and started to undress ♦ A patient tried to smell my hair during o'scope ♦ Handed an occluder to a monocular patient ♦ A patient did a vodka shot with a fruit punch chaser during the exam

What is the best excuse you have given to a professor?

My boyfriend was having chalazion surgery ♦ I got lost ♦ I studied for the wrong test ♦ Jury duty in a 5-day homicide trial ♦ I was talking to the VOSH president about travel plans, so that's why I missed your lecture on tangent screens ♦ I failed it ♦ I couldn't get a view





What is the best thing you have done to procrastinate?

Scrubbed my floors by hand ♦ Went to the beach ♦ Cleaned out my wallet ♦ Watched *Footloose* and *Dirty Dancing* ♦ Made brownies ♦ Tried on different outfits from my closet ♦ Got a manicure

What is your favorite TV show?

Friends 42% *ER* 13%

Will & Grace 10%

The West Wing 7%

Who Wants to Be a

Millionaire? 6%

Survivor 5% Other 17%





Where did you
study most often?

Home 70% BU 13%

NEWENCO 10%

Northeastern 4%

Starbucks 2% the T 1%

What advice
would you give to
a first year?

Run and hide ♦ Buy lots
of black binders ♦ Use
old exams ♦ Enjoy
Boston ♦ Study ♦ Don't
study ♦ Eat, drink, and be
merry ♦ Go to classes
selectively ♦ Don't skip
class ♦ Chill ♦ Don't put
things off until the last
minute ♦ Never give up



Congratulations Dan!

Congratulations
on this
outstanding
accomplishment.
Now is the time
to enjoy the
success that
you've worked so
hard to achieve.

I love you!
Alicia



We are all so proud of you.
Keep reaching for your goals.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Alison, Tim, and Cully

Sati



Thank you for
bringing so
much joy into
our lives.

We are so proud
of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Onkar

*Melissa,
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Dad and Mom*



*Aunt Missy,
We love you, too!
Colton, Corrin, Kelsi, and Brooke*

Congratulations Julie!



*We are so proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, your sisters,
and brother*

Dr. Shana Lynn Williams

We thank God for giving us such a lovely and wonderful daughter;
a loving, caring, and supportive sister;
an unselfish family member who exudes determination and
steadfastness;
and a person who knows, loves, and trusts God.



We know in our hearts that you will become an outstanding
Doctor of Optometry and we are trusting God
to guide you and help you along life's highway!
We adore you dearly and wish you the best that life can offer.
Love always,
Daddy, Mommy, Jennifer, and Allan Jr.

Cheli,

I hope you never lose your sense of wonder
You get your fill to eat, but always keep that hunger
May you never take one single breath for granted
God forbid love ever leave you empty-handed
I hope you still feel small when you stand beside the ocean
Whenever one door closes, I hope one more opens
Promise me that you'll give faith a fighting chance

I hope you never fear those mountains in the distance
Never settle for the path of least resistance
Livin' might mean takin' chances, but they're worth takin'
Lovin' might be a mistake, but it's worth makin'
Don't let some hell-bent heart leave you bitter
When you come close to sellin' out, reconsider
Give the heavens above more than just a passing glance
And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance,
I hope you dance

Love,
Mom



*Congratulations
Christine!*



*We're so proud of you!
Love,
Ryan, Ivy, and Dad*

Congratulations

*Nash,
May all
your goals
and dreams
come true!*



*Love,
Mom, Dad, Shem, and Faizal*

Colleen,
This is the time to look back with satisfaction,
look ahead with anticipation, and fill each day with enjoyment.
Love, Mom and Dad



Colleen,
The world is yours.
Go for it!
We are proud of you.
Congratulations!
Mike and Camille
Tim and Kim
Natalie, Anthony,
Tyler, Cameron



Colleen,
Wishing you a lifetime of joy, happiness, peace, laughter, love, and blessings.
Love, Mom-Mom



Bob,
Thank you for bringing
so much joy into our lives.
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Dad, Mom, and Heather



Janet,
How far you go
How much you see
How high you soar
Depends on you
Congratulations! We are so proud of you!
Mom, Dad, and Darryl

Deanne P. Mayo, OD

Congratulations

We, your family, rejoice in your marvelous achievement. Your talent and abilities, uniqueness and warmth, strength and dedication have made your dreams come true.

