

# shifting dullness

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## HIPPOCRATIC OATH CEREMONY RESCHEDULED

The Hippocratic Oath and awards ceremony, recognized by many as the commencement ceremony for the medical school, has been rescheduled from its usual Saturday morning time slot to the Friday evening of Commencement Weekend. The move was forced by a University decision to change the University commencement from Sunday afternoon to Sunday morning, necessitating the rescheduling of numerous events held for both graduate and undergraduate students.

The ceremony is tentatively scheduled for 7:30 PM on Friday evening, May 8, 1987. Saturday is free for graduating senior medical students to share with friends and relatives. The University commencement is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Sunday, May 10. A reception for graduating medical students and their families will follow in the Searle Center, at which diplomas will be distributed.

A meeting to discuss details of Commencement Weekend will be held by Dr. Shirley Osterhout on Tuesday, September 23, 1986, at 5:00 PM in the Amphitheater, Duke South. All senior medical students are urged to attend.

## GPSC HANDBOOK AVAILABLE

The GPSC Handbook, a publication compiled to orient graduate students to Durham in general and Duke University in particular, is now available through Linda Chambers in the Dean's office, and through Deborah Senter in CTL. The book is of particular value to first year students, transfer students, and exchange students new to the area.

## AND SPEAKING OF FIRST YEARS...

Just as the water has returned to the reservoirs, and Matt Cartmill has returned to the Department of Anatomy, so have the MSII's and MSIII's returned to our halls. At the same time, though, we note with pride the addition of the Class of 1990 and welcome its members to Shifting Dullness. Statistics for the Class of 1990 were not available at press time, but will appear in our next issue. We wish y'all well and remember, there is a beautiful valley on the other side of the forest that is first year.

## MED-PSYCH PROGRAM OFFERED

The Department of Medicine at the School of Medicine, East Carolina University, has developed with the Department of Psychiatry a combined residency program which will enable qualified physicians to become board eligible in both specialties after five years of postgraduate training. Information can be obtained from the file in the Student Lounge or from the office of Dr. Shirley Osterhout.

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#### FROM THE EDITORS

It has been nearly a year since the last issue of Shifting Dullness decorated the mailboxes and trash cans of our post office. Since that time, a number of changes in the structure and function of our administration and our curriculum have taken place, providing a virtually limitless source of news. In keeping with this spirit, we as Shifting Dullness have made some changes as well to provide medical students with a more fun, more readable, and more informative newsletter.

In this volume, truly newsworthy items concerning the administration, the Davison Council, and your future as a medical student will accompany the more customary announcements of opportunities in research and medical writing. In addition, we have incorporated the Med School Social Calendar and Jokus Medicus into our pages, and urge you to save each issue for reference during the month. Puzzles, and prizes for solving them, will be offered on occasion as well.

We look forward to bringing you Shifting Dullness on a more regular schedule this year and encourage those individuals responsible for other medical school organizations, as well as the many departments of the medical center, to use this publication as a forum for their own news, announcements, and letters. Your comments and suggestions are welcome and appreciated, and may be sent to Shifting Dullness, Box 3005, DUMC.

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The editorial board of Shifting Dullness would like to extend its best wishes to Dr. Arthur Christakos for a speedy recovery following his recent hospitalization. His concern for students, sense of humor, and mastery of "Deanspeak" have been sorely missed, and we look forward to his rapid return to the Dean's office.

Shifting Dullness is the official newsletter of the Davison Society, Duke University School of Medicine, Durham, NC.

