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Thanksgiving message from the dean

As Thanksgiving approaches, it is particularly appropriate for us at NTSU/TCOM to stop and count our blessings. As an academic community together, we have much to be thankful for this year. We are occupying our new building and daily realizing what opportunities for advancement are provided by this modern and spacious structure. We have grown, too, in numbers -- 17 new faculty members have joined us recently, and increases in staff have kept pace. These new people bring fresh ideas and insight into our community, and for this, we are grateful.

Those of us who have been around this school a few years now truly appreciate new faces, new buildings...but a corner of our minds holds special thanks for the old and familiar, the friends we have made, the experiences shared.

This Thanksgiving then, let us be grateful for the short but rich history of our college, for the present period of rapid growth, and for the unlimited possibilities of the future.

May each of you, individually, have as much for which you want to give thanks.

Report on Hawaii

NTSU/TCOM faculty had a busy time of it at the recent Hawaii convention of the American Osteopathic Association. Those attending from TCOM included DEAN RALPH L. WILLARD who was named chairman-elect of the Board of Governors of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine. DR. WILLARD and DR. CHARLES KLINE, associate dean for clinical affairs, also represented NTSU/TCOM at meetings of the AACOM Council of Deans.

DR. LARRY L. BUNNELL, chairman of the department of general and family practice, was named chairman of a new AACOM section for teachers of general practice. Others attending the convention from the department of general and family practice were DR. CONSTANCE JENKINS, DR. RUSSELL GAMBER, DR. BOB BROWN, DR. RICHARD BALDWIN and DR. STEPHEN URBAN.

DR. JOHN HARAKAL, chairman of the department of osteopathic philosophy, principles and practice, represented his department, and both DR. RAYMOND CONN, chairman and associate professor, and DR. IRWIN SCHUSSLER, associate professor, represented the department of psychiatry. DR. CONN presented a paper to the Auxiliary to the American College of Neuropsychiatry. His title? "What Is Your Husband Up To At The Office?"

Attending meetings of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine were DR. WAYNE ENGLISH, chairman and professor of rehabilitation/sports medicine; DR. JOHN KAUZLARICH, assistant professor of rehabilitation/sports medicine; and DR. ROBERT KAMAN, assistant professor of biochemistry and acting director of the Institute for Human Fitness. Both DRs. ENGLISH and KAMAN presented papers to the meetings. DR. KAMAN'S paper was "Conditioning and Body Response," and DR. ENGLISH'S, the Sixth Annual Thomas D. Webber Memorial Lecture, was "Integrating Rehabilitation into the Osteopathic Medicine Curriculum." DR. KAUZLARICH was elected vice-president of the sports medicine academy and placed in charge of membership for the student branch of the AOASM.

Attending from the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs were DR. PAM HILLMER, director of development, and RAY STOKES, director of alumni affairs. DR. HILLMER attended alumni meetings and general sessions of the convention.

STOKES organized the alumni luncheon which was attended by 56 people including 15 members of the alumni association representing every class but 1978. DEAN WILLARD spoke to the group about NTSU/TCOM today and DR. P.P. SAPERSTEIN, clinical associate professor of general and family practice, discussed current trends in medical practice. DR. SAPERSTEIN is chairman of the Governmental Relations Committee for the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association.

DR. RON MARKERT, director of evaluation, spoke to the chairman of departments of general practice on "Evaluation of Clinical Competence."

Gerontology symposium scheduled

A gerontology symposium will be jointly sponsored by NTSU/TCOM and the NTSU Center for Studies in Aging Monday, November 20 in Med Ed I. Registration begins at noon and the program will continue until 10 p.m. Fees are \$25 for physicians and \$15 for non-physicians and NTSU/TCOM faculty. An evening meal is included.

Dr. A.G. Lacko, associate professor of biochemistry, will moderate the afternoon session during which speakers will include Dr. Ward J. Masoro, chairman of the department of physiology at University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio; Dr. Richard C. Adelman, director of the Aging Research Center at Temple University School of Medicine; and Dr. George S. Roth from the National Institute on Aging Gerontology Research Center in Baltimore.

Moderator of the evening panel will be Dr. Richard Baldwin, associate professor of general and family practice and medical director of the NTSU/TCOM clinics. Speakers will include Dr. Edward Elkowitz, president-elect of the American Osteopathic College of Geriatric Medicine; Dr. Ruben Andres, clinical director, National Institute on Aging Gerontology Research Center; and Dr. W.R. Hazzard, chief of geriatrics and director of the Lipid Research Clinic at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Thanksgiving holiday

The college will be closed November 23 and 24 for Thanksgiving holidays. Classes will resume as scheduled Monday, November 27. The library will be closed Nov. 23-25 and will reopen on Sunday, Nov. 26, with regular weekend hours.

Running Club to meet

The NTSU/TCOM Running Club will meet again November 29 at 7 p.m. in Room 604, Med Ed I to elect officers, select an official club name and choose a regular meeting time and place.

All interested students, faculty, staff and their families are invited to attend.

