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ARMY HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP

Lt. Terrie L. Willis with the Army Health Professions Scholarship will return to Duke on Friday, December 3, 1982. She will be in Room 406 of Central Teaching Laboratories from noon to 1:00 pm to speak with students who might be interested in a 3 year scholarship or to speak with those students already on scholarship who might have questions or problems.

NEW CONTEST FROM D.C.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under Secretary Richard Schweiker is sponsoring an annual competition for innovative proposals for health promotion and disease prevention. These proposal topics must be concerned with the development of individual and community measures to protect against disease or environmental hazards and their harmful consequences, or individual responsibility for one's health and community efforts to maintain and enhance well-being through lifestyle changes. In the 1982-83 competition special emphasis is placed on accident prevention and injury control, alcohol and drug abuse, health promotion at the worksite, hypertension, immunization, nutrition, physical fitness and exercise, pregnancy and infant health, and smoking and health. Scientific or research projects are specifically excluded. Entries will be judged on three criteria:

- Degree of innovation in approach to health promotion and disease prevention
- Feasibility of approach
- Potential impact on a community or target population such as children or the aged

The deadline for submitting these proposals for this competition is December 15, 1982. For further information see the Contest and Awards Book in Jeanne's office.

Cash prizes of \$3,000 for first place, \$2,000 for second place, \$1,000 for third place, and \$100 for each of the remaining semifinalists will be awarded. The 17 semifinalists will also receive their cash awards as well as plaques from the Secretary at a special ceremony. The three winning papers and the abstracts of the 17 semifinalists will be published by the Department in a special supplement to an issue of Public Health Reports, the official journal of the U.S. Public Health Service.

Winners of the first competition are expected to be selected by April 15, 1983. Presentation of awards is expected to take place a month later.

IM SPORTS ANNOUNCEMENT

The "Free Kicks" finished the regular season at 4-1-1. Chances for post-season tournament play look good. Well done, "Free Kicks"!

NEW ESSAY AWARD ESTABLISHED

The AOA Student Essay Awards was started in order to address general topics in medicine and to enable the society to recognize a tangible way excellent and thoughtful presentations. Essays must be written by students while they are in medical school; authors do not have to be members of AOA.

The author of the winning essay shall receive a prize consisting of:

- a) an all-expense-paid trip to a national medical meeting of his or her choice; and
- b) a \$500 honorarium.

The topic of the essay may be any nontechnical aspect of medicine, including, for example, medical education, medical ethics, philosophy as related to medicine, reflections on illness, science and the culture, and history of medicine. It should not exceed fifteen double-spaced typewritten pages, and it is to be submitted to The Pharos for possible publication. It must represent original work and must not have been submitted for publication elsewhere. The deadline for essays is March 15, 1983.

AOA STUDENT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The purpose of the fellowships is to stimulate interest in research among medical students. Areas of research may include clinical investigation, basic research, epidemiology, and the social sciences, as related to medicine.

Up to 5 fellowships may be awarded each year. Each will provide \$1000 to the students for participation in the proposed research project. Applications will be limited to one per school. Applications should include:

- a) a one-page outline of the proposed research project;
- b) curriculum vitae and bibliography of the student;
- c) a letter of support from the faculty supervisor, indicating his or her anticipated degree of involvement and plans for supervision of the research; and
- d) letters of endorsement from the AOA councillor and dean.

Applications should be submitted to the AOA councillor at the student's school. The councillor will select the most outstanding one and transmit it to the AOA national office for review by the selection committee.

The deadline for receipt of applications by the national office will be January 15, 1983. In each succeeding year the deadline will be January 15 of that year. For more information of either of these AOA programs, see Jeanne Lee in the Medical Education Office.

PUZZLE

This week's puzzle consists of a quotation by one of Dr. Sabiston's favorite Nobel Prize winners.

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All entries should be signed along with box number and put in the Davison Council Ballot Box by next Wednesday. The winner will be drawn and will be announced in the following issue.

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