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# Duke Med Social Calendar

- ★ South Seas Party - 1<sup>st</sup> official Davison Party of season
  - Celebrate end of boards
  - See Page 6 for details

- ★ "Hitman" Party - The assassination game begins...
  - Saturday, September 27

- ★ Duke Football - See one of the nation's top rookie classes

F = Free water films -  
 - free with I.D.  
 Bryan Center, 7, 9, 130  
 Q = Quad Flux  
 - 328 Page Auditorium

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2	3 National Boards - Part II	4 Duke Chorale - Vivaldi's Gloria 8:15 PM, Chapel F - The American Friend	5 F - Kiss of Spider Woman The Nitty Gritty (12M)	6 <b>SOUTH SEAS PARTY</b> Football @ Northwestern, 11M
7 Q - Back to the Future 79	8	9 F - Nia and Tawu	10 MS I Exam	11 F - Alice in the Cities	12 F - Brazil 7, 9:30, 12M	13 Football @ Georgia, 1PM Q - Down and Out in Beverly Hills 79
14 Q - Down and Out in Beverly Hills - 7, 9	15	16 F - Fata Morgana	17	18 F - The Goats' Anxiety at the Peatty Kick	19 F - Maria's Loves The Thing (12M)	20 Football - vs. Ohio 7PM - Wallace Wade Q - Out of Africa 6:30, 9:30
21 Q - Out of Africa - 6:30, 9:30	22 MS I EXAMS	23 F - Jaguar	24 Back to the Future, 12:30PM, Chapel Cos. Fan Totte, opera, Triangle Music Theater Assoc. 8:15 PM Page Aud.	25 F - Chamber 666, Renaissance	26 Cos. Fan Totte, 2nd performance F - Hannah & Her Sisters Duck Soup (12M)	27 <b>"Hitman" Party</b> Football - vs. Virginia, 7PM - Wallace Wade
28 Wind Symphony Concert - 3:30 PM Duke Gardens Q - To Live and Die in LA 7, 9:15	29	30 Branching at Duke Ceremonies in Dark Old Men Negro Ensemble Co 6:15 PM, Page Aud. F - Celso and Cora				

## REMINDERS

Study away applications must be submitted to the Study Away Committee two months prior to the planned elective. The next two committee meetings are scheduled for September 9 and November 11.

Seniors are urged to make reservations for Commencement Weekend as soon as possible. The weekend of May 8, 9, and 10 is also Mother's Day weekend, and graduation weekend at UNC, NC State and NCCU.

## NEUROLOGY ESSAY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

The American Academy of Neurology has announced its 26th Essay Contest in Neurology for medical students. Subject material and essay length are at the discretion of the author. Prizes will be awarded in the categories of clinical neurology, experimental neurology, and historical aspects of neurology, and consist of \$150.00, a certificate, and a one-year subscription to Neurology. Further details are available in the "Opportunities" notebook in the Office of Undergraduate Medical Education. Deadline for entries is October 31, 1986.

## MSIII AND MSIV EIP STUDENTS NEEDED

Dates for the small group sessions led by medical students for Early Identification Program applicants have been set. Three students from the MSIII and MSIV classes are needed, one for each of the following sets of dates:

Tuesdays - September 30, November 4, November 18

Thursdays - October 2, November 6, November 20

Fridays - October 3, November 7, November 21

Sessions are from 5:00-6:00 PM, and volunteers may bring another medical student to assist. If interested, see Dr. Shirley Osterhout; assignments will be made to the first qualified volunteers.

## CRAFT CLASSES OFFERED

This fall, the Duke Craft Center is offering classes in pottery, weaving, photography, metal work/jewelry, blacksmithing, and woodworking. Registration for classes is 12:00 - 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday, at the Duke Craft Center located on the lower level of the Bryan Center, Duke's West Campus. Registration is taken on a first-come, first-served basis, and a fee is charged per class. For more information, call 684-2532.

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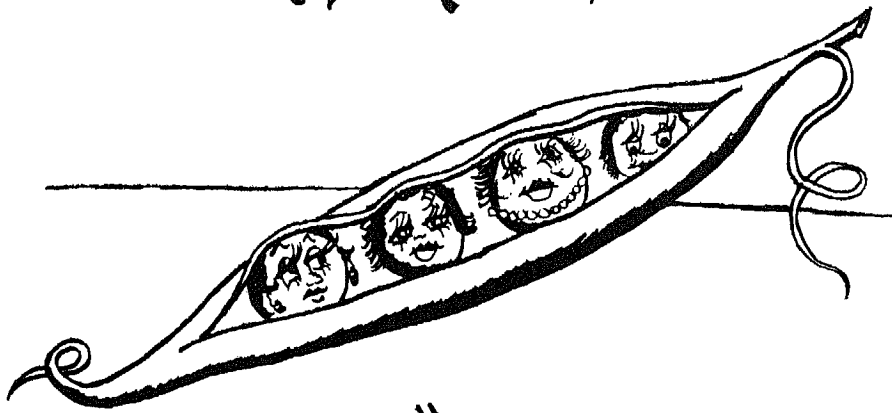
## PUZZLE

