

CLASS OF 1975
Memory Book

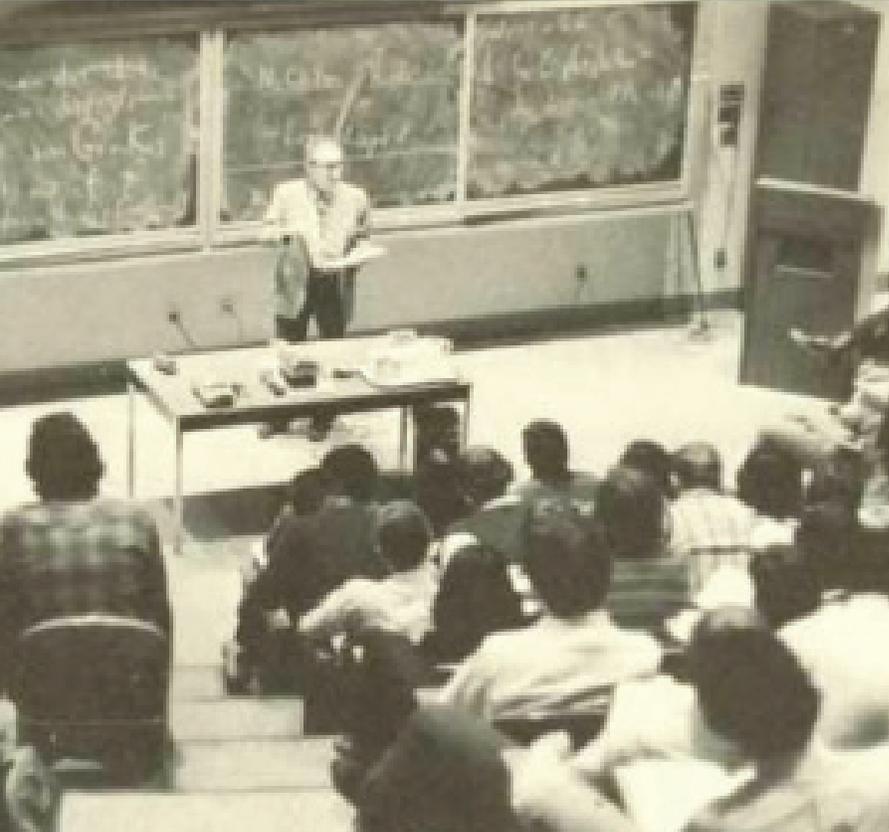


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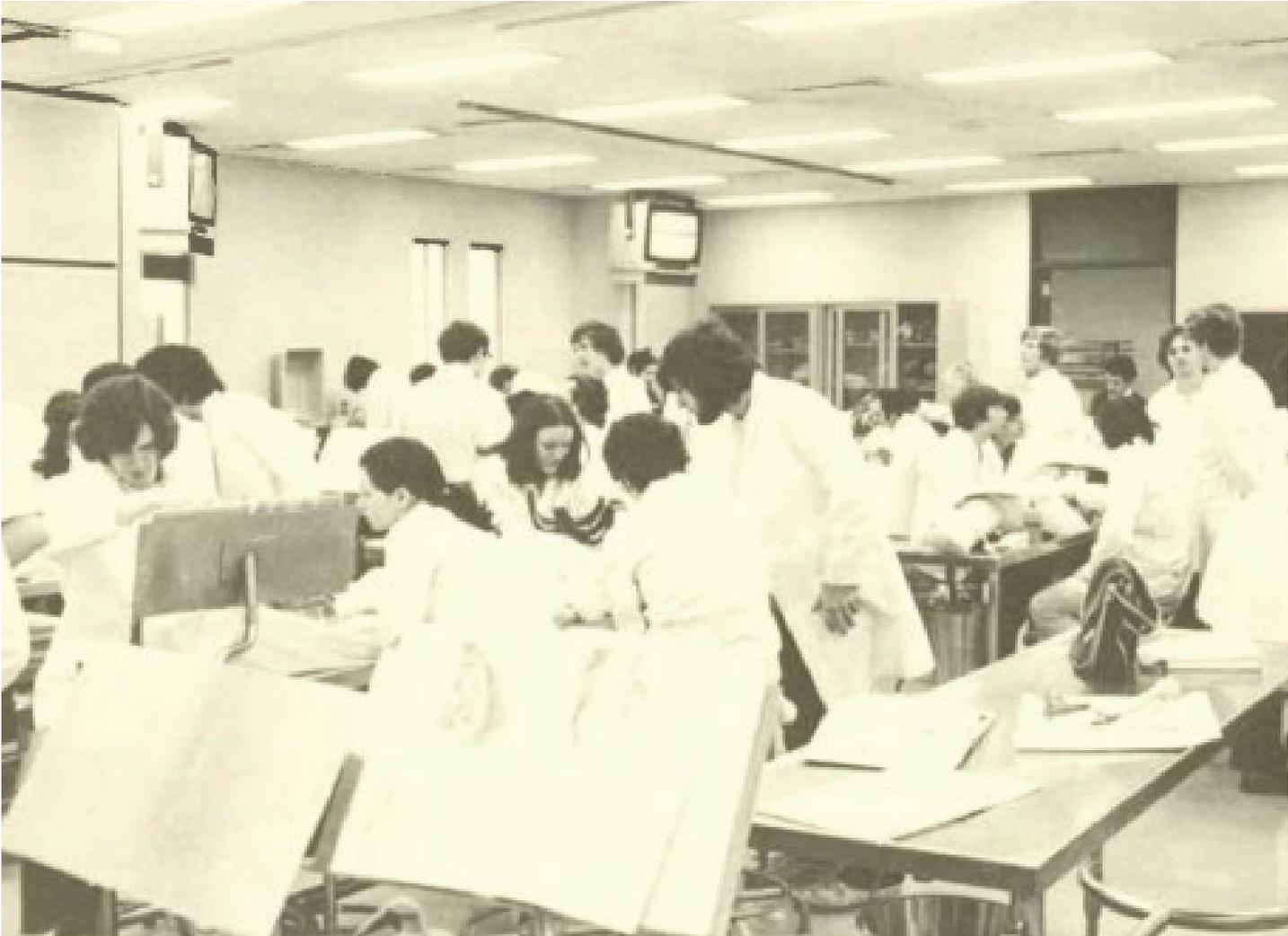
