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April 1

Sigma Sigma Phi, Cardiopulmonary seminar at Ramada Inn Central, Fort Worth, 9 a.m. 4 p.m. Faculty not complete yet.

This issue introduces a calendar of comming events which we hope to make a regular feature of DATELINE. Please notify the Public Information Office well in advance of speakers, seminars, any events which will be of general interest.

New reference librarian

Steven L. Sowell began duties February 15 as the reference librarian for TCOM. Mr. Sowell is a 1975 graduate of the University of Maryland and received a Master of Library Science from that university in 1976. He has worked with the Dahlgren Memorial Library at Georgetown University Medical Center and the Medical Library of Washington Center, both in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Sowell is available for computer searches, verification of bibliographies, and other references problems. He welcomes faculty suggestions of books and scientific journals that should be in the TCOM library.

People, places and things

RALPH L. WILLARD, D.O., dean, attended a January 9 meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine in Chicago. DEAN WILLARD and DR. MARGARET DENNIS, professor of psychology, were also in Chicago February 3 for the annual meeting of the Congress of Medical Education. February 13-27 DEAN WILLARD was on military leave to attend the School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks Air Force Base in San Antonio. Attending the same course were DR. GERALD P. FLANAGAN of Denton, president-elect of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and a member of the TCOM Dean's Advisory Council, and COL. RICHARD SHILLINGLAW (see recent visitors to our campus.)

Dr. Flanagan is a civilian examiner for the Federal Aviation Administration.

VERLIE McALISTER, formerly coordinator of public information, resigned to accept a position with the Texas Osteopathic

"Going away but not far" coffee was scheduled in her honor on Friday, February 17 but had to be cancelled due to snow.

JOEL ALTER, D.O., associate professor of surgery, served as guest editor for the February 1978 issue of OSTEOPATHIC ANNALS. Topic of the issue is Diseases of the Biliary Tract, and the contributors are: HARRIS F. PEARSON, D.O., clinical assistant professor of pathology; R. LYNN POWELL, D.O., assistant professor of surgery; JOHN B. LOCKE, D.O., assistant professor of medicine; JOHN H. HARAKAL, D.O., professor and chairman, Department of Osteopathic Philosophy, Principles and Practice; and CLINTON L. BURNS, D.O., instructor in OPP&P.

Among those attending TOMA's Annual Lakeway Legislative Seminar in Austin Jan. 27-29 were JOHN KEMPLIN, D.O., chairman and professor of radiology, and RUSSELL G. GAMBER, D.O., associate professor of general and family practice.

R.W. GRACY, Ph.D., chairman of the Department of Biochemistry, attended the annual meeting of the National Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Chicago February 17 and 18.

HSIN-HSIUNG (DANIEL) TAI, Ph.D., associate professor of biochemistry, presented a paper entitled "Structure-Activity Relationship of Thromboxane Synthetase Inhibitors" at the annual Winter Prostaglandin Conference in Sarasota, Florida January 28-31

New employees: LYNN BALDWIN, Dallas Consortium; LYNN NELSON, development office; KATHY SEALS, Grand Prairie Community Hospital; DONALD HODGES, physiology; SHARON LEITH, physiology.

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round will be broken for Place 1 of the construction and modernization problem it Fort Worth Osteo athic Hospital on uesday, February 2 of 10 apm. The roundbreaking cereton prill by held the south end of the hospital, that the cuture site of the new hospital entrince only and sift shop.

Contracts for the contruction will also be awarded Tuesday moining. The \$8.5 million project calls for the new construction of a two-story ancillary addition and for the modernization and renovation of all existing hospital facilities. The ancillary pavilion will provide new facilities for diagnosti and treatment departments, including a 24-hour emergency department. Modernization will provide enlarged quarters for administration and several hospital departments within the present hospital building. The fifth floor of the existing hospital will be renovated to provide new patient rooms, and all patient rooms in the hospital will be redecorated.

At the same time, the hospital will also announce a capital fund campaign, with a minimum goal of \$1.5 million.

Public health course offered

TCOM/NTSU Basic Health Science Department is offering its first community service course, a class in Applied Environmental Public Health taught by the faculty of the department of microbiology and guest lecturers. According to Dr. Elizabeth Harris, chairman of the department of microbiology, this course, designed for community members specifically interested in the technical problems of environmental and public health, represents a new phase of education and community service for TCOM. Three hours of either graduate or

undergraduate credit at NTSU may be earned.
Classes meet from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday
evenings at the River Plaza Campus Center.
Dr. Harris urges any interested faculty
and students to attend. Feel free to
bring a sack supper.

	sessions are:
	Pests, Disease Vectors and
	Control Methods
March 9:	Environmental Health and Air
	Pollution Control
	Basic Bacteriology and Labo-
	ratory Methods
April 6:	Technical Bacteriology
April 13:	Milk Sanitation
April 20:	Sanitary Control of Food
April 27:	Water Supply and Waste Dis-
	posal
May 4:	Institutional Problems, Dis-
	infection and Sterilization

Bad weather calls

Apologies to the good people who showed up for work and school on Friday, February 17 because they were not notified that TCOM was closed.

