

ALUMNI WEEKEND 2023 RECAP

October 19-21, 2023

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Members of our Distinguished Alumnus Committee, Executive Council, HSC Chancellor- Executive Dean of the School of Medicine, Alumni Office Faculty and WVU Medicine Faculty welcomed our 2023 Distinguished Alumnus, Vincent Traynelis, MD, Class of 1983 at Marilyn's of Morgantown. The evening began with a 6:00 p.m. reception followed by a 6:30 p.m. dinner. Prior to the dinner the WVU School of Medicine Executive Council Committee met in HSC WV Room. Lunch was provided for the noon annual meeting by the WVU School of Medicine Alumni Office.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Hotel Morgan in Morgantown was the setting for the 55th annual School of Medicine Alumni Weekend.

Registration began at 5:00 p.m. for 200 alumni, guests, and faculty. Everyone enjoyed watching the WV Homecoming parade march down high street in front of the hotel at 6:00 p.m.

Our activities began at 7:00 p.m. in the hotel lobby and breezeway with our reception and guests entered the ballrooms at 8:00 p.m. for the Alumni Banquet featuring class reunions and presentation of the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Anne Cather, outgoing president of the Association, welcomed alumni and asked them to be seated for dinner. Chuck Mullett of the Awards Committee presented the Distinguished Alumnus Award to Vince Traynelis, class of 1983. Dr. Traynelis made acceptance remarks. Lynda Nine, Executive Director of the Alumni Association recognized class reunions. Clay Marsh, Chancellor and Executive Dean, Health Sciences brought greetings to alumni and guests. Student greetings were brought by MS-IV student Michael Conti. Lynda Nine gave closing remarks at the banquet.

Classes celebrating reunions were 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2018. Reunion classes were seated together at dinner and class photos were taken. Some classes celebrated throughout the Weekend at local gathering spots and in local homes of Morgantown alumni.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Saturday morning began at 9:30 a.m. with the annual association business meeting in the Honey Bee Board Room. Members approved actions taken by the Executive Council at their annual council meeting on October 18 at the HSC in the WV room. During the Weekend alumni and guests were able to purchase WV swag at the hotel in the Sugar Maple Room.

Mountaineer alums and staff participated in the WVU School of Medicine tailgate starting at 11:30 a.m. in the Hotel Morgan ballrooms. Two Chartered buses left Hotel Morgan at 1:30 p.m. for the Oklahoma State vs. WVU football game. Kick off for the Homecoming game was 3:30 p.m. Final score was a heartbreaking 48-34 in a WVU loss. A game watch party was held in the hotel breezeway with snacks for our alumni and guests.

After the game alumni enjoyed some free time to visit on their own with their classes. A Post-Game Buffet was held in the ballrooms at Hotel Morgan at 7:30 p.m. for all alumni and guests. Everyone enjoyed their time together in WV camaraderie and the Weekend ended. Hotel alumni and guests checked out on Sunday morning to begin their journeys home.