

University (Warrenburg), and an M.L.S. from the University of Hawaii and has previously been serials librarian at Moody Medical Library, the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. At TCOM, he will be responsible for acquisition and control of all journals and other serial related publications.

## Library hours change

For the summer, the library will close at 6 p.m. on Friday evenings instead of 10 p.m. The new hours are effective May 22, 1978.

## Final grades

Final spring semester grades are due in the the office of the registrar no later than 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 16.

## Coming events

- May 11: Orientation meeting for new employees, River Plaza 211, 9:30 a.m. Dr. Richard Baldwin, speaker.
- May 12: Dr. William Johns, visiting neurologist from the Ohio College of Osteopathic Medicine, will lecture to the faculty at 9 a.m., Administration 108.
- May 19: Senior Banquet, Kahler Green Oaks Inn. Reception, 7:30 p.m., Banquet at 8:30 p.m.
- May 20: Commencement rehearsal, 10 a.m., Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium. Air Force swearing in ceremonies 12 noon, Administration Building Conference Room.
- May 20: Commencement, Will Rogers Auditorium 8 p.m. President's Reception, immediately following, Roundup Inn.

## People, places and things

Approximately 200 sickle cell screening tests were administered by DR. GARY JONES, assistant professor of pharmacology, during the two-day North Texas Health Fair at NTSU. Dr. Jones was assisted by DR. PETER KEYSER, assistant professor of microbiology, MARIAN KEYSER, research associate, and laboratory technicians MARY JONES, SCOTT

REIDEL AND POOKIE McCALLA...When DR. ELIZABETH HARRIS, chairman of the department of microbiology, addressed the first-year students at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, her topic was "The Immunobiology of Aging." The lecture included a discussion of the current scientific evidence on autoimmunity.

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TCOM's neighbor, Bank of Fort Worth, is sponsoring a display featuring businesses and institutions on the city's West Side. TCOM has a prominent and attractive display, designed and executed by CHERYL TRYON and TOMMY HAWKES of the learning resources department. Stop and see it before May 15.

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DR. THOMAS YORIO, assistant professor of pharmacology presented a paper, "Effects of Calcium Ionophore A23187 on the Hydro-osmotic Action of Vasopressin," at the Federation of American Societies of Experimental Biology in Atlantic City. Dr. Yorio was also invited to attend a special symposium on "Amiloride" sponsored by the Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, April 6-9. DR. ANDRAS G. LACKO, associate professor of biochemistry, received \$12,941 from the American Heart Association, Texas Affiliate, for a research project, "Study of LCAT from Procine Plasma." Working with Dr. Lacko is research technician RAYMOND G. HUTTASH. DR. H. H. TAI, associate professor of biochemistry, received a grant-in-aid from the AHA for his project, "Biosynthesis of Thromboxanes." The period of this award, some \$50,000, extends from July 1978 through June 1981. DR. TAI also received conditional funding for another project, "Biosynthesis of Prostacyclin." AHA approved funding of this research in the event a pending National Institutes of Health proposal is not funded at the level requested.

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## Commencement schedule

Congressman Jim Wright, Majority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, will deliver the address at TCOM's 20th anniversary commencement Saturday, May 20, 1978, at 8 a.m. in Will Rogers Auditorium, with President C. Wayne Johnson of NTSU/TCOM serving as master of ceremonies. The President's Reception honoring graduates and their families will follow immediately in the Roundup Inn.

The invocation and benediction will be given by Dr. Douglas Laird, father of graduating senior Stephen D. Laird and minister of Grace Temple Baptist Church in Dallas.

The annual Senior Awards Banquet will be Friday, May 19, at the Green Oaks Inn. Dr. Feliks Gwozdz, Tarrant County Chief Medical Examiner, will present the program, "Notes and Quotes by Gwozdz," accompanied by The Gwozdz Piano Quartet. Jay Sandelin, a vice-president of Fort Worth National Bank and Chairman of the Advisory Council to the Dean at TCOM, will act as master of ceremonies, and the toast to the class will be delivered by Laurance J. Priddy, Fort Worth attorney who has taught medical jurisprudence at the college for several years.

Dean Ralph L. Willard will present special awards to members of the graduating class. Music will be provided by Ricky Gwozdz at the organ.

## Board of Regents meets

Two more steps toward the College's next major construction project were taken by the Board of Regents Friday, April 28. Meeting in regular session on the NTSU campus, the Regents approved negotiation of options to buy additional land for the proposed Medical Education Building II, provided funds are available from re-funding of a 1975 bond issue and provided



specific parcels of land, the cost of each parcel and the title background are taken before the Board for its approval.

Some \$450,000 to \$500,000 in additional funds to buy land on the north side of Mattison Street was made available when the Board approved the refunding of the Series 1975 general fee revenue bonds. First National Bank in Dallas was employed as fiscal advisor and the firm of McCall, Parkhurst and Horton as bond attorney for the transaction.