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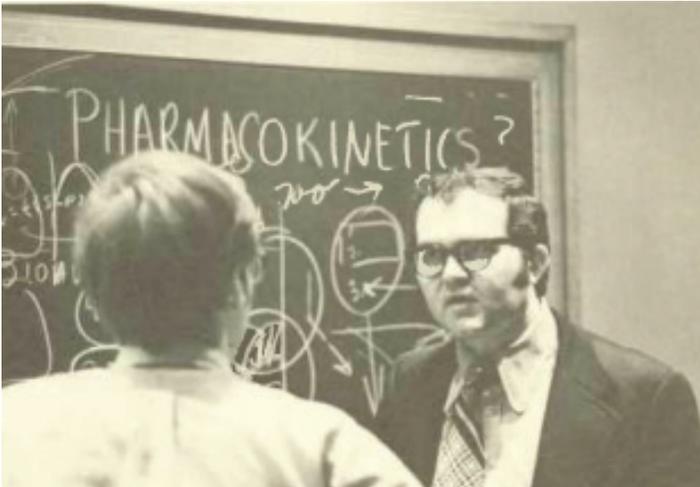
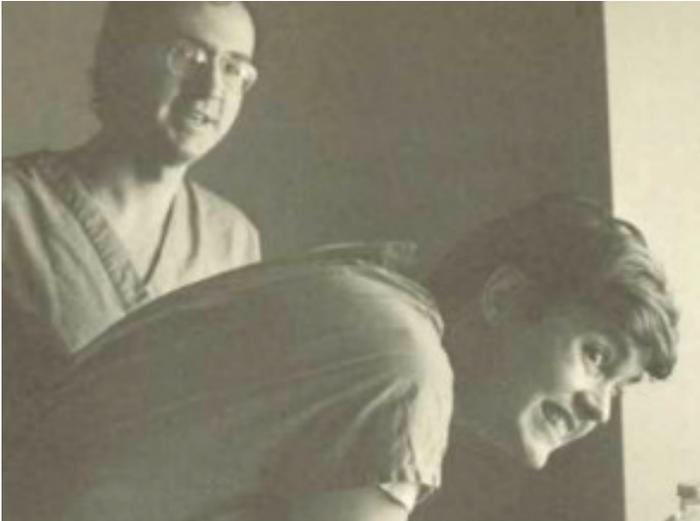
