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LANDMARK FOURTH ACADEMIC YEAR UNDERWAY

SCHOLARSHIP FUND TO AID STUDENTS

Two avid supporters of TCOM, a husband and wife team, are responsible for financial assistance to the school. They are Drs. Sam and Marille Sparks, who will be honored at a testimonial dinner given on September 8 by staff members of the East Town Osteopathic Hospital, Dallas, announced Dr. Joseph M. Dubin, chief of staff. Proceeds of the dinner - to be attended by AOA president Dr. John C. Taylor and TOMA president Dr. John H. Boyd - will go to TCOM's scholarship fund, which will be used to give financial assistance to eligible students.

Cost of the reception-dinner will be \$50 per couple.

Dr. Dubin said that invitations, requesting reply, have been mailed and he anticipates more than 300 persons will attend the special benefit dinner.

Mr. Manuel De Busk, Dallas attorney and chairman of the East Town Osteopathic Hospital board of trustees, will serve as master of ceremonies.



Drs. Sam and Marille Sparks . . . TCOM benefactors
(Copy of a Dallas, Morning News photo)

God has two dwellings - one in heaven and the other in a thankful heart. - Izaak Walton.

"We must be careful not to destroy a good system in the process of trying to improve it." - Dr. Jonas Salk

EDUCATIONAL GRANT AWARDED BY PHARMACEUTICAL HOUSE

The Merck Company Foundation has granted Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine \$20,000 to support a new clinical education program, to be included in the junior year. In announcing the gift, Dr. Newell said, "This grant makes it possible to carry out an innovation in the junior curriculum and utilize the high concentration of clinicians in this area."

The program calls for juniors to attend weekly seminars at one of three hospitals, Fort Worth Osteopathic, Dallas Osteopathic and East Town Osteopathic. The college will arrange bus transportation to the Dallas hospitals.

At the hospital the students will be instructed on selected subjects by qualified instructors who have indicated interest in participating in the seminars. The study programs will last seven hours with six clinicians each teaching one hour. The seventh hour will be used either for medical grand rounds of patients with the disease entity under discussion or for classroom clinical presentation.

In addition to creating greater clinical opportunities for junior students in studying particular medical problems, the weekly seminars will provide opportunities for refresher courses for practicing physicians.

FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES TO REGISTER AT NTSU

CLINICAL CURRICULUM CONTINUES IN FORT WORTH

Fifty-three new freshmen enroll at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine on August 24, filling the last rung of the four-year ladder. The registration of the new class brings total TCOM enrollment to 146 students.

The new class, selected from some 560 applicants, is composed mainly of Texas residents with students also from New Mexico, Arizona, Florida, New York and New Jersey. All but three have either B.S. or B.A. degrees, eight have Master's degrees, while one is working on Ph.D. requirements in engineering. Three of the enrollees are women, making a total of eight women students.

One entering student applied to TCOM after being advised by an M.D. friend that an osteopathic medical college would afford him a better medical education.

The new class joins the sophomores, who also register August 24, at the TCOM facilities at North Texas State University in Denton. J.K.G. Silvey, Ph.D., acting director of the Basic Health Sciences Program, in reviewing arrangements for TCOM faculty and students, has stated he plans to have research facilities available to faculty, in addition to the classroom and lab space.

While freshmen and sophomores are in basic science classes, juniors and seniors will be pursuing their clinical education with Fort Worth as the base. Seniors will make extensive use of the outpatient clinics for their training, while juniors will train in clinical settings throughout Dallas and Fort Worth.

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR NAMED

Marvin Herring, with a background in teaching and counseling, has been named assistant to the registrar, announced Eugene de Kieffer, registrar and special assistant to the president.

Mr. Herring, formerly an instructor at Tarrant County Junior College, earned his BS degree in education at North Texas State University and his MBA degree from East Texas State University. He has earned degrees in management and data processing and has completed post master's work in admissions and registration.

A Phi Delta Kappa, Herring is a captain in the U.S.A.F. Civil Air Patrol. He is a native Texan and has lived in Fort Worth since 1962.

