T-Wave 1999

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The Tulane University School of Medicine began as the Medical College of Louisiana in September of 1834. It became the first medical school in the Deep South, and the fifteenth in the country. There were only eleven students in the first class; tuition, room, and board came to less than four hundred dollars per year. Professors received no salary but were instead compensated by selling tickets to their lectures to the medical students.

The Civil War brought a halt to all medical training in 1862. The Medical College of Louisiana was fortunate to find financial security. Paul Tulane, a wealthy New Orleans merchant, bequeathed $1,250,000 to provide for a new University. By 1884 the various departments of the Medical College united under the jurisdiction of a new institution, Tulane University. In the early twentieth century Tulane's prominent faculty included Dr. Rudolph Matas, a vascular surgeon, and Dr. Isadore Dyer, a well-noted dermatologist who was instrumental in the development of the leprosarium in Carville, Louisiana.

Since its founding 163 years ago, as the Medical College of Louisiana, the Tulane University Medical School has undergone many changes. The Tulane Medical Center was organized in 1969 to broaden Tulane's commitment to medical education, research, and patient care. Later, the Tulane Medical Center Hospital and Clinic opened, becoming the first such university hospital in Louisiana. This 300-bed hospital has become a major referral center for tertiary care in the region. Recently, a portion of the hospital was sold to Columbia HCA. Charity Hospital has also changed, transferring many of the clinical departments to University Hospital.
Welcome to
CHARITY HOSPITAL
The Medical Center of Louisiana
A Level One Trauma Center Certified By
The American College of Surgeons

Department of Veterans Affairs
Medical Center
New Orleans

Tulane University Medical

Views of Charity Hospital, the Veterans Affairs Hospital, and University Hospital. Also pictured are Sean Cooke and Scott Bracey as they board the red commute bus from Charity to University.
Class Parties

Pictured: Bob Miller, Dave Taminger, and Andy Keegan pose with their lovely children. Andy: "Are you sure we haven't mixed them up?" Amy Hilmer and Scott Davis share a laugh about their new hair gel on a windy day at the Levee. John Saroyan and April Fox with the same fashion consultant at the Christmas Party. Matt Wilson and Tracy Jones playing keg softball. Bryan Frentz enjoying crawfish on a lovely spring day. Agent 008 at a soiree with Roya Mansouri and Ce Ce Jackson. "Coffin. David Coffin."
Pictured on this page: Dave Whitehead with Possum at the class Christmas party. "So, do you come here often?" Gina Kim, Nicole Finke, and Yvonne Cheng celebrate the end of Anatomy and work on their tans. Heather Andrews, Louis Macareo, and Lisha Barro at a class party. Jeannette Paysse and Paul Ryan at a class dinner. Todd Lewis and Joe Novak ecstatic over the free meal.
Cori Pachtman and her cat, Satchmo, fit together perfectly. Rob and Bambi Walters enjoy sunset on the levy with many dogs.

The gang on Perrier St.: Mike Sawyer, Melissa Bonder, Alison Asaro, Ngoc Duong, and Harvey Lee with plenty of dogs.

Liz DeBets has a close moment with her kitty.

Claire Dudley and her golden retriever, Bear.

Amy Korten with little Cody Korten.
Caren Mikesh with a lapful of cats.
Dave and Ben Taminger with the dogs—Mikki and Trip.
Lane Barbera with her man and her cat.
Mike Sawyer and his dog dressed for Mardi Gras.
Sean Cooke and a pet with local flavor
Andrea Chynny with Cody and Sara.

Tahlulah—Allison Pontius
Wakko—Amy Shipley
Big dog and little dog—Eliza Thomson
Elizabeth Taylor as a ravishing temptress awaiting her unaware prey.

Doug Koppel playing the role of the little devil he always wanted to be.

Crowds await the final verdict in the costume contest. We think the grand prize was first place in line for the Port-a-Potty...

Claudia Methvin plays the wickedly sexy host of the costume party in her French Quarter abode.

Dave and Allison Cameron dressed in their finest clothes. Dave clearly got his outfit from one of his patients at Charity that morning.

“What do you mean, no shoes, no shirt, no service?”

Daniel Baldwin and Sunjay Khicha caught moonlighting during medical school.
Bob Kirkcaldy, post call. We’ve all been there.

