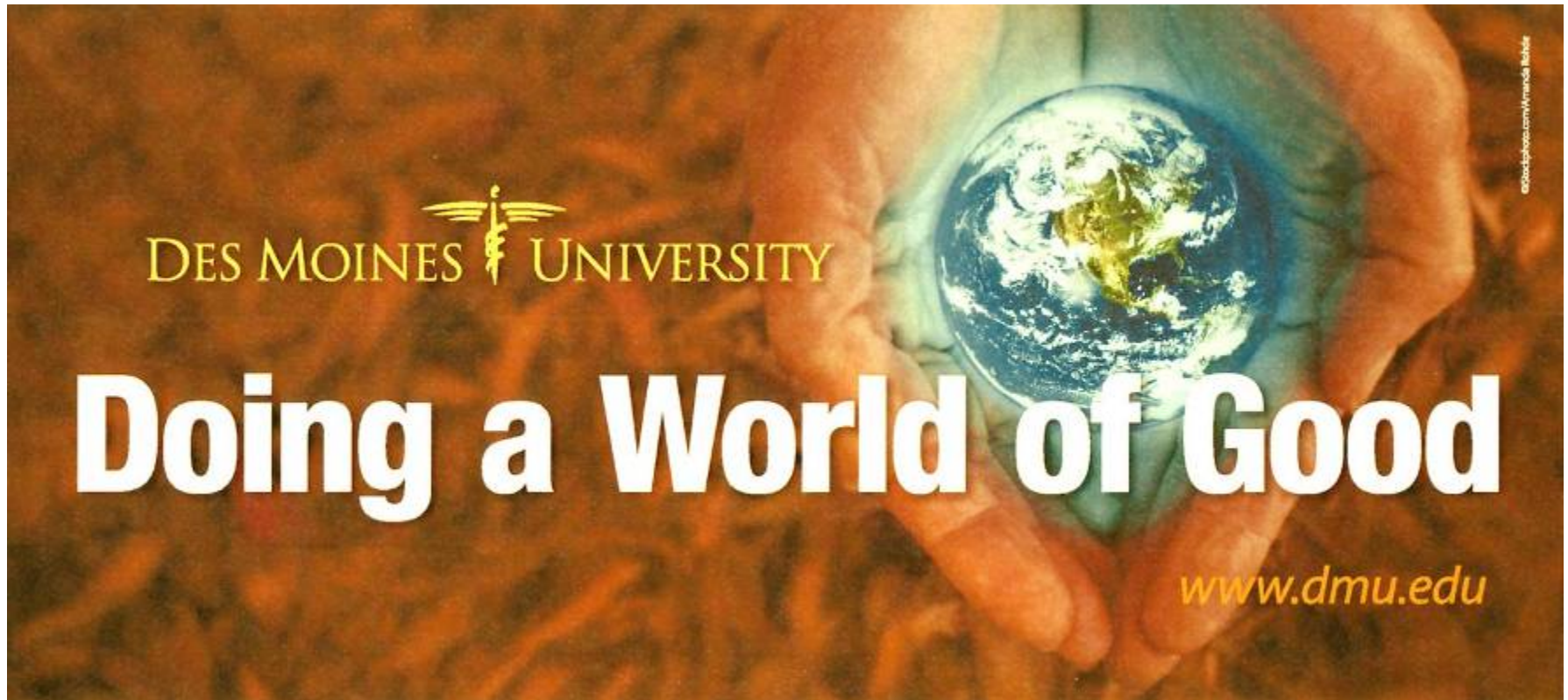


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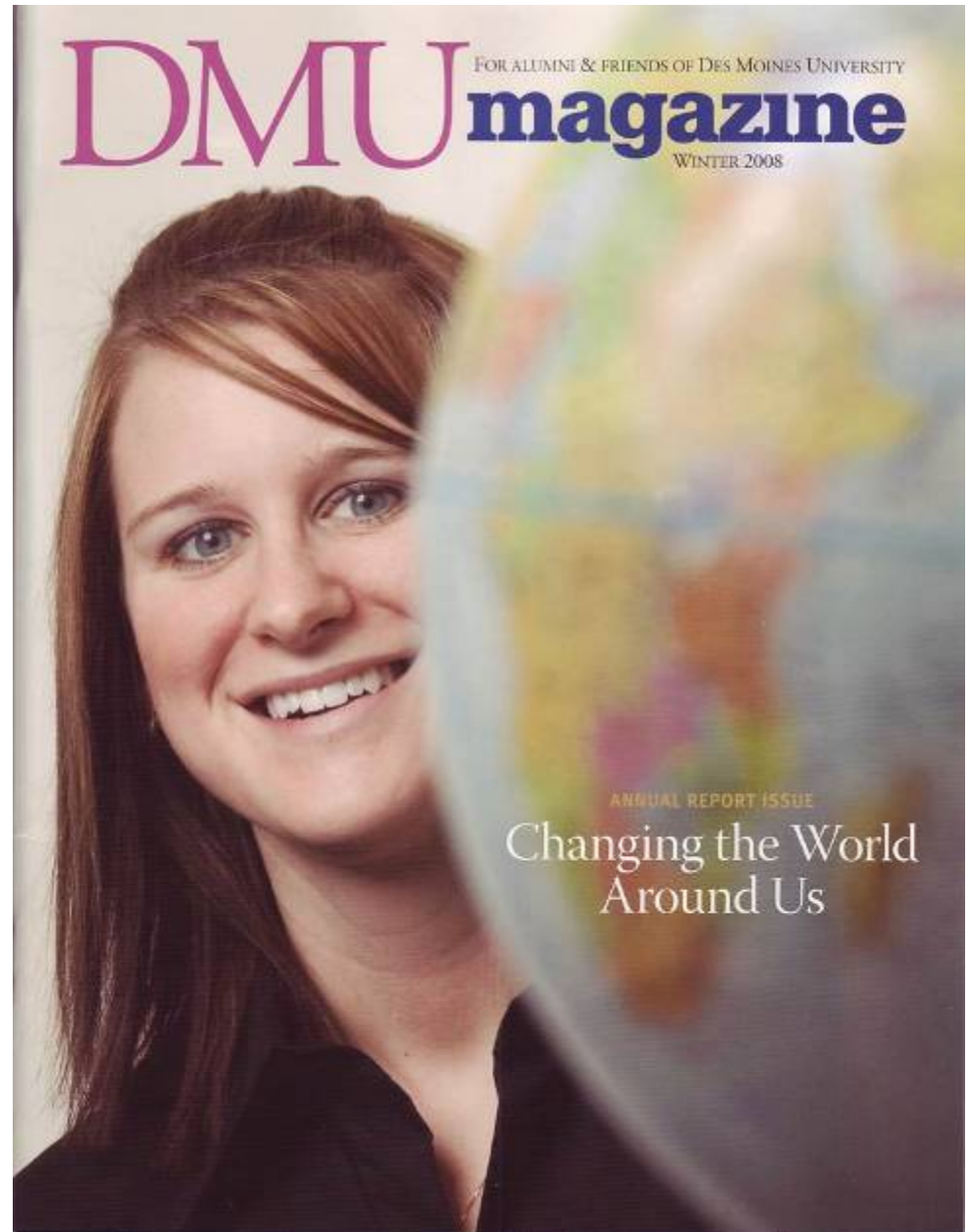
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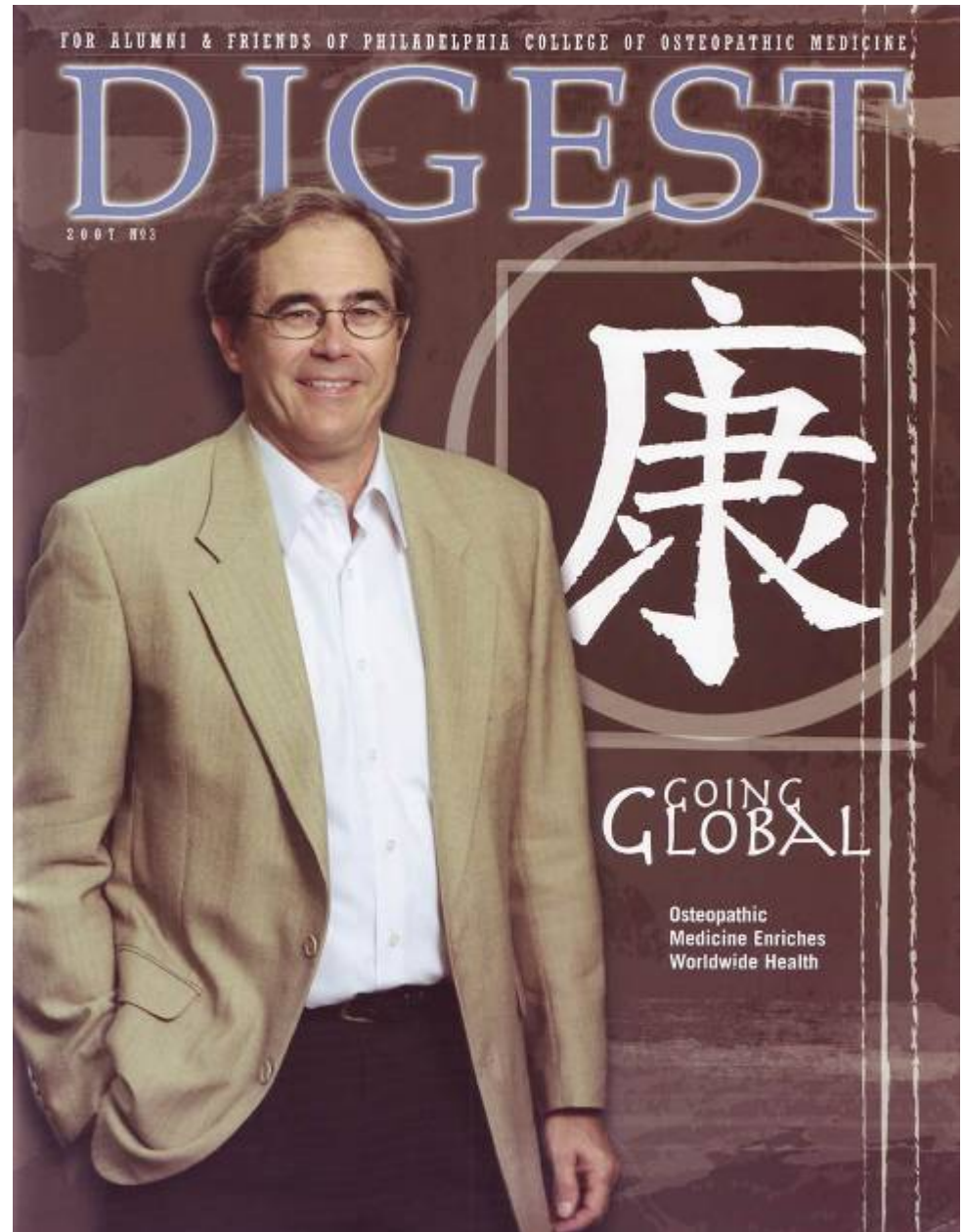
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Student Profile

“The Creature that Lifts the Bed”: Steven Fosmire, MSII

The nights were rarely silent, so Steven rarely slept. At the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris, darkness crept the hall with bells.

