TAKING SATISFACTION WITH YOU

The old saying, “You can’t take it with you,” is only partially true. In fact, you can take something with you ... and that is the satisfaction of knowing that you left your possessions behind where they would do the greatest good. For most people, this includes thoughtful provisions for a spouse, children, or cherished friends. It may also include charitable gifts to organizations such as A.T. Still University.

Every year ATSU receives probate notices from the estates of those who had made arrangements to benefit the University, or more specifically, one of its colleges. Sometimes it is a gift designated for general use or operational purposes (unrestricted), and at other times the gift is designated for a specific purpose (restricted). Whatever the estate gift, these notices represent donors who made the decision to take with them the satisfaction of leaving a worthwhile gift.

Additionally, the probate notices indicate that the donors may have also carried with them the thought that their gift served as an example of generosity for family and friends to follow.

Through their careful planning, they ensure that they can take with them a parting thought of satisfaction, knowing that their worldly possessions will meet the needs of loved ones and also be used for causes they value.

Turn the page to read two examples that highlight the value of intentional estate planning in ways that now significantly impact our students and programs.

Learn how you can take satisfaction with you and leave a lasting legacy at A.T. Still University. Contact ATSU University Advancement at 866.626.2878, ext. 2395.
EDWARD P. CROWELL, DO

A 1952 graduate of ATSU’s Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (ATSU-KCOM), Edward P. Crowell, DO, practiced internal medicine in Waterville, Maine, for more than seven years before joining the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) in 1964 as assistant executive director. In 1968, he became the eighth DO to serve as the AOA’s executive officer. He served in that capacity for 13 years.

“Dr. Crowell’s intelligence, calmness, kindness, openness, confidence, and dignity served the AOA well during organizationally challenging times. He was a steady hand at the helm,” notes his successor, John Perrin, JD.

Dr. Crowell passed away in November 1994 and his wife, Elaine, passed away in January 2014. They had no children so the bulk of their estate, a gift of more than $1.1 million was given to ATSU-KCOM for its unrestricted use.

The couple’s nephew, Harrison Crowell, trustee of their residuary trust, shared in a letter this insight about the gift: “This gift to ATSU-KCOM is the result of foresight and stewardship. In 1990, my uncle and aunt had the foresight to set up a trust for their estate. Through investments, they were able to earn a substantial amount of money. After my uncle passed away, my aunt became the trustee for the trust. Her stewardship of the trust helped it to maintain much of its value even through the recent recession. I believe that I speak for the whole Crowell family when I say that we hope the leadership of ATSU-KCOM will use foresight and good stewardship as they put this gift to work for general purposes at ATSU-KCOM.”

With much gratitude for this generosity, ATSU-KCOM is using this exceptional gift across all College departments to enhance student learning experiences, purchase teaching equipment, and improve facilities.

Visit atsu.myplannedgift.org to learn more about your giving options.
JULIUS MAGILL AND DAVID MAGILL, DO

Julius Magill, a Chicago-area businessman, and his son David Magill, DO, are being remembered for their roles as members of ATSU-KCOM’s 100 Million Dollar “Planning Tomorrows” Club. Initiated in the early 1990s, this special group of donors participated in the College’s capital campaign honoring the 100th anniversary of the founding school of osteopathic medicine.

Julius Magill said that his decision to purchase a survivorship life insurance policy that names the College as the owner and beneficiary was based on seeing his son’s dream of becoming a doctor come true.

“David had wanted to be a doctor from the time he was a little boy,” Julius Magill once told staff at ATSU-KCOM.

“This is one way we can help other students fulfill their dreams to become doctors. I am impressed with the quality of the education my son is receiving at ATSU-KCOM, and I want to see it maintained in the future,” he said. “I know it is expensive to operate a medical school. You can’t maintain the highest standards and get the best professors on tuition alone.”

Julius Magill spent much of his life in real estate management in Wilmette, Ill., previously operating a pharmacy in Chicago. A 1957 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy, Julius Magill always had strong feelings about the osteopathic profession’s holistic approach to medicine.

David Magill, DO, graduated from North Par College in Chicago with a degree in biology. He served four years in the U.S. Army and was commissioned as a second lieutenant and worked in the area of preventative medicine. After graduating from ATSU-KCOM in 1994, he practiced pediatric rehabilitation until his passing in 2011. Following Julius Magill’s passing in December 2014, ATSU-KCOM received $1 million of insurance proceeds to create a permanent general operations endowment in their names for the College.

Psychologists tell us that as humans age, we are wired to want to leave a legacy. A Greek proverb says that societies become great when old men plant trees under whose shade they know they will never sit. We are forever grateful to the Crowells, the Magills, and all of our many supporters who have left their marks through the “planting” of estate gifts that come to fruition in amazing ways for the benefit of our students.
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**YOUR SAFE-DEPOSIT BOX**

**WHAT GOES IN AND WHAT STAYS OUT?**

Over the years you’ve likely accumulated a great number of valuable documents, and those papers do not belong in a box under your mattress. A safe-deposit box is a secure place to store items that would cause panic if lost.

Many banks and credit unions rent safe-deposit boxes. The annual cost can range from less than $50 to more than $400, depending on where you live and what size box you need.

**What to keep in your box**

- Insurance policies
- Birth, marriage, and death certificates
- Adoption papers and divorce decrees
- Deeds, titles, mortgage papers, and lease contracts
- Military records and citizenship papers
- Stock and bond certificates
- A videotape or DVD inventory of your home and all its contents
- Personal items that have great sentimental value or would be difficult and costly to replace

**What NOT to keep in your box**

- Originals of wills, trusts, and power of attorney documents
- Medical care directives
- Funeral or burial instructions

**Quick tip**

As a precautionary measure, keep a separate list of the items in your safe-deposit box and make a habit of checking the box at least once a year—if only to keep from forgetting where you hid the key.

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