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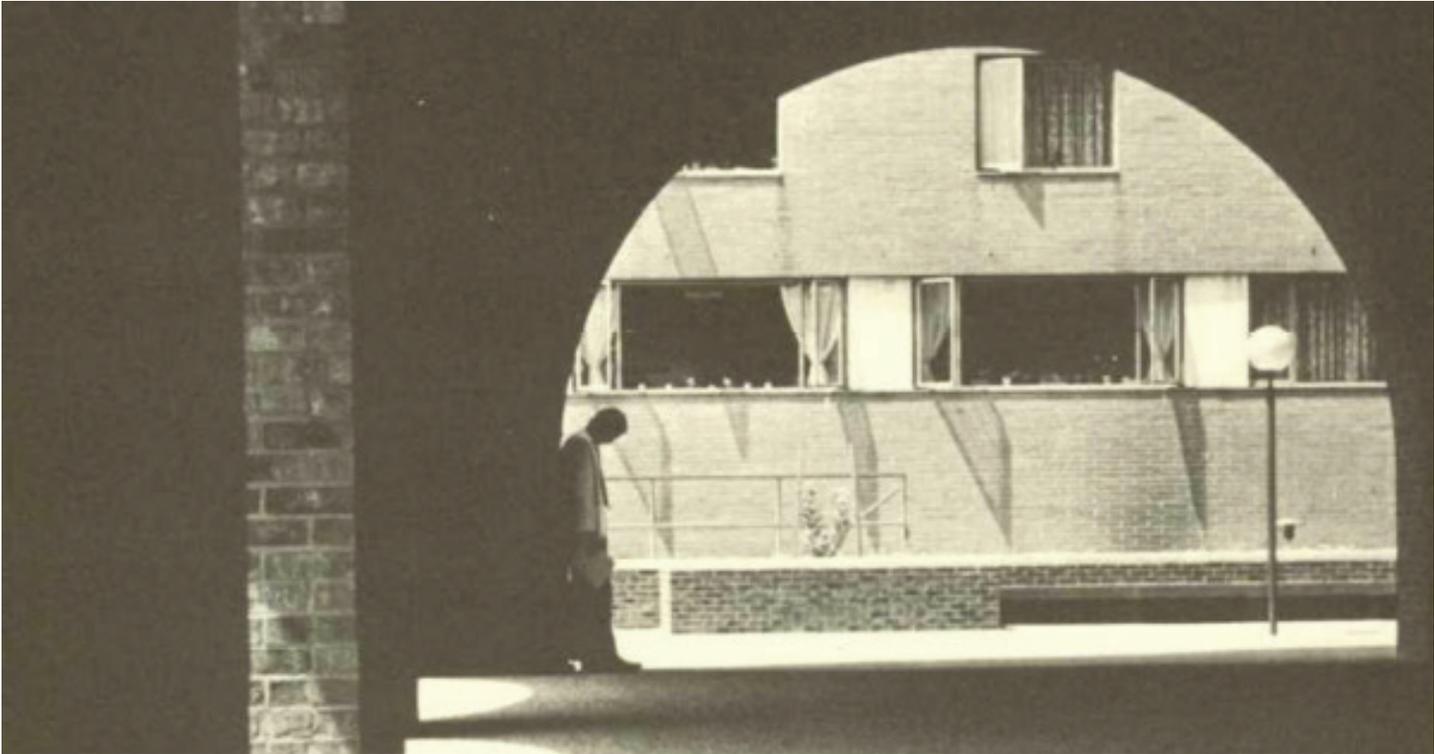
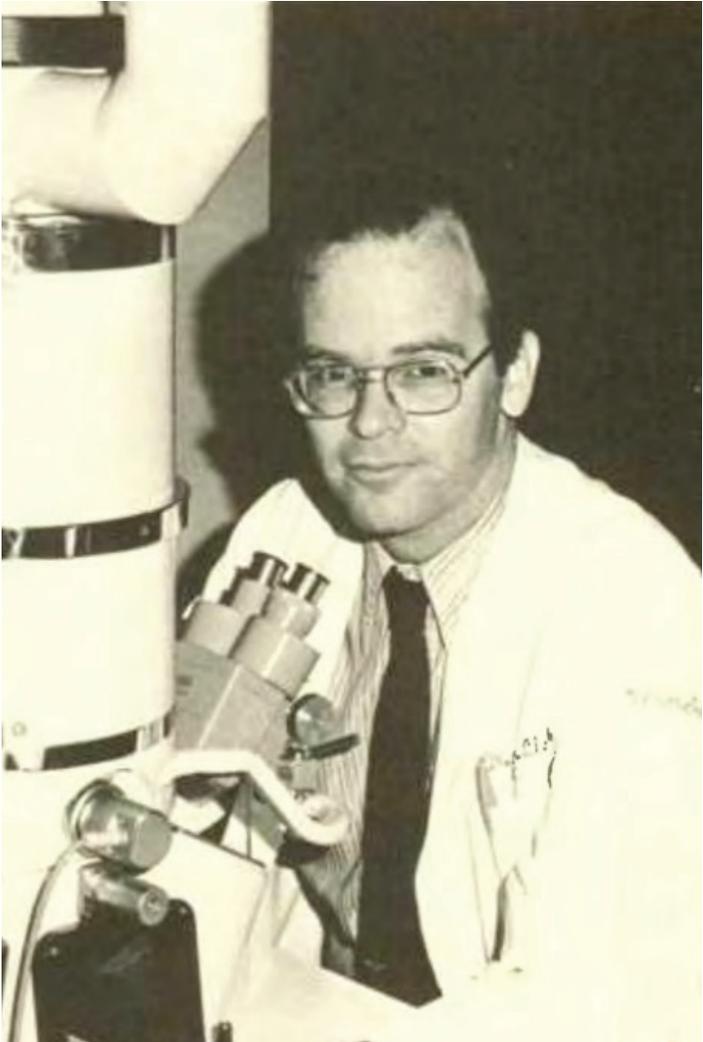