Eliza Thomasson and Claire Dudley realize that Leslie Minor is ready for a diaper change. Chun Chen as a woman. Why does he keep refusing to admit that he’s been moonlighting at Lucky Cheng’s?

Elaine and Clay as Kramer and Lane from the hit show Seinfeld. Yes, that’s Clay’s real hair. Yes, this caption is about nothing.

Andrew Keegan with the winning costume. Don’t ask how he got it.
Down the Aisle

Clockwise from left: Joel Moore, Monique Soileau, April Fox, Chris Shepela, Rob Walters, and Amy Shipley tie the knot. Middle: Hillary Campbell.
Beth Avena, Sean McWilliams, Alison Metherell, Darin Friess, Louis Guillermo, Andrea Chymi, and Lance and Leslie Estrada share moments from each of their weddings.
Out in the French Quarter after a night at the ball: Todd Lewis, Paul Ryan, Nikki Mihalopoulous, and Chun Chen.

"With these pipes, no one will ever card us again!" Lance Estrada, Rob Cohen, Mike Sawyer, and Tripp Buckley enjoy fine tobacco products at the beginning of an evening out. Sonya Jansky and Tim Brand offer a toast ("Come on guys, one drink on call won't hurt..."). Jinnie Ahlin and Jeannette Paysse pose for a quick shot before returning to the party.

Ladies in Red, Monique Soilleau and Amy Korten await the beginning of the music.
A Farewell to Arms

John David Larkin Nolen and Kate Barden display the fine vittles served at this year's Cadaver Ball at the Children's Museum.

Harvey Leo attempts to show Nikki Mihalopoulos the results of his recent dance lessons. Lesson #1: Never spend less than $3.00 on bargain dance lessons.

Erik Bruce and Hillary Cambell stand inside a giant bubble. "We're trying to have a private moment, go away!"

Rebecca Kruse-Jarres, Naomi Creel, Leslie Minor, Claire Dudley, and Amanda Herrin can't even begin to express how much fun they were having. Matt Wilson, Sean McWilliams, Brian Matlaga, and Mike Farmer get ready for a night out. Looks like Matt's just finished one of those long third-year days...
AOA

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Kiran M. Bamola
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Melissa J. Conder
David S. Cameron
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Philip A. Young
I swear by Apollo the physician, by Aesculapius, his brother, and by Hygieia, and Panacea, his sister, and by the health they will keep and this will be my reward: I will share my substance with them, and I will supply their necessities if they be in need. I will regard their offspring as my own brethren, and I will teach them this art, if they shall wish to learn it, without fee or covenant.

I will impart a knowledge of the Art by precept, lecture, and by every mode of teaching not only to my own children but to the children of those who have taught me, and to disciples bound by covenant and oath, according to the Law of Medicine, but to none other.

The regimen I adopt shall be for the benefit of my patients according to my ability and judgment and I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous. I will seek to inform my patients fully about their illness and prognosis, and will always remember that the final decision regarding their own life rests with the patient. I will regard my patients always as fellow human beings and will do everything possible to preserve their dignity. With purity and holiness I will pass my life and practice my Art. Whosoever things I see or hear concerning the life of the people in my attendance, on the sick or even apart therefrom, which ought not to be noised abroad, I will keep silence thereon, counting such things to be sacred secrets.

While I continue to keep this Oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the Art, respected by all, in all times. But should I trespass and violate this Oath, may the reverse be my lot.
“Throw me something, Mister!”

“I can’t believe we’re interviewing on the same day!” Mike Sawyer and Jimmy Evans

Tiffany Cummins and Esther Alonso in their flashy costumes have found the perfect Mardi Gras man.

Mike Shah and Gina Kim enjoying the beautiful weather on a particularly cold Mardi Gras day.

Having a good time: Latha Naganna, Ann Sresthadatta, and Leslie Minor capture what Mardi Gras is all about.
DOWN IN NEW ORLEANS

Mardi Gras float rolling down St. Charles Avenue. Don’t walk behind this float...

The Full Monte. Just one of the colorful sights you might pass walking down the street during Mardi Gras.

John Saroyan at a festive Mardi Gras ball with a new friend. If she plays her cards right, John may offer to take her upstairs and show her his banjo collection. Many people make new friends partying till the wee hours in New Orleans.

