

**COLLEGE ROUND-UP**

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As PCCF's pioneer class, the students forged the way for future students helping to define the curriculum, clinical experience, founding more than a dozen technique and professional organizations and setting high standards of excellence.

"You grew with the school, suffered first with us, and today you take your place as the first Palmer Florida DCs," said Dr. Donald Kern, President of Palmer Davenport, during his commencement address.

Vicki Palmer, chairman of the Palmer Board of Trustees and Palmer Florida President Dr. Peter Martin also participated in the ceremony. Dr. Martin congratulated the new graduates and concluded with this admonition, "Go forth to serve. Serve well the public, serve well your patients, and know you can do it."

**NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY**

**Volunteers collect winter gear to help ease children's winter chills**

During its second "Mittens and More" campaign, Northwestern collected mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, snow suits, and socks and distributed them to the students at Phalen Lake Elementary School in St. Paul to help keep them warm against Minnesota's bitter weather. It also raised \$1,555 to help fund a field trip for parents and students to the Minnesota Science Museum.

The "Mittens and More" campaign is organized by NHSU's Community Services Committee and the Student Senate Volunteer Committee to support Phalen Lake Elementary School. The committees have also raised funds for school supplies ranging from notebooks to backpacks. Since the University "adopted" Phalen Lake in 2003, it has raised more than \$5,000 plus thousands of school supplies and winter gear as donations for the students.

The mission of Phalen Lake is to advance a rigorous Core Knowledge school program which builds students' awareness and involvement in today's world and prepares them for the future. According to Northwestern, the adopting of this dedicated school aligns with the fourth element of Northwestern's mission which is to advance and promote natural approaches to health through education, research, clinical service and community involvement.

**Medical students visit campus to learn about alternative health care options**

One hundred and forty second year medical students from the University of Minnesota visited Northwestern in December as part of an agreement between the two universities allowing medical students to explore alternative forms of health care.

In several 20-minute sessions, students listened to lectures and viewed demonstrations in areas such as chiropractic, massage therapy, cranio-sacral therapy and osteopathy.

"Through these sessions, students learn about an assortment of treatments for patients," explained Kurt Woods, D.C., associate professor and associate dean of clinical services. "Students learn to act in the best interest of the patient — it's a wonderful program."



Palmer College Florida celebrated the commencement of its first DC graduates on December 10, 2005.

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