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## GOVERNOR APPOINTS DEAN TO NEW MED ED COUNCIL

Dr. Ralph L. Willard, vice president for medical affairs and dean, has been named by Gov. Bill Clements to the five-member Medical Education Management Effectiveness Council.

The council has been directed by the governor to suggest methods of reducing costs in the medical education-health science sector of higher education.

Vice Chancellor Edward Brandt Jr. of the UT System is chairman of the group, and the other members are Dr. Kenneth Ashworth, commissioner of higher education; Dr. Richard Lockwood, vice president of the Texas Tech University School of Medicine; and Dr. Frank Harrison, president of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Dr. Willard also has recently been elected president of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine.

## NTSU-UT TICKETS AVAILABLE

The NTSU Athletic Department has set aside a section in the Coliseum for TCOM students, faculty and staff at the Jan. 17 basketball game between the Mean Green and the UT-Austin Longhorns.

Tickets, available in the Office of News and Information Services, Room 816 of Med Ed I, are free to TCOM students (who must show their student ID at the gate); \$5 for faculty and staff; and \$2.50 for children 18 and under.

The TCOM section is located between the NTSU reserved seat section and the UT-Austin section, so no matter which team you support, you'll be in home territory.

Drop by NIS and pick up your tickets soon for the Jan. 17 game in the NTSU Coliseum.

## BOYS CHOIR at TCOM

The Texas Boys Choir will perform in the atrium of Med Ed I Monday, Jan. 21, as part of the Department of Medical Humanities' Many Faces of Man lyceum series.

Directed by Alan Buratto, the Resident Performing Choir will sing works by Bach, Britten, Purcell, Schumann and De Cormier, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

## RAPE PREVENTION TO BE DISCUSSED

Leita Rae Carney, vice president of Rape Crisis, will present a program on rape prevention for the Faculty Women's Club at 12 noon Thursday, Jan. 17, in Room 406 of Med Ed I.

All female members of the TCOM faculty, staff and student body, as well as wives of TCOM employees and students, are invited, said Bette Conn, program chairman. She asks that participants bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

The February meeting of the group is set for Valentine's Day at the home of Yvonne Turner, who will display a family collection of heirloom greeting cards. The 11:30 a.m. meeting will include a salad luncheon.

New officers of the organization, elected in December, are Barbara Korr, president; Mrs. Conn, vice president and program chairman; Donna Bunnell, treasurer; Jane Harakal, recording secretary; Linda Measel, corresponding secretary; and Sue Urban, parliamentarian.

Current projects of the Faculty Women's Club include financial support of Medical Humanities' Lyceum Series and the establishment of a Senior Loan Fund.

"If you are eligible to join our organization, and we have overlooked inviting you, please call us," said Mrs. Conn. Her number is 735-2426.

## "WHO'S WHO" ANNOUNCED

Ten TCOM Student-doctors have been



selected for inclusion in the 1979-80 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Selected from the Class of 1980 were Tom Bennett, Stephen Derdak, Dennis N. Graham, Larry Price, Eric A. Simmons and Peter Jens Skarbovig Jr.

Representing the Class of 1981 will be Edward A. Luke Jr. and Harold R. Nicolette; and from the Class of 1982, Deborah Blackwell and Steve Buchanan.

#### HOW ABOUT VOLUNTEERING?

If you like running but don't feel ready for a marathon, or even a 10K race, medical and non-medical volunteers are needed to work along the route of the Second Annual Cowtown Marathon and 10K Run Saturday, Feb. 23.

Runners from throughout the United States and Canada are expected for the event, which is sponsored by TCOM's Institute for Human Fitness, the Fort Worth National Bank and Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Physicians and student-doctors are needed to help man the first aid and emergency stations along the route, which starts at the Cowtown Coliseum in North Fort Worth, and runs as far south as Loop 820 near Hulen, said Dr. Scott Taylor of emergency medicine, medical coordinator of the marathon.

First aid will be provided for the runners every 2.5 miles and a major and minor emergency area will be set up.

Non-medical help is also needed the day of the race for the finish line and in the post-race refreshment area. Timers also are being sought for the marathon.

In the days prior to the race, assistance is needed for equipment pick-up, transportation/hospitality for visiting runners and delivery of flyers to homes and businesses along the route, and lodging will be needed for some of the out-of-town runners.