Erik Bruce rides in his own Mardi Gras float. He’s tossing plastic cups to the crowd.

Allison Motherell, Hillary Campbell and Liz Debates caught a few beads at the parades. A beautiful smile is yet another way to earn many beads.
Basic Science Faculty

Physiology

Pathology
Anatomy

Biochemistry

Microbiology

Pharmacology
Counterclockwise: ET shows us the future site of her navel ring. Dave Cameron, Joel Moore, and Scott Davis having a great time. A great opportunity to sunbathe is not lost on these four!

Happy couples enjoying a loaf of crawfish bread, a bottle of Bud, and each other. Greekfest 97: Kevin Turner wins the baklava eating contest, outeating his fellow classmates once again.

Opposite page (clockwise from top): Jazzfest attracts the usual large crowd, who all seem to be watching our classmate John Saroyan as he plays his banjo once again.

Jinnie Ahlin, Leslie Estrada, and My Pham serve up a mess of lobsters at a class party. What, you haven’t heard of shrinkage?

Dave Taminger and family enjoy a quiet moment between acts.
Festivals
Pediatrics

Obstetrics and Gynecology

Neurology*

*Psychiatry Department photo unavailable.
Journeys: Travelling

The whole gang on a canoe trip. Many of these classmates were never seen again.

"Oh, no! They killed Kenny! Those bastards!" Exclaims Nicole Finke.

Jim Darling attempting to live his dream of being Chuck Yeager. Actually, Jim was busted for smuggling out of print Sobotas to the first years. The Histology Department is still holding his plane in detention.

Louise Guillermo attempts to examine the tympanic membrane of this scared child. He ended up using Versed. Harvey Leo, Nikki Mihalopoulos, Cec Jackson, and Roxy Mansouri enjoy a weekend of skiing over Mardi Gras.
the Globe

Mike Hepfer and Sunjay Kicha outside some fine lodging accommodations. Quentin Ray and Melissa Bonder attempt to re-enact their favorite scenes from Deliverance. Naomi Creel with some native children in South America. Wade Fletcher, Claire Dudley, Tripp Buckley, Doug Koppel, Scott Davis, and Joel Moore relax in a hot tub during a break from the toils of medical school.

Eric Bruce enjoying some leisurely reading out on the water. He really needs to get out more often.
Dr. Karen B. DeSalvo is originally from Austin, Texas, but relocated to New Orleans to attend medical school at Tulane where she was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha and graduated in 1992. She completed her Masters Degree in Public Health simultaneously. She remained at Tulane for Internal Medicine Residency training and served as Chief Resident. She received Owl Club teaching awards during each of her years of residency.

Her desire has always been to teach and upon completion of her Chief Residency, she joined the faculty in the Department of Medicine. She has been Director of the Resident Clinic at Charity since July 1997 and maintains her own continuity clinic of indigent patients. In addition to her educational and patient care responsibilities, she has been the Associate Chief of the Medical Service at the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans (formerly Charity Hospital). She was honored with the Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award for the Department of Medicine by the Owl Club and with the C. Thorpe Ray Faculty Teaching Award by the house officers during her first year on the faculty.

Her long-term professional interests involve continuing to enhance her skills as a clinician and teacher. She will embark upon a training program in Health Services Research in the coming academic year as a means of developing her skills as a researcher. She intends to remain in academic medicine.

Dr. DeSalvo is married to Dr. Jay DeSalvo, an Emergency Medicine physician from New Orleans. They enjoy fishing, Jazz Fest, and the food of the city. In her spare time, Dr. DeSalvo enjoys SCUBA diving, gardening, and running with her dog Tasso on the Mississippi River Levee.

She is delighted to have been elected as class sponsor. She considers her role as teacher and mentor to be of paramount importance in her career and is honored to have been recognized by the students in such a way.
Derrick J. Beech, M.D.
Surgery
Class of 1999 Sponsor

Derrick J. Beech, M.D. joined the Department of Surgery as an Assistant Professor in Surgery after completing his fellowship training in Surgical Oncology at the University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. Originally from Atlanta, Georgia, he completed his undergraduate studies in mathematics at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. After completion of his undergraduate studies, he attended the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia, receiving numerous honors including induction into the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society and Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Honor Societies. It was during this time that he developed an interest in general surgery and surgical oncology.