When the dean or his representative decides to close or delay the opening of TCOM, the public information office calls radio stations, television stations and department heads. But in the early mornings hours, it is sometimes difficult to get through to radio and television news rooms. We hoped that designating WBAP Radio and Channel 5 TV would simplify things. It didn't. We were unable to reach WBAP Radio until 9 a.m. Friday morning.

Although we hope now the whole problem will just go away until next winter, any and all suggestions for improving the notification process will be welcomed and carefully considered

Once again, our apologies to those who were missed last Friday.

Recent visitors to our campus

REPRESENTATIVE BILL HOLLOWELL from Grand Saline, Texas, a member of the House Appropriations Committee and the Legislative Budget Board. Rep. Hollowell was on campus Thursday, February 16 in an on-site inspection designed to familiarize him with TCOM programs and the construction on Med Ed I. He was accompanied by Mr. Vic Lewis.

COL. RICHARD SHILLINGLAW, former professor of osteopathic medicine at MSU-COM and currently chief of staff at the USAF Hospital, Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Michigan. Col. Shillinglaw, who attended the 2-week School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks Air Force Base in San Antonio with Dean Willard, was on campus Monday, February 20.

GUNNAR BLOMQVIST, M.D. cardiologist from Southwestern Medical School, spoke to the freshmen physiology class on Friday, February 10. His topics were "ECG & Heart Sound" and "ECG and Pathologies."

JEFFERY IRA WEISBERG, D.O., chief of the Division of Hematology and Oncology at the United States Public Health Service Hospital on Staten Island, New York. A 1971 graduate of the Kansas Gity Gollege of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Weisberg presented an informal lecture for the faculty "Do The Merits of Chemotherapy Outweigh The Price?" and lectured to second-year students on "What It's Like to Work With People Who Are Dying."

Class officers elected

First- and second-year students at TCOM have recently elected the following new officers:
Class of 1981
President: Ed A. Luke
Vice-president: J.P. Schwartz
Secretary: Anne Williams
Treasurer: Betsy Behrer
SGA representatives: Jim Froelich, Jim
Pettit
SGA curriculum department representative

Harold Nicolette, Jerry Davis Reporter: Malcolm Lyon

Class of 1980
President: Bill Schindler
Vice-president: Perry Wallace
Secretary. Morris Creedon-McVean
Treasurer: Richard Turner
Reporter: Ingrid Muijsson-Arnold
SGA representatives: Larry Price, Eric
Simmons

SGA curriculum department representatives Ken Blais, Bill Wallace

Atlas Club schedules "valentine" party

TCOM's Atlas Club will present a "Valentine" Party on Saturday February 25 at 8:00 p.m. in the River Plaza

Lecture Room. Cost will be \$2/couple for members and \$4/couple for non-members. Beer, soft drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served. There'll be good times for all, with disco dancing and an award to the "funky-est" dancer.

Coming events

February 27

Dr. Jerry R. Williams, professor of radiology at Harvard, will present two seminars on the NTSU campus. At 11:00 a.m. in Room 117, Center for Studies in Aging, Oak Street Hall, he will talk on "Aging and Cancer: The Risk of Growing Old in a Carcinogenic Environment": at 4:00 p.m. in Room 121, Chemistry Building, he will talk on "Comparison of DNA Repair in Mammalian Cells After Treatment with Ionizing and Nonionizing Radiations." Both seminars are open to the public.

March 2 & 16

American Heart Association, Cardiopulmonary resuscitation seminars, Thursday March 2 and March 16, from 6-10 p.m. These seminars are being offered to enable 4th year students to earn the basic certification requisite for the Advanced Life Support Course which will be part of the 8th semester program. Fourth year students have priority in registration, but vacancies may be filled by TCOM faculty. For more information, see Dr. Charles Ogilvie.

March 9-11

1978 Spring Meeting of the Texas Branch.
American Society for Microbiology and
Society of Clinical Microbiology, Ramada
Inn, Denton. Program consists of scientific sessions, workshops, a symposium
and the ASM Foundation for Microbiology
Lecture. For more information, contact
the TCOM Department of Microbiology.

March 14

Dallas Medical Education Consortium
J.S. Tompkins, D.O., J.F. DePetris, D.O.
and A. Cording, D.O. will present a
program on "Systemic Lupus," "Rheumatoid
Arthritis" and "Gout" at East Town
Osteopathic Hospital. For more information, contact P.J. Yurkon, D.O.,
director of medical education, 75275
Scyene Road, Dallas 75227.