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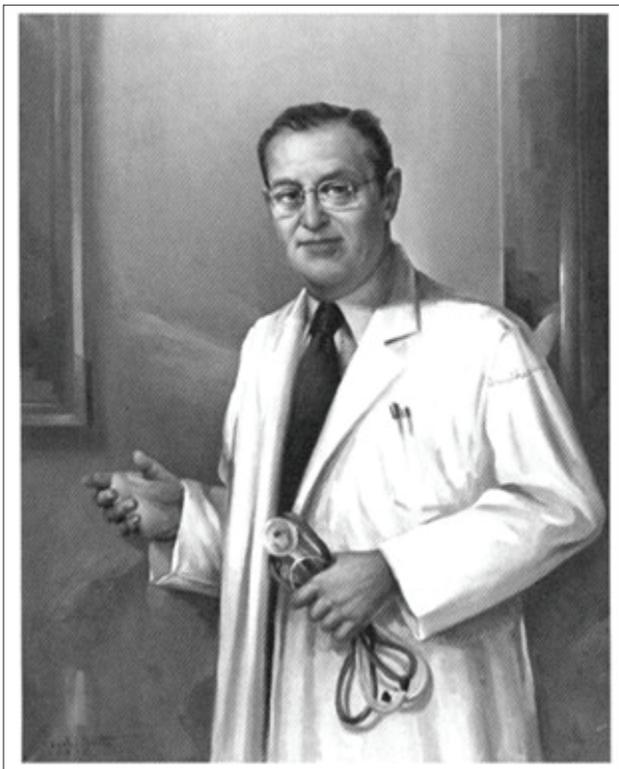