Dr. Beech completed his general surgical residency at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania followed by a three-year Surgical Oncology fellowship at the University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. While at M.D. Anderson, he focused on the clinical and molecular factors involved in the control of soft tissue sarcoma and colon adenocarcinoma. He developed a keen interest and aptitude in the management of hepatobiliary disease and distal rectal carcinoma.

His research interests involve the evaluation of the molecular determinants involved in cancer progression, particularly growth factor receptor modulation in cancer therapy.

Dr. Beech is certified by the American Board of Surgery and is a Candidate member of the American College of Surgeons, and the Society of Surgical Oncology. He has maintained an interest in community outreach programs directed at heightening awareness and disease prevention in underserved populations. He and his wife, Dr. Bettina Beech, who also joined the Tulane faculty at the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, will actively pursue local and national projects to address issues in cancer prevention and survival in underserved populations.

Dr. Beech is an avid cyclist with plans to become involved in local cycling tours and competitions. He and his wife, along with their three-year old daughter, Gabrielle, are enthusiastic about their recent relocation to the New Orleans community and look forward to active participation in the future endeavors of our city.
Is it Work...?

Mike Hepfer in General Surgery, holding those retractors.
Karl Hyde and Andrew Chi head home after a day's work.
Rob Walters and Thuy Le take a lunch break in the Tulane Med School cafeteria.
Heather Andrews and Amrita Dutta-Choudhury relaxing at the coffee stand in Tulane Medical Center.

Julie Phillips and Laine Barbera working on charts in Tulane's pediatric ward. Cori Pachtman and Lisha Barre catch up by the school mailboxes.
Jon Hemstreet and Al Lemerande, clearly excited about rounds.
Or Play...?

Sam Agresta, Dave Whitehead, and Andrew Moshfeghi at a class party, dressed to the nines.

Sanjay Khicha, Louis Guillermo, and Phil Young hot-tubbing on Gravier Place rooftop.

Carol Darwish and Cy Carpenter with big smiles. Could be endblock, might be boards are over. Must be something good, though.

Quentin Ray and Harvey Leo celebrating in the French Quarter with their favorite anatomy professor.

Kevin Turner and friends having a party at Rock’n’Bowl.

Rebecca Krusejarres and Rob Cohen on their way to Charity Ball.
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“It is much more important to know what sort of patient has a disease than what sort of disease a patient has.”

-Sir William Osler

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”

-Eleanor Roosevelt
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Just say "CHEESE!"
All things have their perfect time and place in life. Joys are balanced by tears, sacred silence by irreverent clowning, self esteem by humility, giving by receiving, day by night, light by shadow and wisdom by innocence. To walk in balance is to honor all acts of humanness in their proper times; and to find sacredness in them all.

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The fruit of silence is prayer-
The fruit of prayer is faith-
The fruit of faith is love-
The fruit of love is service-
The fruit of service is peace.

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DO NOT GO GENTLE INTO THAT GOOD NIGHT
Dylan Thomas

Do not go gentle into that good night,
Old age should burn and rave at close of day;
Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

Though wise men at their end know dark is right,
Because their words had forked no lightning they
Do not go gentle into that good night.

Good men, the last wave by, crying how bright
Their frail deeds might have danced in a green bay
Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

Wild men who caught and sang the sun in flight,
And learn, too late, they grieved it on its way,
Do not go gentle into that good night.

Grave men, near death, who see with blinding sight
Blind eyes could blaze like meteors and be gay.
Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

And you, my father, there on the sad height,
Curse, bless, me now with your fierce tears, I pray.
Do not go gentle into that good night.
Rage, rage against the dying of the light.
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"Attitudes are more important than abilities, motives than methods, character than cleverness, perseverance than power, and the heart always takes precedence over the head."
- Denis Burkitt (of Burkitt's lymphoma fame)

"Do not lay up for yourselves an earthly treasure...Remember where your treasure is, there your heart is also...No man can serve two masters."
- Matthew 6:19-25

The Dilemma
To laugh is to risk appearing a fool.
To weep is to risk appearing sentimental.
To reach out for another is to risk involvement.
To expose feelings is to risk rejection.
To place your dreams before the crowd is to risk ridicule.
To love is to risk not being loved in return.
To go forward in the face of overwhelming odds is to risk failure.