AHA Instructors Program

Only a few of the reserved faculty spaces are left in the AHA Instructors Program in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, which will be taught January 26-28 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the fifth floor of Med Ed I. Dr. Paul Stern, faculty coordinator for the program, stresses the importance of faculty members training at the instructor level so that NTSU/TCOM students can receive both Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support training before graduation.

For more information, call Nancy Smith, coordinator of continuing medical education, 735-2539.

Dateline's new format

With this issue, Dateline takes on a new look. We hope this new format will solve several problems -- it gives us more room for news; it will let us use pictures and artwork, and it makes Dateline a self-mailer, eliminating the need for expensive envelopes.

As with many innovations, this one is still experimental. We'd appreciate comments, suggestions, criticisms, shouts of praise.

Janice Odum
Judy Alter

People, places and things

DR. ELIZABETH HARRIS, associate professor and chairman of microbiology, spoke to the Southeast Fort Worth Lions Club November 9, bringing them up to date on progress at TCOM... the Student Associates Auxiliary sponsored a showing of the film, "Clean Hands Are Fun" at the Fort Worth Public Library November 4. The cartoon show is available through the Auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Association...SUE PARRISH is the new secretary in the Office of Medical Education, replacing MARGO HOLLISTER, who will be enrolling at the University of Central Arkansas in January.

DR. GEORGE ESSELMAN attended recent Atlanta meetings of the Academy of Osteopathic Directors of Medical Education. Dr. Esselman is a past-president of the AODME...At the meetings of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons, DR. T.R. TURNER, clinical assistant professor of surgery, presented a paper entitled "The Use of Endoprosthesis in Trochanteric Fractures of the Femur." DR. TURNER and DR. MYRON GLICKFELD, clinical assistant professor of surgery, attended a seminar on "Operative Arthroscopy" Nov. 3-4 at the UCLA School of Medicine in Los Angeles.

Recordings of "Holism: Its Clinical and Educational Implications," a talk by DR. CHARLES OGILVIE, chairman of the department of medical humanities, will be aired as part of a syndicated health series on radio station WOUB, Ohio University. Dr. Ogilvie presented the talk at the first annual convocation of the College of Osteopathic Medicine at the university.

DR. RONALD J. MARKERT, director of evaluation services, recently spoke to the health education interest group of the Texas Association of Educational Technology on "Learner Characteristics in the Evaluation Process." On October 25, Dr. Markert addressed the annual meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges. He presented a research paper entitled "Useful Statistical Procedures for Identifying 'At Risk' Medical Students."

DR. JAMES MARSHALL, associate professor of pediatrics, was a member of the panel at the November 9 symposium on epilepsy in Fort Worth...DR. L.J. WALKER, chairman and professor of obstetrics and gynecology, has been elected to the editorial board of The OP, an osteopathic publication...DR. BRIAN RANELLE, clinical assistant professor of ophthalmology, is the author of "Differential diagnosis and management of acute follicular conjunctivitis" published in the September issue of the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association.

Dr. H.F. (SAM) PEARSON, clinical associate professor of radiology, attended a two-day seminar on Cardiovascular Nuclear Medicine at Southwestern Medical School in Dallas recently.

Cheers for the 26 members of the Undergraduate Academy of Osteopathy who participated in the blood pressure screening November 11 at the Ridgmar Mall. Surrounded by a huge display telling the public about NTSU/TCOM, the students checked the blood pressures of 530 people, ranging from children to senior citizens, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Calendar

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November 20 - December 2

- November 20
Monday
Gerontology Symposium sponsored by NTSU/TCOM and the NTSU Center for Studies in Aging, Medical Education Building I, Room 506, 12 noon - 10 p.m. Registration fee required. Phone (817) 735-2539 for information.
- November 21
Tuesday
Student Government Association. River Plaza* Room 211, 7 p.m.
Texas Osteopathic Medical Association, District II, Woodhaven Country Club. Cocktails 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:30.
- November 23-26
Thanksgiving Holidays
- November 27
Monday
Continuing Medical Education Program: "Overview and Principles of Cryosurgery," Charles Krocsis, Ph.D., of Frigitrionics. Medical Education Building I, Room 506, 3-5 p.m.
- November 28
Tuesday
Undergraduate Academy of Osteopathy, Medical Education Building I, Room 634, 4:30 p.m.
- November 29
Wednesday
Faculty Colloquium: "Effectively Utilizing TCOM's Learning Resources," Ken Coffelt, director of learning resources, and members of his staff. Medical Education Building I, Room 810, 3-4:30 p.m.
TCOM Running Club, Medical Education Building I, Room 604, 7 p.m.
- November 30
Thursday
Faculty Colloquium: "Effectively Utilizing TCOM's Learning Resources," Ken Coffelt, director of learning resources, and members of his staff. Medical Education Building I, Room 810, 8:15-9:45 a.m.
Army Medical Procurement Agency, meeting with scholarship students. Refreshments. Medical Education Building I, Room 506, 5-7:30 p.m.
Student Osteopathic Medical Association, "How to Set up a Medical Practice," Clinton Burns, D.O., River Plaza* Room 126, 7-9 p.m.
- December 2
Saturday
Sigma Sigma Phi Christmas Dinner (time and place to be announced.)

* River Plaza Campus Center, 1500 Merrimac Circle, Fort Worth

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