



SHIFTING DULLNESS

DAVISON SOCIETY NEWSLETTER
DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

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Special-For Y'all

DAVISON COUNCIL BUDGET

The Davison Council approved the following budget for the 1977-1978 year:

Available Money:

Dues - 489 students x 15.00	7,335.00
Investment money	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$12,335.00 +

Budget

Salaries & Fringe Benefits	1,225.00
Office & Instructional Supplies	300.00
Freshman Orientation	443.36
Shifting Dullness	631.50
Telephone	417.00
Classes:MSI-IV @ 250.00	1,125.00
MD-PhD @ 125.00	
Social V.P.	1,300.00
AMSA	200.00
AMWA	250.00
Edgemont Clinic	750.00
Family Practice Club	50.00
Golden Apple Awards	60.00
Kinney Award	250.00
Primary Care	350.00
Sex Education	150.00
SNMA	600.00
Yearbook	750.00 + 750.00 loan= 1,500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>200.00</u>

TOTAL \$10,551.86

JUDICIAL BOARD REPS

The Med School appoints two members to the University Judicial Board. The Board has jurisdiction over disciplinary matters such as picketing, student strikes, etc. (Needless to say, a committee formed in the 60's). If anyone is interested in serving on this board (actually quite inactive), turn your name in to the Davison Society Ballot Box. If you have any questions, see Jackie Rutledge, Box 2843.

OSR REPRESENTATIVE

Ken Trofatter has been appointed as Duke's representative to the Organization of Student Representatives (OSR) of the Association of American Medical Colleges.

AMSA FALL WORKSHOP

ASMA's Fall Workshop will be in Nashville, Friday, November 4 - Sunday, November 6. The topic will be "Maldistribution and Rural Health". Duke is driving a van and we will stay in Vanderbilt and Meharry students' homes. Anyone interested in going, see Sid Gospe, Box 2755 or Jackie Rutledge, Box 2843 this week!!

FIRST YEAR ELECTIONS

Congratulations to all 1st year students elected. You will be notified individually of meetings.

seminars

THE MAKING OF THE FAMILY PHYSICIAN(North Carolina Style)

Everyone is invited!!! Saturday, October 29, 10:00 - 3:00 at Durham County General Hospital Auditorium, representatives from each of the nine NC Family Practice Residency Programs, the real guts of Family Practice, will speak on how they are preparing people to be family doctors. The program will start with refreshments at 10:00, followed by brief individual presentations, and we will re-convene after lunch for a panel discussion -- we expect a maximum of controversy, a minimum of BS, and an up-to-date clarification of the complexities of Family Medicine. This will also be a chance to meet students from UNC, Bowman-Gray, ECU, and as far away as exotic Charlottesville, Va. Sponsored by the Forum for Primary Care and the Duke Family Practice Club. Contact Bill Griffin for more info: DUMC Box 2760, 489-8230.

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WOMEN IN MEDICINE

I'm not in the habit of endorsing other publications, but I read an enlightening article in the Medical News (1 (13):11-13, October 17, 1977). This journal is the one in the student lounge that most of us pick up, glance at and throw away (myself included). However, this article caught my eye, as it was titled "The Unknown Golden Age of Women Physicians". So I am passing some highlights of it on to you.

It seems that in the middle to late 1800's the feminist movement began to support efforts to increase the numbers of women physicians. Initially, these efforts were made against tremendous obstacles, as medicine was considered too "indelicate" for a woman. Male students and faculty alike refused to accept women into medical classes. Only small gains were made in this area by the late 1840's and 1850's. So women began opening their own medical schools and hospitals, to train females for the MD degree and insure them internship and residency training upon obtaining their degrees. One such hospital was the New England Hospital for Women and Children, which had an all female medical staff. This institution trained many, if not most of the female interns and residents of that period.

However, the feminists felt it was crucial to get women into leading medical schools in order for them to have any impact. Knowing that Harvard was in financial difficulty they offered the school \$50,000 if women could be educated "on equal terms with men." However, the faculty threatened to resign, so the offer was refused. The big breakthrough came when feminists collected \$500,000 which they offered to Johns Hopkins. Hopkins could not open its newly planned medical school because of lack of funds. Since they needed

this money, they agreed to the two conditions attached to the donation. Women were admitted on equal terms as men, and a bachelor's degree was required for admission. Other schools followed this lead, and began to admit women. Thus, the "golden age" of women in medicine began in 1893 and lasted about 15 years. Most of the female medical schools closed, as it was felt their purpose had been served. But concern about an over supply of doctors led to reversals in the gains made. At the same time, the feminists turned their energies toward getting the vote for women. So the numbers of women in training for medicine dwindled and remained low until the present. (There are striking parallels between this and the present status of minorities in medicine).

It took a lot of guts and determination to overcome the opposition and make the progress these doctors made. Their gains lasted only a short time, but proved that if the group worked together, closed doors could be opened. This is a lesson useful for today as well as yesterday.

- Beverly Spivey

Externships, etc.

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is sponsoring a program of predoctoral fellowships for medical students who have completed one or more years of study. The purpose of these fellowships is to provide such students an opportunity to participate actively in research on problems related to MS. Predoctoral fellowships are never awarded for less than three full and continuous months, not for more than 12 months of full-time training in research. The total amount of a predoctoral fellowship award cannot exceed \$400/month. Applications are due by February 15. Further information is available from National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Research Programs Department, 205 East 42nd Street, New York, New York 10017.

residencies

Information on the following residency programs is available for review in the Davison Society office, 6th floor, green zone.

Family Practice:

Duke-Fayetteville Area Health Education Center Program Fayetteville, NC
Forbes Health System/Columbia Health Center Pittsburgh, Pa.

Social Medicine:

Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center Bronx, NY

General:

Franklin Square Hospital Rosedale, Maryland

PATHOLOGY PUZZLE

Answers to this week's puzzle can be put in the ballot box in the mail room. We will pick a winner from those who submit correct answers, and that lucky person will get a prize!! Answers to last week's puzzle: RICKETTSIALPOX - mite, rodents, pyrexia, skin, vesicule.



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