But risks must be taken because the greatest hazard in life is to risk nothing. People who risk nothing do nothing, have nothing. They may avoid suffering and sorrow but they cannot learn, feel, change, grow or love. Chained by their certitudes, they are slaves and have forfeited their freedom. Only a person who risks is truly free.
- Author Unknown

Hello my sweet Luna. You are the love of my life, my one and only. I mwah you. Tu amor eterno. Wo hen ai ni.

I love you Mom, Dad, Meta, Mimi, Gramps, Scott, Mary, Sifu, Dave, Tom - your strength and love sustains and inspires me through all my days.
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When they were small...
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“Pooh, when I'm - you know - when I'm not doing Nothing, will you come up here sometimes?”

“Just me?”

“Yes, Pooh.”

“Will you be here too?”

“Yes, Pooh. I will be, really. I promise I will be, Pooh.”

“That's good,” said Pooh.

“Pooh, promise you won't forget about me, ever. Not even when I'm a hundred.”

Pooh thought for a little. “How old shall I be then?”

“Ninety-nine.”

Pooh nodded. “I promise,” he said. So off they went together. But wherever they go and whatever happens to them on the way, in that enchanted place on the top of the forest, a little boy and his bear will always be playing.

-From The House at Pooh Corner, by A.A. Milne
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Believing in yourself...

If you put truth above your own desires
And value those as friends who feel the same,
If you take pride in things that you've accomplished,
And when you're wrong, stand up and take the blame...

If you can listen to those who would advise you
And then judge for yourself just what is right,
If you can keep in truth with all about you
And settle differences without a fight...

If you can find delight in simple pleasures
And see the rainbow and not the falling rain,
If you can lose and NEVER, give up trying,
Believing that there's nothing done in vain...

If you can firmly stand by your convictions
And not let others set your goals for you,
If you can be as practical as needed,
And still remember sometimes dreams come true...

If you can live life that you believe in
And trust your judgement and maturity
Then you'll be happy and successful
And the worthwhile person, you are meant to be.

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"It's the end of the world as we know it..."
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TAKE TIME

Take time to think...
It is the source of power.
Take time to play...
It is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read...
It is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time to pray...
It is the greatest power on earth.
Take time to love and be loved...
It is a god-given privilege.
Take time to be friendly...
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to laugh...
It is the music of the soul.
Take time to give...
It is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time to work...
It is the price of success.
Take time to do charity...
It is the key to heaven.
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Monet Refuses the Operation

Doctor, you say there are no haloes around the streetlights in Paris and what I see is an aberration caused by old age, an affliction. I tell you it has taken me all my life to arrive at the vision of gas lamps as angels, to soften and blur and finally banish the edges you regret I don't see, to learn that the line I called the horizon does not exist and sky and water, so long apart, are the same state of being. Fifty-four years before I could see Rouen cathedral is built of parallel shafts of sun, and now you want to restore my youthful errors: fixed notions of top and bottom, the illusion of three-dimensional space, wisteria separate from the bridge it covers. What can I say to convince you the Houses of Parliament dissolve night after night to become the fluid dream of the Thames? I will not return to a universe of objects that don't know each other, as if islands were not the lost children of one great continent. The world is flux, and light becomes what it touches, becomes water, lilies on water, above and below water, becomes lilac and mauve and yellow and white and cerulean lamps, small fists passing sunlight so quickly to one another that it would take long, streaming hair inside my brush to catch it. To paint the speed of light! Our weighted shapes, these verticals, burn to mix with air and change our bones, skin, clothes to gases. Doctor, if only you could see how heaven pulls earth into its arms and how infinitely the heart expands to claim this world, blue vapor without end.

-Lisel Mueller
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Comparitive Literature

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Saul Montelongo
There are three types of people in this world—men, women, and women physicians.