From other rooms leaked the too-loud laughter and blue conversation of television families; sterile companions who had never spent a moment in a nursing home and who would never come to visit. There were the regular soft knocks at the door, the cool swish of curtains drawn suddenly back, the gurgle and whinny of Steve's Alzheimer's roommate as nurses checked his midnight vitals. "Moroni!" the man would yell, to no one in particular, "Moroni!"



And every night there was the metallic grinding-creaking-crackling of the other man's bed raised and lowered, the nurses concerned that if he fell, he wouldn't fall far. To Steve, the sound seemed faintly feral. *The creature that lifts the bed*, he thought. It was a silly thought, a midnight thought, but in the quiet darkness it somehow fit. And so did Steve.

Too Intriguing

The idea was too intriguing to overlook. "I met Dr. [Marilyn] Gugliucci at the faculty advisor dinner last fall during Orientation," Steve recalls. "She talked about her geriatric research and how several students had lived for a couple of weeks in a nursing home. I thought, 'Oooh, interesting,' and filed it away." The project, as near as he could tell, was a perfect fit.

A veteran himself, Steve was born in Utah but doesn't remember the desert. His dad was Air Force, but Steve's parents split when he was six weeks old and he didn't meet his father until years later. Steve's mom, overwhelmed but trying to cope, joined the Army and her parents offered to look after Steve for a little while, until she settled down. A little while turned into most of his life: "I definitely had a non-traditional upbringing," Steve smiles, his voice tony for such a bear of a man. "My grandparents raised me in Saratoga Springs, New York, and I consider that my home. My grandfather was a World War II, Korea, and Vietnam vet, he served in the Air Force for almost thirty years."

Steve received his BS degree from Binghamton University before working at the Center for Functional Genomics as a research technician in charge of performing DNA sequencing and DNA synthesis. That egged him on to engage in pre-health studies, which then spurred him to pursue a Doctorate in Physical Therapy at Sage Graduate School in Troy, New York. To pay his way up the escalator of schools, Steve worked as an aircraft mechanic on LC-130s with the 109th Airlift Wing, Stratton Air National Guard

Best Feature Story or Article

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Capt. Larry Robinson, D.O. ('02), was injured March 1, 2007, when an IED (improvised explosive device) hit his armored humvee. He required a craniotomy, cranioplasty and facial reconstruction surgery before returning to Ohio, where he's recovering with the help of his wife, Emily, and his family.

This is his story.

This was my first deployment.

I arrived in Iraq in August 2006 as part of the 675 Cavalry Squadron, which is part of the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division out of Fort Bragg, N.C.

As a family physician in the Army, it was my job to keep the nearly 400 people on my contingency operating base (COB) healthy with the help of one physician assistant and 24 medics in the squadron. We were based out of COB Caldwell in eastern Iraq, a short distance from the Iranian border. Typically, we were what the Army calls a level one aid station, which means

personnel available to treat wounded soldiers. On these missions I felt well protected by the disciplined and professional soldiers in the squadron.

At the end of February, we left COB Caldwell to set up patrol bases in the Diyala River Valley, an area that had been infiltrated with terrorist and Al Qaeda affiliated groups. It's a dangerous place where many people, including U.S. soldiers, were killed. We used these bases to launch attacks and raids against terrorists.

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we had no radiology, laboratory, surgery, physical therapy or dentistry. But there was a small pharmacy along with supplies to stabilize trauma and to take care of sick call. The base was also home to around 3,000 Iraqi soldiers and to the 5th Division of the Iraqi Army.

While accompanying the Iraqi Army and their medical team, we went on on several combined medical engagements where we provided free medical care to people in the village. These missions were generally well accepted by the Iraqi people and were an important way for them to see that their Army cared about them. The missions were fun for me because it gave me a chance to see Iraqi families with their children. It was also nice to help relieve a little of their suffering by treating some of their illnesses—even if it was just a temporary fix.

I also went on many combat missions with my squadron. Treating trauma in the field is very different than treating trauma in an aid station or a hospital. Bombs and gunfire may be going off, and there's less equipment and fewer

personnel available to treat wounded soldiers. On these missions I felt well protected by the disciplined and professional soldiers in the squadron.

On the way back to the patrol base, we took a detour to observe a nearby town that was supposedly controlled by "The Islamic State of Iraq," an Al Qaeda linked group.

On the outskirts of town, our vehicle got stuck in a mud hole and began to sink. I was sitting in the back of the vehicle and could see angry villagers approaching us with Russian made AK47 rifles and a few rocket-propelled grenades. Needless to say, I was concerned because our 50 oil burner machine gun turret had malfunctioned and wouldn't shoot. A vehicle behind us finally managed to pull us out of the mud hole. As we headed toward our patrol base, I praised God for getting me out of that situation.

Then my vehicle was hit by a large IED.