Please join the other TCOM volunteers in helping to build the Cowtown Marathon into one of the best races in the country. Just check below in what areas you would prefer to help, and return the form to Peg Weiss, Rehab/Sports Medicine, who is coordinating the volunteer effort. If you have questions, please call Peg about non-medical support at 870-5260 or Dr. Taylor about the medical team at 735-2301.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DEPT. \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to help with:

#### PRE-RACE DAY

\_\_\_\_ Equipment pick-up

\_\_\_\_ Delivery of flyers

\_\_\_\_ Transportation/hospitality

#### RACE DAY

\_\_\_\_ Fluid stations

\_\_\_\_ Timing

\_\_\_\_ Finish line

\_\_\_\_ Equipment set-up (early a.m.)

\_\_\_\_ Refreshments

#### LODGING

Yes, I can provide lodging for \_\_\_\_\_ runner(s) on:

\_\_\_\_ Thursday night

\_\_\_\_ Friday night

\_\_\_\_ Saturday night

\_\_\_\_ I am interested, but would like to have more information.

#### MEDICAL SUPPORT TEAM

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would enjoy being a part of the medical support team for the Second Annual Cowtown Marathon.

#### DEAN'S FATHER DIES

Dr. H.B. Willard, father of Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean Ralph L. Willard, died Dec. 27 in Phoenix.

Dr. Willard, who had practiced osteopathic medicine in Iowa for almost 50 years before moving to to Arizona,



had been in the hospital for three weeks with pneumonia and died of complications of his chest problem, said Dean Willard.

Dr. Willard practiced from 1921-58 in Manchester, Iowa, and from 1959 through 1968 in Davenport. He was a lifetime member of both the American Osteopathic Association and the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons and with his physician-wife Ruth, founded the Willard General Hospital in Manchester. He served for 22 years as chairman of the hospital board and for 16 years as a member of the Iowa State Board of Osteopathic Examiners. He was an active Mason and served as Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Iowa in 1958.

A private pilot who flew his own plane until age 82, Dr. Willard was a veteran of World War I and served as vice president general for the Rocky Mountain Region of Sons of the American Revolution and had belonged to Rotary Clubs in Manchester, Davenport and Sun City, Ariz.

Dr. Willard is survived by his wife, Dr. Ruth A. Willard; a daughter, Dr. Margaret Willard Jarvis; Dean Willard; one brother, Ralph T. Willard of Grand Rapids, Mich; nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The family requests that memorials be made in Dr. Willard's name to the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, Des Moines, Iowa, in care of President J. Leonard Azneer, D.O., 3200 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50312. Dr. Willard was a graduate of COMS.

#### SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS NAMED

Dr. Clint Burns, Mesquite, president of the TCOM Alumni Association, and Dr. Larry Burrows, Fort Worth, scholarship committee chairman, were on campus Wednesday, Jan. 9, to present \$500 scholarships to six student-doctors.

Selected for 1979-80 Alumni Association Scholarships were Randall W. Rodgers and Ann L. Williams, Class of '81; Steve Buchanan, David Goya and Ralph Nussbaum, Class of '82; and Patrick J. Hanford, Class of '83.

The winners were announced by Ray Stokes, Office of Alumni Affairs.

#### ASHWORTH SPEAKS ON MED ED

The following, reprinted from CB

Report, a publication of the Coordinating Board, Texas University and College System, was excerpted from testimony Oct. 15 by Coordinating Board Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth before the congressional Subcommittee on Health and the Environment of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee in Houston:

The entire area of health-related education -- including medical education, dental education, nursing and allied health education -- is in a period of rapid change and development. The public is demanding more accountability in all facets of education, and the health-related fields are no exception....

The federal government is questioning the continuation of capitation grants and other financial support which have been a major funding factor in schools of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, nursing and other health-related programs.

The State of Texas continues to support the efforts of the schools to achieve the highest possible quality in health-related education while remaining cognizant of supply and demand factors and fiscal implications. Changes in levels of federal financial support would undoubtedly work immeasurable hardships on schools, health personnel training programs, the state, and in the end, our citizens. Even if grants to schools, especially in medicine and nursing, should no longer be based on capitation, a stabilized source of federal monies is essential to the continuation of quality health care education and to the solution of problems of maldistribution, both geographic and specialty.