Puzzle solutions may be sent to David Darrow, Box 2719, DUMC. One name will be selected at random from among correct solutions to win a Baskin-Robbins gift certificate.

## JCGWISRZJ

Aortic obstruction	- QZIYEKZ	Hyperaldosteronism	- ESGG'J
Keratoconjunctivitis/xerostomia	- JPSXIZG'J	Ptosis/miosis/anhydrosis	KSIGZI'J
Vocal tics	- VSDIZVVZ'J	Hepatic vein occlusion	- NDWW-EKYFIY
Rheum. Arthritis/splenomegaly	- AZQVC'J	Amenorrhea/sterility	- FJKZIRFG'J

Tokus Medicus



Jack  
Gelman  
8/86

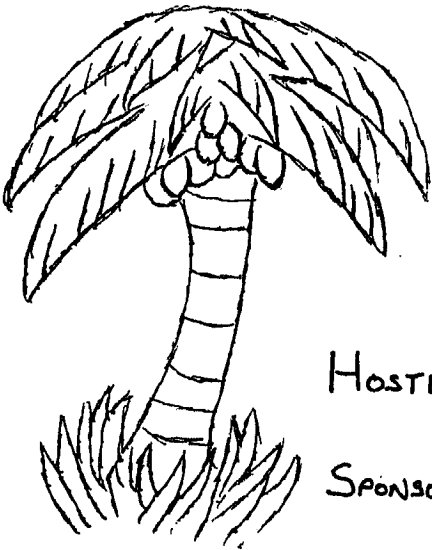
"HER-PEAS"

Shifting Dullness Wants News!

Please send announcements of organizations, departmental news, accomplishments, intramural sports news and anything else that warrants publication to:

Shifting Dullness  
Box 3065 OUMC  
Durham, NC 27710

GO HAWAIIAN! IT'S THE  
Fourth Semi-annual Kenmore Road  
SOUTH SEAS PARTY



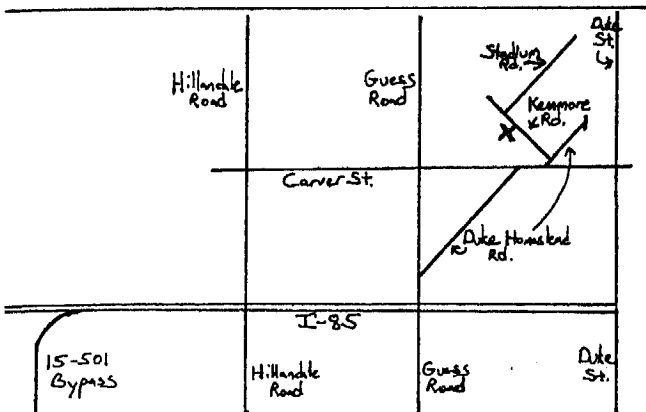
Saturday, September 6  
9:30 PM

3727 Kenmore Road

HOSTED BY: John Boger, Dave Darrow, and  
Chris Paramore

SPONSORED BY: The Davison Society of the  
Duke Medical School

INVITED GUESTS: medical students, residents, attendings, PAs, PTs,  
nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, respiratory therapists,  
business students, law students, grad students,  
Johnny Dawkins, Dean Smith, Bruce Springsteen, Morris  
the cat, Johnny B. Goode



PLEASE

Do not park on Kenmore.  
Park on Stadium as far up as you like

Tropical dress recommended,  
but not required