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NEWS

Welcome Alumnus Dr. Tom Kenyon, HOPE's New President and CEO

Join us in welcoming Dr. Tom Kenyon as HOPE's new president and CEO. Like you, we're thrilled to have a HOPE alumnus leading our organization.

Originally from Kirkwood, MO, Dr. Kenyon trained in pediatrics at the University of Arizona (Tucson). He served with Project HOPE for two years in Grenada (1985-1987), and for five years (1987-1992) in Swaziland and Malawi.

He then completed a public health degree at the John Hopkins School of Public Health, and spent a year as Director of Communicable Disease at the Chicago Department of Public Health. Then, in 1993, he began his distinguished career with the CDC in its Epidemiologic Intelligence Service.

Dr. Kenyon went on to serve for 21 years with the CDC as Country Director in Botswana, Namibia and Ethiopia, with PEPFAR as the Deputy Principal Global AIDS Coordinator, and Chief Medical Officer at the Department of State. For the last two years,



Dr. Kenyon began as President and CEO at Project HOPE in mid-September.

he has been in Atlanta as Director of the Center for Global Health at CDC.

Dr. Kenyon and his wife, Sibio, have two adult children, and they make their home in Tucson, AZ. All of us in the Alumni Association are pleased to have Dr. Kenyon with us, and we look forward to his visionary leadership.

2016 Election of Officers

The election of officers for the Alumni Association Board of Directors will take place next year, with election results announced during the October 2016 Reunion. Please send your nominations for president, vice president and secretary/treasurer to former president Esther Kooiman at epkooiman@comcast.net no later than December 15.

Mark Your Calendar!

2016 Alumni Reunion

October 7-8 in
Washington, D.C.



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UPDATE: The Histories Project

Record Your Remembrances of HOPE

The purpose of the Histories Project is to record remembrances, engage alumni, document accomplishments and provide long-term outcome information to help with fundraising and new grant proposals. HOPE is unique among international not-for-profit organizations in having our alumni and their counterparts documenting our distinguished history.

The remembrances may be used on our website and in our newsletter, and will be placed in the new Virtual Gallery, along with other material, categorized by country. You may use the following questions as a guide for creating your remembrances:

1. How did you come to work for Project HOPE?
2. How would you describe your HOPE experiences?
3. How did your time with HOPE influence your personal life and/or career?
4. How did you interact with your host-country counterparts, and what impressed you the most?
5. Can you provide contact information (especially email) for counterparts, if possible, so we can build our international database?
6. Have you returned to the site of your HOPE experience? If yes, what evidence did you see of HOPE's work?

Please return your responses to John Wilhelm at jwilhelm@projecthope.org, or to HOPE in Millwood, along with a captioned photo sent electronically or by mail.

Alumna Mary Chisholm's Legacy Gift

In February 1967, Mary Chisholm (née Morrison) set sail from Philadelphia to Colombia aboard the SS HOPE. It was an experience she would later describe as "one of the two most important events of my life" — the other being her marriage to Dr. Eugene Chisholm, and becoming the mother of two teenagers.

Mary was one of three public-health nurses on board, and she recalled taking canoes across muddy

streams to reach remote villages to collaborate in the care of children. About 180,000 immunizations were given.

After her year on the SS HOPE, Mary became a public-health nurse. But she never lost her enthusiasm for the SS HOPE. It inspired her to establish the Mary E. Chisholm irrevocable Living Trust as part of her generous bequest to Project HOPE.

Visit the Virtual Gallery

The History of HOPE Is Here



An actual photo from the Virtual Gallery. Project HOPE Nurse Nancy Hitt comforting a scared little patient in Brazil in 1972. This is HOPE in action.

The Virtual Gallery is a great contribution to HOPE from the Alumni Association, and each alumnus can participate to make it interesting and memorable.

You can access the Virtual Gallery from the Alumni Association website. Just go to projecthope.org, click "Get Involved," then "Connect with Alumni," and then click on "Virtual Gallery" in the left-hand column.

You can use the "Send Us Feedback" button to provide further information or a story about a memorable photo.

Alumni Remembrances

Here, alumni share their remembrances about their experience with HOPE.

HOPE Nurse Joann Brown

As a young medical-surgical nurse at the University of Colorado, Joann Brown set sail on the SS HOPE with her future husband, Winston (Windy) Rhodes, who was the ship's medical supply manager. Windy also served with HOPE in Ecuador and Nicaragua.

Most memorable for Joann was how appreciative the Guineans were despite the crumbling infrastructure after the people won independence (1958) — just six years before the ship arrived.

The HOPE experience helped Joann and Windy see an alternative to the fast pace of the U.S., and made them supportive when their children considered international work. Windy said, "We are not here on earth for ourselves, but for others."



