



SHIFTING DULLNESS

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Special-For Y'all

INTERESTED IN STUDY AWAY?

All students interested in studying away for credit should pick up a copy of policies and an application from Marilyn at 132 Davison. This application should be submitted to the faculty review committee at least 3 months in advance of the period spent away. Copies of students' evaluations of prior study-away experiences are found in the notebook in the reserve room of the library, titled Electives Away From Duke.

AMSA MEMBERS

The 27th Annual Convention of AMSA will be held in Chicago from March 31 until April 3. Applications for reference committees are now being accepted and are due by January 15. Applications for National Office and Regional Trustee are also being accepted and are due by March 18. Any member who is interested in applying should contact Sid for information and forms.

Any member who is interested in submitting amendments to the constitution, amendments to the bylaws, or resolutions should consult the Convention Handbook in the Davison Society Office and turn in the appropriate forms to Sid at least one week before the stated deadline.

JOB OPENING

Effective immediately: Opening in Clinical Microbiology (M333 Davison Bldg.) for night call tech., preferably third or fourth year medical student. Salary: \$3.14/hr. In interested, contact: Steve Benson, Supervisor 684-2089.

PARTY

There will be a beer-hot dog party after exams, Sat., Dec. 11 from 1-5 pm at Ben Carey's. Sign up outside the P.O.

PRIMARY CARE SEMINARS AT DUKE

A series of informal seminars will be held during the coming months to discuss the field of primary care. This subject should be very pertinent in light of proposed congressional legislation attempting to tie federal aid to medical schools to service from graduates in primary care settings. All sessions will be held Thursday evenings, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Room 18 MacNider Hall, Chapel Hill (refreshments provided). For more information, write directly to Tommy Pople, 47 Davie Circle, Chapel Hill, or contact Bill Griffin, DUMC Box 2760. The following dates and speakers are planned:

December 9	Drs. Dennis Gillings and Ed Wagner - UNC Dept. of Epidemiology
January 20	Dr. Ed Shahady - Chairperson, UNC Dept. of Family Medicine
February 17	Dr. John Noble - Director, Primary Care Medicine, UNC
March 17	Dr. Donal Dunphy - UNC Dept. of Pediatrics

FREEBIE

Medical Dimensions, a free young professional magazine published eleven times a year, is available to med students and faculty and recent (post-1964) alumni of accredited med schools. Send printed business reply postcard from bookshelves in 6th floor lounge or your own post-care with name and address, school, class, specialty/interest to: Medical Dimensions, MBA Communications, Inc., 730 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017, Attention: Subscription Dept. Allow 2-3 months for delivery to start. November's issue included "Media Medicine: How is TV Treating Your Patients?", "Women in Neurosurgery: True Talent, True Grit,", "What's Your Car Worth Now?", and a continuing column featuring a sample daily routine of doctors in practice.

class notes

3RD AND 4TH YEAR STUDENTS:

Practice teaching before residency. Invest your free time introducing 1st year studs to clinical medicine. As a sequel to the optional evening lectures this term, some upperclassmen are needed to act as informal teachers on the wards evenings, weekends, or lunch hours during term 3. This is in the organizational stages, but send your name, box number and special interest (if any) to Jodelle Groeneveld, Box 2761.

Externships, etc.

STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

The Annual Davison Club Foreign Study Scholarship of \$1000.00 for Clinical rotations abroad has a Feb. 1 deadline for application. See Dr. Shirley Osterhout for details. Past winners have studied thalassemia in Greece, surgery in S. Africa, gerontology in Scotland, and cardiology at Oxford, England.

BRONCO JUNCTION

Bronco Junction is the nation's only eight-week intensive care summer rehabilitation camp for asthmatic children. It is located near Charleston, West Virginia. Medical students will have the opportunity to work with physicians in allergy, psychiatry, pediatrics, and family practice. The Medical Student Counselor will serve 4-8 weeks (plus a 1 wk. pre-camp session) as an elective part of his/her Medical School training under the direct supervision of the Medical Director. A stipend is provided. Further information is available in the book, Electives Away From Duke, in the library reserve room.

Information on the following a programs is also available in the Davison Society's book Electives Away From Duke, found in the Mudd Library Reserve Room.

Family Practice/Primary Care Preceptorships - Dept. of Family and Community Medicine, College of Medicine, University of Arizona
National Institutes of Health Clinical Electives in various sub-specialties

residencies

Information on the following residency and internship programs is available for review in the Davison Society office, 6th floor, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9-1.

Psychiatry:

University of Alabama Birmingham, Alabama

University of Missouri St. Louis, Missouri

W.S. Hall Psychiatric Institute Columbia, S.C.

Family Medicine:

Memorial Medical Center Savannah, Georgia

General:

Christ Hospital Oak Lawn, Illinois

telesis-- WOMEN IN MEDICINE

There's a fairly well known riddle which states that a father and son were out driving and were involved in an accident. The father is killed, and the son is critically injured, and he is rushed to the hospital. On arrival in the operating room, the head surgeon comes up to the table and says "I cannot operate on this patient. He's my son." The question is then asked, how can this be possible?

I heard this riddle while in high school and it took me a considerable amount of time to realize that the doctor in question was a woman (and therefore the patient's mother). Probably few people would miss the answer today, which is a good sign. But it's still too soon to sit back and say all is well.

The 60's saw a good deal of liberation: Women's lib, Black lib, Gay lib, and Grey lib (senior citizens). The 70's are turning out to be a time of conservatism. This is natural, since no one could take that much shock without reacting (not even a whole country). Besides, the tactics of the previous years would be useless today because they would be used against a wise and wary adversary.

Unfortunately the 70's has come too soon for everyone's lib. After a brief period of large gains, the fervor has slowly begun to wear off. I'm not sure what caused it, but everyone will agree that progress has slowed in a definite sense. Take a walk on campus and you'll get the feel of what I mean.

However, to mourn past years would be a fruitless action. Instead we have to do all we can to hold onto present gains and make use of these gains to their best advantage. As doctors, we can do a great deal to improve the image of women, and to see to it that our numbers don't fade back to one's and two's. Also we can fight to make and maintain gains in allied health fields, as well as to enlighten and bring sensitivity to patient care.

A wise person often said to me that only two things in life are easy - getting into trouble, and staying there. Let's not let the complacency and apathy of today drug us out of our senses. If we're not careful, the 80's could be the 50's for us all.

-Bev Spivey