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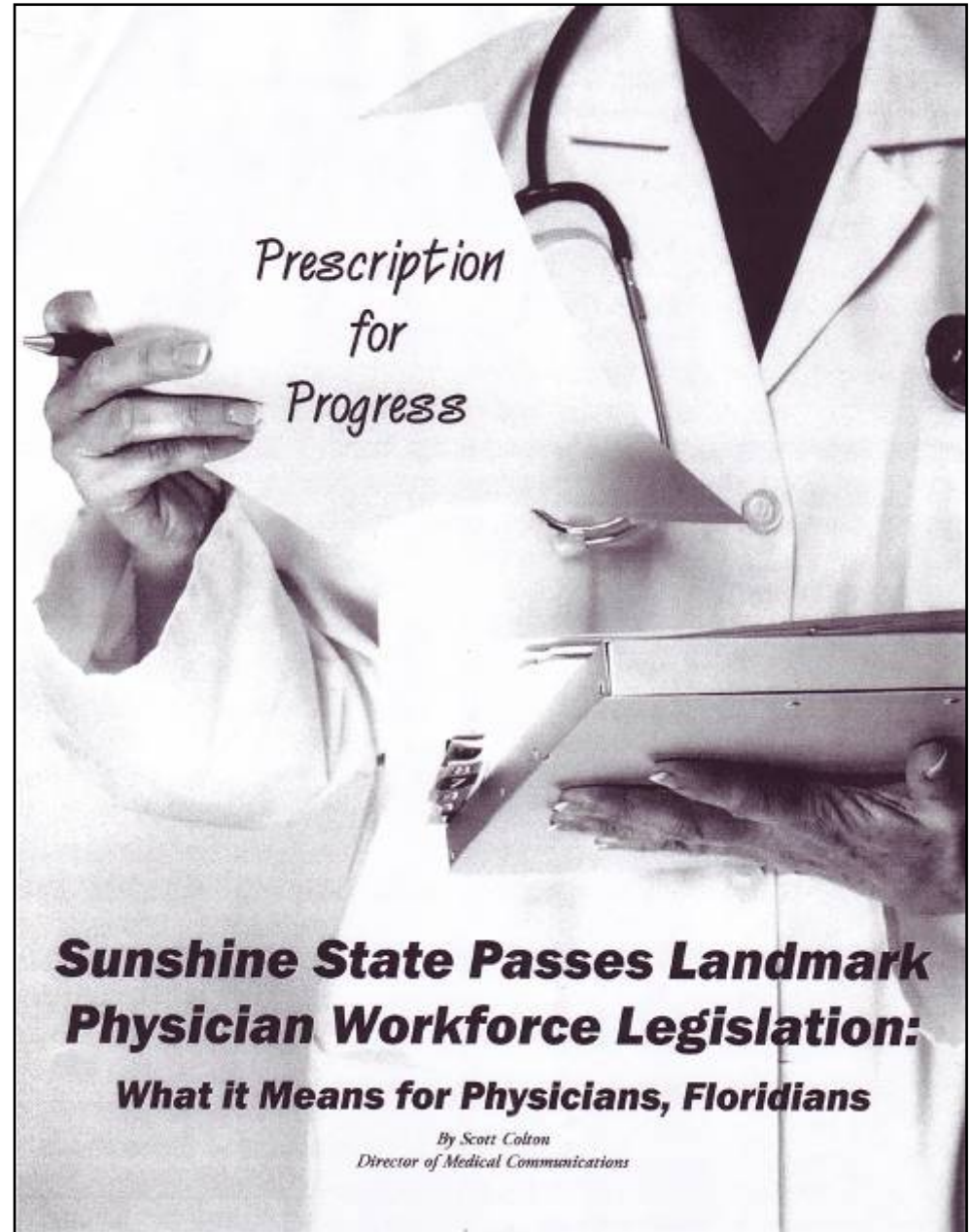
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A family physician recounts his experience in Iraq

By Capt. Larry Robinson, D.O.

