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TCOM nominated for award

Saturday evening March 20 at Kahler Green Oaks Inn the Press Club of Fort Worth will announce its Newsmakers Awards for 1975 and representatives of TCOM will be in the audience awaiting announcement of the Institutional Award for which TCOM has been nominated.

AOA announces internships

As TCOM's third graduating class prepares to finish its education the question of where each will serve internships arise. Through a matching service between students and hospitals, the American Osteopathic Assn. has issued its list of matches currently completed.

Of the 48 members of the fourth-year class, 13 will be interning in Texas. Nineteen will serve internships outside Texas, 13 in the military and Public Health Service and three have not been placed at this time.

Interning at Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital will be Neil M. Berry, Larry G. Burrows, Otto E. Gutierrez, Oziel D. Gutierrez, Sally A. Hallgren, Michael D. LeCompte and Guert L. Tilma. Working at Grand Prairie Community Hospital will be Eric R. Johnson, Walter R. Pyron and Denny K. Tharp.

Robert P. Chisolm, Thomas R. Cooke and Hernan A. Salazar will be interning at Stevens Park Osteopathic Hospital.

Serving out-of-state internships will be Richard B. Zemenick, Garden City (Mich.) Hospital; David R. Harmon, Rocky Mountain Hospital at Denver, Colo.; Cheri Q. Dziamba, Sun Coast Osteopathic Hospital at Largo, Fla.; Alan R. Stockard, Doctors Hospital at Tucker, Ga.; Robert W. Jamison and Steven L. Paillet, Cherry Hill (N.J.) Medical Center; James B. Beard, Grandview Hospital at Dayton, Ohio.

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Also, Barney E. Blue, Randy E. Collins and Harold D. Lewis, Hillcrest Osteopathic Hospital at Oklahoma City, Okla.; Randall D. Barnes, John Terry Leever, J. Ron Lowry, Charles H. Wheeler and Cliff J. Whigham, Oklahoma Osteopathic Hospital, Tulsa, Okla.; Ronald W. Sherman, Osteopathic General Hospital at North Miami Beach, Fla.; and Donald M. Huddleston, Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital, Lancaster, Pa.

Tom W. Ewing and Kenneth Kruczak will serve their internships at Zieger Osteopathic Hospital at Detroit, Mich. and Botsford General Hospital at Farmington Hills, Mich.

Serving military internships will be John A. Brose and Arthur H. Probst, Air Force; Thomas M. Hemmer, Mark E. Holton, Ronald A. Jones and Alfred J. Kirkwood, Army; Walter L. Irwin, Ralph W. Kelly and Bobby J. Kennedy, Navy.

Serving U.S. Public Health Service internships are John E. Angelo, Mark A. Baker, Melinda A. Duncan and John E. Kasukanis.

Internship commitments have not been made at this time by Richard Hudson, Randy Lofton and Dale Zimmermann.

First-year students receive grants

Paul Franklin Mills and Paul M. Slaughter, both of Fort Worth and first-year student-doctors at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, have each been awarded a \$3,520 grant-in-aid from the State Rural Medical Education Board (SRMEB), according to Dr. Ralph L. Willard, dean of TCOM.

The loan, which will be used to pay for their expenses, is part of a loan program of SRMEB to lend funds to medical students who express a desire to practice medicine in a rural area in Texas and execute a contract to that effect.

Mills and Slaughter are the first TCOM students to receive the loan.

Under the program, the loan is forgiven 20 per cent for each year the graduate position practices in a county with a population under 25,000.

Loans are awarded on basis of need and desire to practice in a rural area. SRMEB, which was authorized by the 63rd Texas Legislature and funded by the 64th Texas Legislature, disbursed its first funds last December.

Health Fair termed success

From the time the doors of Texas Christian University's Daniel Meyer Coliseum opened for the first annual Health Fair until they closed there was always a line in front of TCOM's booth.

Reason for the continuous line? TCOM student-doctors were providing glaucoma screening. TCOM was one of about 45 health care agencies participating in the one-day event. In addition to glaucoma screening, persons attending the Health Fair could have blood pressure, diabetes, pulmonary function and sickle cell screening done at no cost. Approximately 1,000 persons attended the Health Fair.

Under the supervision of Dr. William Ranelle, clinical assistant professor of ophthalmology, five student-doctors screened 450 persons for glaucoma and referred about 20 of these to their family physicians or ophthalmologist for further examination.

Student-doctors working at the Health Fair were Robert Irvin, John Kasukonis, Neil Berry, Sally Hallgren, Charles Wheeler and Barry Ranelle of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. Student-doctor Ranelle is currently serving a preceptorship with Dr. Ranelle.

Throughout the day, student-nurses from TCU's Harris School of Nursing assisted the student-doctors.

In addition to the glaucoma screening, "The Doctor Is In" exhibit was on display and the Mobile Medical Unit was on exhibit during the afternoon.

Social Security vote rescheduled

The individual preference referendum on Social Security originally scheduled for March 22 has been changed to March 25. Reason for rescheduling the vote was to meet the necessary requirement of 90 days notice to all eligible voters, according to Milton Glenn, chairman of the election committee.

Voting booths will open from 9 a.m. to noon and will be set up in Dr. J.K.G. Silvey's office in Denton, Personnel Office in the Annex and the conference room in the Administration Building. If an employe knows he will be out of town on March 25, he can vote absentee by contacting either Dr. Marion E. Coy, Dr. Walter Brake or Glenn, all election committee members.

Any person employed at TCOM on the day of the election is eligible to vote. If an employe fails to vote, it is

considered the same as a no vote, Glenn said. He said that the only way an employe could change his vote would be if another referendum election is called.

SWA elects officers

Terry Katz, wife of second-year student David Katz, has been elected to serve as president of the Students' Wives Auxiliary for 1976-77.

Assisting her will be Paula Jackson wife of second-year student Ron Jackson, vice-president; Karen Hull, wife of first-year student Christopher Hull, recording secretary; Julie Fletcher, wife of first-year student Stephen Fletcher, corresponding secretary; and Veanda Jones, wife of first-year student William Jones, treasurer.

Installing the new officers at their May 11 meeting will be Mrs. Anita Stark of Bellmead, N.Y., national advisor for Students' Wives Auxiliary.

People, places, things

DR. JOHN H. HARAKAL, chairman of the department of osteopathic philosophy, practice and principles, attended the annual Convocation of the American Academy of Osteopathy, and Conclave of Fellows and the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Educational Council on Osteopathic Principles March 3-7 in Colorado Springs, Colo. During the convocation he served in a teaching capacity and presented a paper during the conclave. DR. JOHN GAUGL, associate professor of physiology, and DR. JOSEPH BESSO, chairman of the department of neurobiology, attended the Annual Research Conference of the American Osteopathic Association Bureau of Research March 12-13 in Chicago...DR. ELROY CANTRELL, chairman of the department of pharmacology, and DR. DAVID BUSBEE, lecturer in the department of anatomy, attended the Fourth Annual Collaborative Conference of the Carcinogenesis Program Feb. 22-26 in Orlando, Fla., and participated in a workshop program on "Discussion on AHH in Human Lymphocytes"...VERLIE McALISTER, coordinator of public information, attended the annual AOA Public Relations meeting March 15 in Washington, D.C.

NEW EMPLOYEES: GENE AUTRY, audio visual and LOUIS BYERS, purchasing.