In other action on behalf of TCOM, the Regents approved:

- \*the negotiation of a contract with Gaynor and Sirmen, Inc. for the design of an Energy Management System for Med Ed I;

- \*the appointment of George J. Luibel, D.O., of Fort Worth and Lewis T. (Pat) Patterson of Kansas City, Mo., to the Dean's Advisory Council;

Chairman A.M. Willis Jr. also announced the appointment of a Student Affairs Committee, which is "charged with the responsibility of reviewing all matters pertaining to the Student Affairs activities of North Texas State University and the NTSU Health Sciences Center/Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine.

In announcing the committee, which includes Regents Kenneth May and William Jamar, Chairman Willis noted, "There is a fine line between establishing a policy in this area and delegating responsibility for implementing policy. Care must be taken to assure that all student affairs programs and goals are of the highest quality, free from arbitrary decisions and commensurate with a high level of integrity and cost effectiveness. After proper review of administrative recommendations, this committee will recommend to the Board action to assure that program quality at both NTSU and the NTSU Health Sciences Center/TCOM is approved at every opportunity."

## Governor's visit

Although the freight elevator offered little cooperation and the party was confined to the second floor, Medical Education Building I underwent a brief inspection by Gov. Dolph Briscoe during his campaign swing through the city April 27.

Arriving on campus shortly after the lunch hour, Gov. Briscoe talked briefly of the health care needs of Texas and of how TCOM was playing a major role in meet-

ing those needs. After his remarks to an audience of TCOM faculty, staff and students and Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital personnel, the governor and his party, which included Mrs. Briscoe, were shown through a portion of Med Ed I by Dean Willard.

Before leaving the campus, he was presented a scrapbook which pictorially detailed the history of TCOM as a state medical school, beginning with a photograph of Gov. Briscoe signing the bill which gave state institution status to the college.

## SAA gift

A 100-cup coffee maker has been presented to the college by the 1977-78 Students' Associate Auxiliary, SAA President Karen Hull and Vice-president Sue Spain made the presentation to Dean Ralph L. Willard May 1.

## TOMA Convention

A double booth in the exhibits hall at the recent convention of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association featured displays of research in progress at TCOM and pictures of campus development, high lighting Med Ed I. Audiovisual presentations of both campus scenes and technical surgical procedures were also presented. The impressive display was months in the planning, a joint project of the learning resources department and the news and information services office, with much advice and help from Dr. C.G. Skinner, assistant dean of basic health sciences.

Research projects displayed were: "Approaches to Management of Type 2 Herpesvirus Hominis (HVH/2) Genital Infections: Experience Based on an Animal Model," LOIS B. ALLEN, Ph.D., assistant professor of microbiology; "Cancer And Heart Disease Appraisal Clinics", RICHARD BALDWIN, D.O., associate professor of general and family practice, VIRGINIA ELLIS, D.O., director of special clinics, and Ellen Ragsdale, R.N., Harris College of Nursing; "Spin Labels, Membranes, Drugs and Sickle Cell Anemia," GARY L. JONES, Ph.D., assistant professor of pharmacology; "The Effects of Positional Variations and a Ten Minute Supine Rest Period on Blood Pressure," JOHN GAUGL, Ph.D., chairman and associate professor of physiology, RICHARD BALDWIN, D.O., associate professor of general and family

practice and RICKY HARRIS, NTSU basic health sciences graduate student; "Sonographic Intrauterine Echo Patterns During the Menstrual Cycle," STANLEY R. BRINEY, D.O., clinical assistant professor of radiology; "History of Osteopathic Radiology," CHARLES D. OGILVIE, D.O., professor of radiology, "Oral Mucosal Changes Related to Hormone Therapy," THOMAS E. CROLEY, Ph.D., assistant professor of anatomy, and Carol Miers, Registered Dental Hygienist, New Orleans, La.: and , "Fluoride-Induced Polyuria in the Dog," R.J. SINCLAIR, Ph.D., assistant professor of physiology, and BRADLEY WOOLDRIDGE, NTSU basic health sciences graduate student.

## Sigma Sigma Phi elects officers

New officers for Sigma Sigma Phi elected for the year 1978-79 are:

President	Jim Vretis ('79)
Vice President	Steve Derdak ('80)
Secretary	Kari Olsson ('79)
Treasurer	Irv Zeitler ('79)
Sponsor	W.R. Jenkins, D.O.
Alumni Rep.	Chris Hull ('79)
Lecture Coordinator	Courtney Scott ('79)
Seminar Coordinator	David Spinks ('79)

## New library staff

Two new staff members joined the library May 1, according to an announcement by Bobby Carter, director of library services. Craig Elam began duties as associate director of technical services, while John S. Taber is the new serials librarian.

Elam received an A.B. degree from Stanford University and the M.L.S. from the University of California at Berkeley. He participated in the Graduate Program in Medical Librarianship at the University of California at Los Angeles Biomedical Library and has served as serials cataloger/documents librarian at William S. Middleton Health Sciences Library at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He is a member of the Medical Library Association.

At TCOM, Elam will be responsible for supervising and coordinating the activities of the cataloging, serials and audiovisual departments of the library. He also will be responsible for the acquisition of books and the overall development of the library's growing collections.