Memories





1975 Commissioned Faculty Portrait



**Portrait of Jay Joshua Jacoby, MD, PhD
(b. 1917)
By Charles Diletto (1911-89)**

Oil on canvas

1975

40 x 32 in.

Signed lower left: "Charles Diletto/1975"

Each year, graduating seniors have the special honor of selecting a faculty member to receive a portrait painted on behalf of their class. This cherished tradition at Jefferson celebrates faculty who have played a meaningful role in shaping students' future careers.

In 1975 the senior class chose Jay J. Jacoby MD, PhD, as portrait honoree and Charles Diletto was selected as artist.

Dr. Jay J. Jacoby was professor of anesthesiology and served as second chairman of the department at Jefferson Medical College from 1965 to 1984. A New York native, Jay J. Jacoby was born in 1917 and received both his undergraduate (1939) and medical (1941) degrees from the University of Minnesota.

He took a residency in anesthesiology at the University of Chicago-Billings Hospital while simultaneously earning a Ph.D. degree in pharmacology.

In 1965 the peripatetic physician was appointed to his posts at Jefferson. During his tenure as department chair the staff of physician anesthesiologists expanded from four to seventeen, and the residency program from two to thirty. When the nurses' training program was closed eleven nurse anesthetists remained as permanent staff members. An effective role model and communicator, the indefatigable physician recruited a number of students to his specialty. His graduates have yielded many professors and at least two chairmen of academic departments. Jacoby continued on the hospital staff as a practicing anesthesiologist after his retirement in 1984. He was named emeritus professor in 1988.

Jacoby authored at least one hundred articles and several book chapters on anesthesia topics. He was internationally known for his work on blind nasal intubation. He developed transtracheal resuscitation and did pioneer work on air embolism during surgery. He originated the Code Blue system of resuscitation in hospitals. He contributed the "Jefferson solution," a balanced mixture of ingredients familiarly known as "Jacoby's soup." Dr. Jacoby was a board member of the American College of Anesthesiologists and the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

Dr. Jay Jacoby's honors at Jefferson include the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Year in Review

IN 1975...

Loaf of Bread **\$0.28**

Gallon of milk **\$1.65**

Carton of eggs: **\$0.84**

Gallon of gas **\$0.53**

The average home cost
\$35,300

The average family income was
\$13,720

End of the Vietnam War

Several White House aides were convicted of their crimes related to Watergate cover up on January 1st, 1975

The Broadway Musical "The Wiz" premiered on January 5, 1975

The formation of the musical group Iron Maiden

Microsoft was founded by Bill Gates and Paul Allen on April 4th, 1975

The Steelers won Super Bowl IX against the Vikings 16-6

The Philadelphia Phillies came in second place in the National League East behind the Pittsburgh Pirates

Viking 1: beginning of the Viking program, NASA aiming to explore the planet Mars

The top television shows were...

1. All in the Family
2. Rich Man, Poor Man
3. Laverne & Shirley
4. Maude
5. The Bionic Woman
6. Phyllis
7. Sanford and Son
8. Rhoda
9. The Six Million Dollar Man
10. ABC Monday Night Movie

The top movies were...

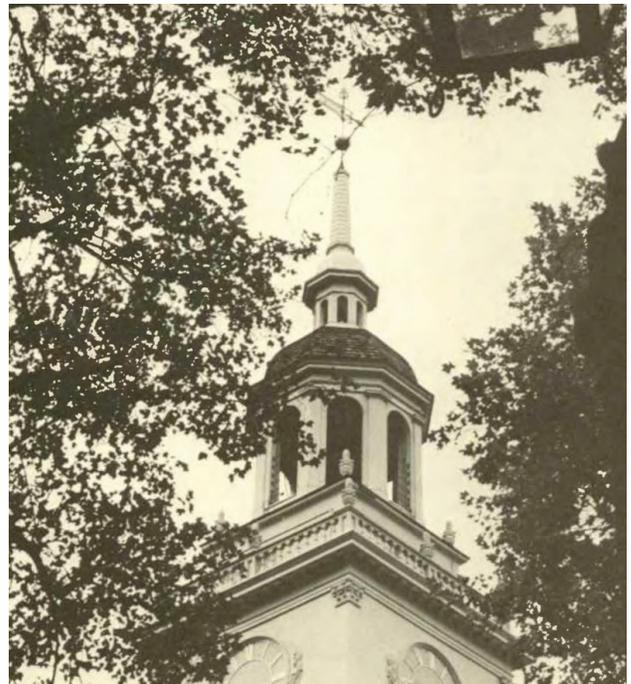
1. *The Godfather Part 2*
2. *The Towering Inferno*
3. *Murder on the Orient Express*
4. *Young Frankenstein*
5. *Funny Lady*
6. *Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore*
7. *The Happy Hooker*
8. *Breakout*
9. *Shampoo*
10. *The Return of the Pink Panther*

The top songs were...