We Love You!

Aunt Betty
Aunt Bernadette
& Uncle Dennis
Aunt Pat
& Uncle Roland
Aunt Evelyn
& Uncle Gerry
Uncle Gordon
Aunt Lorraine
& Uncle Gary
Aunt Anne
& Uncle Wally
Aunt Mary
& Uncle Ron
Uncle Allan
& families



Aunt Marlene
Aunt Margaret
& Uncle Cliff
Aunt Effie
& Uncle Sam
Aunt Shirley
& Uncle Yoshi
Aunt Shirley
& Uncle John
Aunt Chris
& Uncle Dave
Uncle Charlie
& families

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God bless you!  
With love  
from Nan  
XOXO

You may not know all that the world has to offer, but we know that the world will be a better place because of you. Always smile, little sister, and know how much we love you.  
Dana & Greg

*Thank you for bringing so much joy to our lives. We are so very proud of you.  
Love, Mom & Dad XOXO*

*You worked exceptionally hard to reach this great milestone. I am so proud of you and look forward to our future together.  
Love, Scott*

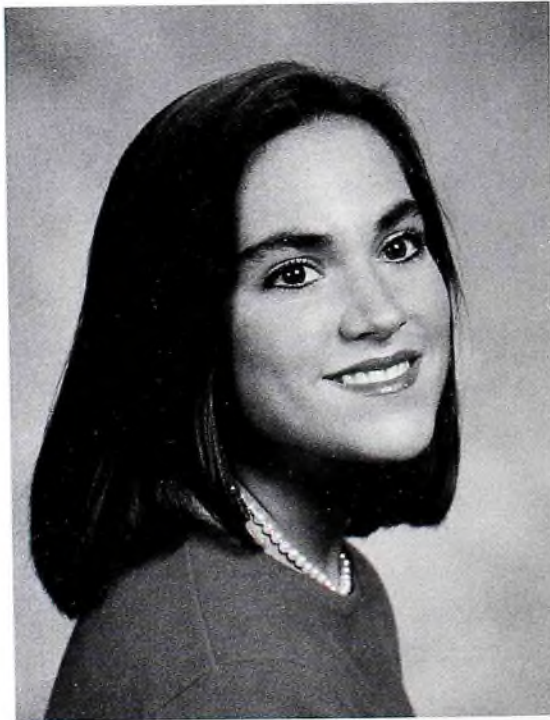
*You have achieved your goals, no matter where they have taken you. I couldn't have asked for a better sister to look up to and be proud of.  
Love,  
Dawn*

# Congratulations heatEr!



We're so very  
proud of you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Scott, and Reid



Dear Dr. Megan Bruther,

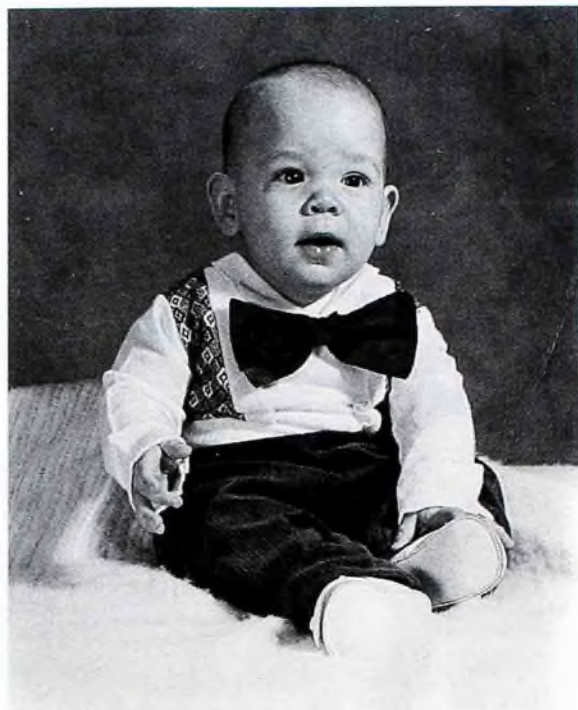
You have most successfully  
completed a wonderful milestone in  
your life and have earned a  
praiseworthy degree. Our pride in  
your accomplishment is  
overwhelming. We love you deeply  
and forever.