Herring's wife, Peggie, is a graduate of the same universities he attended. She is a librarian at Western Hills High School. They are parents of three children, two boys and one girl.



Marvin Herring

OMISSION

The June issue of TCOM News carried a story recognizing TCOM contributors. One such contributor in the "over \$3000" listing was omitted . . . Our sincere apology goes to Dr. Roy B. Fisher, Fort Worth surgeon, who belongs to both the "Friends" and TCOM Sustainers.

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SUPPORT
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Strictly Speaking . . .

Just a few days less than 100 years from the profession's beginning the first graduating class of TCOM will have earned the highly coveted D.O. degree during the centennial anniversary of osteopathic medicine as pioneered by its founder, Dr. Andrew Taylor Still.

The TCOM class of '74, born in an unfinished portion of a hospital, bred in a made-over bowling alley, subjected to moments of uncertainty and instability, can lay claim to the same type of pioneering spirit that propelled Dr. Still onward while facing adverse conditions and contemporaries.

This "first" class - 100 years and seven colleges later - is, however, far from being alone in its endeavor to strengthen osteopathic medicine in Texas . . . A tip of the editor's hat goes to another set of stalwarts, the founding directors, first faculty members and to those gallant D.Os and friends who "kept the faith."



MANY HAPPY RETURNS go to Dr. Henry B. Hardt, TCOM vice president, as he prepares to cut his birthday cake on June 6. The "surprise party" given by administration personnel and faculty included Dr. M. E. Coy, president.



REFRESHING - "Friends of TCOM" take time for refreshments during a business session at the college. Dr. Hugo Ranelle, foreground, selects a tasty hors-d'oeuvres prepared by the Student Wives Auxiliary, while others "eyeball" the delicacies. They are (from Left) Drs. Paul Saperstein, Tom Whittle and Carl Everett.



PUZZLED - Dr. William A. Griffith, clinic supervisor and student-doctors in their senior year examine an unnamed electrical appliance during the "make-ready period" prior to the opening of the Rosedale Clinic. Shown with Dr. Griffith are, from left, S/Ds. David Wiman, Gene Bond and Gil Greene.

NOTABLES

Five JUNIORS, with the highest grade points, are recipients of the Mosby Book Award - \$30 scholarships from the C. V. Mosby Company. They are: CHARLES O'TOOLE, RONALD SEABOLD, RICHARD HOCHBERGER, JOHN THOMPSON and SAM BUCHANAN . . . Members of the recently organized Public Relations Committee include: RAY STOKES, chairman; DR. M. E. COY; DR. ELIZABETH HARRIS and senior student JESSE RAMSEY; The committee adopted three OBJECTIVES: Community knowledge of TCOM; financial support for TCOM; and improvement of professional relations . . . S/D LARRY FARR, junior, is EDITOR of the yet-to-be-named YEARBOOK; students will be given that opportunity during REGISTRATION - August 24, Freshmen and Sophomores; August 27, Juniors and Sept. 10, Seniors . . . JOHN GAUGL, PH.D., physiology department, has been added to the SCHOLARSHIP and LOAN COMMITTEE . . . EIGHTEEN of the initial class of 20 students were classified on July 2 as SENIORS . . . DR. WILLIAM A. GRIFFITH, supervisor of TCOM's OUTPATIENT CLINIC - 2825 E. Rosedale - reports that 51 patients were treated during the clinic's first month of operation.

Nothing succeeds like success. However, failure may be more helpful in getting a government-approved loan.

P. R. COMMENTS

by Kitty Bates

It's official now - with the enrollment of the new freshman class the last rung is filled and TCOM has all four years! From here on out a new class will come in only as room is made at the top, a fact that brings home the eminence of the first graduation.

When the founders first began laying plans for the college, how distant this particular time must have seemed. The heavy decisions and hard work of the initial planners are now paying off in what must be the deepest kind of satisfaction. Coming from one who has been associated with the college a short six months, this writer's considerable excitement must be small in comparison to that felt by those who have been here from the beginning. We salute those who have been here the duration!