—Sir William Osler
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Finally brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence in it, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.
- Paul's letter to the Philippans 4:8

Then so live that you may ever look every man in the face and see the reflection of your God. For the soul of every man is the image of thy maker.
- Edgar Cayce
Harvey Leo

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Economics/International Emphasis
Claudia Methvin
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Salt Lake City, UT
University of Utah
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Be humble, for you are made of the earth.
Be noble, for you are made of stars.
--Serbian Proverb
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Purdue University
Electrical Engineering, B.S.
Martina Okwueze
Ibandan, Nigeria
Millsaps College
Philosophy, B.A.

"I love thee, O Lord, my strength,
The Lord is my rock, and my fortress,
and my deliverer, my God, my rock,
in whom I take my refuge, my
shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold.
I call upon the Lord, who is worthy
to be praised."

(Psalms 18:1-3)

"..in all these things we are more than
conquerors through Him who loved
us. For I am sure that neither death,
nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to
come, nor powers, nor height, nor
depth, nor anything else in all
creation, will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus
our Lord."

(Romans 8:37-39)

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God
Almighty, who was and is and is to
come!"

(Revelations 4:8)

"I am the alpha and the omega, the
first and the last, the beginning and
the end."
Cori Pachtman
Freehold, NJ
George Washington University
Business Administration
Finance, B.A.
You must have been...

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Rebecca K.  Kiersta K.  Liza L.
Al L.  Harvey L.  Julie L.
...a beautiful baby!!!

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Could this be the class of 2025?

Gabriela Alexis Ramirez (7/16/97)

Max Miller (9/8/97)

Liam Craig Walters (10/29/98)

Nicolas David Avena (11/29/98)
Some of our med school kids!

Nicolos Richard Borillo (12/2/98)
Parker Keegon (3/29/97)
Ben Taminger (9/17/96)
Katey Maplethorge (3/13/92)

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Life Science
Baby face...you’ve got the
cutest little babyface!

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Interpretive Dance
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To my family,
thank you for your endless support and encouragement.
I cannot begin to imagine, where I would be without you.
Thank you for teaching me to always dream and instilling in me the determination to make my dreams come true.

A man is not given a dream, without also being given the power to make it a reality.
Do you remember these Useless Facts?

Longest Name: Mrugesh Kumar Kanaiyalal Shah
Most Popular School: Tulane (26)
Most Popular Major: Biology (65)
Most Popular First Name: David (5)
Men/Women: 52%/48%
Coolest First Name: CeCe
Coolest Last Name: Maplethorpe
Coolest Name Overall: Elisabeth S. Taylor
Most Likely to Move: Melissa Bonder, Andre Chi, Todd Lewis, Martina Okwueze, Amarpaul Singh Sidhu, Phil Young
Crawfish!!! Crayfish, Crawdaddie...Cajun Lobsters...Call them what you want, but ever seems to want these spicy little arthropods.
Mudbugs,
one here
MATCH DAY 1999

Congratulations On
Match Day
Four (or more) years, and it all comes down to this!
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Congratulations to the Class of 1999

To the Tulane School of Medicine Class of 1999:

Congratulations and good luck to all of us as we move on to new adventures! For all those going on to begin their residencies, best wishes. To those who are doing other things for now, you will always be part of the class of ’99. It has been an honor to know all of you.
- The 1999 T-Wave Staff

Amy Arsulowicz Shipley

Congratulations Dr. Amy A. Shipley!
“Give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; let him not leave you, for there is need of him. There are times when success lies in the physician’s hands, and he too beseeches God that his diagnosis may be correct and his treatment brings about a cure.” - Sirach 38: 12-14.

Love, Mom and Dad Arsulowicz

Wade E. Fletcher

Our Wade, your abilities, sacrifices, persistence and dedication to your goals have helped you gain your medical degree. Your personal qualities will make you, in your grandfather’s words, “a doctor and a human being.”

We are enormously proud of you!

Love, your family
Samuel Agresta

To My Son, from the works of Emerson on the measure of success: “To laugh often and much, to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children, to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends, to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others, to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition, to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded.”

Alison R. Asaro

Dear Alison,
Congratulations sweetheart! Even though you’ve been talking about being a doctor since you were a child, your achievement still leaves us speechless. Who ever takes kids seriously anyway? God bless you and be with you as you begin your medical career. Love, Mom, Dad, Kathryn and Family.