All our love and with great pride,  
Mom, Aliza, Marissa, and Michael

## Congratulations Frank!

We've wanted nothing more  
than for you to be happy.  
We're so proud of you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
and Amy



## Congratulations Dr. Nicholas Motto!



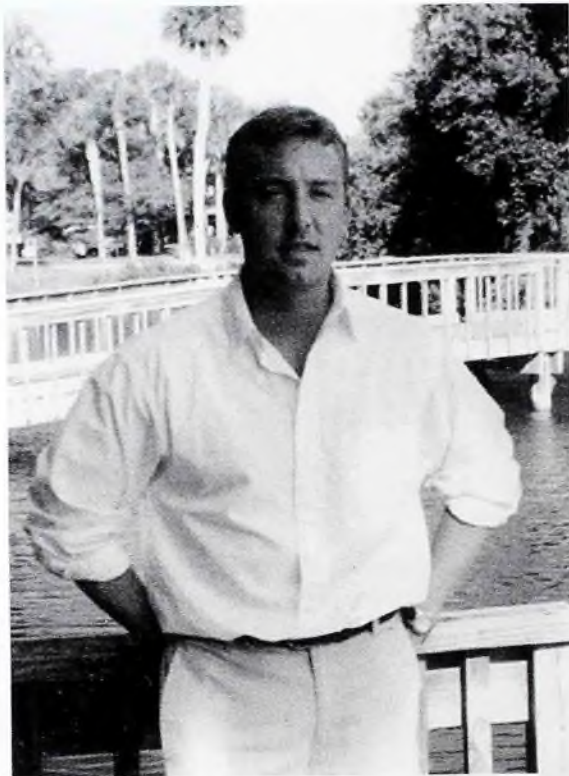
We are very proud of your hard work!  
Love, your family,  
Mom, Dad, Amy, Becky, and Don



## Congratulations Tonya!

Your accomplishments have given us great joy.  
We wish you much success, happiness, and  
God's richest blessings in the years ahead.  
We love you!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Crystal

# **Congratulations Brian!**



**May your past experiences and efforts  
help bridge your goals with your dreams.**

**Your family and friends are all very proud of you.**

**Love,**

**Dad**

# CONGRATULATIONS

## Dr. Eric Staffier

*We're so very proud of you!!!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Lisa, Chris, Emily,  
Bonnie, Thomas, David,  
John, Kim, Katie, and Tyler*

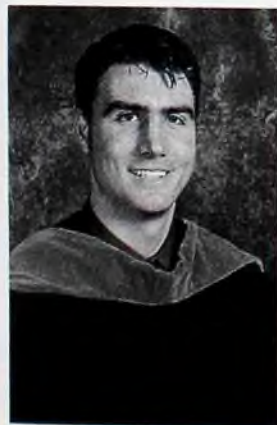


*Becky,  
Words cannot  
express how  
proud I am of  
you. I wish you  
much success as  
you start on the  
journey of your  
life.  
Love,  
Mom*

Annunziato,

*Congratulations!  
We are very proud  
of you.*

*Love,  
Mom and Dad*



*Grant,  
  
Congratulations!  
  
We are so proud  
of you!  
  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Sue, and  
Antoinette*

*Congratulations  
Barbara!*

*We knew you could do it.  
We are so proud of you!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Christina*

# Congratulations John McGuire III

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

*Jeremiah 29:11*

We all love you, and we are so very proud of you.  
May God bless you and keep you.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, Shannon, and family

## Anne Marie Chu

Congratulations on your graduation.  
Best wishes to many successes in the years  
to come. We are very proud of you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, David, and Anthony



Melissa,

Congratulations  
on your great  
achievement!

We are so  
proud of you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Lori, and Brian



Bradley,

What an accomplishment!  
We are so proud of your  
dedication and  
perseverance in attaining  
your goals and dreams.  
Best of luck to you  
and Natalie!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Janelle



# JAMES ERIC DELLO RUSSO



To Jamie, with love from your wife, family, and friends



“If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he imagined, he will meet with success unexpected in common hours.” -Mahatma Gandhi





*Sandra,*

*Because of your conscientiousness and dedication, you are successful in every endeavor. We love you very much and are proud of all that you have become....CONGRATULATIONS!*

*Love,*

*Mom, Dad, Zenia, Anthony, Christine, Median, Sam and John*



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