Nurse Joann Brown (left) with Dr. Nagel (center) on a Project HOPE mission in Guinea.

HOPE President and CEO, Dr. Tom Kenyon

"I was first encouraged to volunteer with Project HOPE as a pediatrician in Grenada by my residency director and HOPE alumnus, Dr. Duke Duncan. I was impressed by the Grenadian nurse practitioners who were thirsty to restore their key role in the community following the Cuban physicians' departure, and how, together, we developed referral protocols for sick children. Fulfilling their vision was a key to sustainability.

"Later, while working in Swaziland on my next HOPE assignment as the AIDS epidemic escalated, we could see the need for the early integration of HIV/AIDS content into nurse training and the need for prevention, testing and care programs. We started the first HIV testing and counseling center in Swaziland, which exists 25 years later, and supported

HOPE Nurse Barbara Allen Pinto de Campos

"When the SS HOPE arrived in Maceio in 1973, the University Hospital was a brick skeleton. It is now a six-floor hospital serving the northeast of Brazil in many areas of advanced medicine.

"Until HOPE, there was no school of nursing at the Federal University of Alagoas, which has now graduated over 3,500 nurses. The school has a master's degree program in maternal childcare nursing (obstetrics), and every professor at the school has a master's degree, with 70 percent having a Ph.D. in nursing. Project HOPE made the difference in the health field in the state of Alagoas.

"Even today, I see Brazilian professionals who tell me how much they learned from their experience with HOPE."

You can see a larger report from Barbara in HOPE's Virtual Gallery under Maceio, Brazil.



Nurse Barbara Allen Pinto de Campos, RN (left), with Dennis Lucey, who served as SS HOPE administrator in Maceio.



Dr. Kenyon at work with HOPE in Swaziland in 1990.

community-based training on HIV for traditional healers, central to Swazi beliefs.

"These early Project HOPE experiences prompted me to pursue a career in global public health."

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deliver medical care into poverty zones around the world. Become a Project HOPE team member today to make HOPE happen for vulnerable boys and girls, men and women ... one step at a time. To take part, visit ihopeteam.org today!

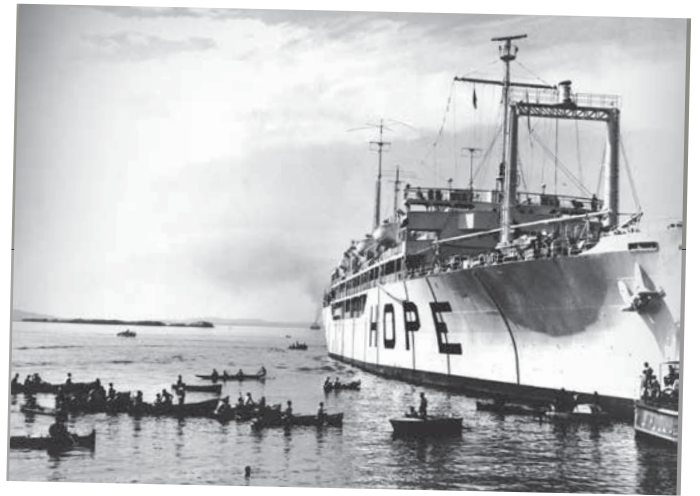
HOPIES Unite! Stay in Touch

Stay connected with HOPE. Our website is updated on a regular basis, and we will continue sending emails with all the latest news. If you have news to share or updated contact information, please reach out to our Alumni liaison, Dulcy Hooper, at dhooper@projecthope.org.

Join Our Facebook Group Connect, Reconnect and Stay in Touch



The Project HOPE Alumni Association Group is up and running, and we want you to join. To access the site, please go to the HOPE web page at projecthope.org, click on "Get Involved" and then "Connect with Alumni." Use the Facebook group to reconnect with old friends, share photos and communicate about upcoming alumni events and happenings.



HOPE Remembers

The Alumni Association expresses its condolences to the families and friends of:

Winston Rhodes, medical supply manager (Ecuador, Guinea, Nicaragua) April 27, 2015

Dr. Naomi Nakashima, pediatrician (Tunisia, Maceio, Ganado, TX) May 16, 2015

Susan T. Kitchin, RN (Natal) May 29, 2015

Roberta Caffrey, RN MSN (Grenada, Swaziland) June 21, 2015

Kristen McNutt, nutritionist (Natal) June 30, 2015

Leslie Van Raalte, RN (Colombia) August 1, 2015



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- ☐ The William B. Walsh, M.D. Endowment, supporting the William B. Walsh Fellow.
- ☐ The Lee Olive Harrison Fund, supporting basic nursing skills education.
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