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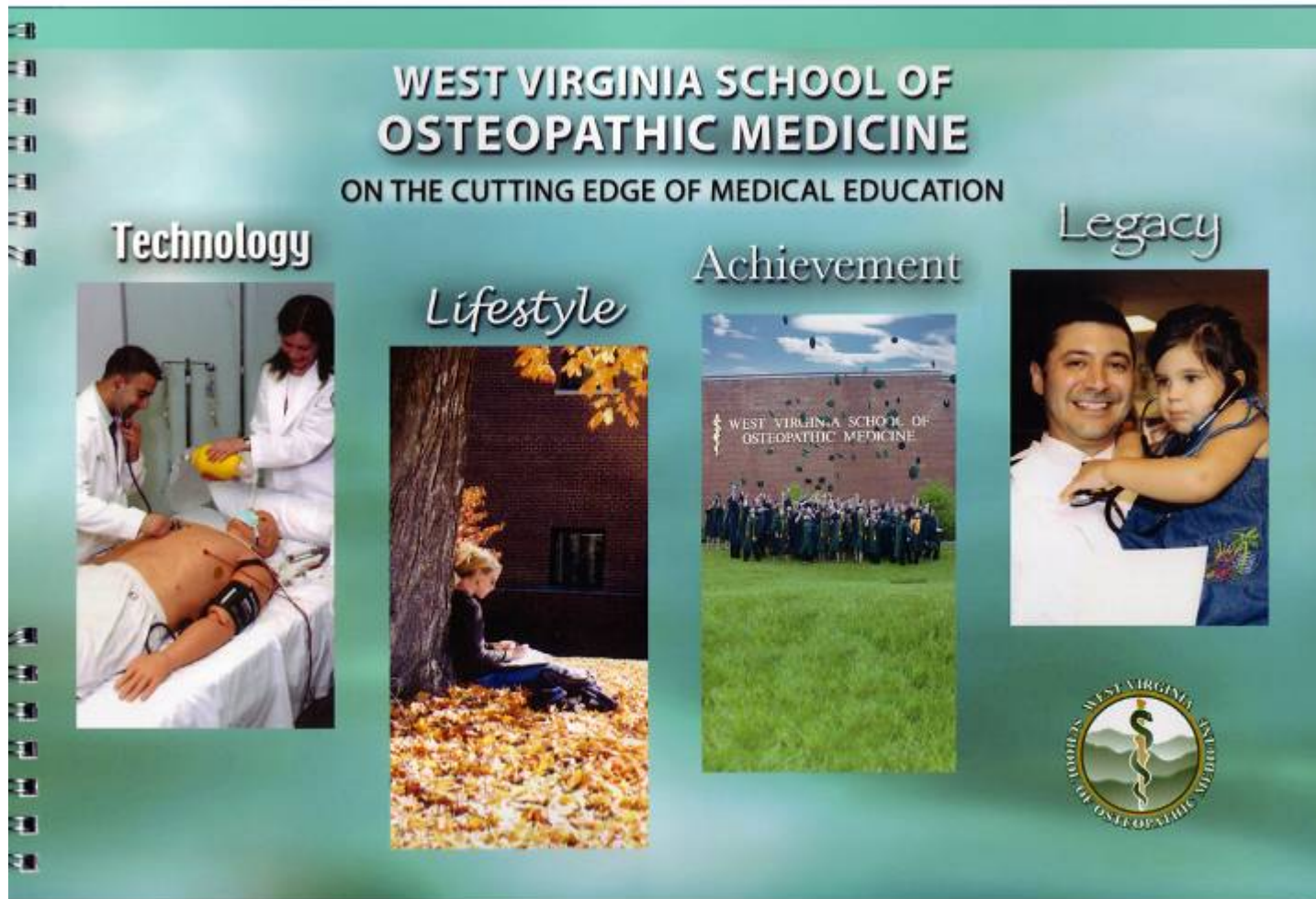