Taber received an undergraduate degree in history from Central Missouri State



# Dateline supplement

May 10, 1978

## An extra Dateline

Dateline is a week late (we hope you noticed!) due to the extra work involved in preparing for the convention of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association. But during that week's delay, more and more news accumulated, so we're publishing a supplement to Dateline. May is probably the busiest month of the year at TCOM, and we're trying hard to keep up and keep everyone informed.

## All-American picnic

The weather was threatening and the buses broke down, but 250 people thoroughly enjoyed the all-American picnic held Saturday, May 6 for the registrants at the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association convention and their guests. They munched on hot dogs, wandered through the River Plaza Campus Center, and toured the first three floors of Med Ed I.

Guests were transported by bus from the Sheraton-Fort Worth to River Plaza at noon. DRS. JOEL ALTER, CHARLES OGILVIE and GORDON SKINNER served as tour guides on the bus, regaling passengers with stories of both TCOM and Fort Worth. Most admitted it was the liveliest bus ride they'd had in years!

Hot dogs and beer were served under the trees in the south parking lot at River Plaza. Several members of the TCOM faculty were on hand to greet guests, and members of the Students' Associate Auxiliary joined staff in serving the picnic. Catering was done by Dwight Royer of the New Orleans Sandwich Shop and The Cafe.

After lunch, visitors were invited to tour River Plaza where faculty members were on hand in each department to explain facilities and programs.

Shortly after 1:30, buses departed for Med Ed I, where KEN COFFELT, DON DENNEY and MILTON SCHULTZ waited to tour the guests through the first three floors of the new building. After the tours, the buses took the conventioners back downtown. The sentiments of many were summed

up by one visiting physician who expressed amazement at the size of Med Ed I.

Special thanks go to the Atlas Club who donated a keg of beer to the festivities.

## Message from the Dean...

The all-American picnic hosted by TCOM for those attending the recent TOMA convention was a success. Texas osteopathic physicians, their families and friends appreciated the chance to see "their college" and learn more of its rapid growth. They were, without a doubt, impressed and pleased with our progress and, particularly, with nearly-completed Med Ed I.

My thanks to all the many TCOM people who worked for the success of this picnic--those who planned it and participated in guiding tours, welcoming guests, explaining facilities, and so on, and those who lent support by their presence at the picnic. As always, I was proud of TCOM, its faculty, staff and students on Saturday, May 6!

*Ralph L. Willard* 50

Ralph L. Willard, D.O.  
Dean

## Ray Stokes honored

In what he called one of the proudest moments of his life, Ray Stokes, director of alumni affairs, was named an associate member of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association at the recent TOMA convention. Stokes was attending his tenth consecutive convention. Associate membership is granted to someone who is not a practicing osteopathic physician but whose professional activity in an osteopathic institution closely identifies him with the profession.

Stokes began his association with the osteopathic profession in April, 1969 when he was named Director of Development at TCOM. Since then, he has filled a variety of posts, including acting business manager and acting student loan officer.

It was a week of honors for Stokes who was named "Lion of the Year in Fort Worth" at the district convention of Lions, In-

ternational held in Sherman, Texas on May 7.

## New pharmacist for clinics

Dan Hooper is the new, full time pharmacist for the clinics of the General and Family Practice Department. He will be in charge of dispensing medicine, ordering supplies and maintaining inventory for all four clinics. In this newly created position, he will "smooth out" a lot of existing problems, in the words of one staff member. Mr. Hooper previously owned Hooper's Pharmacy at 7th and Montgomery.

## People, places and things

DR. CLINTON BURNS, instructor in osteopathic philosophy, principles and practice, attended an eight-day seminar in LaJolla, California on "Expanding the Osteopathic Concept." Dr. Viola Frymann directed the seminar which dealt with the principles of diagnosis and treatment of cranial osteopathy. . . Congratulations to DR. CLINT BURNS, and his wife, FREDIA, on the May 1 birth of their first child, WESLEY THEODORE NELSON BURNS. . . DR. H.W. RANELLE chairman of the department of ophthalmology has been named a Fellow in the Osteopathic College of Ophthalmology and Otorhinolaryngology. . . KEN COFFELT, director of learning resources, and TOM COX, electronics technician, attended a meeting of representatives of area hospitals sponsored by the Department of Continuing Education at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Worth. Purpose of the meeting was to share ideas and compare available resources with the idea of possible media exchange.

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DR. PETER RAVEN, associate professor of physiology, spoke on "Heat and Air Pollution: The Cardiac Patient" at the 1978 Heart Disease and Rehabilitation: State of the Art meeting at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 11-13. . .

New employees: HELEN KEELER, social worker; NANCY DOUGLAS, library assistant; SYLVIA BOKICH, accounting; GAY DARRIN, library assistant; DOROTHY ZACHA, secretary Dean's Office; LEE MARTIN, custodian; HERSHEL BEASLEY, auto serviceman, physical plant; BRINDI HERST, library assistant; HAROLD STEWART, mail clerk; DONALD SNYDER, utility worker; DONALD VERNON, refrigeration mechanic.