...As medical school enrollments have increased, Texas' supply of physicians also has improved. The nation has gone from 121 active non-federal physicians per 100,000 population in 1949 to 163 per 100,000 in 1976. In southern states the average now is 138 per 100,000. In 1970, Texas had 111 physicians per 100,000 population; by 1976, this figure had grown to 134.

...It is apparent that while Texas has greatly improved its physician population, the state is still behind the national average. From the public point of view, if not from the physicians', an oversupply of physicians is not a problem in Texas; but a serious cut in federal funding could endanger not only the effort to produce an adequate supply of physicians,



but could have an effect on the quality of medical education. Such a cut would unquestionably restrain the scheduled growth in our existing medical schools and might reduce enrollments from our present level.

...The improvement of the distribution of physicians not only geographically but by specialty continues to be a major concern of the medical schools and the state. The trend toward increasing numbers of primary care physicians now seems to be reversing, and it is projected that by 1990, 50 percent of all physicians will be in primary care fields.

#### PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

Dr. R.W. Gracy, chairman, department of biochemistry, presented a paper (With Drs. P.M. Yuan, J.M. Talent, H-S. Lu and T. Tollefsbol) at the National Isoenzyme Conference at South Padre Island. The paper was entitled "The Molecular Basis of Human Isoenzymes of Pyruvate Kinase and Triosephosphate Isomerase." Dr. Gracy also recently attended the American Osteopathic Association Board of Examiners meeting in Chicago.

Dr. Wayne English, chairman, department of rehabilitation/sports medicine, was appointed a member of the board of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine during the AOA convention in Dallas last fall. As such, he has been asked to assist with the development of a combined College of Sports Medicine and College of Rehabilitation program at the November 1980 AOA convention in Las Vegas.

Dr. Robert Kaman, acting director of the Institute for Human Fitness, talked to the Downtown Kiwanis Club Dec. 27 about the Institute and the upcoming Cowtown Marathon.

Providing medical coverage for the Dec. 8 "10,000-Meter Run for Kent Waldrep" were student-doctors Jim Peters, Alicia Monroe, Craig Redfern, Greg Hubbard, Sylvia Herr, Ed Luke, Mike Dandois, Dana Oyler, Emma Hyland, Steve Johnson and Milt Kirkwood, and faculty members Dr. Pat Marshio, Dr. Wayne English and Dr. Robert Kaman.

Assisting at the Dec. 15 "Arlington Winter Run" were student-doctors Frank Adams, Gary Polk, Jim Sanders and David Wright; faculty members Dr. Scott Taylor and Dr. Kaman and staff members Sherri Maxwell of the Institute for Human Fitness and Jack Maxwell of physiology.

Dr. Merritt Winchester, scientist

in biochemistry, published a research paper in the Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry, Vol. 16. The paper is the result of some collaborative research with Dr. C.G. Skinner concerning potential chemotherapeutic agents for the control of cancer.

Dr. Jim Grate, chairman of emergency medicine, has been elected to a four-year term on the Board of Trustees of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians.

Dr. John Deagle participated in a five-day emergency medicine course at the University of California at San Diego in October.

Dr. Scott Taylor, formerly a faculty member in the department of general and family practice, is now with the department of emergency medicine.

Janice Odom, director of news and information services, has been elected chairman of the North Texas Area Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The group is composed of alumni, development, public information and governmental relations professionals throughout the area. Mrs. Odom also has been named recording secretary of the Fort Worth Chapter of Women in Communications, Inc., filling the unexpired term of former KXAS-TV reporter Margaret Megard, who is now working in Australia.

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN...

There has been much celebration of the beginning of the new decade, and 1980 is of special importance to all of us in the TCOM family. During this year, our college will celebrate its 10th anniversary, as well as its fifth year as a state institution. We will be starting construction on Medical Education Building II; we will begin to implement the exciting new goals established for this school; and we will be getting to know our new president, Dr. Frank E. Vandiver. Every day, in every way, things are going to get better and better at TCOM, and I am excited to have the opportunity to continue to serve Texas' only college of osteopathic medicine. So, for this year and for this decade, may your own life be filled with as much excitement and joy as we face as an educational community.

Happy New Year!

Ralph L. Willard, D.O.

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