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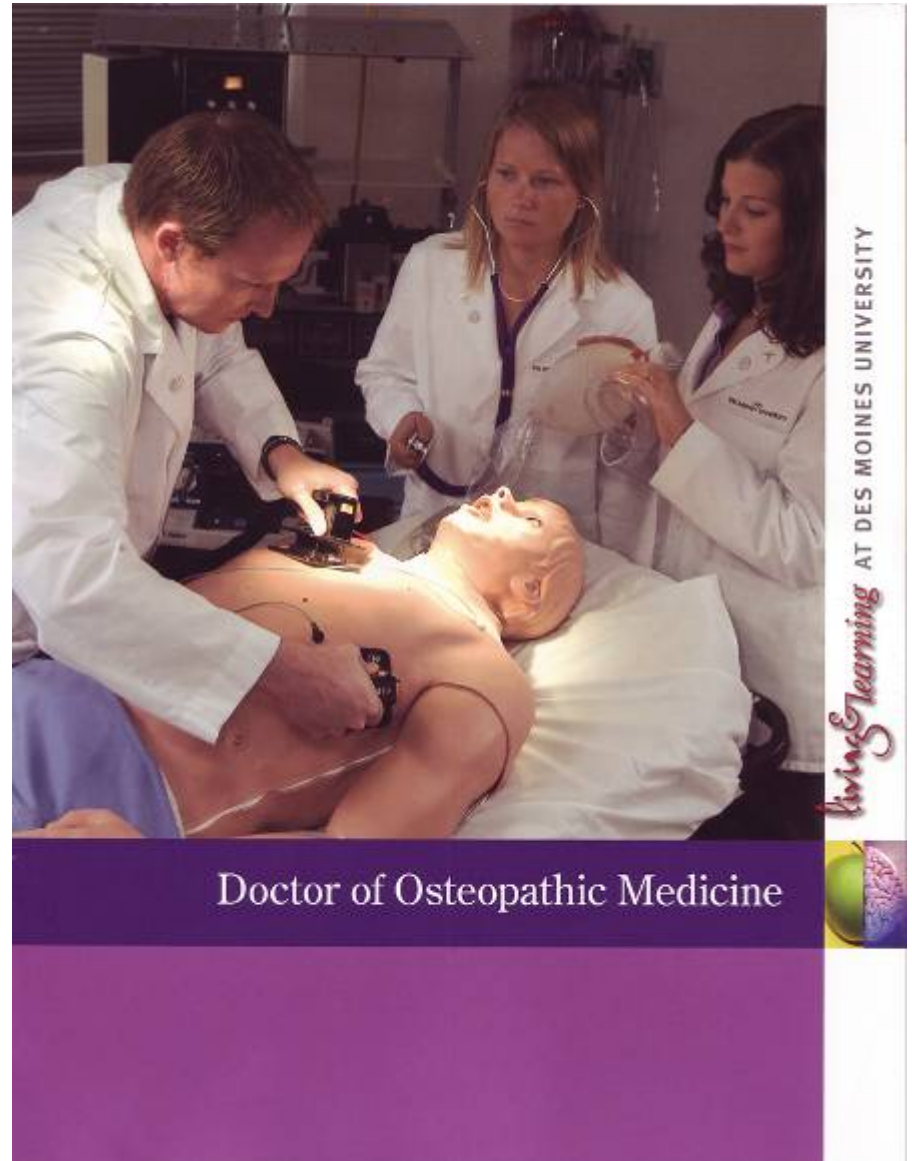
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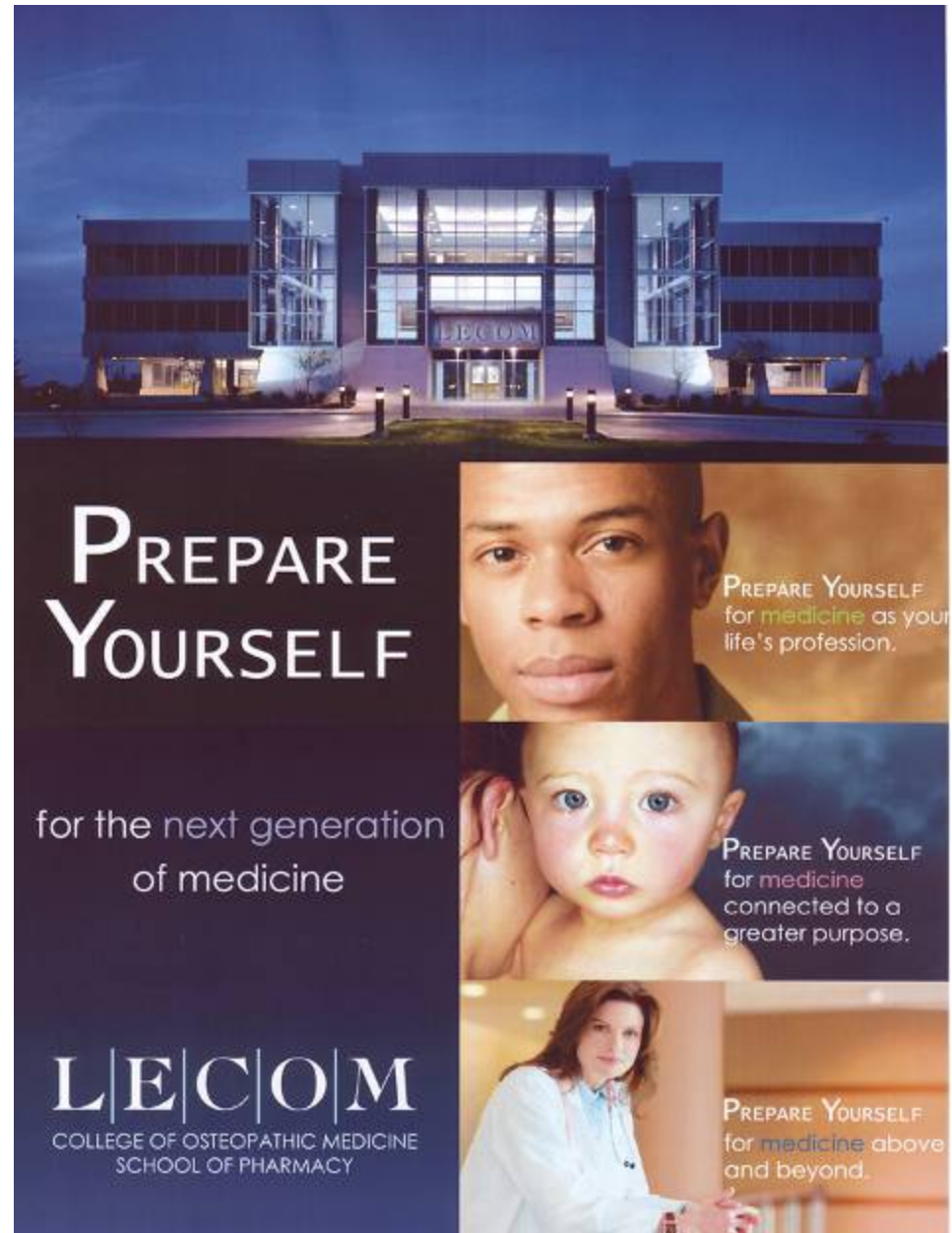
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The screenshot shows the homepage of the Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine (RVUCOM). At the top is a banner image of a mountain range with a yellow and green path leading through it. Below the banner is the university's name and a navigation menu with links for Home, About RVUCOM, Administration & Faculty, Prospective Students, Current Students, and News. A large central banner features a photograph of a young girl in a colorful shawl, with the text "GUATEMALA 2008" overlaid. To the right of this banner is a search box and a vertical sidebar with links for Prospective Students, Employment Opportunities, Community Outreach, Links with Affiliates, Construction Update, Contact RVU, and Campus Directions. Below the sidebar are two buttons labeled "MYVISTA" and "CATALOG".

RVUCOM faculty member leads Guatemalan medical outreach
Photos courtesy of outreach volunteer Jean Claude Guavita and Dr. Camille Bentley

Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine is working to not only change the lives of the neediest - underserved in the state of Colorado, it is also transforming the health of more than 900 people living in a country 2,000 miles away.

RVUCOM Community Medicine Chair Dr. Camille Bentley returned from her 14th medical outreach trip to Guatemala in January where she worked with healthcare providers, students and volunteers to help meet the medical needs of Mayan villagers living near Lake Atitlan.

The group of outreach volunteers came together for the 10-day trip through the efforts of Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine and DO Care International (DCI), a non-profit organization comprised of member volunteers who provide and support the delivery of needed health care to indigent and isolated people.

