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The Philip C. Singer Distinguished Professorship of Environmental Sciences and Engineering honors Phil Singer, PhD, and his extraordinary career in research, teaching and service. It also serves as a tribute to the critical contributions Singer has made to the field of drinking-water quality and treatment.

An international expert on drinking water quality, Singer was the Daniel A. Okun Distinguished Professor of Environmental Engineering from 2002 to 2011. Despite numerous career accolades, he values teaching as his greatest achievement. A hands-on mentor and adviser, he continues to collaborate with former students who are now influential researchers and scholars themselves.

As Singer retired, many colleagues stepped forward to contribute to the fund, which will help attract and support a promising faculty member in environmental sciences and engineering. More than $337,000 has been pledged to date; additional pledges and gifts are welcomed.

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Dr. George Pink

“I am very grateful that Humana’s funding will enable me to continue research that benefits small, rural and primarily not-for-profit hospitals, most of which struggle to provide health care to rural Americans.”

A number of donors and the students they support were able to reunite or meet for the first time at the dinner. Among these were Gladys Siegel, widow of maternal and child health faculty member and department chair Earl Siegel, MD, MPH, and their daughter Lucy Siegel, MPH, who visited with Lupe Huitron, the 2010 recipient of a scholarship from the Earl and Gladys Siegel Student Support Fund (see photo page 43).

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– Linda Kastleman

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