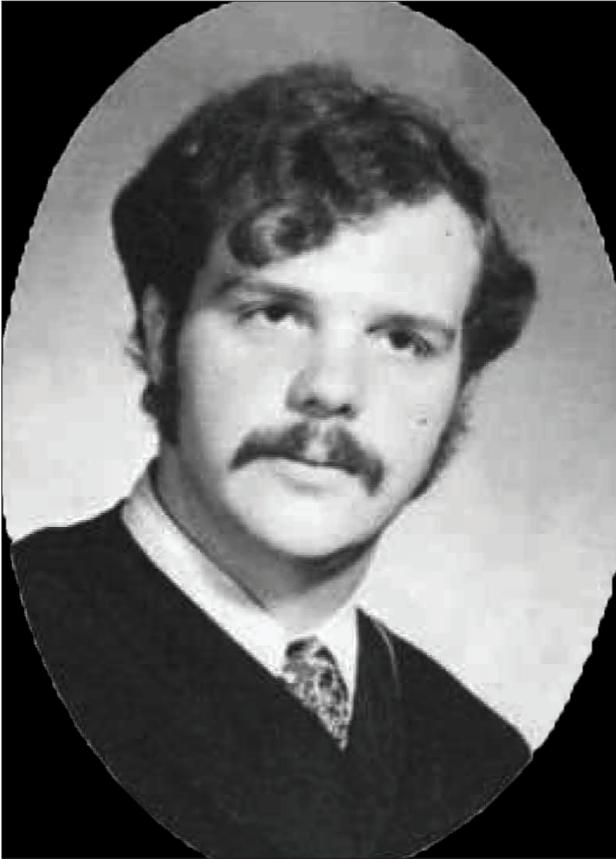
1. "Love Will Keep Us Together" Captain & Tennille
2. "Rhinestone Cowboy" Glen Campbell
3. "Before the Next Teardrop Falls" Freddy Fender
4. "Thank God I'm a Country Boy" John Denver
5. "Jive Talkin'" – Bee Gees
6. "Philadelphia Freedom" Elton Jon
7. "One of These Nights" – Eagles
8. "Lady Marmalade" – LaBelle
9. "How Long" – Ace
10. Why Can't We Be Friends "War"

Necrology

William A Auritt, MD
David J. Azar, MD
Paul D. Berguson, MD
Joseph DiSaverio, MD
Theodore A. Feinstein, MD
Alan C. Gold, MD
Howard E. Goody, MD, PhD
Anne Hench, MD
Samuel C. Hughes, MD
James M. Jones, II, MD
John J. Kavanagh, Jr., MD
Wesley E. Kerschbaum, MD
Steven A. Kolker, MD
Edward Lowenstein, MD
Herbert E. Mandell, MD
Thomas J. Maxwell, MD
Thomas J. Mizianty, MD, PhD
Donald L. Myers, MD
C. Paul Pancerev, MD
Jeanne M. Pelensky, MD
John M. Rominger, MD
Norbert D. Scharff, MD
Joel H. Sokol, MD
Kenneth R. Strehle, MD
David O. Thayer, MD
Vernon van Bolden, II, MD
John M. Van Summern, MD
Paul M. Wall, MD
Nathan Wei, MD
Michael Z. Weiner, MD



William A. Biermann, MD



I retired on December 31, 2019. I did volunteer to vaccinate people in large clinics during COVID. I really enjoyed my years at Jeff as a student, resident, and attending. I found several friends and great experiences over those years. My active time at Jeff was interrupted by a massive MI, but a heart transplant got me back to medicine.

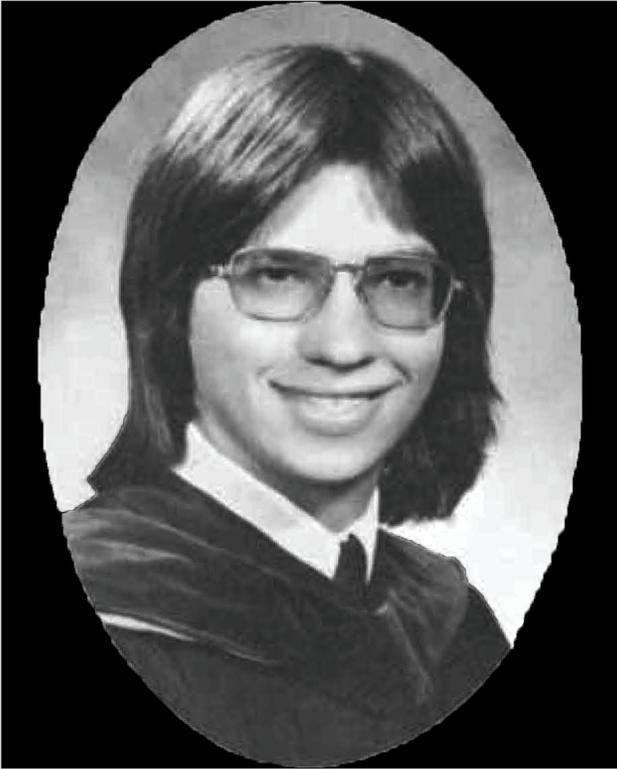
I ended my career in Norristown. My last hospital stay was at Einstein Montgomery as Chief of Medicine. If I waited a little longer to retire, I would have returned to Jeff. I became a Medical Oncologist and grew in that field. I would say that Art Weiss was my negative role model, but Ron Cantor was a great mentor and later partner. The TJUH tumor boards were a major inspiration for me in med school. The inspiring physicians were Alan Erslev, Jose Martinez, Joe Medoff, Walt Herman, and Ralph Dehoratius. There are many more from surgery and Radonc that were inspirational.