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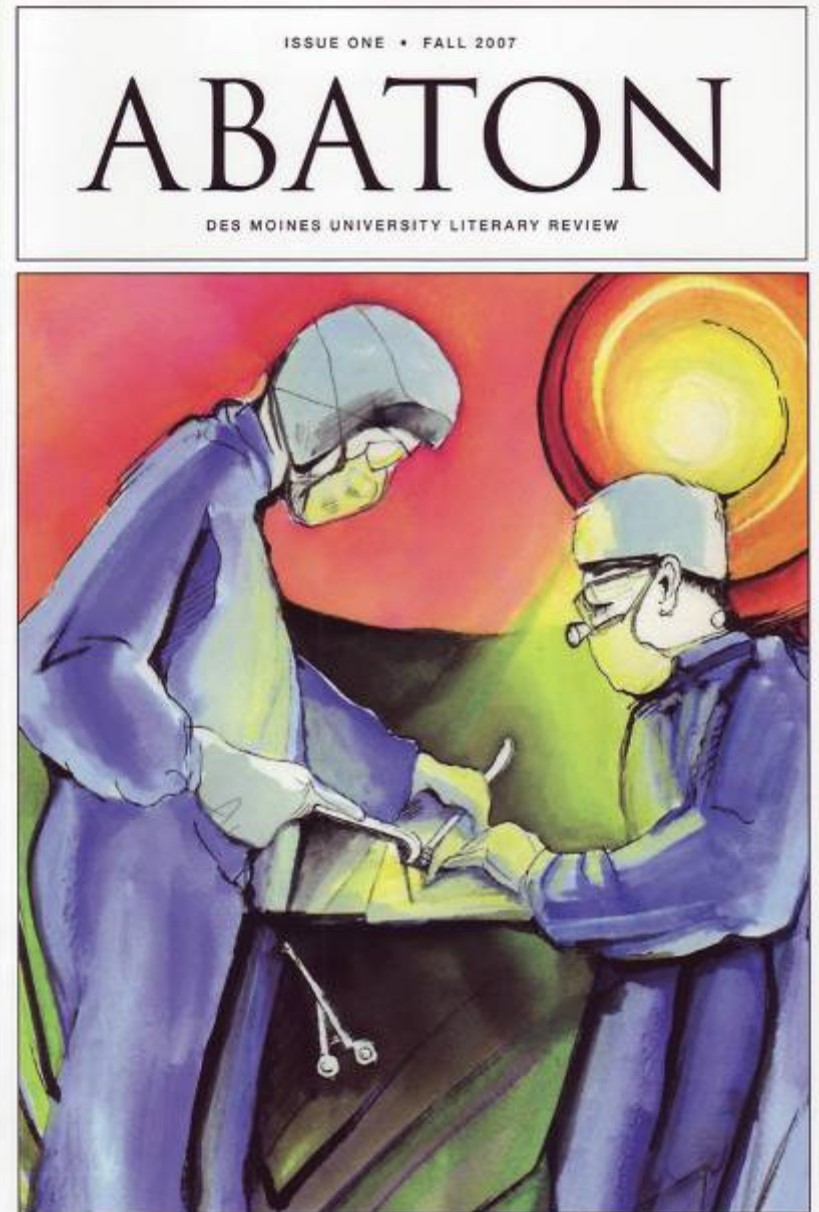
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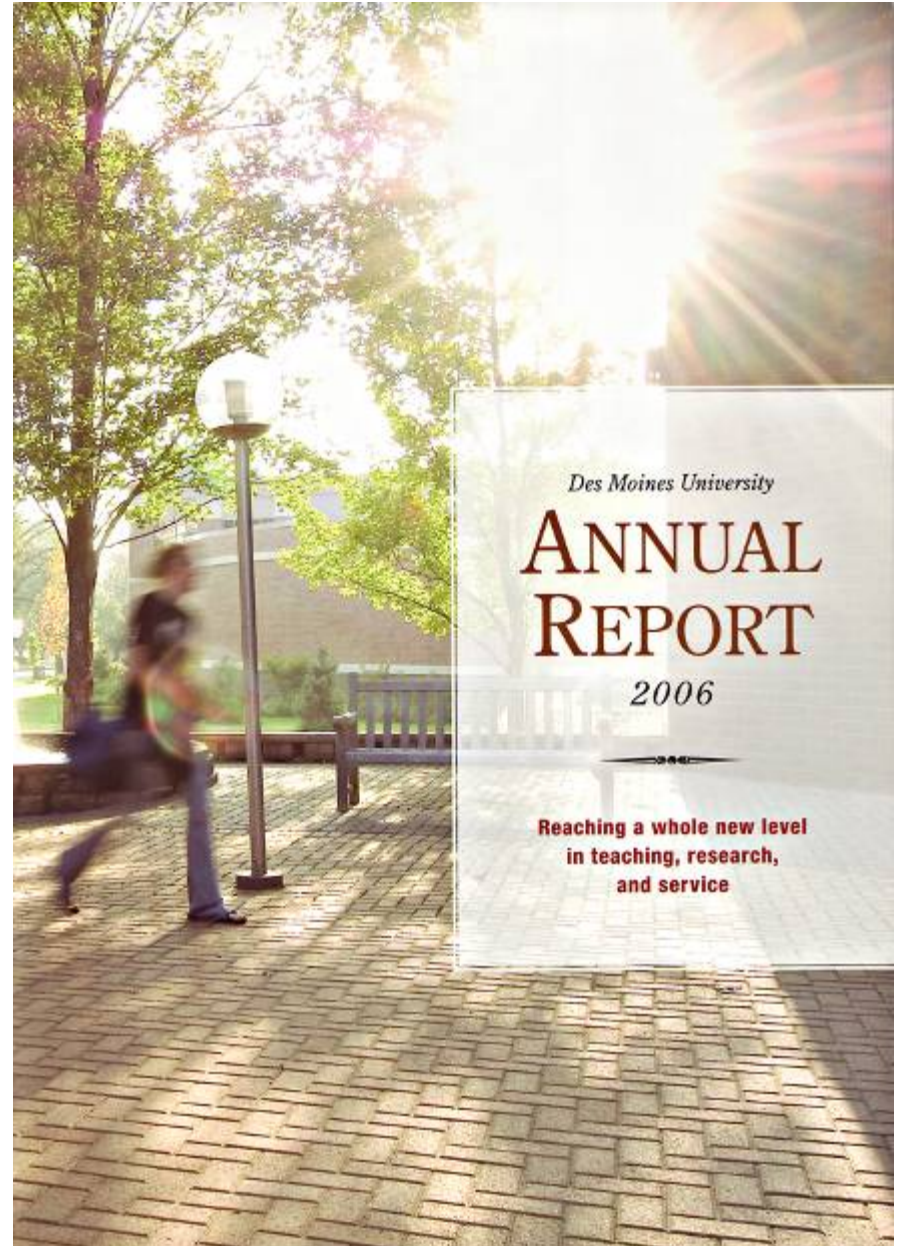
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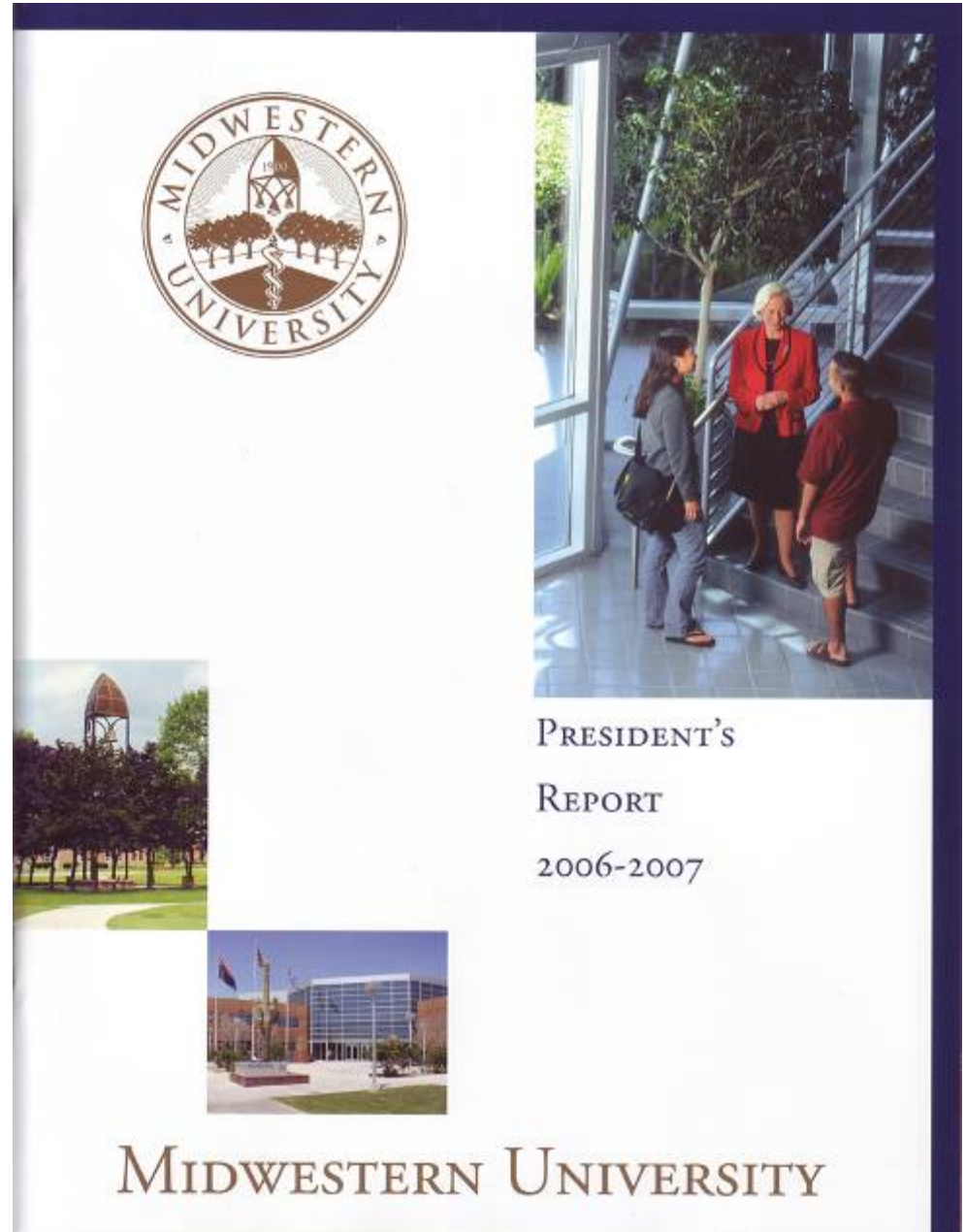
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No Other Place on Earth: Lacey McIntosh, MSII

Four hundred autumns ago Bartholomew Gosnold caught sight of the low-lying island with its brush-cut head and tumbling bluffs, thanked God, and dropped anchor to its lee. Sailors aboard the *Covecroft* probably let down a longboat or the captain's gig, held it fast against the blue swell, then cast off with an iron belly full of armored English soldiers and Gosnold in the bow. Perhaps he stood. More likely he sat, scanning the beaches for natives as the sailors smoked their pipe.

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