

Students' associate auxiliary plans rumage sale

The TCOM Students' Associate Auxiliary will hold their annual Rummage Sale on Saturday, April 1, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the Administrative Annex, corner of West Bailey and 7th Street.

Rummage is being stored upstairs in the Administrative Annex and donations are welcomed. Call Karen Hull 924-3375 or Robin Thomas, 460-2596.

Large items will be accepted on consignment

Purchasing needs your help

The Business Office is in the process of reorganizing the purchasing system and apologizes for any delays in getting orders out. The backlog has been caught up and orders should go out on time from now on. Usual processing time for purchase orders is one week. However, your help is needed. When you submit an order, please include all possible details and specifications. The more complete the description of the item needed, the faster the order can be processed, and the more likely you are to get what you need.

If a purchase order is returned for more complete information, please submit a new requisition rather than adding to the existing one. According to Jere Pederson, business manager, this will help the purchase office process orders more rapidly. Mr. Pederson stresses the need for ordering equipment and supplies as far ahead as possible.

Medical secretaries attend classes

PAT ALLISON, of Specialized Medical Management, Inc., conducted a series of classes to introduce the college's medical secretaries to the new billing system and office procedures used by her firm. The classes met for two weeks from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and will be followed by periodic regular meetings to review the program. Ms. Allison praised the cooperation and enthusiasm of those who attended the daily sessions. Specialized Medical Management, Inc. is the firm authorized by the board of regents to manage TCOM's Medical Services Research and Development Program.

GUS SCHUMAN began duties March 13 as the representative of the firm permanently assigned to manage TCOM's MSRD program. His office is in the Administrative Annex.

AOA research conference

Seventeen original papers by TCOM students and faculty were presented to the 22nd Annual American Osteopathic Association Research Conference held March 16-18 in Chicago.

JOHN F. GAUGL, Ph.D., chairman and associate professor of the department of physiology, was general chairman of the conference and ROBERT L. KAMAN, Ph.D., assistant professor of biochemistry, served as vice-chairman. The 1978 conference is the first to be directed by TCOM personnel.

Approximately 20 faculty members and students represented the college at the meetings. Purpose of these research conferences is to provide an opportunity for faculty from the nation's 12 osteopathic colleges to exchange ideas and present original research.

During the sessions, the TCOM delegation held a luncheon at which Hollis Wolf, D.O., Chairman of the Bureau of Research of the American Osteopathic Association, was the featured speaker.

SSP to sponsor cardiopulmonary seminar

Sigma Sigma Phi honorary scholastic fraternity will sponsor a Cardiopulmonary Seminar April 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn Central. Faculty for the seminar will be GEORGE C. CRISP, M.D. Staff Physician, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, Tyler, Texas; STEPHEN POLLAND, D.O., assistant professor Wichita Branch of the University of Kansas; ROBERT BROOKMAN, D.O., Director of Respiratory Therapy, Flint Osteopathic Hospital; ROBERT S. CAPPER, M.D., Visiting Lecturer, TCOM; G. DAVID ONSTAD, M.D., Acting Director of Clinical Research, University of Texas Health Sciences Center, Tyler; and SALVADORE J. DEVITO, D.O. Clinical Professor of Cardiology, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. Purpose of the seminar is to discuss current cardiopulmonary topics of interest to the general practitioner, and registration is \$25 for physicians, \$10 for house staff, and paramedical personnel, and \$5.00 for student. Members of Sigma Sigma Phi may attend free.

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PHILIP ADLER, D.O., president of the American Osteopathic Association, will visit TCOM March 29 & 30. Dr. Adler has been in private practice in the specialty of obstetrics and gynecology in the state of Michigan since 1950. He is a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists and serves as Medical Director at Zieger/Botsford Osteopathic Hospitals. Long active in professional affairs, Dr. Adler has been president of the Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and has accepted many committee assignments from the AOA. He has received public service awards from three osteopathic colleges. Also a noted author and lecturer, Dr. Adler was a consulting editor for the pamphlet "100 Years of Osteopathic Medicine". He is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

At TCOM, he will speak to faculty and students and tour the facilities of the college.

Employee education meetings scheduled

In a new program of in-service education for employees, the slide presentation "Osteopathic Medicine: An Alternative in Health Care," produced at TCOM, will be shown at regularly scheduled monthly meetings. A faculty member will be on hand to answer questions about TCOM and osteopathic medicine, and literature will be distributed. New employees will be specifically asked to attend the first meeting after they begin their employment.

Meetings are scheduled for 9:30 a.m. the first Thursday of each month in River Plaza 211 (the Blue Room). The first meeting will be held April 6, and Dr. John Harakal will serve as moderator.

All employees who would like to improve their knowledge of osteopathic medicine and the college's history are urged to make arrangements to attend one of these sessions. Meetings will last less than one hour.

Library adds personnel

New in the library is RON ROLAFF, night reference librarian. Mr. Rolaff, a reference librarian at TWC, will be available to help with reference problems evenings during the week and on weekends. JANE FRIESS, formerly part time, has begun work full time in the library, and several first year students have been hired as library monitors for evenings and weekends. They will monitor access to a downstairs conference room which is to be equipped as a group study room and will be regarded as an extension of the library.