When I look back some of my best times were with classmates and fellow residents. We shared very special times. Now as a health care consumer post transplant, post Burkitt's lymphoma, bowel resection and ureteral stricture, I appreciate how much Jefferson does to train and nurture physicians to help keep all of us well.

Thanks for a great start to a life in medicine and the best to my classmates.



Gerald P. Durkan, MD



It is simply astonishing that 50 years have flown by since our graduation. I look forward to hearing the ramblings and stories from my old classmates. My journey has had many twists and turns, mostly positive and the inevitable not so much.

Presently I am enjoying a healthy life on Maui with, so far, eight kids and five, plus one coming, grandkids scattered in Hawaii and across the mainland. So far, two Jeff grads and two PA's. The rest of the kids are in other professions: arborists, school teacher, furniture business. The Neurology practice I had in Pittsburgh was disrupted a while back due to complications of a pituitary tumor and since then I have been doing a bit of informal consulting with friends and family which keeps me fresh.

Bicycling has become my passion with adventures in Europe climbing the various cols of the Tour de France and the Giro d'Italia, Switzerland, and the Slavic regions. And of course, replenishing the calories with excellent food. There are always water activities here when not on my bike: kayaking with whales, surfing, and snorkeling. When not playing around or visiting my mainland families, there is always plenty to do at home with various critters and remodeling.

I wish everyone well and hope to see you all at the 75th reunion.



Kathryn Hall, MD



After 14 months at Penn State I entered Jefferson at the age of 18 without any medical knowledge. 4 years at Jefferson provided me with the education for pediatric residency in Bridgeport CT, a social life, and a husband (classmate Larry Ginsberg). In 1978 we moved to Lindsay, CA, then a small town of 6,000, and opened our private practices of peds and internal medicine. That year, I gave birth to our daughter Corinne and by the end of 1981, we had David and Rachel. My brother Bruce('78), joined my husband's internal medicine practice. Those were busy years, but good years, working full time, on call 24/7, seeing patients in the office and the hospital, and raising my children. We built an office together. In 1989 I began divorce proceedings. I met my now-husband, Richard Neilson, in January 1991, and we wed in 1995.

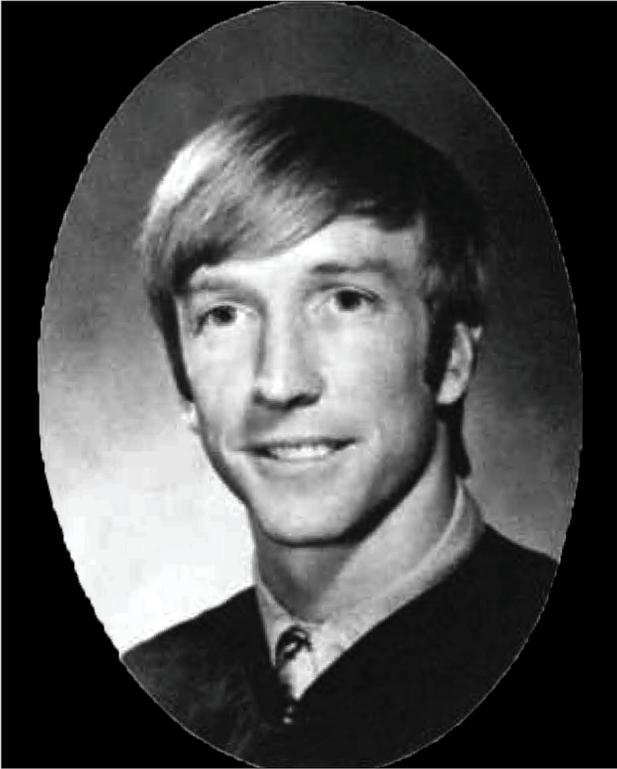
In September 1991 I joined a large group practice in Visalia,, 20 miles from my home in Lindsay. As much as I missed my patients and staff in Lindsay, it was so great to have lab and X-ray right across the hall, and to be on call only one night out of six. I retired in October 2021.