Samuel Agresta

Dear Sammy, You’ve come a long way, baby. Congratulations to “the doctor in the house”, on your hard work and accomplishments. May all your dreams come true. With our love, Dad, Andie, Grandmom, Lisa, Nick, Anthony, Taffy, Sonny, Patch and Simba.

Elizabeth A. Avena

Congratulations Beth! We love you; are full of admiration for accomplishments. May your ambitions, desires be fulfilled. Mom, Jim, Heidi, John, Emma, Peter, Grandpa, Mary Jeanne, Tim, Thomas, Rosie, Anne, Steve, Cassandra, Carin, Patsy, Frances, Irene, Peggy, Kevin, Helen, Kathleen, Miguel, Isabel, Gloria, Suzanne, Clark, Spencer, especially Stephan and precious baby.

Esther Alonso

Esther. Your efforts and dedication have been rewarded. Todos nosotros, Abuela, Papi, Mami, Tinito, Barbara, Mohamed, Maya y Samir muy contentos te felicitamos. We are proud of your achievements and of the contribution that you will make to your community as a result of your education, knowledge, and commitment. Felicidades.

Lane Barbera

To Lane - A wonderful daughter and sister. We are filled with extreme pride and joy writing this note of congratulations. We watched you overcome difficult hurdles pursuing your dream to become a doctor and you never gave up. We are very proud of you and love you very much.

Mom, Dad, and Alan
Erik J. Bruce

Erik - Always remember your knowledge is a gift from God. What you do with it is your gift back to him.

L & K,
Dad, Mom, and Celeste.

F. Paul Buckley

Four years have passed,
We can now call you M.D.
Your knowledge and excellence
Have impressed us all plenty.
Slice and sew
Is the direction you head,
But the loss of your wallet
Is still what we all dread!!

With our love and admiration,
Mom, Dad, Ben, Carey and Bill

David Cameron

Congratulations to David "Sushi-Cheeks" Cameron, who came to the topless metropolis the city that sobriety forgot and accomplished the not-so-easy in the Big Easy. We salute his praline panache and give thanks to Alison his good buddy on the Big Muddy.

Love you both! Mom, Dad and Suz

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Congratulations, Christina!!! You have achieved your goal of becoming a doctor! Your determination, courage, compassion, and intelligence have served you well throughout the challenging years of medical school. We are so proud of you and love you very much!! You will be a fantastic pediatrician!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Michael

Chun Chen

Dearest Chun,
CONGRATULATIONS!!! We are so proud of all your accomplishments. You have come a long way, and we know you will be a wonderful and successful doctor. WE LOVE YOU VERY MUCH. MAY YOU CONTINUE TO LEARN AND ENJOY THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

Love,
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Congratulations, Jim, on a successful change of career and continued success in all of your future endeavors.

Mom

Claire F. Dudley

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Mom, Dad, Sangita, Anjali, and Rajan.

Desiree L Evans

We thank God for resplendently blessing our lives with your birth and for affording us the opportunity to nurture you through your formative years. We pray that you continuously seek guidance and directions from the lord as you embark upon your career and strive to fulfill future aspirations.
Louis Q. Guillermo

Dear Louis,
Our best wishes and congratulations on your graduation. We hope for your success and happiness in your medical profession. Love you, Emilyn, Nathan, Mom, Dad, Asa, Cecily, Ryan, Aaron, Guy, Alegria, Austin, Wing, Asela, Jonathan, Kristopher, Roy, Ashlee, Joshua, Amy, Viet, Edmund, Carol, Russell, Francisco, Tony, and Eden.

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Josh - you’ve done a significant thing. It wasn’t easy for you--no one paid your way, no one did the work for you. We’re full of admiration for your tenacity, diligent work and the faith you exhibited in your God-given abilities. We’re very proud of you.

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Congratulations Doctor Tracey Jones. You have made us very proud.

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Kimberly,

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Mom and Dad

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Bob, your grandparents have always been so proud of you in every way. It’s fun to look back on all the holidays and special occasions we’ve shared together. We know you will be a fine, caring, dedicated doctor. Congratulations and much love,

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Bob,

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Robert O. Kirkcaldy

Bob, you started as a "cookie monster" that lived in a purple house and decorated walls with a purple crayon. Now you color the world with your talent, dedication, compassion, knowledge and love. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments.

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Mom, Dad, Jennifer, and Rob

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