Coming events

March 29-30: PHILIP ADLER, D.O., President of the American Osteopathic Association will visit the college. On Wednesday, March 29, at 3 p.m. he will lecture to basic sciences faculty on the Denton campus. On Thursday, March 30, he will speak to the faculty in the River Plaza Tiered Classroom at 9:00 a.m. and to the students, in Administration 106.

March 31: An evening to meet D.O.s in practice, sponsored by Marion Laboratories, Zeta Chapter ACPG and Texas Society, ACPG. 7:00 p.m., Tiered Classroom River Plaza. Dinner will be served. Reservations necessary.

April 1: Students' Associate Auxiliary annual Rummage Sale, Administration Annex Parking Lot, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

April 1: Sigma Sigma Phi Cardio-pulmonary seminar, Ramada Inn Central, 8:30 - 4:00.

April 15: 2nd Annual A.T. Still Memorial San Jacinto Day Run. Noon. Trinity Park Duckpond.

April 8: SOMA Child Abuse Seminar, Administration 106.

April 14-16: Child Health Care Conference, presented by Department of Pediatrics. Fort Worth Hilton Inn. Registration 7:00 p.m. April 14; Daily sessions 8:30-3:30 Saturday and Sunday.

April 14: Physical Fitness Seminar, River Plaza Tiered Classroom 1:30-5:30; Colonial Cafeteria 6:00 p.m.

People, Places, and Things

JOHN HARAKAL, D.O., chairman of the department of osteopathic philosophy, principles and practice, has been appointed to the Board of Governors and the standing committee on Hospital Assistance by the Academy of Applied Osteopathy. He was also recently appointed to the Committee to Study International Contacts for the International Federation of Manual Medicine. Dr. Harakal was one of six osteopathic physicians from the U.S. invited to attend the Grand Canary Island Workshop of the International Seminar of Osteopathic Medicine/Manual Therapy. Dr. Harakal will present the workshop's findings on curriculum, syllabi and teaching methods to the curriculum committee at TCOM. The workshop is in preparation for the International Congress of Manual Therapy to be held in Baden/Baden, Germany in 1949.

ROBERT W. GRACY, Ph.D. chairman of the department of biochemistry, presented a seminar March 10 to the Department of Hematology and Oncology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas. Topic was "Congenital Nonspherocytic Hemolytic Anemias." HSIN-HSIUNG (DANIEL) TAI, Ph.D., associate professor of biochemistry, presented a seminar on "Regulation of Thromboxane Biosynthesis" March 8 to the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. Dr. Tai has also recently published two papers related to thromboxane and prostacyclin biosynthesis and their regulation in the Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun. and Biochemical Journal.

SCOTT C. TAYLOR, D.O., associate director of the Justin Clinic, and Student Doctor DAVID POWLEY were on hand with emergency equipment when several railroad cars derailed in Justin recently. The cars contained flammable chemicals and presented a danger of explosion. Fortunately, there were no injuries.

T. ROBERT SHARP, D.O., clinical professor of general and family practice, was in Tulsa Friday March 17 to establish a chapter of the American College of General Practice in Osteopathic Medicine at the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. SCOTT TAYLOR, D.O., assistant professor of general and family practice, spoke to the Western Rotary Club on the Heimlich Manuever March 21.

Thanks to RUSS GAMBER, D.O., associate professor of general and family practice, MICHAEL BUDD, Ph.D., assistant dean for student affairs, and DEE CULLOM, pathology histotechnician, for being hosts and speakers when sixty-two high school students visited the college March 11. The students, from all over Texas, were in Fort Worth for the State convention of the Texas Association of Health Occupation Students of America.

PETER RAVEN, Ph.D., associate professor of physiology was in Natick, Mass., March 21-23 to present a seminar for the U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine. Topic of the seminar was "Physiological Effects of Combined Stressors: Heat, Exercise and Air Pollutants." Dr. Raven also conducted informal discussions on "Mechanistic Interaction of Stressors: Heat, Exercise and Air Pollutants."

MICHAEL BUDD, Ph.D., assistant dean for student affairs, is traveling across Texas this spring in an active student recruitment program. On February 18, he spoke on "Osteopathic Medicine" at a Conference for Health Professions Advisors on the SMU campus; on February 21, he was in Commerce to meet pre-med students at East Texas State. RICHARD WRIGHT, D.O., director of clinical clerk education at FWOH and associate professor of OPP&P, accompanied Dr. Budd to Commerce. On March 8, Dr. Budd, RUSSELL GAMBER, D.O., associate professor of general and family practice and third-year student PEGGY RUSSELL, spoke to pre-med students at UT-Austin. March 16, Drs. Budd and Gamber were at Stephen F. Austin College in Nacogdoches and on March 17 they spoke at UTA in Arlington.

EARLENE MCELROY, registrar, LOUISE TOMLINSON, secretary to Dr. Budd, and JUDY SLAGLE, Coordinator of Financial Aid, recently drove to the Valley area, accompanied by Mrs. Slagle's mother. On their brief trip, they visited Texas Southmost College and Pan American University in Brownsville, where they were graciously received as representatives of TCOM. They also visited JOE SUDERMAN, D.O., in Pharr, Texas. Dr. Suderman is a preceptor for the college and regularly has students assigned to his clinic. He was most complimentary about the capabilities of TCOM students.