Career highlights include serving 4 years as chief of peds at Kaweah Delta Hospital, serving as president of the Tulare County Med Society, and being awarded the George Tiss Physician of the Year.

Other highs: 9 exchange students, 8 grandchildren, 3 children, annual 7 day extended family reunions. PFLAG, The Source LGBT+ Center, JASNA and Viking Cruises keep me happy and busy!



John "Jack" E. Hocutt, MD



I moved from Florida to Virginia a year ago to be with 6 grandkids and 3 daughters, Crawford Smith, niece and nephew, and sister. I've been blessed with a great career as a Family Physician and Sports Medicine Team Physician for the US Luge Team during two Olympics. I became a twin engine pilot and love that form of travel. I continued with sports and did very well at water ski jumping. My daughters are a blessing and did great at school and sports which kept them out of trouble. They may be more than I deserve.

I just retired from seeing patients and I hope to wrap up my career as an Expert Witness defending physicians who are sued. The cases now take years to run their course, especially with the pandemic delaying them. Jefferson set up a great life for me and my family. I'm truly thankful.



Joseph John Korey, MD



I look back on Jefferson as 4 of the best years of my life. I achieved my childhood goal of becoming a doctor. I met my wife of 52 years, Linda, here. Linda was a 1971 graduate of the School of Nursing and later taught there. Our first child was born at Jeff. I was fortunate to have met many bright, talented, and interesting classmates, who contributed to the intangibles of personal development. I encountered many role models and mentors who inculcated in me the responsibility of treating future Med Students and Residents with encouragement rather than belittlement. I did a year of Internal Medicine at Abington Hospital. I completed my Ob-Gyn residency at Abington. I was proud to pass my oral boards in 1981 (on my first try). A year where only 55% passed. I became FACOG fellow in 1981 and a lifetime fellow in 2006. I practiced OBGYN in the Philadelphia area for 3 years. I relocated to Reading, Pa where I practiced OBGYN for 35 years. I served two 4 year terms as Chief of OBGYN. I tried to be (and hoped that I was) a caring, conscientious, and capable doctor. I retired in 2016.

We now live in Medford, NJ to be near our 2 grandchildren. One daughter, Karen, was an Oncology nurse at CHOP and is now a school nurse. Laura has graduate degrees in Middle East Studies and lives in Portland, OR. Linda and I are both in good health and look forward to seeing old friends at the 50th reunion.



Susan M. Luscombe, MD



I grew up on the Main Line in Philadelphia suburbs. My father was a physician, and my mother was a nurse. I had an older brother and younger sister. I attended private schools and graduated from Manhattanville College in Purchase, NY in 1968. I then enrolled at Jefferson in a PHD program in Microbiology and while teaching medical students as part of my program, I decided that I was more interested in treating patients than research. I applied to Jefferson Medical College and was accepted to begin in 1971. I wrote a thesis for my M.S. in Microbiology and received my M.S. degree in 1971 just before beginning medical school at Jefferson.

My father was Chairman of the Department of Dermatology for many years at Jefferson. My brother, Herbert, graduated from Jefferson Medical school in 1968 and went on to head the ER at Lower Bucks County Hospital for 10 years and then went into Private practice in family medicine there. My sister later graduated from University of Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical School.

After Med school I did an internship at TJUH and went to Temple University Hospital for my Ophthalmology Residency. I then did a Fellowship in Cataract And Glaucoma surgery at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute. I stayed in Miami and joined a prestigious Ophthalmology practice for 20 years. I decided to go out on my own and had my practice in Aventura, Fl. I operated at Bascom Palmer as well as several outpatient surgery centers for the next 25 years. My son managed my office practice for 15 years.

After many happy and fulfilling years in private practice, I retired this past February. I am now enjoying my pets and my family. I am able to do my ballet workouts almost every day and am looking forward to my next chapter.

